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GDS Global Secures New Supply Contract of its Proprietary Blast-Mitigating Shutter to a Major Oil & Gas Facility in Qatar

- Marks the first overseas deployment of its proprietary Blast-Mitigating Shutter in the Middle East, underscoring its strategy to expand its premium range of shutters into international markets and reinforcing its position as the inventor of the world's first blast-mitigating shutter.

- Under the new supply contract, the Group is expected to deliver various Blast-Mitigating Shutters by September 2026 for a major oil and gas industrial project in Qatar.

- Against a backdrop of heightened geopolitical tensions and increasing investment in critical infrastructure protection, the Group aims to capitalise on a growing global market for specialised defence and protective solutions across critical infrastructure and high-security facilities.

Singapore, 3 August 2026 – **GDS Global Limited** ("**GDS**" or the "**Company**", and together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**"), a leading specialist provider of commercial and industrial door and shutter solutions in the Southeast Asia region with expanded expertise in structural steel, metal engineering, and architectural aluminium solutions in Singapore, is pleased to announce a new supply contract of its proprietary Blast-Mitigating Shutter to a major oil & gas facility in Qatar via its local distributor.

Conventional roller shutters can become hazardous debris during blast events, creating significant risks in industrial facilities where vapour cloud explosions may occur. To mitigate this hazard, the Group has invented the world's first blast-mitigating shutter, which has been successfully tested and validated in the Texas, US through full-scale shock tube testing, with the following key features:

- Designed to progressively absorb and dissipate blast energy through controlled plastic deformation of shutter curtains under blast pressure
- Minimises component failure and reduces the risk of hazardous debris generation during accidental vapour cloud explosions

Addressing such defence and critical safety requirements, the Group aims to capitalise on a growing global market for specialised defence and safety solutions across critical infrastructure and high-security facilities, which includes oil & gas facilities, petrochemical and chemical facilities, power stations, shipyards, embassies, courts, museums, and military installations, among others.

Commenting on this milestone, Mr Tang Hee Sung, Non-Executive Non-Independent Chairman, commented: "Against a backdrop of heightened geopolitical tensions and increasing investment in critical infrastructure protection, the need for advanced defence and blast mitigation solutions has become more pronounced globally. Securing this overseas supply contract in Qatar for our proprietary Blast-Mitigating Shutter marks another significant milestone in our international expansion, and further strengthens the Group's presence in the Middle East.

It is a testament to the protective capabilities of our proprietary Blast-Mitigating Shutter and underscores the growing confidence in our innovation and engineering expertise to deliver specialised defence and safety door access solutions for critical infrastructures assets globally.

With greater emphasis on defence, safety, and operational resilience globally, we believe that the demand for our proprietary premium range of shutters will continue to increase across critical infrastructure and high-security facilities.

Together with our global distributor network, we aim to progressively expand our international market outreach and revenue base ahead."

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About GDS Global Limited
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GDS is a leading specialist provider of commercial and industrial door and shutter solutions in the Southeast Asia region with expanded expertise in structural steel, metal engineering, and architectural aluminium solutions in Singapore.

Headquartered in Singapore and listed since 2013, GDS operates one of the largest manufacturing facilities amongst industry players.

Backed by its strong technical expertise, proprietary know-how and technology-based solutions, the Group's extensive range of door and shutter systems can be tailored to the specific needs and requirements of its customers that span a broad spectrum of industries such as manufacturing, data centres, warehousing, food processing, healthcare, education, aerospace, security, and defence.

Underscoring its technology-driven edge, GDS is the first Singapore manufacturer that can offer steel insulated fire shutters with an insulation value of up to 240 minutes. In addition, the Group is the developer of the first blast-mitigating shutter in the world.

Through an integrated and diversified engineering solutions platform, the Group aims to harness broader opportunities across Singapore's built environment and infrastructure sectors with broader customer reach and enhanced recurring revenue channels.

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