

## **Sterling and Wilson becomes implementation partner for INR 320 Crore Bhamashah State Data Centre Project in Rajasthan**

**January 27, 2018 Mumbai** Sterling and Wilson, India's leading Data Centre EPC Company has been awarded the contract for constructing and commissioning the prestigious Bhamashah State Data Centre project of 600 rack space capacity, by the Department of Information Technology, Government of Rajasthan.

In 2005, Rajasthan became a pioneer state for establishing the Bhamashah State Data Centre in India.

The Government of Rajasthan recognized early on the potential of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for rapid and all round development for improving governance, employment generation, socio-economic up-liftment and to enhance the quality of life for all sections of society, particularly communities in rural and remote areas.

The Government envisioned to make its services accessible to the common man through service delivery outlets which ensure efficiency, transparency & reliability. It also worked towards developing core and other supporting common infrastructure for sustaining e-Governance initiatives across the State. Considering these objectives, the Department of Information Technology & Communications, Government of Rajasthan had already set up three subsequent Data Centers at different intervals accommodating 140 Rack space.

The State Government has initiated many IT-initiatives in the recent past. Presently, approximately 350+ services of various departments are being delivered to the citizens successfully, online through e-Mitra kiosks (CSC). Subsequently, the scope of service delivery was gradually increased to facilitate the citizens to achieve the good governance. Therefore, after analysing the present available infrastructure and future vision of digitization, a need was identified to scale up the capacity of existing Data Centres. In line with the above vision, Honourable Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Vasundhara Raje, in her Budget Speech for 2016-17, announced on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 to set up a new State Data Centre for providing a common infrastructure to cater to the e-governance application hosting requirements of the entire state and its departments.

A Work Order has been placed with Sterling & Wilson to establish the Bhamashah State Data Centre including civil construction of a 2UG+G+5 floor independent structure, MEP and building services costing about INR 320 Crores, after due open tender process. This Data Centre will have the capacity to accommodate 600 racks and its associated services following UPTIME standards to achieve Tier IV Certification and having N+N redundancy for operational sustainability and fault tolerance.

It is also supported with a G+7 Bhamashah Technical Hub building to establish a digital museum, an incubator centre for start-ups, hackathons and entrepreneurs to showcase achievements in the IT industry by the state.

Estimated Power requirement for this Data centre would be 7.5 MW including 132 KV GIS sub-station, part of which will be provided by Solar panels installed in the premises.

The building is designed and will be built in line with Griha's certification of Green Buildings standard.

Commenting on the partnership, **Prasanna Sarambale, CEO - Data Center business and Group Head - Business Development, Sterling and Wilson** said, "It is an honour to come on board an esteemed project like the Bhamashah State Data Centre and work with a transparent visionary team of the department having vast knowledge, experience and passion. The Rajasthan Government has come forward aggressively during the past couple of years to transform the State in to

Digital Rajasthan and to make e-services accessible for every citizen, especially in the rural areas. We are confident to deliver the project in line with the vision and expectations of the State Government to construct and set up a world class Data Center which will prove to be a benchmark.”

**He added,** “Data Centres have become essential tools to accomplish business processes and propel socio-economic development across the globe as operations to share knowledge and information become more complex, Data Centres will successfully lay a foundation for seamless continuity of day to day operations.”

### **About Sterling and Wilson**

Sterling and Wilson is one of the largest Data Center EPC Companies in India with respect to turnover and is looking at a YOY growth of 20% in terms of revenue. It has completed turnkey Data Centre build projects for prestigious clients like Passport e-Seva Project under Ministry of External Affairs (GOI), Vodafone, National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) and Siemens.

Sterling and Wilson is an excellent example of how the Shapoorji Pallonji family has nurtured long term associations with its business partners. The Mistry and Daruvala families have been partners in Sterling and Wilson for 3 generations. This partnership will only grow stronger, as the 4th generations of both families have recently joined the business.

Over the past 5 years, Sterling and Wilson has shown exceptional growth not only in terms of globalization but expansion to its range of services as well. The company's turnover has shown an extremely positive growth, from a turnover of INR 1,760 crore in 2012, Sterling and Wilson group has crossed a turnover of INR 6,000 crore last year and is likely to exceed INR 10,000 crore by March 2018. From being a predominantly India focussed company in 2010, Sterling and Wilson now operates across the Middle East, Africa, Australia and Europe. In the current year, the company is expanding to the US and South America as well. From being a company that was mainly focussed on doing MEP projects in India, Sterling and Wilson over the past 5 years has set up a global operations in manufacture of DG sets, Gas based power plants, Waste to Energy, Turnkey data centers, Transmission, Distribution and Solar EPC. With its recent involvements into Wind and Energy Storage, Sterling and Wilson is perfectly poised to play a pivotal role in the global trend of moving away from thermal plants to a future of renewable energy with storage.

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