

# **Quality Assurance for AdBlue and Bypass** of SCR System

### **Presented by**



# Mr. Varun Agrawal

# **NPL BlueSky Automotive Pvt Ltd**



# Director



# Content

- >About Nandan Group
- Progress Of BSVI Implementation In The Country
- AdBlue / DEF / AUS32: About AdBlue, Market size, Current Scenario
- Quality Control Order
- Genuine and Substandard AdBlue Pros & Cons
- QCO Implementation To Address Substandard Product Issues
- Cheat Technology Bypass of SCR Systems
- Effects of Bypassing SCR System
- >Way Forward





# **Nandan Group of Companies**



### NANDAN Bulk Carriers

Company owned Inbound | Outbound Logistics for Bulk Liquid cargos

# **Over Three Decades Of Rich Heritage**



# **Group Vision & Mission**

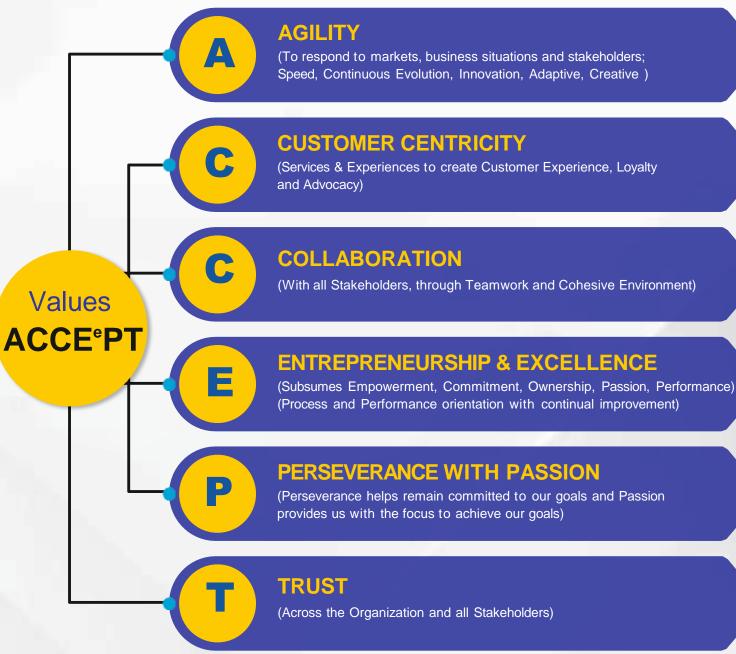
## Vision

"We at Nandan Group as a responsible Corporate, aim to be a preferred Partner delivering stakeholder value in all our endeavours"

## Mission



"We believe in providing solutions to make "Effort Effortless" and superior experience for "Contemporary Mobility





