

Media Release**Oerlikon Balzers India achieves Gold award in 4th National Safety Practice Competition**

Pune, India, 17 June 2021 – Oerlikon Balzers Coating India Pvt. Ltd. has been awarded the Gold award in the 4th National Safety Practice Competition, run by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). Companies were invited to share their success stories of best practices and methods for excellence in workplace safety. The competition was arranged virtually to share the best safety practices implemented at organisations. The virtual award ceremony was held by CII on 22 April 2021.

28 companies participated from various sectors, including manufacturing, construction, engineering equipment, automotive components, IT services, financial services and education. The aim of the competition is to firmly establish safety practices in organisations, leading to better safety performance and creating a culture of safety.

Oerlikon India acknowledges the valuable contribution of Mr Anil Bankar, HSE co-ordinator at Oerlikon Balzers India, and the entire SHIELD team under the leadership of Mr Vijaykant More, Head of Quality & HSE for Oerlikon India & South East Asia, who presented their experience of the focused behaviour observation programme (FBOP) and 1-1-1 practice to a CII jury panel.

Pravin Shirse, President Oerlikon India, says: “Our people are our strength and the reason for organisational success. We at Oerlikon are committed for establishing and maintaining excellence through transforming our safety culture and embracing all safety measures with passion and enthusiasm.”



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About Oerlikon Balzers

Oerlikon Balzers is one of the world's leading suppliers of surface technologies that significantly improve the performance and durability of precision components as well as tools for the metal and plastics processing industries. Extremely thin and exceptionally hard coatings, marketed under the BALINIT and BALIQ brand names, reduce friction and wear. The BALITHERM brand opens up a broad range of heat treatment services, whereas BALTONE comprises coatings that are available in a full range of elegant colours, perfectly suited for decorative applications. BALIMED ThinFilm coatings, with wear-resistant, biocompatible, antimicrobial and chemically inert properties, have been developed especially for medical applications. Under the BALIFOR technology brand the company has introduced technologies which provide tailor-made solutions for the automotive market, while ePD allows the metallisation of plastic parts with a chrome look.

Worldwide, more than 1'300 coating systems are in operation at Oerlikon Balzers facilities and its customers. Equipment engineering and assembly of Balzers' systems are processed in Liechtenstein, in Langenthal (Switzerland) and in Bergisch Gladbach (Germany). Oerlikon Balzers operates a dynamically growing network of more than 110 coating centres in 36 countries in Europe, the Americas and Asia. Oerlikon Balzers is – together with Oerlikon Metco and Oerlikon AM – part of the Surface Solutions Segment of the Switzerland-based Oerlikon Group (SIX: OERL).