



Bodal Chemicals Limited, India's largest integrated maker of dyestuff and dye intermediates, is contemplating a two-pronged strategy: modernisation at the Rajpura facility and capacity expansion at the Saykha plant.

Ankit Patel, Executive Director, Bodal Chemicals Ltd says, "In chlor alkali, we have acquired capacity at Punjab because it was an old plant, we were operating with the older technology where the consumption of the power is more, which results in higher cost so we have immediately placed the orders and in fact received the main technology machinery in the last few days only. By Diwali, we are planning to upgrade the technology, which will bring down our cost annually around ₹25-₹30 crore. Also, at the same time, we are increasing the capacity. So, our capacity will also go up by 1,00,000 tons per year, in FY22 we did about 55,000 MTPA. Also the consumption areas of caustic are doing very well right now." Chief Financial Officer. Padhya states, "There are two areas where we are growing. That is one at Punjab site and another is at Saykha south Gujarat site. As far as the Punjab site, we have already acquired the running unit of Mawana Sugars for chlor alkali. So, it is a running unit, it is contributing to our revenue as well as bottom line. And over there, we are doing modernisation. Upgraded technology we are installing so that we will have a production of about one lakh MTPA. That will have a capital expenditure of about ₹270 crore as far as Punjab is concerned".

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