# **NPL Group: Business At a Glance**





### ADBLUE PLANTS

ADBLUE PROPOSED PLANTS

LUBRICANT AND GREASES
PLANTS

(

NPL BlueSky Automotive

# **List of Esteemed Clients**









# **Our Offering – For Genuine AdBlue**

Follow us on 😭 💿 🐹 🛅 www.velvex.in



# Velvex Automated Dispensing System (ADS) For AdBlue®



Environment Friendly



Exceeds 18 Parameters



Reduces NOx Pollution

Pan India Network

\*\*

VELVEX

AdBlue

DIESEL

**EXHAUST** 

FLUID

Rt Friendly

India's No. 1 DEF Company

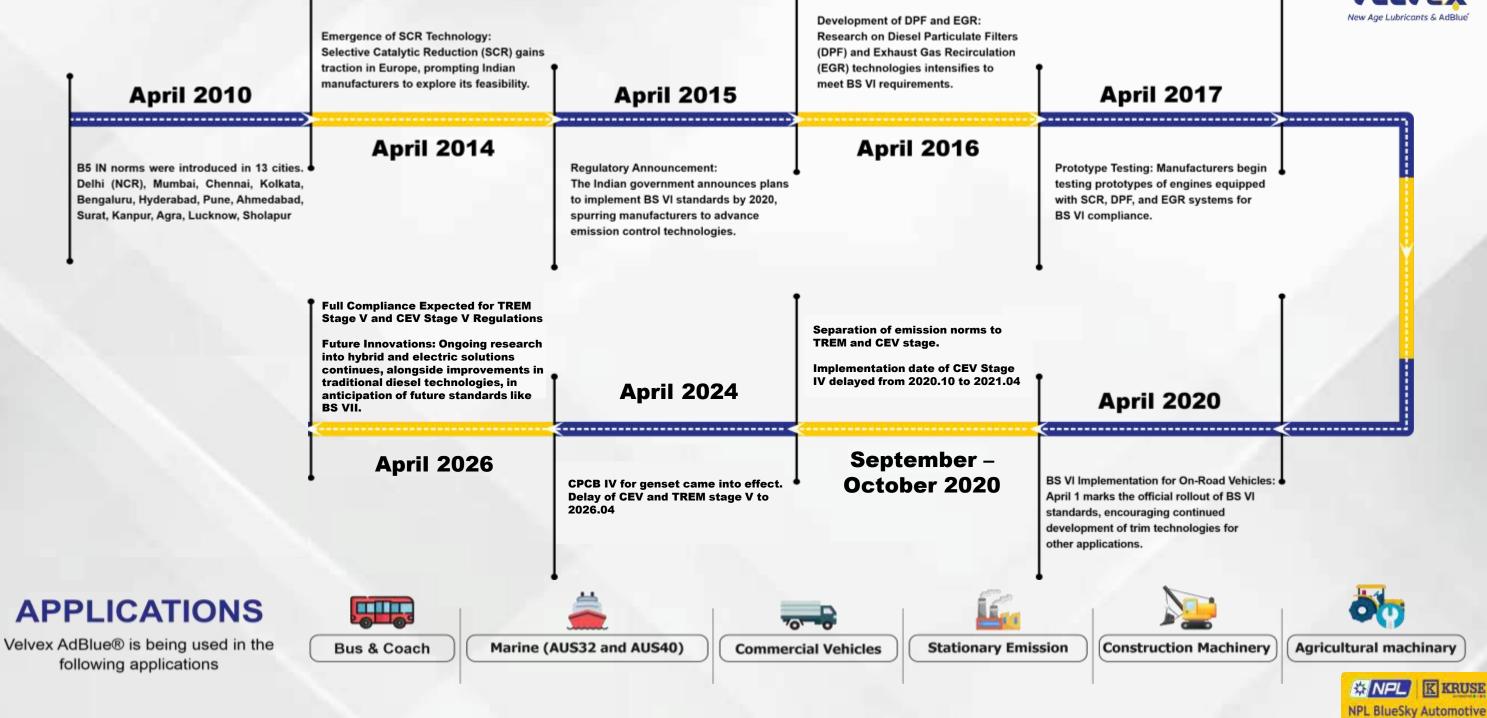
#AdBlue is the Registered Trademark of Verband der Automobilindustrie e.V (VDA)







# **Progress of BSVI Implementation In The Country**





# What is AdBlue<sup>®</sup>?

- AdBlue® is a registered trademark for AUS32 or Aqueous Urea Solution
- AdBlue® is a trademark owned by The German Association VDA
- The right to use the name AdBlue® can only be acquired by a license
- A non-toxic, crystal clear & synthetically produced solution
- Used in SCR system to reduce NOx emissions from exhaust of vehicles
- It is carried in an additional tank that is fitted by the vehicle manufacturer
- ISO 22241 standard ensures its consistent guality. In 2006, Euro technology to enable trucks to meet the Euro IV and V limits
- An SCR system uses AdBlue® to reduce NOx to covert it into Nitrogen and water

### **Functioning of the SCR System**

### What is VDA?

- •Verband der Automobil Industrie (VDA) is a German interest group representing the German automobile industry. Its members include both automobile manufacturers and component suppliers.
- •VDA QMC is the certifying body that audits the suppliers' plants and certifies them to use the AdBlue® brand name.
- •To use the AdBlue® trademark, suppliers must hold a valid VDA license.

### How much is the AdBlue<sup>®</sup> consumption rate?

• AdBlue® consumption is expected to be approximately 4-6% fuel consumption. It may vary depending on vehicle operation, duty cycle, geography, load ratings, etc.





### AdBlue <sup>®</sup> Tank (Additional to Diesel Tank)

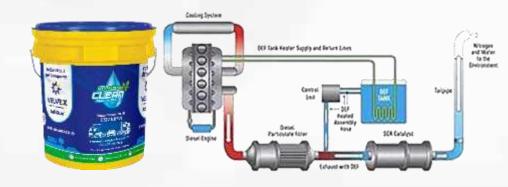


**Exhaust Pipe** 



# AdBlue / DEF / AUS32 Market Size

Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF), also known as AUS 32 and marketed as AdBlue, is a key liquid used to reduce air pollution from diesel engines.





### **Market Insights**

•Annual Consumption: The DEF market is estimated at 800 to 1,000 million liters per year.

