ZEISS India expands Global Capability Center in Bengaluru

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ZEISS India Global Capability Center plans to double the workforce by end of 2028

ZEISS, a globally leading player in optics and optoelectronics, has inaugurated its Global Capability Center (GCC) in India, marking a pivotal expansion to further bolster digital transformation, research and innovation efforts in India.

Located in Bengaluru, the facility was inaugurated by Priyank Kharge, Minister of Electronics, IT & BT (Information Technology and Biotechnology), Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Karnataka.

ZEISS India Global Capability Center is a strategic hub that will tap into Bengaluru's deep IT talent pool to drive technology solutions and further expand ZEISS's global R&D capabilities.

The premise spans across 43,000 sq.ft. and will accommodates 600+ employees with deep domain expertise in the field of application research for Medical Technologies, Vision care, Cyber Security, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Cloud Excellence and Digital Transformation. The company aims to double this current workforce by 2028.

Priyank Kharge said, "India now hosts over 4,000 Global Capability Centers (GCCs), with Karnataka alone accounting for 38% of these. The state has the potential to drive growth across diverse sectors, including agritech, aerospace, and technology."

ZEISS India has also collaborated with the Karnataka Government to enhance the region's Research and Development (R&D) ecosystem for emerging technologies. This joint R&D initiative will support Karnataka's vibrant startup ecosystem by establishing a collaborative centre where ZEISS will contribute with its infrastructure and expertise while startups bring along the agility and disruptive innovation. The collaboration shall seek to accelerate the commercialisation of cutting-edge products, such as AI-driven diagnostics and smart optical devices, aiming for a significant percentage of these developments to reach the market within 3 years.

In addition to the Joint Research and Development (R&D) Program, ZEISS India has also announced the collaboration with the Karnataka Government to make quality vision-care more accessible across Karnataka's rural and underserved regions. Through the Aloka Vision Program by ZEISS, this partnership will aim to provide affordable eye-care services to 100,000

individuals over the next 3 years.