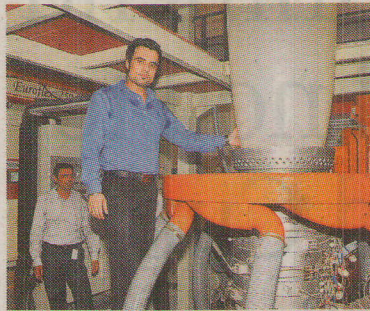


Greendiamz's eco-friendly plastic plant commissioned



Director Dipack Sangghvi at the plant

ANUPAMA MEHRA

Gujarat-based Greendiamz on Monday commissioned its large-scale bio-degradable plastic manufacturing plant at Bavla. With an annual capacity of 5,000 tonnes, the plant is said to be the country's first bio-degradable plastic unit.

"Our TrueGreen brand of bio-plastics manufactured from a compound primarily made out of maize is environment friendly and will reduce the dependency on petroleum products," TrueeGreen Greendiamz CEO Ronnie Khajotia said.

The major has set up the plant in collaboration with France-based firm Limagrain Cereales. "Our bio-plastic is made from Biolice, a raw material sourced from Limagrain, which guarantees the product's complete decomposition in less than 180 days with no toxic risk to environment," Khajotia said.

"Dependency of plastic sector on petroleum products could be reduced with the advent of bio-plastics," company director Dipack Sangghvi said.