•Market Share: Nandan Group holds an approximate 35% share, making it the leading DEF manufacturer in India.

•Major Reputed Brands: Tata Genuine DEF, IOC Clearblue, Gulf AL AdBlue, Velvex AdBlue

### **Financial Outlook**

•Market Value: The DEF market is valued between Rs. 3,200 to 3,500 crores annually.

•Growth Rate: It is projected to grow at a rate of 12% to 15% per annum.

•CAGR: The compound annual growth rate (CAGR) in volume over the past three years has been an impressive 20%. This robust growth indicates a strong demand for DEF, driven by regulatory pressures and the increasing adoption of cleaner diesel technologies.





# **AdBlue Quality Standard**

### SCR systems are sensitive to potential chemical impurities in the urea solution. Therefore, it is essential to maintain high-

quality standards in AdBlue manufacturing.



### AdBlue Specifications as per ISO 22241 / IS 17042

Characteristics	Unit	Liı	mits	
Characteristics	Unit	min.	max.	
Urea Content	% (m/m)d	31.8	33.2	It is critical to be i provide Also, the SCR syst content to g
Density @ 20°C	kg/m3	1087	1093	Product Identificatio
Refractive Index at 20°C	-	1381.4	1384.3	Product Identificatio
Alkalinity as NH3	% (m/m)d	-	0.2	Dete
Biuret	% (m/m)d	-	0.3	
Aldehyde	mg/kg	-	5	
Insoluble Matter	mg/kg	-	20	(
Phosphate (PO4)	mg/kg	-	0.5	
Calcium	mg/kg	-	0.5	(
Iron	mg/kg	-	0.5	
Copper	mg/kg	-	0.2	
Zinc	mg/kg	-	0.2	
Chromium	mg/kg	-	0.2	
Nickel	mg/kg	-	0.2	
Aluminium	mg/kg	-	0.5	
Magnesium	mg/kg	-	0.5	
Sodium	mg/kg	-	0.5	
Potassium	mg/kg	-	0.5	



### Significance

in the range for an ideal solution as it es the lowest freezing point. stem will be calibrated to 32.5% Urea get the optimum NOx reduction.

ion, and to check possible contamination

ion, and to check possible contamination

ermines product shelf life

Poison to catalyst

Form Deposits

**Causes Injector Clog** 

Poison to catalyst

**Causes Injector Clog** 

Poison to catalyst

**Causes Injector Clog** 

Poison to catalyst

Poison to catalyst



# **India: Current Scenario**

Growth of AdBlue demand in the country

>Along with reputed organized players, many unorganized players are entering this segment

>Volume of substandard AdBlue being sold in the market is increasing due to the following reasons:

- > Contamination of AdBlue is taking place due to **Non Dedicated Dispensing Equipment**
- > Cheaper Industrial / Agricultural grade urea and supplies without mandated testing of product are some of the mechanisms adopted to reduce cost of manufacturing.
- > Spurious manufacturers supplying AdBlue / DEF / AUS32 with **lower urea concentration** to cut cost.
- Lack of Knowledge: Many consumers may not be aware of the differences between genuine and substandard products, making it easier for altered products to be sold

In addition, there is now increasing use of cheat technology to by pass SCR and avoid AdBlue/DEF refilling





# **Quality Control Order**

- Quality control order for AdBlue has come into effect from 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024
- Notification dated 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024 requires all packs of AdBlue/DEF to bear ISI mark
- The ISI mark can be licensed after a successful audit by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)
- The IS part no is IS- 17042 >
- The license requires all AdBlue/DEF manufacturers to have their facilities audited and product approved.
- Minimum criteria is for manufactures to invest in laboratory for testing of its product
- It is the first battle amongst many in the fight against spurious manufacturers of the product.





----



# **Genuine and Substandard AdBlue**



### #AdBlue is the Registered Trademark of Verband der Automobilindustrie e.V (VDA)

### Substandard AdBlue / DEF / AUS32

Not Certified - NO Quality Assurance



No License Approval



Cheaper Agricultural Grade Urea With Lower Urea Concentration



Bypass SCR and Harms Engine Life / Longer Vehicle Downtime Negative Impact on Biodiversity











# **QCO Implementation To Address Substandard Product** Issues

### **Steps Taken in Other Countries**





USA

### Europe

AdBlue is a registered trademark of VDA. VDA audits the manufacturing plants and certifies them to use the AdBlue trade mark.



### Brazil

The In metro (Brazilian Institute of Metrology) is responsible for conformity assessment of a range of products manufactured and sold in Brazil.

