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SUB: COMPLIANCE OF REGULATION 30 OF THE SEBI (LISTING OBLIGATIONS AND DISCLOSURE REQUIRMENTS) REGULATIONS 2015.

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015, please find enclosed herewith Investor Presentation on financial results of the Company for the quarter/ half-year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

Kindly note and display the notice on your notice board for the information of the members of your exchange and general public.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For VARDHMAN SPECIAL STEELS LIMITED

(SONAM TANEJA)

Company Secretary



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### Management's Message







Commenting on the results Mr. Sachit Jain, Vice Chairman and Managing Director said –

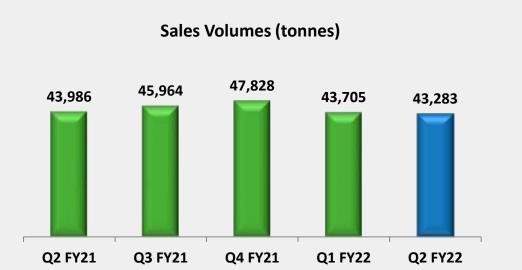
"I am happy to say during this quarter, our sales volumes stood at 43,283 tonnes with a revenue of Rs. 335.65 crore and EBIDTA of Rs. 48.55 crore, YoY increase of 35.84% and 82.00% respectively.

As I have mentioned earlier as well about our furnace planned shutdown in November because of which we have high inventory levels which will rationalize by financial year end. We are very well prepared for this shutdown in advance, and it will not affect our business in any manner. Although, we might have to outsource procurement of billets in case of excess demand.

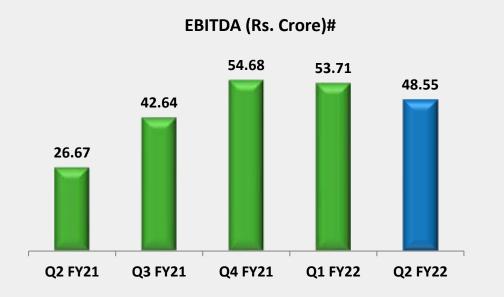
Overall, we remain focused on creating value for our stakeholders and managing the business for the long term to transform our business and our ways of working. I am thankful to the entire team at Vardhman for overcoming gripping uncertainties and delivering good results."

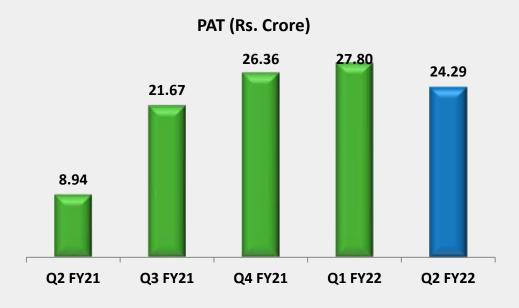
## **Financial Highlights - Quarterly**











<sup>\*</sup> Includes sale of billets and traded goods ; #EBITDA is including Other Income

## Financial Highlights – Q2 FY22





INR Crore	Q2 FY22	Q2 FY21	Y-o-Y %	Q1 FY22
Revenue From Operations	335.65	247.09*	35.84%	330.14
Other Income	2.74	5.59		2.64
Total Income	338.39	252.67	33.92%	332.78
Cost of Materials Consumed	234.53	130.25		227.29
Purchases of Stocks	0.25	0.00		0.30
Changes In Inventory	(47.52)	18.86		(45.77)
Raw Material Expenses	187.25	149.11		181.81
Employee Expenses	20.65	12.63		18.68
Power & Fuel	37.24	34.37		36.43
Other Expenses	44.71	29.89		42.14
Total Expenditure	289.85	226.00		279.07
EBITDA	48.55	26.67	82.00%	53.71
Depreciation	6.71	6.79		6.62
Interest / Finance Cost	4.57	4.82		4.40
PBT	37.27	15.06		42.69
Tax	12.98	6.12		14.89
PAT	24.29	8.94	171.72%	27.80
Basic EPS in Rs.	6.00	2.21	171.49%	6.86

