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*VS Group Chairman, Chinta Sasidhar*



# Shaping the Future: Innovation, Collaboration, and Global Expansion

Dear VS Parivar,

We are currently at an exciting juncture of growth and transformation as the infrastructure sector is evolving rapidly, presenting us with opportunities that require strategic foresight, technical expertise, and dynamic leadership. Our journey so far has been marked by resilience and innovation, and as we move ahead, our focus remains on three critical pillars: attracting top talent, strengthening strategic collaborations, and expanding into new/international markets.



As we continue to scale new heights, bringing in bright, forward-thinking professionals will be our key differentiator, we are committed to attracting and nurturing talent that not only understands the nuances of infrastructure development but also brings fresh perspectives and innovative solutions to the table.

In an industry as dynamic as ours, expertise and governance play a crucial role in ensuring efficiency and long-term success. We are actively collaborating with leading consultancy firms to refine our corporate strategy, enhance operational governance, and align our objectives with global best practices. In the last few months, we have had some highly credible associations which include:

**BDO & Protiviti:** Risk management, regulatory compliance, operational efficiency, fraud prevention, regulatory compliance, standards, internal policies of various site facilities & procurement.

**E&Y:** Defining Annual Operating Plan aligned with long-term strategic goals and performance analysis

**PWC:** ESG strategy and evaluation

**Deloitte:** Customised SAP solutions to streamline business processes, enhance operational efficiency & resource management, reduce cost & improve data driven decision making.

**KPMG:** Audit of Fixed Assets

**Khaitan Legal Associates & Parinam Law Associates:** Legal dispute management through litigation & arbitration, legal compliance backed with extensive knowledge of local regulations & multi-jurisdictional capabilities

**Dhruva Consultants:** Tax Consultancy and regulatory tax compliances

**Singh & Associates:** Claim administration & advisory

These partnerships enable us to optimize decision-making, improve risk management, and ensure sustainable development while maintaining the highest standards of ethics and compliance.

With a strong foundation in our home markets, we are now setting our sights on international opportunities. Infrastructure demand continues to rise globally, and we see immense potential in expanding our footprint beyond borders. With our first Road Project in Guyana having commenced, we now look at entering the Middle East and Africa, given our strong team in Dubai backed by the Finance team's fund raising credentials from Europe and UK.

As we look ahead, our mission remains clear: to build sustainable, high-impact infrastructure that drives economic growth and improves lives. This vision is achievable only through the collective efforts of our talented workforce, strategic partners, and a relentless pursuit of excellence. Together, we are not just building infrastructure; we are shaping the future.

## Shivdutt Das

Managing Director

Vishwa Samudra Holdings Pvt. Ltd.



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VISHWAN is the medium that connects the VS Family.

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# Vishwa Samudra Group announces its Key Managerial Positions: Lakshmi Priyadarshini as Vice Chairperson & Shividutt Das as Managing Director

The Group has announced Ms. Lakshmi Priyadarshini Chinta as the Vice Chairperson and Mr. Shividutt Das as the Managing Director for Vishwa Samudra Holdings Pvt. Ltd., who will spearhead the Chairman Mr. Chinta Sasidhar's vision.

Ms. Priyadarshini has not only spearheaded the massive CSR initiatives so far but she has been the force behind the group's vision and expansion over the years. People policies and administration have always been her interest beyond staying actively involved in the day to day affairs of the company. An avid mathematician who had found her world in teaching children the simpler ways to solve the most complex problems of maths now creates the right balance and gender inclusion ratios of the group philosophy.

Mr. Shividutt has been part of the group for the last few years working as the Group Executive Director, driving Finance, Treasury, Strategic Planning, Legal, Compliance, Risk, IT and Human Resources and International Business.



# One Vision, Many Locations: VS Group Celebrates the first Founder's Day

January 29, 2025 will be remembered forever as the first Founder's Day for the Vishwa Samudra Group. Across multiple offices and sites, the spirit of unity and pride filled the air as employees came together to joyfully celebrate Founder's Day. This special occasion marks not just the visionary leadership of Mr. Chinta Sasidhar, the Chairman of the Vishwa Samudra Group, that laid the foundation for the company but also the collective dedication that has driven its success over the years. From lively gatherings, lunches and heartfelt speeches to team activities and commemorative engagements, each office contributed to the festive atmosphere, reflecting a shared commitment



Hyderabad (Head Office)



Mumbai - Chembur



Mumbai - Santacruz





Mulapeta



Kannur



Jammu



Kollam

Paravoor



Varanasi



Nellore



Kolkata



# Engineering Marvel Unveiled: Vishwa Samudra Delivers Landmark Elevated Corridor spanning a width of 33.5 meters at the Jammu Katara Expressway Project

In January 2025, VSE achieved a unique milestone of erecting the **country's widest carriageway, spanning 33.5 meters at the NHAI Jammu Katara Expressway Project.**

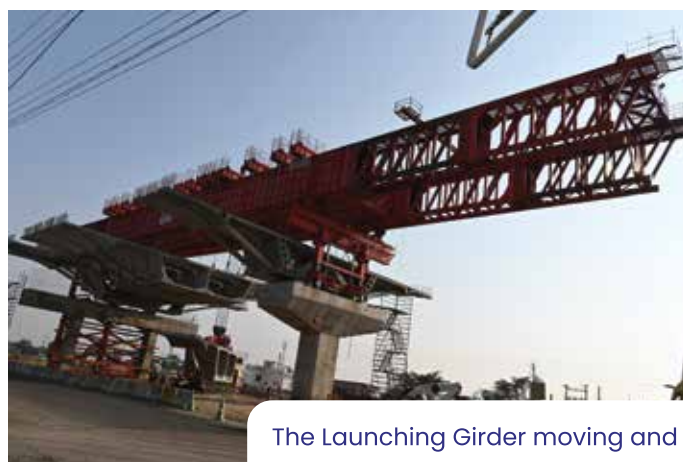
Considered as one of the most challenging projects due to the soil conditions and surrounding topography, this engineering marvel involves the construction using the 'Span-by-Span method for a length of **5.366 kms** of elevated corridors, which consists of **122 spans distributed across 4 elevated corridors.** The level of difficulty in a project like this is unmatched as **all the spans are located in heavily urbanised areas.** This project symbolises VSE's experience and expertise in creating complex structures using specialised construction tools and techniques.

