



**Denmark's Crown Prince Frederik  
Andr Henrik Christian and Crown  
Princess Mary Elizabeth India visit  
media coverage**

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Crown Prince Frederik André Henrik Christian & Crown Princess Mary Elizabeth of Denmark visited the Taj Mahal, in Agra on Sunday, February 26,



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## ROYAL TOUCH



**WARM TIES.** President Droupadi Murmu with Denmark's Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary, at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi, on Tuesday. Welcoming the royal couple, the President said climate change is an area in which India and Denmark have a convergence of views »

## 30 years on, Davy's extradition in Purulia case is a 'work in progress'

**Dalip Singh**  
New Delhi

Extradition of Danish national Niels Holck or Kim Peter Davy, prime accused in the nearly three-decade-old Purulia arms drop case, is not a "political topic" but has to be dealt with "among the proper authorities", visiting Denmark Foreign Affairs Minister Lars Lokke Rasmussen said on Tuesday.

Davy had publicly accepted that he was behind the air-drop of AK-47s and ammunition but stated that "political forces" were behind the conspiracy to destabilise the then Left government in West Bengal. But the CBI had dismissed the claim due to lack of evidence.

### 'NOT POLITICAL'

The Denmark minister's statement during his ongoing visit to the national capital,

therefore, marks a shift in his country's outlook towards one of the most serious global conspiracies to destabilise the country. "When I visited India back in 2019, in my previous capacity as PM, we talked about it. We had in-depth discussion at the political level and we agreed this is not a political topic," Denmark Foreign Affairs Minister said to a query on Davy's extradition.

"It's something which should be dealt with among the proper authorities and what I am informed about that is that this is a work in progress", Rasmussen stated..

### BILATERAL RELATIONS

Way back in 2012, India had scaled down its diplomatic engagement with Denmark after it refused to appeal in its Supreme Court against a subordinate court's ruling against his extradition.

The cordial relations between the two countries were restored only in 2017 after a Danish minister came to India.

A Danish team had visited Kolkata, last February, to take feedback on the arms drop court trial and the prison infrastructure. The Denmark officials reportedly enquired about jail conditions to give a report to their government given that Davy has been able to stall his extradition in courts there on a plea that his human rights would be violated due to Indian prison conditions — a plea other criminals on the run and hiding in western countries have also adopted.

Co-accused Peter Bleach, a British national who was convicted in the case, had alleged that it was an operation of India's external spy agency, Research And Analysis Wing (R&AW), to destabilise the Left regime in West Bengal.



## Danfoss, IIT-Madras join hands for wave energy-powered desalination

**M Ramesh**  
Chennai

Danish company Danfoss, which has operations in India, today tied-up with the Indian Institute of Technology Madras, for collaborative research on sea water desalination using energy from sea waves.

Danfoss and IIT-M exchanged two agreements for collaboration to promote research in the areas of securing drinking water for coastal regions using renewable energy and green fuels including green hydrogen for value creation in pursuance to the Green Strategic Partnership between India and Denmark.

Danfoss and IIT-M will operate a pilot desalination plant to use ocean waves as an energy source to convert salt water into fresh water us-



**JOINT EFFORT.** Manu Santhanam, Dean (IC&SR), IIT Madras and Ravichandran Purushothaman, President, Danfoss exchange a MOU in the presence of (from left) S Krishnan, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Industries, TN Government; Frederik Andre Henrik Christian, Prince of Denmark and Lars Aagaard, Minister for Climate, Energy and Utilities, Government of Denmark, at an event at IIT Research Park in Chennai on Wednesday BIJOY GHOSH

ing the Seawater Reverse Osmosis (SWRO) process. Drinking water will be supplied to coastal hamlets and islands.

Under the Innovation

Fund Denmark (IFD) and Department of Science & Technology (DST), Danfoss and IIT Madras are collaborating on a R&D project to develop grid friendly [EcoGrif]

Power to X [PtX] Converters suited to Indian and the global markets.

### **FOUR MOUS**

IIT Madras today signed two more agreements with another Danish company, F L Smidth.

One of the MoUs with FL Smidth was for 'decarbonisation of cement industry' using pyrolysis of waste fuels. The other was for the Danish company to become a member of IIT Madras' Energy Consortium.

