Descon Manpower Services Trip to Mangla-Dam

After the successful mobilization of more than 3600 personnel overseas (FY 2017-18) by Descon’s Manpower Services, a one-day trip to Mangla-Dam was organized to celebrate the team's success, appreciate their efforts and gear up for the upcoming season.

ADNOC Awards Project to Descon

Descon Engineering UAE has been awarded two major awards from ADNOC Gas Processing at Habshan region & Al Hoon Gas. Both awards have been secured on high strategic values owing to Descon’s experienced proposal capabilities.

Iftar Celebration on FEWA & ORPIC Awards

An Iftar celebration was organized by Descon Manufacturing Overseas Aftermarket Services team to celebrate the FEWA & ORPIC contracts awarded to Descon. Division President Manufacturing Talimur Saeed was the Chief Guest who appreciated the team’s hard work and dedication in securing these awards.

Descon Completes Major Shutdown in Oman

Descon Engineering Oman successfully executed the major shutdown works for Yale S.A. with zero Loss Time Injury (LTI). With an efficient project management & execution team, Descon executed multiple projects simultaneously namely shutdown support services, miller liner replacement, shutdown management and pipeline inspection services. Yale S.A. is the world’s largest producer of iron ore and the facility in Oman is one of the biggest pelletizing plants in the Middle East.

Japanese Ambassador visits Descon Headquarters

H.E. Mr. Takashi Kurai, Ambassador of Japan to Pakistan visited Descon Headquarters in June. During the meeting with the Leadership Team, he applauded Descon’s contributions in building Pakistan’s infrastructure. Chairman Descon, Mr. A. Razak Dewood also apprised the Ambassador about the Descon Technical Institute (DTI), the premier training institute of the country. DTI is helping the underprivileged youth through providing them with in-demand technical and vocational training to earn a sustainable means of livelihood. Mr. Takashi Kurai is a veteran diplomat having served at key posts in Japan and abroad. Before his assignment to Pakistan, the Ambassador served as the Envoy Extraordinary at the Embassy of Japan in Russia and Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Korea. He has also served as the Deputy Director General, Intelligence and Analysis Service at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Descon Awards Project to Descon

Altern Energy Limited (AEL) and Descon Power Solutions (DPS) held their Annual Employee Function in April 2018, with all employees at the Altern Energy plant in Fateh Jang. In attendance for the event were the Senior Management Team from the Head Office, including the CEO, Head H.R., OGM Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Wind & Solar, Head Quality, Environmental, Occupational Health & Safety (QEH&S), among others.

The event began with presentations from the plant team on both improvement plans for the plant and the QEH&S activities held there during the past year followed by lunch. After lunch, several activities took place between the teams in attendance. These included a friendly cricket match between the AEL and DPS Head Office teams and a tug of war competition between the Operations & Maintenance teams.

The event concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, musical evening and dinner. The purpose of the event was to reinforce the organization’s culture and deepen the staff’s ties to both the company and each other while removing barriers between them various departments and teams.

FFCEL Extends O&M Contract with Descon Power Solutions

Descon Power Solutions (DPS) has successfully completed five years of the Operations & Maintenance (O&M) contract of FFCEL Energy Limited (FFCEL). This was Pakistan’s first O&M project in the wind sector. The acquisition of this project helped DPS in acquiring five projects (PWEL-11, PWEL-12, Mero, Gul Ahmed, YEL) having Nordex turbines and one project (Harold Alternates Energy) having GE turbines.

The successful completion of five years O&M contract has enabled Descon Power Solutions to secure an extension of three years O&M contract with FFCEL. This was only made possible due to the relentless efforts put in by the DPS team to ensure the client’s complete satisfaction while maintaining the highest levels of quality and safety.
World Environment Day

Descon celebrated the World Environment Day with the theme “Beat Plastic Pollution” on the 5th of June across its global operations. The World Environment Day is the United Nation’s most important day for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the protection of the environment. Since it began in 1974, it has grown to become a global platform for public outreach that is widely celebrated in over 100 countries. This year Desconians pledged to play their part for environmental protection and pass on a green message to society.