This state-of-the-art infrastructure was meticulously constructed using an advanced Launching Girder, ensuring efficiency, safety, and minimal environmental impact.

<b>Carriageway Width</b>	33.5 m	<b>Weight of Span: 2160 MT</b> <b>Lifting Height: 16.55 M</b>
<b>Total Length of Elevated Corridor</b>	5.366 Kms in 4 elevated corridors	
<b>Total No. of Spans</b>	122 units	<b>BRIDGECON</b>
<b>Launching Girder used</b>	Bridgecon LG	
<b>Process</b>	Span-by-Span Method	
<b>Key Focus</b>	Construction Quality and Safety remains our top priority throughout the current operations.	
<b>Project Head</b>	Mr. CH Sankara Rao	



Spearheaded by Mr. CH Sankara Rao, Project Head – Jammu, this achievement demonstrates the VS Group Chairman, Mr. Chinta Sasidhar's vision to make VSE a world class company that sets new standards in the field of Engineering and Construction. The constant support and guidance of VSE Managing Director, Dr. Anil Kumar Yendluri, ensure the task was completed safely and efficiently. Overcoming complex site challenges, VSE has displayed its capabilities constructing this mammoth structure, which will eventually enhance connectivity and ease traffic flow for thousands of commuters.



The Launching Girder moving and placing the spans along the flyover.



# Innovation in Motion: 38 span structures installed with a Launching Girder in the Kannur NHAI NH-17 Project

VSE's innovation flourished with a remarkable momentous activity in January 2025, by successfully erecting 38 span structures on a 1.454 km-long flyover as part of the NHAI Kannur Project. This achievement was integral to the construction of a major bridge at Valapattnam on NH-17, where Vishwa Samudra is responsible for developing 29.985 km of roadway. With a width of 16 meters and the added complexity of construction over a water body, the process posed significant engineering challenges.



To execute this intricate task, VSE's team employed the 'Span-by-Span' method using the **DEAL**

**Launching Girder**, ensuring precision and efficiency. This project stands as a testament to VSE's vast experience and expertise in delivering complex structures with specialized construction tools and techniques. This cutting-edge infrastructure was meticulously built with an **advanced Launching Girder**, optimizing efficiency, ensuring safety, and minimizing environmental impact.

<b>Carriageway Width</b>	16 m (4-lane)	<b>Weight of Span: 600 MT</b> <b>Lifting Height: 10.2 M</b>
<b>Total Length of Elevated Corridor</b>	1.454 Km	
<b>Total No. of Spans</b>	38 units	
<b>Minimum length of span</b>	37.35 m	
<b>Maximum length of span (Navigational span)</b>	55.1 m	
<b>Launching Girder used</b>	DEAL LG	
<b>Process</b>	Span-by-Span Method	
<b>Key Focus</b>	Construction Quality and Safety remains our top priority throughout the current operations.	
<b>Project Head</b>	Mr. G Srinivasa Rao	



Aerial view of the Launching Girder placing the spans on the flyover

Led by **Mr. G Srinivasa Rao, Project Head – Kannur**, this achievement reflects the **vision of VS Group Chairman, Mr. Chinta Sasidhar**, to establish **VSE as a world-class company**, setting new benchmarks in **Engineering and Construction**. The unwavering support and guidance of **VSE Managing Director, Dr. Anil Kumar Yendluri**, played a crucial role in ensuring the project's safe and efficient completion.

By overcoming complex site challenges, **VSE has successfully constructed this monumental structure**, which will significantly improve connectivity and streamline traffic flow for thousands of commuters.





Vishwa Teja

## Vishwa Samudra strengthens fleet with 3 New Dredgers: Vishwa Teja, VS Lava & VS Kusa, costing over INR 230 Cr (US\$ 26.6 Mn) - to Enhance Port Operations

The Vishwa Samudra Group, one of the handful entities in India that has a Dredging division with its own fleet, expands its dredging capabilities with the acquisition of 3 state-of-the-art Dredgers. A Trailing Suction Dredger **Vishwa Teja**, from a Shanghai-based company, and 2 Cutter Suction Beaver Dredgers **VS Lava and VS Kusa**, from Royal IHC, Netherlands - have been procured to support the ongoing construction of the Mulapeta Deepwater Port in Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh.

By strengthening its fleet, Vishwa Samudra aims to provide reliable, sustainable, and high-performance dredging solutions that support economic growth and maritime infrastructure. The new additions will enable the company to meet increasing industry demands while maintaining its reputation for excellence in port and coastal management.

These Dredgers are being used currently for dredging a total quantity of approx. **15.85 million cubic meters**, including an approx. of **4.5 million cubic meters for land reclamation**. A total of approximately 710 acres of land will be reclaimed to a level of (+)6 meters RL. This reclaimed land will be used for port facility buildings, coal stockyards, cargo storage yards, and other infrastructure necessary for port operations.

