

2004-05	41.551	0.1	10.8
2005-06	45.907	10.5	10.8
2006-07	52.982	15.4	11.4
2007-08	64.920	22.5	12.5
2008-09	72.225	11.3	13.6

\*with respect to previous year  
\*\*in all India traffic at major ports

traffic handled by all major ports has risen steadily over the years, peaking at 13.6 per cent last year (see table). Earlier projections made by the port indicate an annual capacity handling target of 100 million tpa by 2012. ■

emphasis on patient care, research and teaching. Other facilities such as pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology will be added in the next phase. The hospital is expected to open by 2011, said C.V. Krish-

and provide enabling infrastructure to house R&D facilities of hi-tech firms eager to leverage the talent pool of the university. The revenue generated from the Vedanta University Project will be used for further expansion. ■

## IN BRIEF

**Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust** has signed a sister port agreement with Gijon Port Authority of Spain for exchange of experts and undertaking of studies of mutual interest as part of research, development and innovation. The agreement would be monitored by a management company headed by the chairmen of the two ports.

**BEML Ltd**, a public sector unit engaged in defence and heavy equipment, has set up an assembly unit in Brazil. The new unit will assemble mining and construction, rail, metro and defence equipment for Brazil, other Latin American countries, besides Caribbean nations.

**Renault of France** has put on indefinite hold its plans to roll out cars from its upcoming Chennai plant in Tamil Nadu. While construction of the plant is going on, production plans have been put on hold till market conditions improve. The Rs 4,500-crore plant, built in association of Nissan, was expected to produce 4 lakh cars per year, according to original plans. ■

# Supreme Industries launches DURAmembrane

**THE** construction accessories division of Supreme Industries Ltd has launched an innovative and composite polymeric water proofing membrane—DURAmembrane—that can be utilised in new constructions and in repair work of structures.

DURAmembrane is a faster and user-friendly system, ensuring hassle-free productivity. The closed cell structure avoids water vapour absorption and water transmission and the cross-linking of cells makes the membrane shock proof as well.



*DURAmembrane application on concrete terrace*

As India is a tropical country, some regions have hot tropical weather while some parts have heavy monsoons wherein the temperature varies between 0°C to 50°C; the overlying treatment needs to withstand a corresponding variation of -1°C to

Ajay Mohta, General Manager, Construction Accessories Division, Supreme Industries Ltd, told *Projectmonitor*: "DURAmembrane is a cost-effective solution for waterproofing of basements and roofs. It is a versatile material, capable of retaining the dryness of concrete, masonry, metal and wood structures and is resistant to salts, alkalis, and most acids."

65°C. DURAmembrane meets these challenges and can withstand temperature ranging from -40°C to 115°C, he assured. "Our membrane is going to solve problems and huge losses arising out of water leakage. The entire construction industry in India will benefit as this product will not only help them to overcome complex challenges, it will also enhance their productivity," he added. ■





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