- Q2 FY22 volumes stood at **43,283** tonnes
- EBITDA per ton for this quarter stood at Rs. 11,216
- Increase in Revenue mainly on account of higher sales realizations
- Increase in sales prices and cost saving initiatives led to increase in EBITDA by 82% YoY

<sup>\*</sup> Includes sale of billets and traded goods

## Financial Highlights – H1 FY22





INR Crore	H1 FY22	H1 FY21	Y-o-Y %
Revenue From Operations	665.79	314.95*	111.40%
Other Income	5.38	7.36	
Total Income	671.17	322.31	108.24%
Cost of Materials Consumed	461.81	169.03	
Purchases of Stocks	0.54	0.00	
Changes In Inventory	(93.30)	23.66	
Raw Material Expenses	369.06	192.69	
Employee Expenses	39.33	23.34	
Power & Fuel	73.67	46.06	
Other Expenses	86.85	41.21	
Total Expenditure	568.92	303.31	
EBITDA	102.25	19.00	438.32%
Depreciation	13.33	13.49	
Interest / Finance Cost	8.97	9.96	
PBT	79.96	(4.45)	
Tax	27.87	(0.61)	
PAT	52.09	(3.83)	1458.62%
Basic EPS in Rs.	12.86	(0.95)	1453.68%

- Volumes for half year stood at 86,988 tonnes – YoY growth of 54.03%
- Higher sales volumes during H1 FY22 coupled with better realisations led to substantial growth in Revenue – also H1 FY21 volumes were affected due to Covid related lockdown
- EBITDA growth of 438.32%

   increase in sales
   volumes, price increases,
   better realizations and
   higher operational
   efficiencies
- Company raised short term borrowings at highly competitive rates through Commercial Papers and WCDL

<sup>\*</sup> Includes sale of billets and traded goods

## Financial Highlights – FY21





INR Crore	FY21	FY20	Y-o-Y %
Revenue From Operations*	937.08	846.20	10.74%
Other Income	12.96	9.40	
Total Income	950.04	855.60	11.04%
Cost of Materials Consumed	537.41	389.29	
Purchases of Stocks	0.00	4.32	
Changes In Inventory	-12.25	144.39	
Raw Material Expenses	525.17	538.00	-2.39%
Employee Expenses	59.61	48.13	
Power & Fuel	116.26	95.49	
Other Expenses	132.69	124.86	
Total Expenditure	833.73	806.48	
EBITDA	116.31	49.12	136.79%
Depreciation	30.23	25.72	
Interest / Finance Cost	19.71	25.72	
PBT	66.38	-2.32	2965.51%
Tax	22.18	-5.66	
PAT	44.19	3.34	1223.24%
Basic EPS in Rs.	10.94	0.89	1129.21%

- Volumes for the full year stood at **1,50,265** tonnes YoY growth of ~**10**%, despite Q1 performance impacted by COVID-19 nationwide lockdown, higher sales volumes due to increased demand from OEMS/Component manufacturers in later quarters of FY21 helped to achieve volumes
- EBITDA growth of 136.79% increase in sales volumes,
   price increase, better
   realizations and higher
   operational efficiencies
- RoCE stands at 19.50% on yearly basis
- Board recommended dividend of Rs. 1.5 per equity share with face value of Rs. 10 each
   subject to shareholder approval

<sup>\*</sup> Includes sale of billets and traded goods; #Capital employed in RoCE does not include unutilized funding of Rs. 50 cr from Aichi Steels as it is deposited in FD

