

# JSW Cement to increase capacity to 3.4 MTPA at Bellary plant

JSW Cement Ltd, part of the USD 11 billion JSW Group is set to increase its cement manufacturing capacity from current 1.0 MTPA to 3.4 MTPA at its Bellary Plant.

"We are increasing the cement manufacturing capacity from current 1.0 MTPA to 3.4 MTPA. The additional capacity will help JSW Cement to strengthen its distribution network in high-demand potential areas throughout South India," a company statement said here.

The company will increase cement plant capacity in Vijay Nagar grinding facility to further strengthen its position in the cement industry especially in Karnataka and Kerala.

"JSW Cement today is one of the fastest growing cement companies in India. We have a distribution network of 1,800 dealers and approximately 5,000 sub dealers across the Southern Market, Maharashtra Goa and Orissa. This new additional facility will help us to further increase our network in the Southern Markets and help us serve our customers better, JSW Cement Director & CEO Anil Kumar Pillai said.

The additional facility is highly energy efficient and would churn out superior quality PSC cement and GGBS from this plant, Pillai said.

JSW Cement had entered the cement market in 2009 with a vision to ensure a sustainable future for the country by producing eco-friendly cement, using industrial by-products such as slag. Its plants at Vijayanagar in Karnataka, Nandyal in Andhra Pradesh and Dolvi in Maharashtra utilise slag from the JSW Steel plants to produce green cement.