



# Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurates Zetwerk Electronics' World-Class Defence, Automotive, and IT Hardware Electronics Manufacturing Unit at Bengaluru

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Hon. Minister for Railways, Information and Broadcasting, and Electronics and Information Technology Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw and Karnataka's Minister for Large and Medium Industries, M.B. Patil today inaugurated Zetwerk Electronics' new world-class manufacturing facility for defence, automotive, and IT hardware electronics built in Bengaluru. Inaugurating the program, the Union Minister stated that every product manufactured here will meet high-quality standards. The Minister noted that the manufacturing of electronic components is now growing rapidly. Already, 46 approvals have been granted, and Karnataka is set to receive investments exceeding ₹10,000 crore.



The Minister said that, In the recent budget, the Finance Minister increased the budget for the electronic component manufacturing scheme from ₹22,000 crore to ₹40,000 crore. This will significantly accelerate the electronics manufacturing journey. Our Prime Minister has set a production target of \$500 billion by the 2030-2031 financial year. Therefore, we all need to move very quickly in that direction. Today, people are designing complete '2-nanometer' chips in India, which is a major achievement for the country, and equipment manufacturers have also started coming to India. The Minister mentioned that Applied Materials and Lam Research have been brought to India, and the next goal should be to bring ASML.

He further added that commercial production will begin this year. In the coming days, the first commercially produced chip from a semiconductor plant will be in our hands. 'Semicon 2.0' will be effective, focusing on design, equipment manufacturing, chemicals, gases, validation, and yield improvement—all functions required for a sustainable semiconductor journey.



We aim to prepare 85,000 silicon engineers over 10 years, and in four years, we have already trained 67,000. Consequently, a large part of chip design will practically happen in India. This will be a major shift in the coming years. With the arrival of the 'fab,' we have now mapped a path from 28-nano meter to 7- nano meter, which will be part of Silicon 2.0. We believe in a cooperative system and that the country grows only when all states grow. The Minister urged not to have a narrow outlook but a broad vision to make India a 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047. He stated that, Hon. Prime Minister has given us this vision, and we should all work unitedly and focus toward that single goal.

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