

NOK Group's New Automotive Seals Plant in India Scheduled to Begin Operations in January 2025

NOK Corporation (Headquarters: Shibadaimon, Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director, President and CEO: Masao Tsuru; hereinafter referred to as "NOK") has established the Morinda Plant in collaboration with its Group company, Freudenberg NOK Pvt., Ltd. (Headquarters: Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India; Chairman: Kerstin Borrs). Located in Morinda, Punjab, India, this new plant will produce automotive seal products. The inauguration ceremony for the plant, which will serve as a production hub for northern India, was held on Tuesday, October 15. The Morinda Plant will incorporate equipment relocated from the Basma Plant in the same state and commence operations in January 2025.



A view of the Morinda Plant

The Morinda Plant will manufacture engine seals, valve stem seals, dust covers, O-rings, and other automotive-related products for both local Indian manufacturers and Japanese, European, and American automotive manufacturers with operations in India. By introducing automated equipment, the plant is expected to increase production by approximately 10% (annually) compared to FY2024 levels. The plant's rooftop will also be equipped with a 1.5MW solar power system and the latest rainwater harvesting system, establishing an environmentally friendly production setup.

The NOK Group, under its commitment to "Essential Core Manufacturing — The manufacture of pivotal products that shape society," will continue to build and strengthen its global supply system.

■ Overview of the Morinda Plant

- Location: Morinda, Punjab, India
- Completion: September 2024
- Area: 13,082 m²
- Products: Automotive seal products
- Operations: Scheduled to begin in January 2025

■ Freudenberg NOK Pvt., Ltd.

A NOK Group company and a joint venture in India between NOK and Freudenberg of Germany, with which NOK has capital and technical partnerships

- Established: September 2000
- Production Sites: Morinda Plant (North India), Chennai Plant (South India)
- Number of Employees: 1,650 (as of March 2024)

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■ About NOK Group

The NOK Group is dedicated to "Essential Core Manufacturing — The manufacture of pivotal products that shape society." Through this approach the Group demonstrates its commitment to providing greater safety and comfort, the cornerstones of a prosperous society. The NOK Group consists of 93 companies located in 15 countries and regions with approximately 38,000 employees. Product development is built upon a robust base of foundational research, resulting in large-scale, stable and high-quality production. Moving forward, the Group will continue to provide technologies and products for all industrial areas including automobiles and other mobility sectors, electronic products — centered on PCS and smartphones- office automation equipment, medical and healthcare devices, industrial robots, and satellites.