Manu Santhanam, Associate Dean, Industrial Consultancy & Sponsored Research, IIT-Madras, told *businessline* that under these MoUs, the Danish companies will initiate the research projects and IIT Madras will offer technical assistance "with clear guidelines and deliverables."



# Danish Crown Prince, Princess visit Chennai to give push to Green Strategic Partnership

They were accompanied by a high-level delegation of Danish Ministers and senior officials; four projects announced, country keen to collaborate on establishing offshore wind farms in T.N.

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CHENNAI

**D**enmark's Crown Prince Frederik André Henrik Christian and Crown Princess Mary Elizabeth paid an official visit to Chennai on Wednesday to take forward the Green Strategic Partnership with India.

They were accompanied by a high-level delegation of Danish Ministers and senior members of the bureaucracy. This is part of their visit to India which began on February 26 and will end on Thursday.

The energy delegation visited IIT Madras Research Park, where a session on next-generation fuels and energy systems was held.

"We see a great poten-



Denmark's Crown Prince Frederik André Henrik Christian, third from left, at the IIT Madras Research Park. M. KARUNAKARAN

tial in sharing mutual knowledge with India and its bright engineers, which can help in implementing these technologies," Lars Aagaard, Minister for Climate, Energy and Utilities, Government of Denmark, said.

"Tamil Nadu has identified 15 offshore locations to establish wind turbines.

Denmark is collaborating on a plan to establish the first wind farm offshore in Tamil Nadu. I have a strong belief that we can support one another in developing these technologies while learning how they can be implemented in different contexts," he added.

S. Krishnan, Additional Chief Secretary, Depart-

ment of Industries, Investment Promotion and Commerce, Tamil Nadu, said the State was working on a green hydrogen policy. Four projects were announced and memoranda of understanding signed. IIT Madras will collaborate with Danish researchers on a hydrogen economy project. Another project pertains to cement decarbonisation.

Technology firm FLSmidth has joined the Energy Consortium-IIT Madras as the founding member. Another multinational, Danfoss, and IIT Madras will jointly work on a project to supply drinking water to coastal regions using renewable energy.

The Crown Prince and Princess also met Governor R.N. Ravi at Raj Bhavan.

Letter of intent signed with Danish govt. agency

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CHENNAI

The Water Resources Department and the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department are looking to strengthen bilateral ties with Denmark in the water sector.

A letter of intent for sustainable growth was signed with the Danish Environmental Protection Agency. The Danish agency would support, and share technology for various initiatives like rejuvenation of rivers and waterbodies and the Internet of Things-based sensors for groundwater quality monitoring and piped water supply to households.

At a meeting on water sector cooperation, Sandeep Saxena, Additional Chief Secretary, WRD, recalled his visit to Denmark last year. There had been close interaction with the Danish team for the past two years, and one of the major initiatives was the sharing of Danish technology for detailed groundwater mapping in the State.

Lauding the water quality of rivers in Denmark, he said, "It is our dream to improve water quality in the Cooum and Adyar and Buckingham Canal to bathing standards. We are also learning about the Danish subsurface database maintained on boreswells dug in the country." The Danish team, headed by Christian Vindahl Vind, Permanent Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment, also visited the 45-mld tertiary treatment reverse osmosis plant at Koyambedu.

## RAJ BHAVAN GREETES ROYALTY

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**GRAND WELCOME:** Governor R N Ravi and Denmark's crown prince Frederik at Raj Bhavan on Wednesday. The crown prince and crown princess, Mary Elizabeth, visited the city to take forward the 'Green Strategic' partnership with India. They were accompanied by a high-level delegation of Danish ministers



## *Danfoss partners with IIT Madras in water and energy sectors*

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Chennai:** Energy efficiency solutions company, Danfoss has entered into an MoU with IIT Madras for promoting research in water and energy sectors.

Danfoss and IIT-M are collaborating to convert seawater into freshwater through a Seawater Reverse Osmosis process leveraging ocean waves as an energy source with Danfoss high-pressure pumps. A pilot desalination plant will be run for the purpose of supplying water

to remote islands and coastal hamlets.