Descon Oxychem CEO

The Board of Directors of Descon Oxychem Limited appointed Imran Qureshi as the Chief Executive Officer on May 28th, 2018. Prior to this appointment, Imran Qureshi was working as the Managing Director of JCP Coats Pakistan for a period of two years till April 2018. Having 20 years’ experience in the chemicals industry, Mr. Qureshi has had stints with Akzonobel Coatings as Business Manager, Performance Coatings, and worked as a Business Manager with ICI Paints from February 2011 to December 2014. Mr. Qureshi received his degree of Bachelor of Engineering from NED University, Karachi in 1994 and completed his MBA from Southeastern University (Washington D.C.). He also holds a Diploma in Strategic Leadership from Said Business School, University of Oxford, UK.

Descon Triumphs at LUMS Corporate Fest 2018

Descon took part in the annual LUMS Corporate Fest 2018, one of the biggest corporate sports event of the year. The event provides a good platform to corporates in promoting sporting activities between their employees. This two-day event that took place in April, was attended by many well-known organizations and multi-nationals. Descon’s employees participated in the Cricket, Futsal, Table Tennis and Badminton competitions, securing an overall 2nd position amongst 32 companies.

Descon Facility Management System

Recently, endeavours to automate Descon’s treasury operations were initiated. Until SAP’s Treasury Module implementation, with the invaluable support of the ICT team, Descon Corporate Finance managed to not only revive but also upgrade in May 18, the former internally developed software LCSM (Letter of Credit Management System) to a more encompassing FMS (Facility Management System). This upgraded version aims to be data reservoir for Non-funded Facilities and to provide accurate, complete and timely information to serve the needs of a more dynamic planning, monitoring and control environment.

LESCO CEO Visits Descon

The Chief Executive Officer of LESCO, Mr. Najibuddin Cheema, visited Descon Headquarters and met with the senior management of Descon Engineering’s Construction Division. The CEO was given a brief overview of the ongoing projects carried out by Descon and was appreciative of the high standards of quality and safety Descon has maintained. The visit also carries huge significance in terms of relationship building with LESCO as it complements Descon’s strategy to cater to the newly tapped E&I segment.

Descon and CGGC Joint Venture

Descon Engineering signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with China Geshouba Group Company Limited (CGGC) last year for future collaboration on upcoming projects. This year an opportunity arose pertaining to the construction of the 800MW Mehran Dam in Mehran Agency. Descon and CGGC have now successfully converted the MoU into a Joint Venture (JV) and have submitted a combined bid to WAPDA for the award of the project.

CGGC is a world-leading service provider for planning, design, construction, operation and building extensively in the field of hydro, thermal, nuclear and wind power projects.

The efforts put in by Descon Engineering’s Infrastructure Division for the formation of this JV and subsequent bid preparation alongside CGGC are commendable.

Long Term Contract in Qatar

Descon Engineering Qatar has secured 13 Nos. substation work from Siemens along with 05 years long-term contract in Qatar’s upstream field Dukhan.

PARCO Awards Turnaround to Descon

Descon Engineering’s Maintenance Division has recently been awarded the Revamp and Turnaround (Package 1) of Mid Country Refinery (MCR) by PakArab Refinery Limited (PARCO). The revamp is part of the ongoing expansion enhancing the capacity from 100,000 BPD to 130,000 BPD. The turnaround window will be 53 days (4 days shutdown preparation activities, 45 days maintenance execution window and 4 days startup activities). Since the commissioning of MCR in year 2000, this is the fourth turnaround which has been awarded to Descon.

The entire project spans for almost twelve months starting in June 2018 until May 2019 with the turnaround starting from March 2019 until April 2019. This award is the largest single contract in the history of Maintenance business in Pakistan and comes after a rigorous tendering & negotiations tenure of almost one year. It is a testament to Descon’s strong technical competence to deliver complex projects in challenging situations.