### Technical Specifications of Vishwa Teja

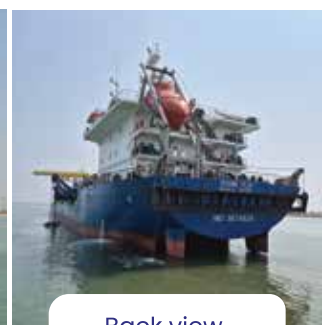
Parameters	Specs.
Type of Dredger	Trailing Suction Dredger
Discharge Diameter (mm)	500
Dredging Depth (Mtrs)	30 Mtrs
Hopper Capacity	5586 M <sup>3</sup>
BUNKER CAPACITY LO/MDO	564 M <sup>3</sup>
SPEED	11.5 KN



Storage area



Front view



Back view



Vishwa Teja

**Cost of the Dredgers**

Vishwa Teja: US\$ 18 Mn / INR 155 Cr  
 VS Lava: US\$ 4.4 Mn / INR 38.5 Cr  
 VS Kusa: US\$ 4.2 Mn / INR 36.5 Cr



**Technical Specifications of VS Lava & VS Kusa:**

Parameters	Specs.
Type of Dredger	Cutter Suction Dredger
Model Name	Beaver 50
Discharge Diameter (mm)	50
Dredging Depth (mtrs)	16
Installed Power (KW)	1350
Cutter Power (KW)	170
Engine Model	3512 C
Pipeline (KM)	4 KM ((1 KM FLP+3 KM SPL)

**Salient Features of these Dredgers**

- Reliable
- Fuel efficient
- Low maintenance costs
- Extremely productive at all dredging depths
- High technology features



VS Kusa



VS Lava



# VSE's green approach to Saving Cost and Reducing Carbon Footprint: Recycling Cut Steel

Steel is a critical material in construction, but it often leads to significant scrap due to excess cutting. To tackle this, VS introduced an innovative approach to recycle and reuse steel. Any steel pieces longer than 1 meter are now coupled for re-use, minimizing waste and conserving both material and cost.

The process begins by segregating steel based on diameter, and then coupling it based on the project's specific size requirements.

Steel coupling is a method where leftover or scrap pieces

of steel are strategically joined together, often through welding or mechanical fasteners, to create larger, usable pieces of steel, thereby minimizing waste and maximizing the utilization of scrap material in manufacturing processes.

This approach not only helps in saving on procurement costs but also significantly reduces the environmental footprint. By repurposing cut steel, VS demonstrates its commitment to sustainability, while still maintaining high standards the projects demand.



Steel bars on-site



Scrap collection



Segregation

### Projects Implemented in:

1. Kannur Highway
2. Kollam Highway
3. Paravoor Highway
4. Jammu Highway
5. Mulapeta Port



### Quantity of steel Recycled till Date:

1656.64 MT



### Cost Savings till Date:

INR 9.94 Cr (US\$ 1.2 Mn)



### Carbon Emission Savings till Date

Approx 3065 MT

(Carbon Emissions needed for virgin steel production: energy, GHGS involved in raw material extraction)



Bar Straightening



Forging of TMT Bars



Threading of TMT Bars



Coupled Steel Bars

# VSE becomes the first Indian Infrastructure company to secure a Swiss Bank Loan for an NHAI Project - Varanasi Ropeway

VSH MD Shivdutt Das engaging in the Panel Discussion



Vishwa Samudra Engineering becomes the first Indian company to secure a Swiss Bank Loan for an NHAI Project. This was featured at the DACH Export Credit Agency Financing Conference in New Delhi, with **Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways**, Mr. Nitin Gadkari on October 24, 2024.

VSE secured a loan of up to **EUR 40 million** from a Swiss bank for the **Varanasi Ropeway Project**, making it the first Indian infrastructure company to obtain such financing for an NHAI project. This achievement was highlighted at the Export Financing Conference held in New Delhi, where **Mr. Shivdutt Das**, Managing Director of the Vishwa Samudra Group, participated in a panel discussion on innovative financing strategies. The panel included spokespersons from SERV and Euhler Hermes. During the conference, **Mr. Nitin Gadkari** delivered the

keynote address, reinforcing the government's commitment to infrastructure development. The Varanasi Ropeway, located in the Hon'ble Prime Minister's constituency, is India's first urban ropeway and is being commissioned by the National Highway Logistics Management Ltd. (NHML).

The secured loan will facilitate payments to **Bartholet Maschinenbau AG** from Switzerland, the project's technology partner. This initiative not only underscores VSE's strong financial network in Europe but also sets a precedent for future foreign investments in Indian infrastructure. By navigating international finance successfully, VSE encourages other companies to explore foreign loans as viable alternatives to domestic funding.

VSH MD Shivdutt Das in discussion with Mr. Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister of Roads Transport and Highways of India



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## How Vishwa Samudra Group is riding the infra wave

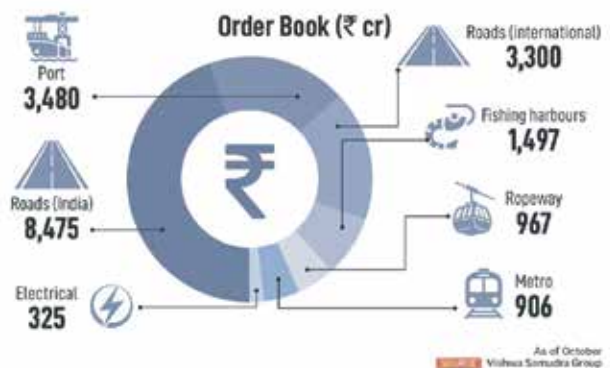
Vishwa Samudra Group is taking advantage of government infrastructure projects, and delivering tech-centric and quality-centric solutions

Anil Yendluri believes it's all the grace of Lord Guruvayurappan, a form of Lord Vishnu, worshipped and revered in the southern state of Kerala.

Although, a non-Keralite by birth, it had been in Kerala that Yendluri spent a considerable amount of his professional life, rising through the ranks of the Indian Police Service (IPS) to become an inspector general (IG), the third highest position in the police service. Yendluri joined the IPS in 1988. "I know Kerala inside out," he says. "That means, I know how the people think and how work needs to be done there."

In 2009, Yendluri took voluntary retirement from the IPS to join Krishnapatnam Port, a greenfield project being developed by the Hyderabad-based Navayuga Group in Andhra Pradesh, as its managing director. "It's not easy to develop a port in India," Yendluri says. "But, to build a greenfield port, make it world-class, and finally get the kind of value in a short time shows the strong mental strength that we had."

