



Himadri Speciality Chemical Ltd

(Formerly known as Himadri Chemicals & Industries Limited)

Sustainable Turnaround (FY17): PAT of Rs. 81 Crores vs. Loss of Rs. 16 Crores

Sales Volume of 356,902 MT; growth of 19.3%

EBITDA of Rs. 247 Crores; growth of 61.5%

Net Debt Reduced by Rs.88 Crores

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Himadri Speciality Chemical Ltd., the largest vertically integrated speciality carbon company. The Company is leader in products like Coal Tar Pitch with market share of 70% and Carbon Black with market share of 17%. In the last few years by way of forward integration, the Company has diversified itself into high growth, high margin speciality products like Advance Carbon Material.

The Company has declared its Audited Results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2017.

Financials at a Glance:

Rs. Crores	Q4FY17	Q4FY16	Y-o-Y	FY17	FY16	Y-o-Y
Income from Operations	415.28	291.33	42.5%	1,471.25	1,290.78	14.0%
EBITDA	72.43	48.56	49.2%	246.98	152.97	61.5%
Forex	(7.19)	(1.34)	-	(20.03)	(11.10)	-
Profit After Tax	30.4	6.71	353.1%	81.18	(16.36)	-

Key Highlights for FY17:

- Income from Operations of Rs. 1,471.25 crores as against Rs. 1,290.78 crores in FY16; Y-o-Y increase of 14.0%
- Volume of 356,902 tonnes in FY17 as against 299,137 tonnes in FY16; Y-o-Y increase of 19.3%
- EBITDA of Rs. 246.98 crores as against Rs. 152.97 crores in FY16; Y-o-Y increase of 61.5%
 - EBITDA/ Tonne for the year improved by 35% over the last year
- Finance cost (excluding the portion of exchange fluctuation loss on working capital borrowings disclosed under Finance cost) reduced by Rs. 18.58 crores due to reduction in Debt and improvement in credit rating from CARE A- to CARE A



- Net Debt reduced by Rs. 88 crores; Net Debt to Equity is 0.67x
- Profit After Tax of Rs. 81.18 crores against loss of Rs. 16.36 crores in FY16
- During the year, the total FX loss stood Rs. 20.78 crores of which 20.03 crores is disclosed as exchange fluctuation loss as separate line item and the balance 0.75 crores is added to actual financial cost towards notional interest on account of exchange fluctuation loss on working capital borrowings, and disclosed under finance cost in the result. The total FX loss in FY16 was Rs. 29.80 crores.
- Board of Directors has recommended a dividend at the rate of Rs. 0.10 per equity share of Rs. 1 each (i.e. 10% of face value of equity share) for the year ended 31 March 2017

Commenting on the Result, Mr. Anurag Choudhary, CEO of Himadri Speciality Chemical Ltd. said, *" We are pleased to inform you that our company's performance has been good this year. We have witnessed a turnaround in our business profitability mainly due to operational efficiencies, focused marketing approach and higher capacity utilizations. We would also like to inform you all that the impact of foreign currency fluctuation has reduced substantially due to our proactive hedging strategies.*

The business in the coming years looks promising with a very positive outlook on ramping up of capacities by the major aluminium players and improvement in sectors like steel, auto, infrastructure and various other industries. Our value- added products are also showing a positive traction with increased enquires. We would continue to focus on our leadership position in core products and develop markets for the newer value added products which will help us sustain and scale our profitability."



About Himadri Speciality Chemical Limited

Himadri Speciality Chemical Ltd (“Himadri Speciality”) was established in 1987, is the largest vertically integrated speciality carbon company and the largest producer of coal tar pitch in India with headquarters in Kolkata, West Bengal.

The Company is a leader in products like Coal Tar Pitch with market share of around 70% catering to more than two-thirds of the Indian Graphite and Aluminium industry, Carbon Black with market share of 17% catering to niche application in Tyre and non- Tyre industry. In the last few years, Himadri Speciality has diversified its product portfolio by way of forward integration which includes advance carbon material and other value added speciality products. The Company has eight manufacturing capacities spread across India in Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Odisha and West Bengal. The Company is focused on maintaining consistent leadership in the core products and developing market for the value-added product. The Company have developed strong experienced R&D team with international experts, its R&D unit is situated at Mahistikry, West Bengal which is recognized by Government of India.

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