## **Balance Sheet Highlights**





INR Crore	As on 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept'21	As on 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar'21
Equity*	505.95	459.36
Equity Share Capital	40.51	40.51
Other Equity	465.45	418.86
Non-current Liabilities	102.09	112.87
Financial Liabilities		
Borrowing	94.51	109.65
Lease Liability	0.98	0.94
Other Financial Liabilities	0.29	0.32
Provisions	1.93	1.76
Deferred Tax Liabilities (net)	4.15	0.00
Other Non-Current Liabilities	0.23	0.19
Current Liabilities	375.44	230.50
Financial Liabilities		
Borrowings	209.97	79.81
Lease Liabilities	0.13	0.11
Trade Payables		
Total O/s dues of Micro, Small Ent	1.93	2.57
Total O/s other Than Above	135.66	127.61
Other Financial Liabilities	18.15	10.58
Provisions	0.24	0.24
Other Current Liabilities	6.71	9.46
Current Tax Liability (Net)	2.66	0.13
Total Equity & Liabilities	983.49	802.73

INR Crore	As on 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept'21	As on 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar'21
Non-Current Assets	305.53	320.45
Property Plant & Equipment	272.75	281.49
Capital work in progress	13.86	12.74
Other Intangible Assets	0.12	0.13
Right of Use Asset	0.94	0.91
Financial Assets		
Long Term Loans	2.08	1.78
Other Financial Assets	2.50	0.00
Deferred Tax Assets (Net)	0.00	9.69
Income Tax Assets (Net)	0.83	0.83
Other Non-Current Assets	12.46	12.88
Current Assets	677.95	482.28
Inventories	310.81	192.26
Financial Assets		
Investments	15.40	0.00
Trade Receivables	254.03	224.30
Cash & Cash Equivalents	6.68	2.34
Other Bank Balance	31.64	50.00
Loans	1.63	0.99
Other Financial Assets	1.39	4.71
Assets Held for Sale	0.00	0.00
Other Current Assets	56.36	7.67
Total Assets	983.49	802.73

<sup>\*</sup>On 4th November 2019, Company allotted 46,29,629 equity shares on preferential basis of Rs.10 each at Rs. 108/- (including security premium) aggregating to Rs. 50 Crore to Aichi Steel Corporation 10



#### **About Us**





## **Amongst India's Leading Steel Bar Producers for Automotive Applications**

■ Incorporated in May 2010

Headquartered in Ludhiana, Punjab

 Caters to sectors such as Engineering, Automotive, Tractor, Bearing and Allied Industries

#### **Specialized Product offerings –**

 Steel Bars and Rods and Bright Bars of various categories of Special & Alloy Steels

## 200+ Reputed and long-term customers

 Toyota, Hero Moto Corp, Caterpillar, Hino Motors, Maruti, Bajaj and Hyundai, among others

#### **Experienced Management Team**

- Significant experience in Steel Industry
- Long term vision and proven ability to achieve long term goals for Company
- Strategic alliance with Aichi Steel Corporation



## State-of- art manufacturing facilities

- Cutting-edge manufacturing technology
- Manufacturing Capacity
  - ➤ Billets 2,00,000 MTPA
  - ➤ Rolled Bars 2,00,000 MTPA

## Strong Domestic & International Customer Base for forging applications

 Thailand, Taiwan, Turkey, Russia, Germany and Spain

## Quality Standards, Assurance & Certifications

 ISO 14001:2004; OHSAS 18001:2007; ISO 9001:2008; ISO/TS 16949:2009

### **Journey So Far**



#### What We were...

- 1973 Started as Oswal Steels - 50,000 TPA capacity of special & alloy steels
- 1986 Acquired Mohta Alloys with capacity of 1,00,000 TPA
- 1995 Installed modern
   Steel Melting Shop with
   Electromagnetic Stirrer
- 2000 Commissioned Vacuum Degassing System
- 2001 Strengthened product portfolio – added Bright Bar Facility
- 2010 Independent identity under Vardhman Group

- 2012 Listed on BSE & NSE
- 2013 Installed fully automatic rolling mill with capacity of 1,50,000 TPA & Magnaflux leakage testing system (Dr. Foerster Germany), and Ultrasonic Testing from (Olympus, Canada)
- July 2015 Installed
   Fume Extraction system
- Aug 2015 Increased Bright bars capacity to 36,000 TPA & 1,80,000 TPA for Hot Rolled

- Dec 2016 Upgraded transformer & allied equipment to reduce melting time & resulting in SMS capacity to 1,65,000 TPA
- April 2017 Rights Issue of Rs 67.85 Cr.
- Oct 2017 Purchased
   acres of adjoining
   land for Rs. 36 Cr.