In 2020, the Adani Group bought a 75 percent stake in Krishnapatnam Port for Rs12,000 crore, before purchasing the remaining stake for Rs2,800 crore in 2021. The remaining 25 percent in the port was held by Vishwa Samudra Group, founded by C Sasidhar, who had served as the port's managing director. His family owned Navayuga Group, and Sasidhar had ventured out alongside the family business, which included his father and brother, to set up the Vishwa Samudra Group in 2016.



The sale, which was among the biggest port deals in India, saw the Adani Group scale up its presence on the eastern coast of the country, and in many ways, also laid the foundations of what would eventually become Vishwa Samudra Engineering, the flagship company of the Vishwa Samudra Group. That arm, originally founded in 2016, had largely focussed on the port side activities and infrastructure of Krishnapatnam Port until then.

"But, infrastructure sector, especially roads, was a massive opportunity both in India and abroad," says C Sasidhar, chairman of Vishwa Samudra Group. "If you look at the US, the country is famous for its roads. India has some tremendous opportunities in the road and infrastructure space."

That meant, in early 2021, after the deal with the Adanis

was complete, Sasidhar and Yendluri turned all their attention to highways, which is when Kerala came back into the picture for Yendluri. "When others were shying away from Kerala, we got our first project in developing the highways there," he says. "It was not a small project and was worth Rs2,100 crore." Over the next few months, the company bagged two more highway projects in Kerala, as part of the state's massive road expansion plans. Today, the Vishwa Samudra Group is building key stretches of the 582 km of highways in Kerala, a state that was once notorious for lack of land availability for road expansion, which had crippled its highway infrastructure.



Since then, the group has managed to scale up significantly and boasts an order book in excess of Rs19,000 crore, of which over 60 percent is in the highway sector. The Vishwa Samudra Group comprises 15 divisions and is headquartered in Hyderabad. Apart from engineering and infrastructure, its other businesses include construction, shipping services, port and maritime services, real estate and logistics.

In FY24, Vishwa Samudra Engineering, which accounts for over 95 percent of the group's revenues, earned Rs3,180

crore. By FY27, it is looking at revenues of Rs12,000 crore, which could go up to Rs30,000 crore by FY30.

### Into new frontiers

The group is engaged in building India's first urban ropeway project in Varanasi, which is among the pet projects of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Vishwa Samudra won the bid when tenders were floated in 2021, in partnership with Switzerland-based Bartholet Maschinenbau AG.

That project spans 3.85 km, with a passenger capacity of 96,000 per day. In all, the government has identified 200 such projects for Rs1.25 lakh crore over the next five years under the National Ropeways Development Programme, or the Parvatmala Pariyojana. The project offers significant opportunities for the likes of Vishwa Samudra Group, which has an early mover advantage in the niche segment.

The group is also undertaking significant road projects across the country. These include the development of National Highway (NH) 244A in Jammu, two different stretches of NH47 in Kerala, and NH17 in Kerala. Together, the four highway projects account for Rs6,640 crore. The company is also building rural roads in Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.

"We feel we are slow even though it looks very fast for others," adds Sasidhar. "We can achieve more with our strength because the talent that the group is sitting on is extremely strong." Sasidhar had built a reputation for executing the Krishnapatnam Port in 18 months. In addition,



VS Chairman Chinta Sasidhar inside the Porsche-designed Gondola



Vishwa Samudra Group has grabbed a project in Guyana, in South America, for the construction of a highway worth \$412 million.

For all this, the company is banking on what it calls Stabilroad, a technology developed in Germany that processes existing soils with cement and special additives, making the soil resistant to compressive strength as well as elastic, waterproof, and frost resistant. Stabilroad also claims to be greener, with significantly less pollution, and lower labour and fuel costs.

“When we started, we saw that the market has a few big players and many small players, but without many good quality players,” adds Yendluri. “Because they were all old-generation construction companies with old methodologies and old mindsets and old value systems, we realised we needed a new mindset, new technologies, and new value systems. We wanted to create a new generation construction company that is tech-centric, quality-centric, cost-centric and at the end of the day, not just making money or completing the projects but creating value.”

India’s highway sector has been in the midst of a transformation over the past decade, largely due to the Modi government’s focus on the sector, with over 50,000 km added in the last decade, since he has been in power. The trend is expected to continue, even though the sector has seen some plateauing in recent times. In 2024, rating agency ICRA revised its forecast of road awards by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways to 8,500 km to 9,000 km, similar to last year’s awarding of 8,581 km.



Bull Wheel of the Ropeway

“With improved clarity regarding order-awarding activity from the roads ministry in August, project awarding is expected to gain momentum from September onwards,” wrote Vinay Kumar, sector head of corporate ratings at ICRA, in a statement. “However, the overall project award will remain substantially lower than that of FY21-FY23 levels. Consequently, the growth momentum witnessed by road developers in recent years will moderate in the next 12 to 18 months.”

This is also why the group is actively scaling up on its other infrastructure offerings in the country. It is building a greenfield port at Mulapeta in Andhra Pradesh for the state government, worth Rs3,000 crore. The project will see the construction of four berths. There is also the construction of five fishing harbours in Andhra Pradesh.

“We have not gone very aggressive with our bidding,” says Shivdutt Das, executive director of Vishwa Samudra Holdings. “We could have gone on to bid for projects worth Rs50,000 crore. But we have been selective about what we do. If we look at our numbers compared to competitors, they would be operating with an Ebitda margin of 10 percent and PAT [profit after tax] of 4 percent. We have been at 15 percent Ebitda and 8 percent PAT.” This year, the company is looking at a topline of Rs4,000 crore.

