

Sterling and Wilson successfully completes Greenfield Data Center in Democratic Republic of Congo

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~State-of-the-art expandable modular design and civil structure made of prefabricated steel~

Mumbai, 28 August 2024: Sterling and Wilson Private Limited, India's leading engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) companies, proudly announces the handover of the Greenfield Data Center for Raxio Group in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Raxio Group is Africa's leading carrier-neutral Tier III certified data centre operator, delivering world-class co-location and connectivity services. They own and operate industry-standard, enterprise-grade facilities and services that serve as the foundation of Africa's digital economies.

The Data Center facility will house Co-location and Hyperscale clients spread across 4,300 sq.mt. area with a total IT load of 1.5 MW. SWPL's scope included complete turnkey Civil & MEP for the facility along with Tier-III Uptime TCDD and TCCF certification. One of the first of its kind features include modular design of civil structure made of prefabricated steel, which ensures faster execution and better quality vis-à-vis normal brick and mortar structures. The project also included Indirect Adiabatic Cooling (IAC) free cooling solution for better PUE. This project involved various challenges such as tough geography and supply chain hurdles, however, the company was able to execute and deliver the project before the scheduled deadline of 16 months.

Commenting on this occasion, **Mr. Prasanna Sarambale, CEO, Data Centre Business, Sterling and Wilson Private Limited** said, *"We are proud to execute this prestigious Greenfield Data Center before scheduled timeline which showcases our vast expertise and experience in successfully delivering such projects within sub-Saharan Africa. At Sterling and Wilson, we have a proven track record of delivering complex data center projects and are confident that this data centre meets the highest standards of quality, safety, and sustainability. Through this successful project delivery, we want to reassure the larger African market that our company remains committed for the need of reliable, secure and scalable data center solutions to further strengthen the region's digitization journey."*

Mr. Robert Saunders, Group Chief Technology Officer, Raxio Data Centers said, *"We are extremely pleased to have achieved this significant milestone that has emerged from our collaboration with SWPL. The African region is witnessing an exponential growth of digitalization, and we are committed to meet this growing demand by delivering robust data center infrastructure to the region. The SWPL team have vast experience in this space and have been committed to our vision of delivering this project on time. I am certain that the Raxio data centre, DRC 1 will truly add immense value to enterprise businesses as well as public sector organisations within the country, successfully contributing towards the digital transformation in the region."*

Sterling and Wilson commenced Data Centre services in 2015, and in a short span of time, it has emerged as one of India's leading Data Centre EPC players in the sector. It has executed 24 DC projects with total

IT load of more than 65MW, in India and international markets, with leading players like global hyperscalers, Telecom Egypt and MainOne (an Equinix company). We are currently executing 5MW in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 1.5MW in Luanda, Angola-West Africa, 6MW for a COLO player & 96MW for a Hyperscaler player in India.

Sterling and Wilson Group is an established player in the whole of Africa and enjoys considerable goodwill in the region. The Group has been executing projects in Africa for more than a decade, across South Africa, Morocco, Egypt, Ghana, Rwanda, Tanzania, Togo, Nigeria, Mali, Niger, Zambia and Namibia.

About Sterling and Wilson

Sterling and Wilson is one of India's leading engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) company. The Company operates across the globe in more than 30 countries with a strong presence in regions such as Asia, Middle East, Africa, Europe, the Americas, and Australia. From being electrical contractors in the 80s to becoming the subcontinent's largest MEP and EPC business today, Sterling and Wilson has come a long way. The Company's proven past is embodied in its industry-leading presence of close to hundred years and successful projects of grand scale and complexity in India and the international arena. Over the past 10+ years, the Company has set up global operations in Data Centres, Renewable Energy, MEP-IEPC, Transmission & Distribution, Generators and E-Mobility. As a responsible corporate entity, the company has been actively contributing to socio-economic development of communities in which it operates, through various CSR activities.

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