- Feb. 2018 QIP of Rs 50 Cr.
- June 2018 CRISIL upgraded credit rating
- August 2018 Change in Statutory Auditors to M/s B. S. R. & Co. LLP
- Feb 2019 Fortified Board of Directors
   -one Independent Woman Director
   and one Additional Director appointed
- Sept 2019 Replacement of electric arc furnace and other related activities
- Nov 2019 Signs Technical Assistance Agreement with Aichi Steel Corporation - Issuance of equity shares on preferential basis worth Rs. 50 Cr.
- Appointed Additional Director as representative of Aichi Steel Corporation
- July 2021 Received environmental clearance for capacity expansion

2016 - 2017

**2018 – Till Date** 

1973-2011

2012 - 2015

.... Transforming into one of India's leading steel bar producers

## **Strong Experienced Board of Directors contd...**







## Mr. Rajeev Gupta Chairman & Independent Director

- B. Tech from BHU/IIT, Varanasi and MBA (IIM, Ahmedabad)
- Rich experience of more than 35 years One of Country's topmost Investment Bankers



## Mr. Sachit Jain Vice Chairman & MD

- B. Tech (Electrical) IIT, New Delhi, MBA (Gold medallist) - IIM, Ahmedabad and Owner/President Management Program – Harvard - Experience of over 29 years in Textile & Steel
- Chairman of CII, Northern Region



## Ms. Suchita Jain Non-Executive Director

- Master's degree in Commerce from Punjab University, Chandigarh
- Over 25 years of rich experience in textile industry
- Representative of Vardhman Group



## Mr. Rajinder Kumar Jain Non-Executive Director

- Chartered Mechanical Engineer from Institute of Mechanical Engineers London
- Retired as General Manager from Indian Railways after 35years of service



## Mr. Sanjoy Bhattacharyya Independent Director

- B.Sc (Statistics Honours) and MBA. from IIM, Ahmedabad
- More than 21 years of experience in equities & investment management - Among leading stock market Gurus



#### Mr. Takashi Ishigami Non-Executive Director

- Representative of Aichi Steel Corporation
- Completed Education from Yamanashi University
- Over 40 years of rich experience in Steel Industry

## **Strong Experienced Board of Directors contd...**







## Mr. B.K. Choudhary Non-Executive Director

- Degree in B.Sc., M.Com & MBA
- Rich experience of more than 44 years in Steel
   Textile industry



## Mr. Rakesh Jain Independent Director

- Ph.d in Polymers from the University of Akron
- Worked in the Advanced Technology Group at GE Electro-materials Division (EMD) in Coshocton, OH,USA & Aditya Birla Group (ABG) as MD of Indo Gulf Fertilizers Ltd



## Mr. Sanjeev Pahwa Independent Director

- B. Tech from IIT, Delhi -Experience of more than 26 years in bicycle/automobile tyres and tubes industry
- Chairman-cum-MD of Ralson (India) Ltd. –
   Largest tyre manufacturer in the World