**“We can achieve more with our strength because the talent that the group is sitting on is extremely strong.”**

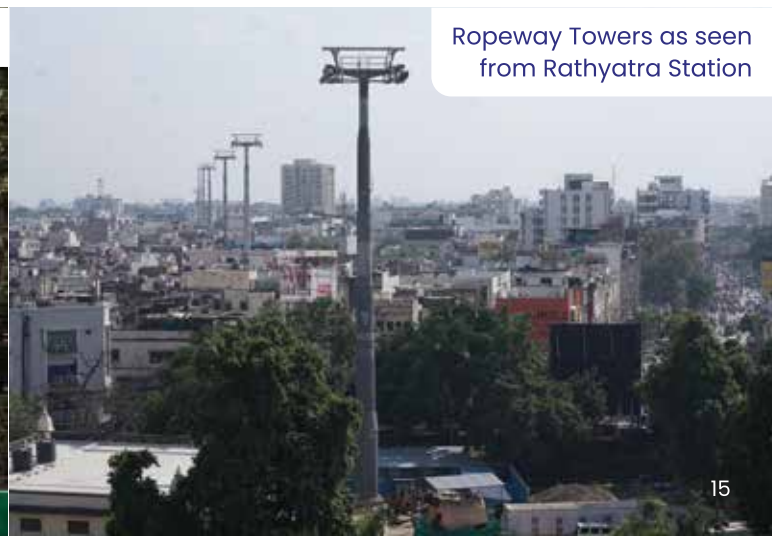
**C Sasidhar**, Founder and Chairman, Vishwa Samudra Group

Roads and ports apart, the Vishwa Samudra Group is building depot infrastructures, an operational control centre, and an administrative building, for the Mumbai Metro in addition to an electrification project for the Uttar Pradesh government. The company had also relaid the runway for the Hyderabad airport, along with building the residential quarters for security personnel at the Goa airport.

Despite all this diversification in the domestic markets, it’s the global market that Sasidhar and Yendluri want a pie of, especially in Africa and Saudi Arabia, among others. “Our strategy is to go into areas where others either hesitate or take time,” Yendluri says. “We want to be a modern new generation infra company going into all types of projects, not just roads or ports.”



Gondola on display



Ropeway Towers as seen from Rathayatra Station

# Unveiling VSE's first Annual Report for FY 23-24

The VS Group unveiled VSE's first Annual Report for the FY 2023-24, which bursts with vibrancy, reflecting a year of transformative growth and innovation. With a bold design and compelling visuals, it captures the company's ambitious projects, from cutting-edge green initiatives to monumental infrastructure developments that drive progress – from India's first Urban Ropeway Project in Varanasi to the 4 NHAI Highways across the country and the impactful philanthropic activities under the Chinta Sasidhar Foundation, it covers them all.



The infographics bring to life the impact of VSE's work, showcasing partnerships, sustainability milestones, and community benefits. The report's confident tone aligns with its forward-looking strategy, highlighting a commitment to resilience, technological advancement, and inclusive growth. It's not just a summary of achievements but a celebration of a dynamic vision for the future.



L-R: Group CFO Abhishek Jalan, VSE MD Dr. Anil Yendluri, Chairman C. Sasidhar, VSH MD Shivdutt Das, Vice Chairperson Priyadarshini Chinta



# Vishwa Samudra's Vision for a Data-Driven Future with Data Lake

## What is Data Lake?

A **centralized repository** that stores vast amounts of raw data in its native format, including **structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data**.

It makes it easier for analytics and Machine Learning (ML) to extract insights and drive informed decision-making.

## Implementation at Vishwa Samudra Engineering

**Data Lake** is implemented by aggregating historical data from past projects, which includes:

**Correspondences:** Emails, project reports, meeting minutes, etc.

**Materials:** Data on resources, equipment usage, and inventories.

**Systems:** Logs from different infrastructure management tools or platforms.



Azure  
Synapse Analytics

**Implemented in October 2024**, in alignment with **Azure Synapse** as it is cost efficient & works as a single data repository, in contrast to AWS (Amazon Web Service).

## Benefits to Vishwa Samudra Engineering Pvt. Ltd.

**Efficient Resource Allocation:** Analyzing historical data allows the company to better predict and allocate resources (personnel, machinery, etc.) to ensure optimal project timelines.

**Real-Time Project Monitoring:** With live data flowing into the Data Lake, the company can monitor project status in real-time, making quicker adjustments when required.

**Cost Optimization:** Data-driven insights enable the company to identify inefficiencies, cut costs, and improve budgeting for future projects.

**Improved Safety Measures:** By analyzing safety data from previous projects, the company can identify potential risks and put safety measures in place early in the planning stages.

**Compliance and Audit:** Storing all relevant data helps ensure the company adheres to regulatory requirements and facilitates easier audits.



## Usage of Data Lake by NHA (National Highways Authority of India)

NHA has also implemented a **Data Lake** to centralize and manage vast volumes of data related to **highway projects, contracts, and transactions**. This data feeds into platforms used by stakeholders such as **MoRTH (Ministry of Road Transport and Highways)**, **NITI Aayog**, and the government for real-time project monitoring, transparency, tracking, and planning.

For Vishwa Samudra Engineering Pvt. Ltd., the Data Lake represents more than just a storage solution. It's a strategic tool for digital transformation. By harnessing the power of data, the company aims to optimize operations, enhance decision-making using predictive analytics, and drive efficiency in project delivery, reducing costs, delays, and risks.

The company has already started utilizing insights for resource allocation, project monitoring, and cost optimization.

## StabilRoad: GEO Practices 2024 at IIT-Hyderabad

**Event Brief:** StabilRoad additive was promoted along with a technical presentation and core samples to experts from several States, Professors and Road Construction agencies from across the country.

**Date:** 4th October 2024 to 5th October 2024

**Venue:** IIT – Hyderabad, Telangana



## StabilRoad: IRC Annual Session 2024

**Event Brief:** At the 83rd Annual Session of the Indian Roads Congress Event, StabilRoad featured its FDR/SS technologies that have been implemented across the country. PWD officials from various states like Madhya Pradesh, the North-Eastern States, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and more visited the stall and showed keen interest in the technology.

Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister for Roads and Highways – Govt. of India – visited the StabilRoad stall and appreciated the technology and efforts put in by the team.

