

PRESS RELEASE
DREDGING CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED

1. INTRODUCTION

Dredging Corporation of India Limited (DCI) was established in 1976 to provide integrated dredging services to the Major Ports of the Country. DCI is a Schedule B, Mini Ratna Category-I Public Sector Undertaking under the administrative control of Ministry of Shipping, Government of India. Clients include Major Ports, non-major Ports, Indian Navy, State Governments etc.

The Company is a listed Company and the shares are presently being traded at around ₹340 per shares against the face value of Rs.10 per share.

2. FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR 2014-15

The Profit after tax of the Company increased to ₹6240.84 lakh for the year as compared to ₹3754.67 lakh for the previous year i.e a rise of 66%

The operational income of the Company is ₹73496.05 lakh as compared to ₹77040.86 lakh for the previous year. The other income is ₹883.25 lakh as compared to ₹229.41 lakh for the previous year. The total income for the year is ₹74379.30 lakh as compared to ₹77270.27 lakh for the previous year.

3. EARNING PER SHARE

The Company's earning per share for 2014-2015 is ₹22.29 as compared to ₹13.41 for the previous year.

4. PERFORMANCE

The performance of the company for the last few years is as under:-

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 (MOU Target)	2015-16 (actual upto June- 2015)
Turnover	Rs. 773 Cr	Rs. 744 Cr.	Rs. 858 Cr	Rs. 185 Cr.
Profit After Tax	Rs. 38 Cr.	Rs. 62 Cr.	Rs. 71 Cr.	Rs. 11 Cr.
Quantity Dredged	74 Mln Cu. M	65 Mln cu.M	70 Mln Cu.M	14 Mln Cum
Dredging Days	3232	3138	3505	755
Dividend declared	30%	30%		
EPS	Rs.13 per share	Rs.22 per share	Rs.24.36	Rs.3.98 per share
MOU Rating	Excellent	Good (anticipated)		
CSR Expenditure	Rs. 40 lakh	Rs.70 lakhs	Rs.81 lakhs	Rs.75 lakhs

5. CAPACITY ADDITIONS

The Company has in last three years acquired three Trailer Suction Hopper Dredgers of 5500 capacity each. The dredgers have joined the fleet and performing very well.

In continuation of the steps taken for capacity augmentation, the Company has proposals to purchase two more higher capacity dredgers in 12th Plan 2012-17.

With the addition of the new dredgers the Company is in a position to meet the dredging commitments at various ports in an unhindered way as well as enable the Company to take up refurbishment of the existing aged Dredgers so as to enhance their life as well as their efficiency.

The Company is sure that with the ongoing capacity augmentation, the performance will continue to improve over the years to come. The Company is also proposing to enter into Inland dredging.

6. DREDGING OPERATIONS:

The Company is catering to the dredging requirements of the Haldia/ Kolkata Port for the past thirty years. The Company also caters to the maintenance dredging requirements of other major ports/ India Navy etc. The Company is taking up capital dredging assignments depending on the availability of the vessels and other logistic requirements.

During the year under review, maintenance dredging contracts were executed for Kolkata Port, Haldia, Kandla, Cochin Port Trust, Ernakulam, RGPPL-Dabhol and NST and its approaches of VPT. Capital Dredging Contracts were executed at Kandla Port, Kamarajar Port and Visakhapatnam Port.

The above works were executed either under the existing contracts or renewal of the contracts entered into with the Ports etc., during the previous years or new contracts entered into during the year.

The capacity utilisation during the year is 102% of the targeted capacity in number of days and 97% of the targeted capacity in volume.

7. DISINVESTMENT

The Government has disinvested 5% of the equity share capital of the company i.e. 14 lakh shares amounting to Rs. 54 Cr. There has been a good response to the disinvestment. After the disinvestment, the holding of GOI in the Company is 73.56%.

8. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

The Company has also taken steps for fulfilling its responsibility towards the Society by implementing the CSR initiatives. During the year the Company has spent an amount of ₹70 lakh towards CSR activities which is more than the target of ₹57 lakhs fixed by the Government. ₹33 Lakhs was spent towards purchase of medical equipment to a Government Hospital and ₹37 Lakhs towards construction of toilets-under Swachh Vidyalaya to Government Schools. The Company also donated Rs.50 lakhs to AP Chief Ministers relief fund for providing relief to those effected by Hud Hud cyclone.

The Company has taken active part in the Swachh Bharat and Swachh Vidyalaya projects. Under Swachh Vidyalaya, the Company has constructed 70 toilets consisting of 30 Water Closets and 40 urinals for 2014-15.

For 2015-16 the company has already constructed another 108 toilets consisting of 86 water closets and 22 urinals at a cost of Rs.75 lakhs. The Company is further constructing 54 toilets consisting of 43 water closets and 11 urinals at cost of about Rs.40 lakhs. The Company is further taking active part in tree plantation and supply of medical equipment to government hospitals.

9. DIVIDEND

The Members of the company at the 39th Annual General Meeting held on 30th September, 2015, declared dividend @30% on the paid-up capital of the Company for the year 2014-15. The dividend payable would be 30% of ₹28 Crore i.e., ₹8.4 crore. Out of this an amount of ₹6,17,93,100/- is payable to President of India as dividend for the year 2014-15. A dividend cheque for ₹6,17,93,100/- towards dividend for 2014-15 has been handed over by Shri Rajesh Tripathi, Chairman and Managing Director to Shri Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Union Minister for Shipping, on 30/09/2015 in the presence of Secretary (Shipping) and other senior officials from Ministry and the Company.