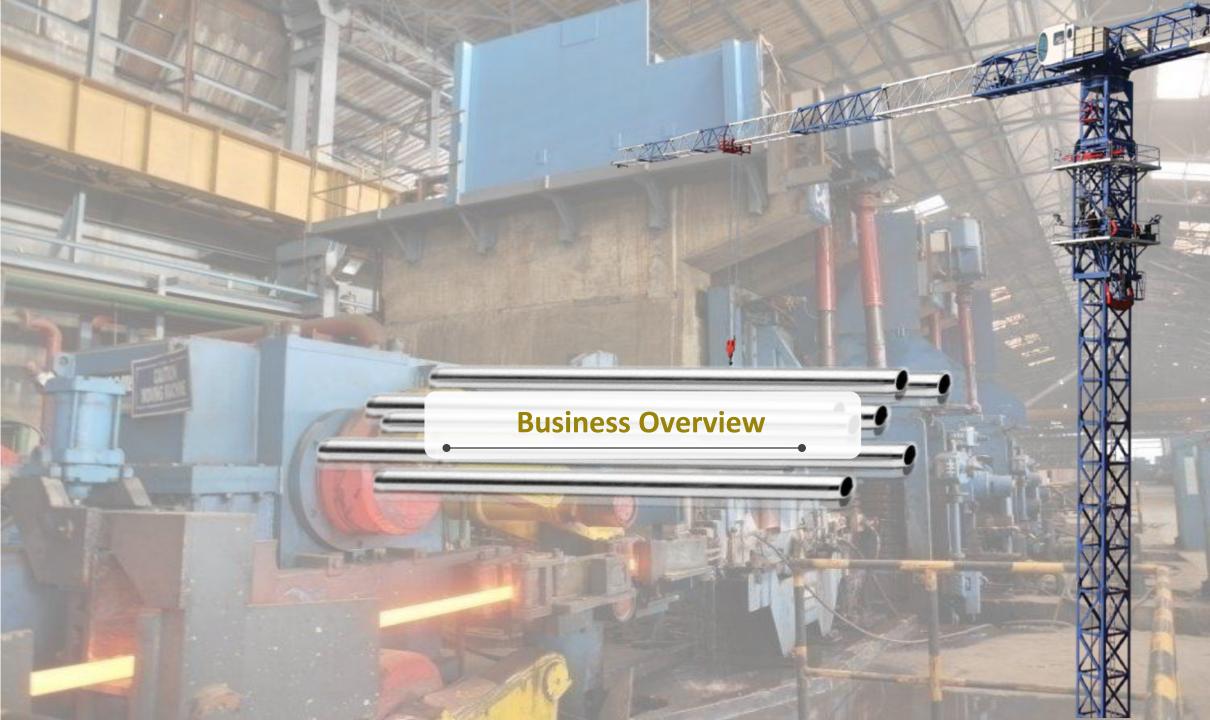
## Ms. Shubhra Bhattacharya Independent Director

- Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and MBA from Xavier's Labor Relations Institute
- More than 25 years of experience in Human Resource Management



## Mr. Raghav Chandra Independent Director

- B.Sc (Hons.); M.Sc in Mathematics; Master's in Public Administration, Harvard University & Various professional career trainings from Cambridge University, SIPA Columbia University, USA, IIM Ahmedabad
- Additional Secretary & Financial Advisor various Ministries; Chairman NHAI; CMD Indian Highway Management Co. Ltd.; Principal Secretary- Urban Development, MP; Commissioner and CEO - MP Housing Board; MD- MP SIDC; Chairman SEZ Indore



## Wide Range of Rolled & Bright Bars Products

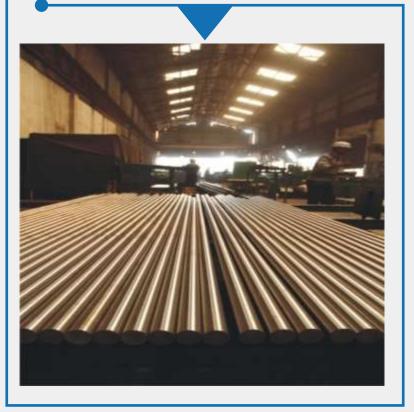


### **Hot Rolled Bars**



Diameter Size : Increased from 25-70 MM in 2012 to 16-120 MM

### **Bright Bars**



Size: 14.66 to 78 mm (Peeled), 18 to 55.25 mm (Drawn)

