

## NCPA goes green with one of Maharashtra's largest solar roof top installations

~ Hon. Chief Minister. Shri. Devendra Fadnavis inaugurates the 450 KW power system ~

**Mumbai, 29 March 2017:** India's premier institute for performing arts in the country, **The National Centre for Performing Arts (NCPA)** installs a **450 KW solar PV System**, one of the largest rooftop projects in Mumbai, successfully adopting a sustainable power model. The installation was inaugurated by **Hon. Chief Minister Shri. Devendra Fadnavis**, which will generate around **6,30,000 units of clean solar power** every year.

This state-of-the-art solar installation project is approved by BEST and will help to reduce over 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the building's electricity consumption. The installation aims to reduce the buildings' CO2 emissions by more than 525 tons per year. Further, one of the most unique features of the structure is that there was no puncturing done on the terrace which negates the scope of water leakage.

Most importantly, the system will generate over 50,000 units of electricity on a monthly basis and will also export excess power back to the electricity grid as it is connected under the Solar Net Metering policy of the Maharashtra Government.

**Khushroo Suntook, Chairman, National Centre for Performing Arts (NCPA), said:** "Sustainability is truly the need of the hour. As one of the largest art and cultural institution we have over 700 events taking place in a year across multiple venues within our premises, involving varying quantum of power consumption. This rooftop solar power project is therefore an extremely crucial step demonstrating our commitment to sustainability as well as the society at large."

**He further added that,** "This project has been in the making for the past one year and we are very proud to be one of the first cultural institutions in the country to be self-sustaining"

The Solar power system is built owned and operated by **Avesta Solar Pvt. Ltd** and will maintain the system for the next 20 years. The components installed by Avesta Solar in this project has been from reputed global firms like German company SMA for Inverters, high efficient 320 Wp Solar Panels from Canadian Solar and German make Module Mounting Structures from Schletter. Avesta Solar the Project Partner for the Solar installation at NCPA is an organization providing high quality customized Solar Roof top solutions.

This project further underscores the institution's efforts to give back to the community.

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**About the NCPA:**

Opening its doors to the world in 1969, the NCPA became the first multi-venue and multi-purpose cultural centre to be built in South Asia. Vibrant and diverse, the NCPA today is recognized by artistes, patrons and media alike as India's premier performing arts institution. The Centre provides a fine showcase for India's rich performing arts traditions, all thanks to the institution's training and research initiatives.

The NCPA presents over 600 events each year across all major art forms, most notably Indian Music, International Music, Theatre and Film, Dance, and Literature, Visual Arts and Photography. There are Heads of Programming for each of these art forms who curate innovative events and festivals; representative of everything from classical to contemporary throughout the year. The NCPA produces its own programmes as well as collaborates with leading cultural promoters from around the world. NCPA is the only member organisation of the International Music Council (IMC) from India.

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**About Avesta Solar Pvt Ltd:**

Avesta Solar the Project Partner for the Solar installation at NCPA is an organization providing high quality customized Solar Roof top solutions and have completed projects on heritage buildings, to asbestos sheets, from metal sheet roofs to RCC structures, from elevated solar structures on terraces to solar parking lots, Avesta Solar has installed systems for large corporate houses, Industrial roofs, Vineyards, village electrification projects, CSR projects, Educational institutes, Hospitals, commercial complexes, shopping malls, remote forest areas & residential buildings.

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