

Suzlon to develop 3,000 MW of wind energy in Andhra Pradesh

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The MoU was signed under the auspices of the Partnership Summit 2012 in the presence of Hon Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, N Kiran Kumar Reddy. Under the MoU the Andhra Pradesh government will facilitate Suzlon in obtaining necessary permissions, registrations, approvals and clearances for the development of the wind farms. Suzlon, in turn, will play the role of a developer and facilitate the channelization of investments into the state through its customers investing in wind energy.

The MoU covers the development of new capacity in windfarms across the state, with development planned in the districts of Tallimadugula, Alankarayanipeta, Gandikota, Vajrakarur, Tirumalayapalli and other parts of Andhra Pradesh. Andhra Pradesh is a key emerging wind market in the country, with medium to low wind sites ideally suited to Suzlon's new S9X suite of turbines.