**Event Date:** 8th November to 10th November, 2024

**Venue:** Raipur, Chhattisgarh

At the StabilRoad stall: Mr. Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Minister of Roads Transport and Highways of India



## VS Group: CSR & ESG Summit

**Event Brief:** The VS Group showcased its credentials, unique sustainable initiatives and engagements in the areas of education, animal welfare and ayurveda, creating awareness about the group's presence across various realms in business and philanthropy.

**Event Date:** 16th – 18th October, 2024

**Event Venue:** New Delhi



**TOTAL CO2 REDUCTIONS: OVER 35,000 TONNES**

# Strengthening Global Presence: VS Group opens doors in Dubai with its International Office

The Vishwa Samudra Group has inaugurated its new office in Dubai, strategically located at the ICD Brookfield Place – Dubai International Finance Centre.

This prime CBD location places the conglomerate at the heart of Dubai's bustling financial district, positioning it perfectly to engage with corporate clients and partners in the UAE and across the Middle East.

The new office spans 935 square meters and is designed for optimal functionality. The new office is meticulously designed to enhance operational efficiency and client

engagement.

It includes a state-of-the-art meeting room, a private cabin, and an 8-seater workspace, supporting dynamic collaboration and strategic discussions.

This expansion marks a pivotal moment in the VS Group's regional strategy, enabling it to capitalize on the Middle East's burgeoning market opportunities. By establishing a physical presence in this influential business hub, the VS Group is poised to strengthen its market position, drive regional growth, and foster critical business alliances.

1 Meeting Room

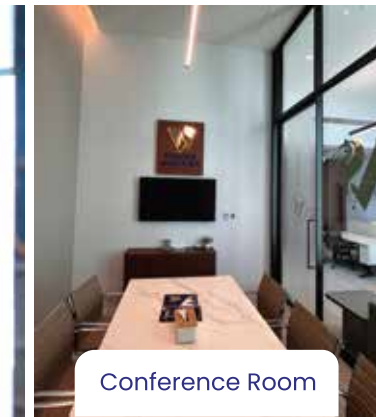
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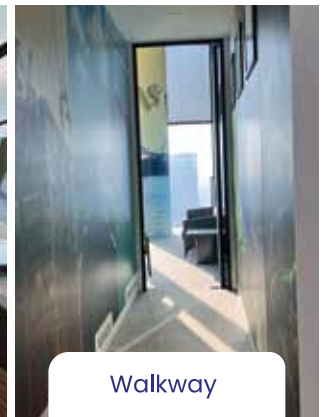
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Office visit by VS Group Chairman Chinta Sasidhar & Vice Chairperson Priyadarshini Chinta



Conference Room



Walkway



Workstations



Meeting Lounge

## Office Address:

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L5008, Sky Suites, ICD Brookfield Place, Dubai International Finance Centre, Dubai, UAE.

# Vishwa Nethra completes close to 6000 eye surgeries in collaboration with Shraddha Eye Care Trust

The Chinta Sasidhar Foundation reached a momentous milestone of completing 5846 Cataract Eye Surgeries as of January 2025, as part of the initiative taken up by the visionary VS Group Chairman Mr. Chinta Sasidhar in January 2024 to complete 10,000 FREE eye surgeries for individuals, in association with Shraddha Eye Care Trust, led by the legendary Dr. Sri Ganesh. This initiative not only covers the underprivileged people

in and around VS sites, but also extends to the VS Group employees which include truck drivers and labourers. The initiative reflects on the group's dedication to corporate social responsibility and underscores the belief that every person, regardless of their economic circumstances, deserves the opportunity to lead a life with the gift of sight.

<b>Eye Surgeries Targeted</b>	10,000
<b>Eye Surgeries completed as of Jan 2025</b>	5846
<b>VS Group Employees Screened</b>	over 3,000
<b>Surgeries done</b>	33 people
<b>Spectacles given</b>	Over 200 people



Vishwa Suraksha, the healthcare monitoring cell of the VS Group is the key lead across the country in organising these camps and wellness drives to ensure efficient and impactful operations.

# Superfoods to make you a super employee

In this edition of Vishwan, we take you through an important nutrition-based health tip, about Superfoods. These are nutrient-dense foods that are packed with vitamins, minerals, antioxidants, and other health-boosting compounds. Often derived from natural sources, they are celebrated for their potential to improve energy levels, support immune function, and reduce the risk of chronic diseases due to their high levels of essential nutrients and antioxidants.

Here's a list of some popular superfoods and their key benefits:

