



PRESS RELEASE

Tamil Nadu, India, enters tissue market with ANDRITZ production line

GRAZ, MAY 19, 2025. Tamil Nadu Newsprint & Papers Ltd. (TNPL) has selected international technology group ANDRITZ to supply a state-of-the-art tissue production line for its Unit II mill in Mondipatti Village, Tamil Nadu, India. This investment marks the Indian paper and board producer's entry into the tissue market.

Dr. Sandeep Saxena, I.A.S., Chairman & Managing Director of TNPL, says: *"Our vision is to adopt state-of-the-art technology and be the world's most sustainable brand in the production of eco-friendly paper grades. When we decided to enter the tissue industry it was important for us to select a partner that stands for innovation, expertise, and reliability."*

ANDRITZ emerged as a successful bidder and will supply a *PrimeLine*TM S 2000 tissue machine to produce high-quality tissue grades from the mill's own hardwood pulp at a maximum capacity of 34,000 t/a. The machine will have a design speed of 2,000 m/min and a working width of 2.85 m. It will be equipped with the latest generation *PrimePress* XT Evo shoe press which stands for optimum bulk levels at highest sheet dryness in the market. In combination with the 20 ft. steel Yankee and the steam-heated hood it will enable highly efficient drying with substantial energy and cost savings compared to conventional drying sections with gas-heated hoods.

The ANDRITZ scope also includes the stock preparation system, fabrics and rolls, automation and electrification, as well as a package of high efficiency stock, process and fan pumps. All pumps will be manufactured, assembled, and tested at the ANDRITZ Chennai pump factory. ANDRITZ will also be responsible for detail engineering.

Ashutosh Batra, Vice President Sales at ANDRITZ India, says: *"Having supplied stock preparation equipment, a deinking plant and a complete chemicals recovery island to TNPL, we are proud that our successful partnership is continuing with this innovative tissue project."*

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Tamil Nadu Newsprint & Papers Ltd. will enter the tissue market with a state-of-the-art ANDRITZ PrimeLine™ tissue machine. *Photo: Gerald Steiner, Senior Vice President of ANDRITZ Paper & Tissue, and Dr. Sandeep Saxena, Chairman & Managing Director of Tamil Nadu Newsprint & Papers Ltd.*

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ANDRITZ GROUP

International technology group ANDRITZ provides advanced plants, equipment, services, and digital solutions for a wide range of industries, including pulp and paper, metals, hydropower, environmental, and others. Founded in 1852 and headquartered in Austria, the publicly listed group employs about 30,000 people at 280 locations in over 80 countries.

As a global leader in technology and innovation, ANDRITZ is committed to fostering progress that benefits customers, partners, employees, society, and the environment. The company's growth is driven by sustainable solutions enabling the green transition, advanced digitalization for highest industrial performance, and comprehensive services that maximize the value of customers' plants over their entire life cycle. ANDRITZ. FOR GROWTH THAT MATTERS.

ANDRITZ PULP & PAPER

ANDRITZ Pulp & Paper provides sustainable technology, automation, and service solutions for the production of all types of pulp, paper, board and tissue. The technologies and services focus on increased production efficiency, lower overall operating costs as well as innovative decarbonization strategies and autonomous plant operation.

The product portfolio also includes boilers for power generation, various nonwoven technologies, and panelboard (MDF) production systems. With waste-to-value recycling, shredding and energy solutions, waste and by-product streams from production are converted into valuable secondary raw materials as well as into sustainable resources for energy generation. State-of-the-art IIoT technologies as part of Metris digitalization solutions complete the comprehensive product offering.