A statement here on Wednesday said, the exchange of agreements between Ravichandran Purushothaman, president,

### **ENTERS MOU**

Danfoss India and Manu Santhanam, dean (IC&SR), IIT Madras happened here in the presence of the Crown Prince of the Kingdom of Denmark Frederik André Henrik Christian and Freddy Svane, ambassador of

Denmark. Purushothaman said, "Through our association with IIT-M, we aim to prioritise the research and appropriate technology interventions with special focus on water and energy sectors." It is paramount for us to establish strong partnerships with world class universities such as IIT-M, he added.

Santhanam said, "Using a sustainable approach, the proposed cooperation is an effort to ensure safe and secure water to meet the current and future demands of coastal islands."

## Denmark to help TN set up its first offshore wind farm

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT-M) has partnered with Denmark for research in climate change mitigation and green transition, which includes development of next generation fuels and energy systems. Danish minister Lars Aagaard said that Denmark is collaborating with Tamil Nadu to establish the first offshore wind farm in the state.

The MoUs were exchanged in the backdrop of Denmark crown prince Frederik André Henrik Christian, minister Lars Aagaard and Danish energy delegation's visit to IIT-M research park. Senior officials from the Tamil Nadu government and IIT-M dean (industrial consultancy and sponsored research) Manu Santhanam, among others, were present at the event.

Speaking on next generation fuels, Lars Aagaard said, "Today, Denmark is paving the way for investments in

new technologies, which must scale. We see great potential in sharing mutual knowledge with India and its bright engineers, which can help in implementing these technologies."

"Tamil Nadu has a renewable energy installed capacity of 20GW, of which 10GW is from wind. There is potential for another 13GW of wind energy onshore and 20GW offshore," said S Krishnan, additional chief secretary, Tamil Nadu Industries Department.

According to a release from IIT-M, an MoU was signed under Indo-Danish Green Strategic Partnership for four projects, of which three focus on the energy sector. The projects will be jointly funded by the Innovation Fund Denmark (IFD) and Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India.

Danish multi-national corporation Danfoss and IIT-M exchanged two agreements for research in the areas of



Crown princess of Denmark Mary receives a memento from Additional chief secretary Sandeep Saxena during the 25th anniversary of Danish pump manufacturer Grundfos, in Chennai on Wednesday | ASHWIN PRASATH

securing drinking water for coastal regions using renewable energy and green fuels, the company said in a statement.

Delivering the welcome address, IIT-M research park president Ashok Jhunjhunwala said, "India has a large

number of low-income people who suffer when there are climate change-related events. India and Denmark need to go farther than R&D collaboration and take it to commercialization. Every technology needs to have a return-on-investment as it scales."



# IIT-M, Denmark to work on climate change mitigation

DC CORRESPONDENT  
CHENNAI, MARCH 1

The Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M) on Wednesday announced four projects to undertake various researches in areas of climate change mitigation and enabling green transition in collaboration with the industry and academia in Denmark.

The agreement in this regard was signed at an event at IIT-M Research Park (IIT-MRP) in the presence of Crown Prince of Denmark Lars Aagaard, Denmark minister for climate, energy and utilities, and Freddy Svane, ambassador of Denmark to India, among other stakeholders.

The three projects are on IIT-M Energy Consortium's vision of enabling energy transition towards a low-carbon future. The study will focus on accelerating technology development through industry-academia-government partnerships, and collaborations with global partners to develop technology solutions.

Lars Aagaard said that Denmark was paving the way for investments in new technologies. "We see great potential in sharing mutual knowledge with India and its bright engineers, which can help in implementing these technologies. India has proposed an ambitious plan to establish 140 GW of wind energy by 2030, of which 90GW would be offshore and rest onshore. Tamil Nadu has identified 15 offshore locations to establish wind turbines. Denmark is collaborating on a plan to establish the first wind farm offshore in Tamil Nadu", said Mr Aagaard.

S. Krishnan, Additional Chief Secretary, department of industries, investment promotion and commerce, said that Tamil Nadu continued to be the leader in renewable energy. "More than 50 per cent of the installed capacity in Tamil Nadu was from renewable energy sources with potential for expansion in wind, solar and green hydrogen. All of this needs to come together in a way that works for the local economy of Tamil Nadu, India and the world in total," he said.



