

## Maruti Suzuki strengthens commitment to renewable energy, commences a pilot Biogas plant at Manesar facility

Earmarks investment of INR 450 crores to expand the usage of renewable energy solutions in 3 years starting FY 2024-25

**New Delhi / Manesar, 05 June 2024:** Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL) commences a pilot Biogas plant at its Manesar facility in the fiscal year 2024-25, harnessing the untapped potential of in-house food waste and Napier grass as resources at its plant. The initiative is in alignment with the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy's 'Waste to Energy' program, reflecting our commitment to sustainable practices and innovative waste management solutions.

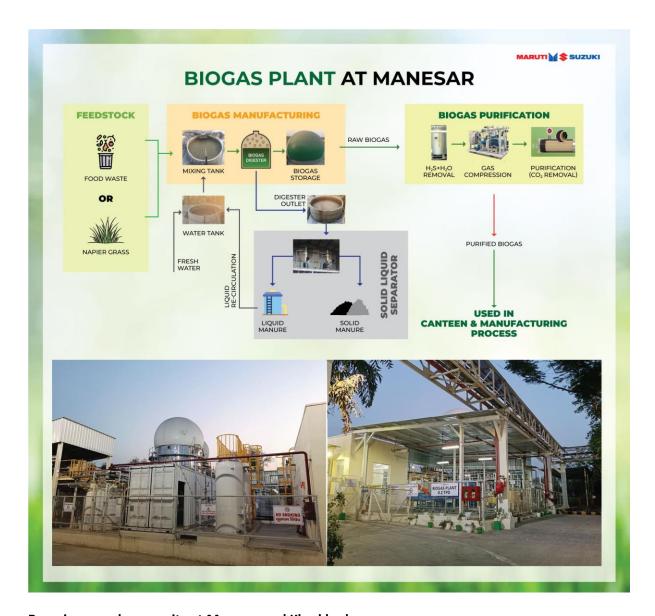
In FY2023-24, the company invested INR 120.8 crores towards commissioning renewable energy initiatives like solar power and biogas. It has further pledged to increase the investment approximately fourfold to INR 450 crores spread over three years starting FY 2024-25. This will significantly boost MSIL's environmental sustainability initiatives.

The pilot plant is designed to produce 0.2 tons of biogas daily. The anticipated output is about 1 lac standard cubic meters of biogas in FY 2024-25. It will offset approximately 190 tonnes of  $CO_2$  per annum. Imbibing principles of circularity, the company will be using food waste from canteens and Napier grass as raw materials. The pilot biogas plant will provide energy for the manufacturing processes of company's Manesar facility. The residual organic manure will be utilized in horticulture effectively making it a zero-discharge model.

This initiative underscores Maruti Suzuki's unwavering commitment to sustainable practices, managing waste effectively, carbon footprint reduction and bolstering energy security.

Speaking on the company's upcoming green energy initiatives, Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi, Managing Director & CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "Energy is one of the critical inputs in the manufacturing process. As we ramp up our production capacity from around 2 million to 4 million by 2030-31, we are also accelerating our efforts to increase the share of sustainable and renewable energy sources across our operations. This is in line with Suzuki's Environment Vision 2050 and Govt of India's renewable energy focus. The biogas plant at Manesar is another step towards fostering a cleaner and more sustainable energy landscape at MSIL and the industry at large. Just as we are bringing multiple technologies in our products, we would also focus on multiple renewable energy sources to make our operations greener."

**Furthermore, Mr. Takeuchi added,** "We strategically invest in our existing and upcoming facilities to ensure they are environmentally sustainable by optimizing energy consumption, integrating renewable energy sources, implementing efficient waste management protocols, and conserving water resources. The learning from this pilot will be implemented at our upcoming world-class manufacturing facilities."



## Ramping up solar capacity at Manesar and Kharkhoda

Maruti Suzuki is actively transitioning to green manufacturing practices at its Manesar and Kharkhoda facilities. The company expanded its solar capacity to 43.2 MWp in the fiscal year 2023-24. Meanwhile, it is on track to add 15 MWp solar capacity to its Manesar plant and 20 MWp to the upcoming Kharkhoda plant over the next two years. This will boost the total solar capacity to reach 78.2 MWp by the fiscal year 2025-26. These initiatives are aligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goal #7.

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