DuPont plans China facilities for solar energy

NEW YORK, May 6 (Reuters) - U.S. chemical maker DuPont Co (DD.N: Quote, Profile, Research) said on Tuesday it plans to open a research and development center and a manufacturing facility in China, which will cater to the growing demands of the solar energy industry.

The research and development facility will be based in Hong Kong, while the plant will be in Shenzhen.

The company expects growth in the photovoltaic market to exceed 30 percent each year, over the next several years. DuPont has made significant investments in product development and capacity expansions to help keep pace with this demand. (Reporting by Euan Rocha, editing by Gerald E. McCormick)