Crown Princess of Denmark Mary Elizabeth receives a memento from WRD chief secretary Sandeep Saxena during the anniversary celebrations of pump manufacturer Grundfos, in Chennai, on Wednesday. — DC

## Danfoss, IIT-M sign agreement

DC CORRESPONDENT,  
CHENNAI, MARCH 1

Danfoss, a world leader in food, infrastructure, climate and energy efficient technologies, has collaborated with the Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M) for promoting research in water and energy sectors. The agreement was signed between Ravichandran Purushothaman, president, Danfoss India; and Prof Manu Santhanam, Dean, IIT-M, in the presence of Denmark Crown Prince Frederik Andre

Henrik Christian on Wednesday.

Purushothaman said the industry-academia partnership was a true embodiment of what the green strategic partnership aims to achieve. "Through our association with IIT-M, we aim to prioritise research and appropriate technology interventions with special focus on water and energy sectors. It is paramount for us to establish strong partnerships with world-class universities such as the IIT-M to meet future expectations," he said.

## DENMARK TEAM LAUDS METRO WATER

Chennai: Christian Vindahl Vind, Permanent Secretary of State, Ministry of Environment, Denmark, along with his team visited Tertiary Treatment Reverse Osmosis Plant in Koyambedu on Wednesday and discussed with Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board. (CMWSSB) officials on how they provide safe drinking water to public and how sewage water is treated. The Denmark team appreciated their work. Board's Executive Director Rajagopal Sunkara, Chief Engineer M.Jaikar Jesudas, Superintending Engineer A.Radhakrishnan and other officials were present.

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தமிழக ஆளுநர் மாளிகையில் புதன்கிழமை ஆளுநர் ஆர்.என். ரவியை சந்தித்த டென்மார்க் இளவரசர் ஃப்ரெடரிக்.





கோயம்பேடு கழிவுநீர் சுத்திகரிப்பு நிலையத்தில்

## டென்மார்க் குழுவினர் ஆய்வு

சென்னை, மார்ச்.2- டென்மார்க் நாட்டின் சுற்றுச்சூழல் துறை அமைச்சகத்தின் மாநில நிரந்தர செயலாளர் கிறிஸ்டியன் வின்தால் விண்ட் தலைமையிலான குழுவினர் கோயம்பேட்டில் உள்ள நாளொன்றுக்கு 45 மில்லியன் லிட்டர் உற்பத்தி திறன் கொண்ட மூன்றாம் நிலை கழிவுநீர் சுத்திகரிப்பு நிலையத்தை நேற்று பார்வையிட்டனர்.

சென்னை குடிநீர் வாரியத்தின் சார்பில் மேற்கொள்ளப்பட்டுவரும் தரமான குடிநீர் வழங்குதல் மற்றும் கழிவுநீரை சேகரித்து பாதுகாப்பான முறையில் வெளியேற்றும் முறைகள் குறித்து சென்னை குடிநீர் வாரிய நிர்வாக இயக்குனர் கிர்லோஷ் குமாருடன், டென்மார்க் குழுவினர் கலந்து பேசினர். சென்னை

குடிநீர் வாரியத்தால் மேற்கொள்ளப்பட்டுவரும் பணிகள் குறித்து அந்த குழுவினரிடம் விரிவாக எடுத்துக்கூறப்பட்டது. சென்னையில் உள்ள கொடுங்கைபுர சுத்திகரிப்பு நிலையம் மற்றும் கோயம்பேடு சுத்திகரிப்பு நிலையங்களை பற்றி இக்குழுவினர் கேட்டறிந்தனர்.

கோயம்பேடு கழிவுநீர் மூன்றாம் நிலை சுத்திகரிப்பு நிலையம் குறித்து குறும்படம் இக்குழுவினருக்கு திரையிடப்பட்டது. இந்த நிலையத்தின் கட்டுப்பாட்டு அறையினையும் பார்வையிட்ட இக்குழுவினர் சென்னை குடிநீர் வாரியத்தின் செயல்பாடுகளுக்கு பாராட்டுகளை தெரிவித்தனர்.

அப்போது டென்மார்க் தூதரகத்தின் அலுவலர்கள் சென்னைப் பெருநகர் குடிநீர் வழங்கல் மற்றும் கழிவுநீர் கற்று வாரிய செயல் இயக்குனர் ராஜகோபால் சன்கரா, தலைமைப் பொறியாளர் மி.ஜெய்கர் ஜேகதால், மேற்பார்வைப் பொறியாளர் ராதாகிருஷ்ணன் மற்றும் உயர் அலுவலர்கள் உடனிருந்தனர்.

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