

The transformation of the HHL Centre is complete!

An entirely redesigned, re-appointed, smart and digital HHL Centre slid open its doors to the world on December 5th, 2018 ending an elaborate and painstaking transformation exercise initiated by SNS a couple of years ago. The old avatar had begun to look decidedly dated, it had only just about survived the floods of December 2015 and the need was pressing to modernise and contemporize both the message and the medium. The crucial consideration was how

to modernise the HHL Centre without compromising its old charm. It was a hugely sensitive issue too involving the sentiments and emotions of several stalwarts, both past and present, who have had so much to offer in bringing L&T Construction to its present stature. An initial plan was shared with Mr. K V Rangaswami (KVR), former President, L&T Construction for his concurrence. KVR not only approved the plan but urged us to execute it at the earliest!



Inauguration
The new-look HHL Centre being inaugurated by Mr. K V Rangaswami, Mrs. Chitra Rangaswami, Mr. S N Subrahmanyam, Mrs. Meena Subrahmanyam, Mr. M V Satish, Mrs. Vasanti Satish, Mr. S Kanappan and Mrs. Rajini Kanappan.



Welcome Zone
An eye-catching globe that flashes customized welcome messages and corporate messages like how the many shapes of the infrastructure we build are 'Inspired from Life' like Mumbai International Airport capturing the peacock theme in its architecture, the butterfly-shaped roof of TVS Siruseri, Chennai or even the mushroom-shaped Abu Dhabi International Airport.

Several corporate museums were visited for 'inspiration' after which agencies were engaged for their thoughts on how to modernize the HHL Centre. We received several presentations, some of which helped us understand what we **did not want**. Soon, the search narrowed down to two designers and after a rigorous screening process the mandate was awarded to EDC, a Bengaluru-based designer of museums and experience zones.

Fine tuning the design and identifying the right kind of technology interfaces were crucial. One of SNS's dictates was to keep the architecture including the characteristic waffle-shaped ceiling intact.

History Wall

Swipe and find the history of Larsen & Toubro and L&T Construction. Find out why L&T gave up the manufacture of umbrellas and how L&T Construction (erstwhile ECC) built the bridge for the multi-Oscar award winning film – The Bridge on the River Kwai.



L&T City

A dramatic representation of all the infrastructure we build in a city – roads, airports, hospitals, stadia, IT complexes, high-rise residential towers, metros, ports, smart infrastructure, plants, factories, the works!

For 4 months, the centre was a place of dust, grime, noise and the chaos typical of any construction site. Simultaneously, we initiated the arduous process of collating information from multiple sources, verifying them, culling out the essentials and converting them all into creative renditions. New HVAC, firefighting systems and fresh ducting were introduced thanks to in house talent and resources after which the actual re-construction and assembly began. Perhaps the toughest part was to erect the intricate awards centrepiece that severely tested design and engineering skills. The installations then began followed by checking, syncing and

bringing the information alive on to completely touch-enabled digital interfaces. The last act was to adorn the glass façade with attractive project pictures on the outside and a sun-control film on the inside to cut the heat and light.

It was only fitting that KVR, who so desired this transformation, was present to inaugurate the new avatar of the HHL Centre along with Mrs. Chitra Rangaswami, SNS, Mrs. Meena Subrahmanyam, Mr. M V Satish, Mrs. Vasanti Satish, Mr. S Kanappan and Mrs. Rajini Kanappan, other senior executives and employees to introduce to the world one of the best corporate museums of its kind!

Smart Campus Feed

Shows you how smart is our campus! Find out the AQI (Air Quality Index) in our campus, how much energy we have conserved, how much water saved, how much solar and wind power have been generated ...



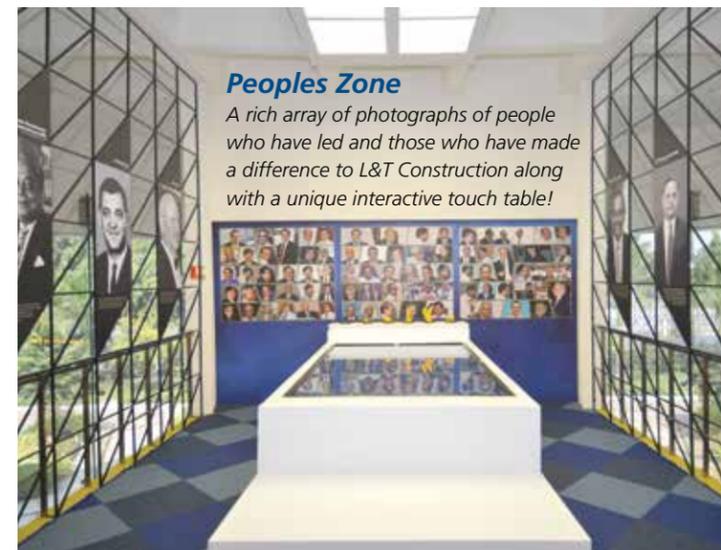
Awards Section

All major awards arrayed in an elliptically shaped enclosure with LED lights that literally 'find' the award of your choosing that can be category wise, IC wise ...



Peoples Zone

A rich array of photographs of people who have led and those who have made a difference to L&T Construction along with a unique interactive touch table!



CSR Wall

A quick look at all the activities undertaken to help the poor and needy by both Prayas Trust & L&T CSR.

IC Wall

Deep dive into any business across ICs, SBGS and BUs to showcase our engineering capabilities.



Iconic Projects Wall

Select mega projects showcased through films on an irregular, asymmetrical digital wall!

This article is also to acknowledge and celebrate the role of several L&T-ites across levels, functions and departments without whose sterling contribution this marvellous asset would not have been possible.

Three cheers to all of us! We continue to make the things that make India proud!



Farewell Zone

Visitors can record their impressions about their experience at the HHL Centre which can be shared with them and archived for posterity.



Chill Out Area

Visitors now have the privilege to take a breath and enjoy a cup of coffee at a bistro or an external seating area on top of the 'Ship!'