## 1. Fruits

**Blueberries:** Rich in antioxidants, supports brain health, and boosts immunity.

**Avocados:** Packed with healthy fats, potassium, and vitamins.

**Pomegranates:** Contains antioxidants that promote heart health and reduce inflammation.



## 2. Vegetables

**Kale:** High in vitamins A, C, and K, as well as fibre and antioxidants.

**Spinach:** Packed with iron, calcium, and folate for bone and muscle health.

**Broccoli:** Contains cancer-fighting compounds and is rich in vitamins C and K.

**Sweet Potatoes:** A great source of beta-carotene, potassium, and fibre.

## 3. Grains and Seeds

**Quinoa:** A complete protein rich in fibre, iron, and magnesium.

**Chia Seeds:** High in omega-3s, fibre, and protein; great for digestion and heart health.

**Flaxseeds:** Rich in omega-3 fatty acids and lignans, beneficial for heart and hormone health.

**Oats:** High in fibre, supports heart health, and stabilizes blood sugar levels.



## 4. Nuts and Legumes

**Almonds:** Provide healthy fats, vitamin E, and magnesium for brain and heart health.

**Walnuts:** Rich in omega-3 fatty acids and antioxidants for heart and brain health.

**Lentils:** High in plant-based protein, fibre, and iron, supporting digestion and energy.

**Chickpeas:** Great for protein, fibre, and supporting gut health.

## 5. Fish and Animal Products

**Salmon:** Packed with omega-3 fatty acids and vitamin D for heart and brain health.

**Eggs:** A complete protein source with essential vitamins like B12 and choline.

**Greek Yogurt:** High in probiotics, protein, and calcium for gut and bone health.



## 6. Herbs and Spices

**Turmeric:** Contains curcumin, a powerful anti-inflammatory and antioxidant.

**Ginger:** Supports digestion, reduces inflammation, and alleviates nausea.

**Garlic:** Boosts immunity and supports heart health by lowering blood pressure.

## 7. Beverages

**Green Tea:** Rich in antioxidants, boosts metabolism, and supports brain health.

**Matcha:** A concentrated form of green tea with enhanced antioxidant properties.

**Kombucha:** Fermented tea packed with probiotics for gut health.



## 8. Oils

**Olive Oil:** A heart-healthy fat with anti-inflammatory properties.

**Coconut Oil:** Provides medium-chain triglycerides (MCTs) for quick energy.

## 9. Miscellaneous Superfoods

**Dark Chocolate (70%+ Cocoa):** High in antioxidants, supports brain function and heart health.

**Seaweed:** Rich in iodine, supports thyroid health and provides trace minerals.



# Teeing off triumph with Golf, Glamour and endless Glory!



VS Group Chairman Chinta Sasidhar

At the Vishwa Samudra Golden Eagles Golf Championships, 2024

With a nip in the air and the course stretching beyond the greens, it is time to dive into the enchanting realm of golf, where style meets excellence. The eagerly awaited Vishwa Samudra Golden Eagles Golf Championships 2024 made a grand return for its magnificent 8th edition, igniting excitement in the dynamic golfing landscapes of Mumbai and Delhi.

The tournament's first leg was held at the iconic **ITC Classic Golf & Country Club in Delhi on November 17**. It was a dazzling showcase of golfing excellence. Nestled amidst picturesque panorama, the venue welcomed top

golfers worldwide, who gathered to bring their A-game to the lush greens. It was a celebration of grandeur, marked by thrilling performances and an electric atmosphere. With every swing and putt, the event etched its mark on golfing history, leaving fans and participants with memories of a truly remarkable day.

On **November 24**, the rich green fairways of the **Bombay Presidency Golf Club in Mumbai** buzzed with energy as an exhilarating golf tournament unfolded. Against the breathtaking backdrop of the club, golfers displayed remarkable skill and precision, creating a day that blended fierce competition with genuine camaraderie. Both events were marked by the vibrant spirit and excitement that became hallmarks for golf enthusiasts.

VSE MD Dr. Anil Yendlluri



VS Group MD Shivdutt Das



VS Group Chairman Chinta Sasidhar with Actor Ajay Devgn and Cricketer Yuvraj Singh



This year's championship was a spectacular gathering, showcasing the finest elite athletes, alongside glamorous celebrities and influential corporate leaders. The tournament brought together nearly 200 golfing enthusiasts, split between the two cities. Attendees experienced a thrilling atmosphere charged with competitive spirit, where every moment was infused with luxury and bracing entertainment. Every night saw an amalgamation of the best culinary spread and cocktails to enhance the occasion.

This edition was a phenomenal display of talent and prestige. It upped the stakes with an impressive lineup of prizes, including one of the best cars in the world, the **BMW XM, costing a whopping INR 2.65 Cr** for the

Hole-in-One and a Rolex Oyster Perpetual for the overall champions in each city – which was bagged by Mr. Kabir Kewalramani in Mumbai and Mr. Mirnal Bharti in Delhi. Additional prizes featured putters from Callaway and TaylorMade, Tumi Golf Bags, Apple iPhone 16 Pros and Watches, and golf pro-shop gift vouchers.

The star-studded event was graced by legendary figures and rising stars of golf and beyond. Indian cricketing legend **Kapil Dev** took to the greens alongside celebrated Indian golf professionals **Neha Tripathi** and **Ridhima Dilawari**. International ladies' pro – **Camilla Lennarth** from Sweden and **Rachel Drummond** from the UK joined the action, captivating the audience with their precision and flair.

Delhi Winner: Mr. Mirnal Bharti



Mumbai Winner: Mr. Kabir Kewalramani



Pro Golfer Camilla Lennarth & Host Shonali Negrani



Hole in 1 Prize: BMW XM



Swedish Pro Golfer Camilla Lennarth



The event transcended the boundaries of golf, transforming it into a lavish celebration that was a perfect blend of glitz and glamour. The prize distribution ceremony was a star-studded extravaganza, featuring the esteemed presence of Bollywood luminaries **Riteish Deshmukh, Genelia Deshmukh** and **Ajay Devgn**.

Amidst the opulent surroundings, the atmosphere was electrifying as India's rap sensation **Badshah** took to the stage. His dynamic performance was infused with an infectious energy that enthralled the audience as he delivered his chart-topping hits. The combination of star power, luxury and sensational entertainment made the celebrations in both Mumbai and Delhi truly unforgettable.

Since its inception in 2015, the Golden Eagles Golf Championships has flourished into a prestigious event that captivates golf enthusiasts and socialites alike. This remarkable championship is the creation of **Mr. Chinta Sasidhar**, the visionary Chairman of the Vishwa Samudra Group. The tournament not only highlights the competitive spirit of golf but also celebrates the class and glamour that accompany the sport.

The Vishwa Samudra Group, a prominent business conglomerate headquartered in the vibrant city of

Hyderabad with a strategically located international office in Dubai, stands as a beacon of innovation and growth. Known for its rapid expansion, the group encompasses over 15 companies with operations across the USA, UAE, France, Germany, the Maldives, Guyana, and more. Its flagship company, Vishwa Samudra Engineering is currently the fastest growing infrastructure company in India with a working Order Book of INR 21,100 Cr (US\$ 2.62 Bn), achieving this figure in under 4 years, specializing in projects across Roads, Ports, Fishing Harbors, Urban Ropeways, Metro Depot, Buildings, Tunnels, Bridges, Electrical, Irrigation and more.

