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New Developments at BOC India

- Launch of Home care products
- New Orders for Contracts Division

BOC India Limited has just launched its Home care range of products. It includes the latest version of the Newlife Oxygen Concentrator and the Mystique Nebulizer.

The Oxygen Concentrator enables oxygen therapy at home. This product is ideal for any kind of respiratory disorders and produces consistently, oxygen for medical use, 24 hours a day at the flick of a switch. Apart from nursing homes, health care and first aid centers, it is also ideal for use in homes as well as commercial establishments. Extremely simple in design, it is portable with low power consumption.

The second product in the Home care range is the Mystique Nebulizer, which is ideal for asthmatics. The state-of-the-art Nebulizer offers distinct advantages over the outdated and noisy medication systems used by those suffering from asthma. It is portable, easy to operate and quite fast.

Continuing with its strategy of focusing on service offerings, BOC India has launched its pilot 'Lifeline on Wheels' service In Mumbai, providing 24 hours delivery of critical medical gases to customers.

Its recent winning of several prestigious orders has once again reinforced the credentials of Contracts Division of BOC India as a highly cost effective provider of world-class cryogenic and non-cryogenic equipment.

The first order is from ONGC for a unique tank vapour recovery system for their LPG complex in Uran. The project involves the recovery of vapour back to the system instead of being vented leading to improved efficiency and safety.

Another win, against stiff competition, is for a 240 tonnes per day of gaseous Oxygen for Indo Gulf Corporation's Birla Copper unit. This plant leverages BOC Group's process technology and is expected to be delivered in a record time of 12 months. Another major contract likely to materialize is an order from a large oil refinery in Baroda, Gujarat for the supply of a 250 tonnes per day high purity Nitrogen Generator.

The Contracts Division is a significant area of strength for BOC and these orders are a result of the increased focus to diversify in the areas of non-ferrous metal, refining, petroleum and petrochemical. With an order book in excess of Rs. 50 crores, the Contracts Division will provide a boost to BOC India's operations at a time when the gases business is faced with shrinking demand as a result of economic slow down in its user industries.

BOC India has recently inducted SK Menon to the board as the new Finance Director. SK Menon had done a 2-year stint with BOC India earlier before moving to Pidilite Industries in July 2000.