American Petroleum Institute (API), on lines of VDA, has set up an audit and licensing framework. Manufacturers qualifying the audit can use the API logo on their packs.



### China

In April 2015, the Internal **Combustion Engine Industry** Association set up a certification system for AdBlue and those enterprises who meet the manufacturing specification are authorized to use their trademark called CGT.



### **ISO 22241**

- $\geq$ Standards Applicable globally
- Typically voluntary,  $\geq$ but widely adopted
- $\succ$ **Currently in effect** 
  - metals to ensure they do not damage the SCR system



- BIS certification through facility assessment and testing
- Mandatory to mention product name, BIS mark, batch number, and dates on product packaging
- and sales prohibition



### **BIS in India**

 $\geq$ 

 $\succ$ 



### **ISO 17042**

Tailored for the Indian market

Mandatory for Indian manufacturers

Applicable from Aug 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Limits on various contaminants like aldehydes, phosphates, and

Penalties for non-compliance include fines, license suspension,

S NPL KRUSE NPL BlueSky Automotive

# **Cheat Technology – Bypass of SCR Systems**

- Rise in tampering of SCR systems in India.
  - SCR Equipment lines are removed from the system
  - Use of OBD emulators to bypass the SCR system
  - Counter Technology Services Providers
  - Diagnostic tools with version program files
  - Bypass of SCR systems is happening in both BS-IV and BS-VI vehicles.





Mercedes Euro6 AdBlue Emulator

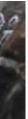


Volvo Euro6 AdBlue Emulator













NPL BlueSky Automotive

# **Effects of Bypassing SCR System**



### **ENVIRONMENT:**

- Increase in NOx emissions increases air pollution, contributing to smog, acid rain and degradation of air quality.
- It will also directly impact public health giving rise to respiratory problems and other health issues.
- Environmental degradation with **negative impact on biodiversity**.

	10h	

### **OEMs**

- Negative perception on BS-VI technology affecting Brand Equity.
- Future regulatory challenges to implement and maintain emissions standards.



### **VEHICLE OWNERS:**

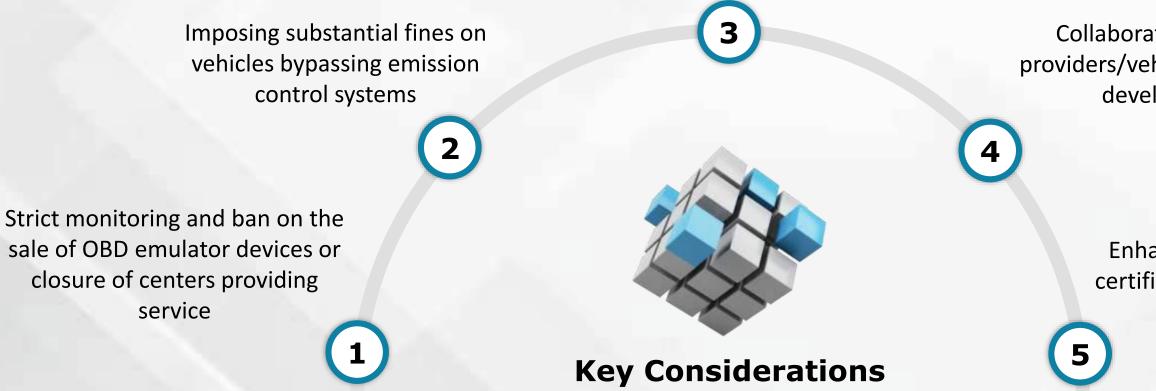
- Loss of business due to **frequent breakdown**. Higher combustion temperatures leads to increased engine wear.
- Provides unfair competitive advantage over law abiding businesses.
- Decreased resale value as consequences of such modifications.
- Loss of warranty coverage for engine-related issues.





# Way Forward

Launch public awareness campaigns to educate the negative consequences, emphasizing the environmental and health impacts



Vehicles running with inferior quality or without AdBlue / DEF / AUS 32 are more harmful to the environment and society as they emit more NOx than BS I standard.

It will impact public health giving rise to respiratory problems and other health issues.



### Collaborate with technology providers/vehicle manufacturers to develop safeguards

### Enhance emissions testing and certification processes to identify tampered vehicles





# **Thank You!**



HO.: C-201, Lotus Corporate Park, Ram Mandir Lane, Jay Coach Junction, Western Express Highway, Goregaon East, Mumbai - 400063 Tel.: +91-22-42577200 (Board) • Email: info@nandangroup.com • www.nandangroup.com



