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## Orient Green synchronises 40 MW wind farm

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ORIENT Green Power Company Ltd (OGPL), an independent renewable energy

company, has synchronised a wind farm of 40.80 MW capacity with the state grid of Tamil Nadu through its subsidiary Beta Wind Farms Ltd. The farm is located at Kazugumalai in the Tirunelveli / Thuthukudi districts.

Orient Green Power Europe, a subsidiary of OGPL, also synchronised a 10.5 MW wind farm in Croatia recently.

With the addition of these farms, OGPL has an operating capacity of 250 MW of wind energy apart from 50 MW of biomass-based power making it one of major renewable energy power producer in the country.

OGPL's total operating capacity in India and overseas to-

tals 300 MW, from both wind and biomass. In Tamil Nadu alone, the company operates 245 MW of 'green' power.

During the current fiscal, the company has added 80 MW

till date and plans to add another 147 MW. Another 100 MW of wind capacity is planned to be added by June '12before the beginning of the next wind season – in Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat.

Plans are on to add further capacities in wind in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and possibly Maharashtra as well in 2012-13. OGPL vice chairman T Shivaraman said the company plans to cross 500 MW mark by the second quarter of 2012-13. This capacity addition would enhance the availability of power, especially in rural Tamil Nadu and also offers employment in the region.

