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## **UK climate change minister visits Suzlon One Earth**

**Pune:** The Right Honorable Gregory Barker MP, UK Minister of State for Climate Change, on Wednesday visited One Earth, headquarters of the Suzlon Group and the greenest facility of its kind in the world. The visit is part of his India tour focusing on low carbon growth.

Speaking at the event, **Minister Gregory Barker** said: "David Cameron pledged we would be Britain's Greenest Government ever, I can assure you that we will deliver on that pledge. And what is more the transformation of our energy sector is at the centre of our plans.

"UK and India are working closely together on the connected issues of securing the new energy supplies we need for the future and tackling climate change.

"Businesses like Suzlon, which are at the very forefront of the battle against dangerous man-made climate change, understand that depleting fossil fuel resources and exponentially growing demand for energy is driving a brand new market. Not just here in India but around the world. This site is a fantastic example, of global best practice in corporate environmental responsibility; here at Suzlon you are building a greener future already."

**Mr. Tulsi R Tanti, founder, Chairman and Managing Director of Suzlon Group**, welcoming Minister Barker added: "Greg Barker has brought insight and focus to the climate change debate on the international stage, and back at home in the UK, he has been driving progressive policy development and helping to build a low carbon economy. We are fortunate to have such a capable and energetic minister leading this critical policy area in the British Government.

"I believe that there are many opportunities for India and the UK to collaborate effectively when it comes to renewable energy and, as we approach COP17 in Durban next month, the Minister's third visit to India in two years is extremely welcome."

Suzlon Group's global headquarter 'One Earth' sets new standards in sustainability. Certified to the 'Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) Platinum' and the 'Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment (GRIHA) 5 Star' standards, the facility is one of the greenest of its type anywhere in the world. Developed on an area of 443,000 square feet (10.70 acres) with a capacity to house 2,300 people, the facility sets new benchmarks in energy efficiency in all aspects of engineering and construction. The facility was awarded the highest ratings for its whole-building approach to

sustainability by focusing on key areas like human and environmental health, sustainable site development, efficient water, energy and waste methods, materials and resource selection, indoor environmental quality and innovation. One Earth, named as a tribute to earth's unique existence as a self-replenishing eco-system, is powered 100 per cent by renewable energy through a mix of onsite solar and wind, as well as offsite wind energy, and generates zero waste.

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**About Suzlon Group:**

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