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Leitner Shriram bags orders to supply 45-MW wind turbines

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Leitner Shriram Manufacturing Ltd has received orders for installing 45 MW of wind turbines in Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

Leitner Shriram is a joint venture between Shriram EPC Ltd, which holds 49 per cent, and Leitner Technologies of Europe (51 per cent), to manufacture wind turbines of 250 kW and 1.5 MW. The 1.5-MW turbines are gearless and run on Leitner's permanent magnet technology.

The company will supply and commission 10 1.5-MW wind turbines for PPS Enviro Power in Tamil Nadu by mid-May. PPS Enviro is a Hyderabad-based company, which manufactures solar panels and sets up solar farms.

Another order is from T. S. Wind Power Developers, a private wind park developer based in Satara, Maharashtra. The project involves the installation of 30-MW wind turbine. Leitner Shriram will start installation from March, and complete it in phases over the next eight months. T. S. Wind Power is a group company of the Pune-based fleet owners Navalakha Transport.

The release, quoting Mr P. Ashok, Managing Director, Leitner Shriram, said: "These orders enable us to kick off the operations of our MW class wind turbines from our integrated manufacturing facility inaugurated in September 2009. We have previously manufactured and supplied demonstration turbines and catered to requirements of our group companies.

"We see increasing traction in the market for wind energy in India. Our offering of a gearless wind turbines running on Leitner's permanent magnet technology helps to provide our customers with a lower life-cycle cost due to the benefits of greater efficiency, lower maintenance and ability to operate even in low wind sites."