

MG Motor India and Fortum set up a 50 kW Superfast EV charging station in Pune

The public charging station will enable cars such as ZS EV to charge 80% in 50 minutes

Pune, July 07, 2021: MG Motor India and Fortum Charge & Drive India have set up a 50 kW Superfast public EV charging station in Pune. Mrs. Usha (Mai) Manohar Dhore, Pimpri – Chinchwad Mayor and Mr. Ajay Aautade, Asst. RTO Officer Pimpri - Chinchwad, attended the inauguration ceremony held at MG Dealership.

The smart chargers can be accessed by anyone who has an EV car compatible with the CCS2 (Combined Charging System), by registering on Fortum's mobile app.

Speaking on the partnership, **Mr. Gaurav Gupta, Chief Commercial Officer, MG Motor India**, said, "Our collaboration with Fortum reiterates our commitment towards enabling the infrastructure for environment-friendly mobility solutions in the country. The ZS EV's availability in more cities in a phase-wise manner is a step closer to achieving sustainability goals. After launching the ZS EV in 6 more cities in 2021, the MG ZS EV is now available across 37 Indian cities."

MG Motor India and Fortum, one of the leading EV charging service providers in the global EV space, had announced their partnership in 2019. Since then, the carmaker and Fortum have built a network of 11 DC chargers across Delhi NCR, Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, and Ahmedabad.

Commenting on this inauguration, **Mr. Awadhesh Kumar Jha - Vice President, Fortum Charge & Drive India**, said, "We are happy to extend our partnership with one of the leading automotive companies to further bolster the super-fast charging network in the country. With this charger on Fortum Charge & Drive network, an EV user can travel between Mumbai and Pune without any range anxiety as both the cities have Fortum chargers."

MG ZS EV can be charged from 0 to 80% in 50 minutes at Fortum superfast charging stations. Other charging options with the ZS EV include a free-of-cost AC fast-charger (installed at the customer's home/office), a plug-and-charge cable onboard, and charge-on-the-go with RSA (Roadside Assistance). Additionally, it has extended the charging network in select satellite cities.

About MG Motor India

Founded in the UK in 1924, Morris Garages vehicles were world-famous for their sports cars, roadsters, and cabriolet series. MG vehicles were much sought after by many celebrities, including the British Prime Ministers and even the British Royal Family, for their styling, elegance, and spirited performance. The MG Car Club, set up in 1930 at Abingdon in the UK, has thousands of loyal fans, making it one of the world's largest clubs for a car brand. MG has evolved into a modern, futuristic, and innovative brand over the last 96 years. Its state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Halol, Gujarat, has an annual production capacity of 80,000 vehicles and employs nearly 2,500 work force. Driven by its vision of CASE (Connected, Autonomous, Shared, and Electric) mobility, the cutting-edge automaker has augmented the across-the-board 'experiences' within the automobile segment today. It has introduced several 'firsts' in India including India's first Internet SUV – MG Hector, India's first Pure Electric Internet SUV – MG ZS EV, and India's first Autonomous (Level 1) Premium SUV – MG Gloster.

About Fortum

Fortum is a European energy company with activities in more than 40 countries. We provide our customers with electricity, gas, heating and cooling as well as smart solutions to improve resource efficiency. We want to engage our customers and society to join the change for a cleaner world. Together with our subsidiary Uniper, we are the third largest producer of CO2-free electricity in Europe. With approximately 19,000 professionals and a combined balance sheet of approximately EUR 69 billion, we have the scale, competence and resources to grow and to drive the energy transition forward. Fortum's share is listed on Nasdaq Helsinki and Uniper's share on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. (www.fortum.com).

Fortum in India is focused on 4 verticals (Solar, EV Charging infrastructure, Bioethanol and NOx reduction solutions for thermal power plants). Fortum Charge & Drive brings Nordic capability and experience where we operated more than 6000 + charging points. More than 2,00,000 EV charge points are being accessed by EV users through our EMP service. Since piloting in India in October 2017, Fortum Charge & Drive India is expanding the DC fast-charging network in the country. Fortum Charge & Drive India Operates a wide network of secure, robust and smart public chargers for 4W Passenger Electric Vehicles as Charge Point Operator (CPO). With a network of 105 DC Fast Public Charging Points and 4 Type-2 AC charging points in ten cities in 8 states, we have more than 3000 registered EV users. We also offer Cloud based Charger Management System (Business Platform) for end to end EV Charging management for Charge Point Operators. We are working with reputed partners from Metro Rail to Oil Marketing Company to Fleet Operator to Utility.

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