## **Diverse applications of our products**





**Axle Gears** 

**Stabilizer Bar** 

**Knuckle Spindle** 

Piston

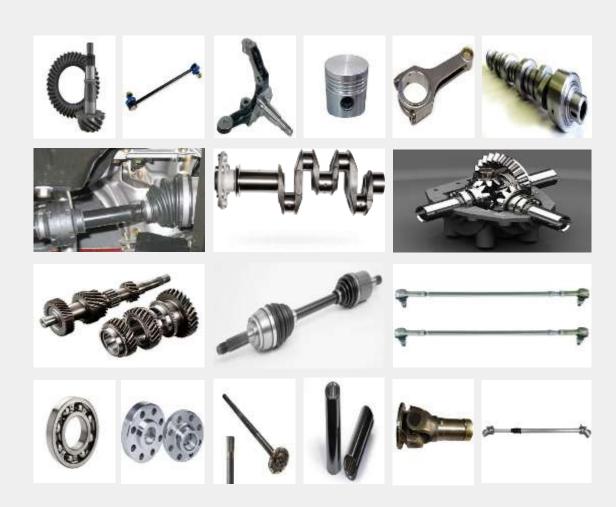
**Connecting Rod** 

Camshaft

**Center Velocity Joint** 

Crankshaft

**Differential Gears** 



**Transmission Gear** 

**Drive-Shaft** 

Tie-Rod

**Bearings** 

**Companion-flange** 

**Axle Shaft** 

**Piston-Pin** 

**Steering-Yoke** 

**Steering Shaft** 

## **State-of-art Manufacturing facilities**

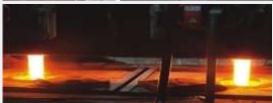












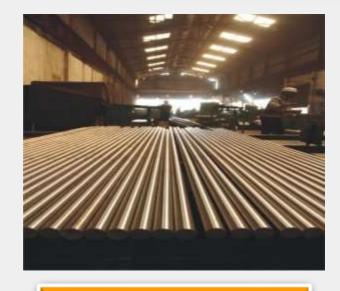
#### **Steel Melting Shop**

- Annual Capacity: 2,00,000 TPA
- 30 MT Ultra High Power (UHP) Eccentric Bottom Tapping (EBT Type)
- Fully automated continuous feeding system for DRI & other raw materials
- Automatic lance manipulator for oxygen and coke injection
- Electrode regulation system Melt Controller
- CELOX for active oxygen measurement (Electronite)



#### **Rolling Mill**

- Annual Capacity: 2,00,000 TPA
- Rolling Mill installed in 2013-14
- Mill with complete automation
- 33 TPH "Walking" Hearth Type Reheating Furnace
- Reversible 2 high shift able stand with Bar Manipulator
- 10 Continuous Stands in Horizontal & Vertical configuration
- Online Dimensional Measurements
- Rack Type Cooling bed designed for better straightness & Hardness levels
- Abrasive Cutter



