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Leighton Contractors India has won its second port project in recent months, acknowledging its extensive expertise in marine construction.

Paradip Port Trust has awarded the consortium of Sterlite Industries and Leighton Contractors India the contract to develop a multi-purpose berth to handle clean cargo. Leighton India will undertake the EPC civil works contract to construct the wharf and associated facilities, valued at approximately US\$40m.

The project involves the construction of a 405 metre by 32 metre berth with expected capacity of 5 million tonnes per annum. All berth construction, soil improvement and the civil works associated with the 9.2 kilometre new rail link which forms part of the facilities will be undertaken by Leighton India.

The Paradip Port project win comes on top of the Vizag Port expansion contract awarded to Leighton India earlier this month.

Mr Russell Waugh, Managing Director of Leighton India, said: "This second port project win reinforces our strong market position both onshore and offshore in India. Leighton's ability to offer cost effective solutions, coupled with a strong focus on international standards of excellence in safety, quality and timely delivery is the hallmark of our success.

"Our India business continues to rapidly grow as we build a strong client base through successful project delivery."

Construction work on the project will commence later this year and is due for completion by the end of 2012

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