With a diverse portfolio, the VS Group operates across multiple sectors, including Infrastructure & Engineering, Construction, Logistics, Shipping Services, Maritime Services, Manufacturing, Commodity Trading, Security Services, Port Operations and Real Estate. This broad spectrum of activities reflects the group's commitment to innovation and its significant contribution to the global economy.

This championship stands as a testament to its growing prestige, with the unwavering support of the Vishwa Samudra Group. As the tournament continues to grow in stature, it will undoubtedly remain a cornerstone of excellence in the world of golf and beyond.

Indian Pro Golfer Ridhima Dhillawari



UK Pro Golfer Rachel Drummond





The audience enthralled by Badshah's performance



Kapil Dev & Riteish Deshmukh



L-R: Shivdutt Das, Sonam Das, Ajay Devgn, Lakshmi Priyadarshini, Chinta Sasidhar



Singer & Rapper Badshah



Indian Cricket Legend Kapil Dev



L-R: Ajay Devgn, Genelia Deshmukh, Kapil Dev, Riteish Deshmukh





Dr. Anil Yendluri & Karan Medappa

Dr. Anil Yendluri



Ajay Devgn



Ajay Devgn, Genelia Deshmukh & Riteish Deshmukh



VS Group MD Shivdutt Das with Maldives Finance Minister Mr. Moosa Zameer

# Vishwa Samudra takes centre stage as Title Sponsor for the world's oldest Durga Puja

VS was the Title Sponsor for one of the oldest Durga Pujas in the world – organized by the North Bombay Durga Puja Sarbojanin Charitable Trust, this grand cultural and spiritual event was held from October 9th to 12th, 2024, in Mumbai. Founded in 1948 lead by the legendary figure Mr. Sashadhar Mukherjee, it welcomes over 500,000

visitors annually over the 3-4 days and has graced popular filmstars like Alia Bhatt, Kajol, Ajay Devgn, Ranbir Kapoor, Amitabh Bachchan and family and more. The event featured music performances by Daler Mehendi and Pritam as well.



The VS Team at the Durga Puja celebrations



Kajol & Ajay Devgn



Alia Bhatt



Singer Daler Mehendi



Dr. Anil Yendluri & family



VS Group Chairman Chinta Sasidhar with the Team



Parvez Damania & Shivdutt Das



Samita & Ashish Chaudhary



# DUGGA-DUGGA: Vishwa Samudra's ode to Durga Puja



The Vishwa Samudra Group created a one-of-its-kind Coffee Table Book - 'DUGGA-DUGGA', comprehensively curated and edited by Shivdutt Das. The book depicts one of India's grandest and vibrantly celebrated festivals - the Durga Puja. The book is a tribute to the grandeur, cultural significance, and spiritual essence of Durga Puja, which is not just a festival but a profound expression of India's rich cultural heritage, a festival that transcends religious and cultural boundaries. The book delves into the evolution of Durga Puja over

decades - from its origins from Ram's Akal Bodhon, its mentions in the Puranas, its establishment in Bengal, its rise during the East India Company era, and the Barowari Puja's role in making it a festival for all. The book encapsulates the essence of this festival through stunning photographs, insightful narratives, from across the country, the various pandals, highlighting the diversity and unity that Durga Puja represents across different regions of India. The book will be presented to notable personalities across the country



Shivdutt & Sonam Das presenting to the Late Deb Mukherje



Presenting to the Consulate General for New York Mr. Biny Pradhan



Presenting to Ajay & Kajol Devgn



Presenting to Anil Kapoor

## NGLS students learn compassion, kindness and love on campus with Cows and Bulls

Cattle have been an integral part of Indian families for centuries. Research indicates that human interaction with animals offers not only physical, mental, and social benefits but also psychological ones. In line with the vision of our Group Chairman Mr. Chinta Sasidhar, who aims to raise awareness about the welfare and safety of indigenous cows and bulls, the NGLS timetable ensures that students have dedicated time to interact with the cows and bulls they have adopted as pets.

This journey began with casual visits to the gaushala,

which eventually led to students adopting a cow or bull of their choice. Through their school lessons, students have gained a deeper understanding of the various breeds at the Nandha Gokulam gaushala, while also learning about the characteristics of their own pets and other breeds. The journey for these students with their pets has just begun and will unfold in the coming years to build deeper relationship and understanding of the cows & bulls.



## Nandha Gokulam at the HSSF FAIR 2024

The Hindu Spiritual & Service Foundation Fair (HSSF) held from 7th to 10th November 2024 at the Exhibition Grounds, Nampally, Hyderabad, offered a significant platform for the Chinta Sasidhar Foundation as a Donor, to showcase Nandha Gokulam and its educational and sustainable development initiatives. It was a prestigious

event, that attracted over 35,000 visitors over four days, providing NG an opportunity to raise awareness about NGLS, the bulls, the medicinal plants and Nandi Power, which raised awareness, and inspired dialogue on sustainability, cultural preservation, and social responsibility.

# Bringing the Holiday Spirit to Life: A Christmas Brunch to Remember



The VS team with Syed Qamar Ahmad – CFO, NHLML



L-R: Rajit Mehta, MD – Max Antara Senior Living; VSH MD Shivdutt Das; Dr. Harith Chaturvedi – Chairman, Oncology Research and Practice, Max Healthcare; Rajesh Puri – Director, Corp. Affairs, VSH; Anand Rathod – President, Treasury, VSH

## Vishwa Samudra PGTI OPEN 2024

The PGTI Vishwa Samudra Open 2024 in December, at the Delhi Golf Club, sponsored by the Vishwa Samudra Group saw Ajeetesh Sandhu winning the cup and a Prize Money of INR 30 Lakhs.



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Mr. Umang Jalan	VP – Investor Relations, VSH
Mr. Krushnavijaysinh Zala	AVP – Group Audit & ERM, VSH
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Rajesh Tummala	AVP – Electrical, VSE
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