

News Release



BASF site in Thane, India recognized for energy conservation

Mumbai, India – July 8, 2013 – Recognizing the efforts undertaken by industrial units, non-governmental organizations, architects, and builders in the area of efficient utilization, management and conservation of energy, the Maharashtra Energy Development Agency (a Government of Maharashtra undertaking) felicitated outstanding contributors at the 8th State-level Energy Conservation Awards. BASF's Thane site was adjudged the second place winner in the "chemicals" sub-category of industrial units.

"We are glad to receive this award," said Mr. Prasad Chandran, Chairman, BASF Companies in India & Head South Asia. "As a global signatory to Responsible Care, we aim to reduce risk, enhance management processes and drive continual performance improvement, in order to attain operational excellence. The award serves as a motivation for us, to continue adopting innovative energy conservation measures in our manufacturing operations", he added.

Participating companies were screened and evaluated by an expert Committee of Judges, which considered factors such as innovative techniques and technologies adopted, commitment of the senior management, organizational set-up to promote energy efficiency and energy conservation in the unit.

Thane is the first production site of BASF in India. Spread across an area of 9.2 hectares, the site currently engages in the manufacturing activities of textile and leather auxiliaries, coolants, polyurethanes and engineering plastics. It is ISO 9000 & 14000 and

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About BASF

BASF is the world's leading chemical company: The Chemical Company. Its portfolio ranges from chemicals, plastics, performance products and crop protection products to oil and gas. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. Through science and innovation, we enable our customers in nearly every industry to meet the current and future needs of society. Our products and solutions contribute to conserving resources, ensuring nutrition and improving quality of life. We have summed up this contribution in our corporate purpose: We create chemistry for a sustainable future. BASF had sales of €72.1 billion in 2012 and more than 110,000 employees as of the end of the year. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchanges in Frankfurt (BAS), London (BFA) and Zurich (AN). Further information on BASF is available on the Internet at [BASF Global - BASF](#).