



J&M Steel Solutions to Expand Plant Equipment

– From 10,000 Ton/Yr to 20,000 Ton/Yr System –

J&M Steel Solutions Co. Ltd. (Head Office: Yangon City, Myanmar; President: Yasuo Shoji), which was established by JFE Engineering Corporation (Head Office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; President and CEO: Hisanori Kanou) by a joint venture with the Ministry of Construction, Myanmar, announced a decision by the company's governing body to expand its steel structure fabrication plant in Thaketa Township, Yangon.

J&M Steel Solutions started operations at the plant, which produces steel bridges and other steel structures, in April 2014 to contribute to infrastructure construction in Myanmar, which is experiencing rapid economic growth, and has received orders for highway bridges and railway bridges in that country. In addition, the company also fabricates bridge blocks for projects in countries other than Myanmar contracted by JFE Engineering. The plant is currently in full operation.

Supported by this strong business, J&M Steel Solutions foresees increasing demand in the future, and has decided to expand the plant's production capacity from 10,000 tons/yr to 20,000 tons/yr by the end of March 2016.

As part of this plant expansion project, the site area will be doubled, from 32,000 m² to 65,000 m², and yards for outdoor storage of members and trial shop assembly will be expanded. At the same time, the area of structures for housing machinery on the site will also be increased from 8,000 m² to 12,000 m², and indoor and outdoor cranes and equipment for the various processes of bridge block fabrication will be added.

In addition, painting equipment capable of performing rust-proofing and corrosion resistance treatment to Japanese standards will be introduced, making it also possible to fabricate steel bridges for ODA projects with high specifications as an overseas production base of JFE Engineering.

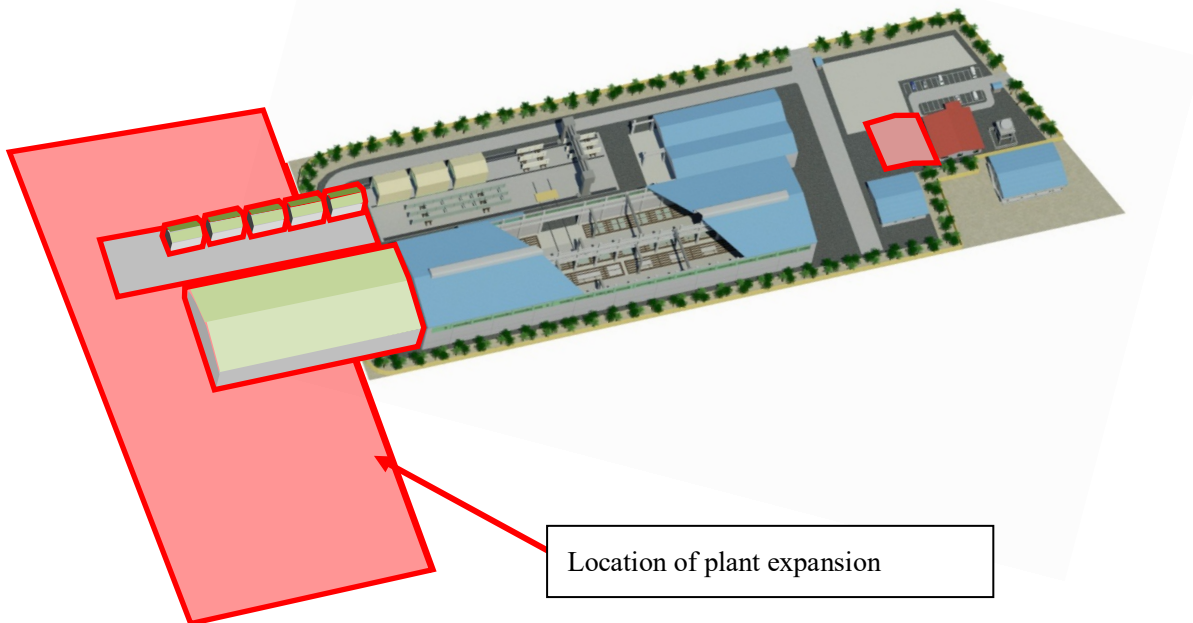
In the future, JFE Engineering and J&M Steel Solutions will continue to contribute to the development of Myanmar, where active infrastructure construction is now in progress.

■ Outline of J&M Steel Solutions Company Limited

- Venture Partner : Public Works, Ministry of Construction, Myanmar
- Company Name : J&M Steel Solutions Company Limited
- Share Capital : ¥1.2 billion
- Investment Ratio : JFE Engineering Corp., 60%
Public Works, Ministry of Construction, Myanmar, 40%
- President : Yasuo Shoji
- Plant Outline : Annual production capacity of steel structures, 10,000 tons
Land area, approx.. 65,000 m²
- Address : Thaketa Township, Yangon City (approx. 15 km from city center)
- Line of Business : Sales, design, fabrication and construction functions
- No. of Employees : 260 (60 staff, 200 workers) *As of January 2015
- Products : Bridges, port and harbor structures, guardrails, other steel structural products

■ Outline of plant equipment expansion

- Machining : NC marking device, NC plasma cutting machine
- Drilling : NC drilling machine for large plates, drilling machine for small parts
- Welding : Self-travelling welding machine, 8-electrode welding machine
- Material handling : Overhead travelling crane, L-shape crane, 100-t hydraulic crane
- Painting : Blast equipment, painting tent
- Others : Improvement of member yard, 90 m extension of structure for housing machine



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