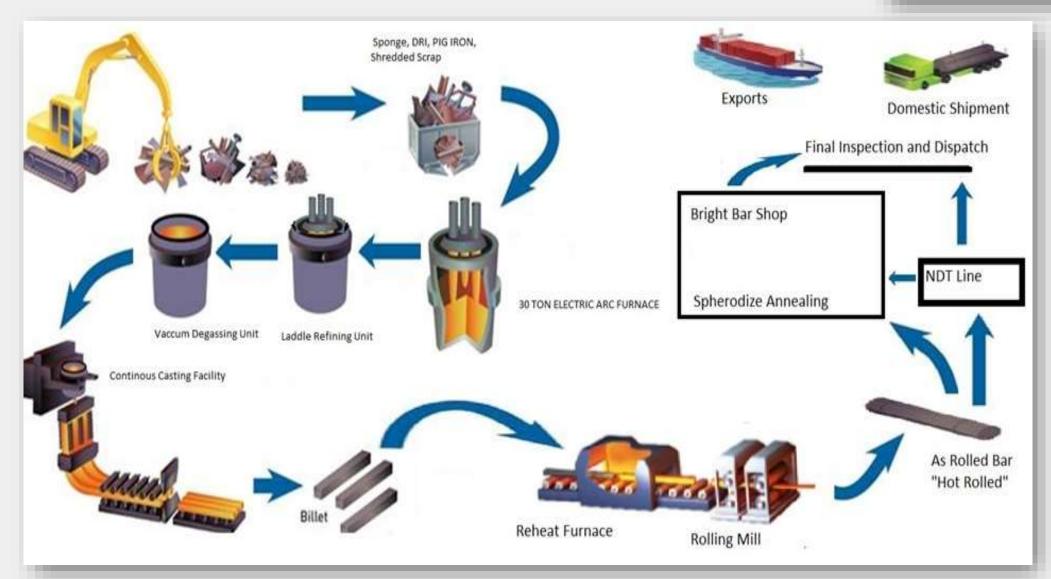
#### **Bright Bars**

- Annual Capacity: 36,000 TPA
- Bar Peeling & Centreless Grinding
  - Straightening
  - Peeling
  - Cold drawing
  - Polishing
  - Centreless grinding
  - Full length bar Magnetic Particle Inspection
  - High Speed Band Saws
  - Circular Saw Cut to Length Steel

### **Process Flow**







## **In-House Steel Melting Shop**





#### **Electric Arc Furnace**

Two Ladle Refining Furnace





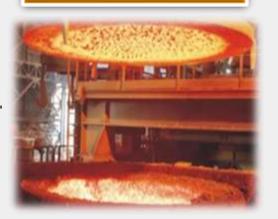








### **Vacuum Degassing**



## **Rolling Mill & Bright Bars**





### **Rolling Mill**



**Reheating Furnace** 





### **Bright Bar Shop**



Spherodizing & Annealing Machines





## **Automatic Line of Bar Inspection - NDT Line**







Straightness: 2mm / meter



**Chamfering** Bar ends free from

Burr



#### **MFLT**

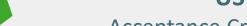
Acceptance Criteria: 0.2x10mm



**UST** 

**OLYMPUS** 

Acceptance Criteria: SDH -0.8x10mm, FBH - 0.8 & 1.2mm



## **Best in class R&D Facility**





- Spectrometer: ARL 4460:1454 for Chemical Analysis. Can check 32 different elements
- CS 230 : Analyzer for Carbon & Sulfur content in steel
- **LECO gas analyzer** TC 600 H<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub> Analyzer
- Mobile Spectro and XRF for Mix up Testing of Bars
- Mechanical and Metallurgical Testing Lab
  - Rockwell Hardness Tester
  - Impact Testing Machine (Material Toughness)
- Metallurgical Microscope with Image Analyzer
  - Carl Zeis microscope with maximum magnification of 1000x
  - Olympus microscope with maximum magnification of 2000x
- RADLAB-1 GAMMA RAY Spectrometer
  - For Testing Steel Samples for Radiological Content
  - Can identify different types of Isotopes present in Steel Sample and show Results in Bq/gm
  - Samples Radiological content can be certified with 300 Second scan in RadLab
     "Well"
- XRF Spectrometer Higher range & All input/ output material can be checked and chemically analysed



## **Strategically located Warehousing Facilities**





- One Owned Warehouse
  - Bilaspur Haryana
- Five Leased Warehouses in India
  - Bangalore
  - Chennai
  - Rudrapur
  - Pune
  - Aurangabad

## **Key Strengths**





<ul> <li>Diversified Product offerings</li> <li>Manufactures diverse range of products with wide applications across sectors</li> <li>Further expanding product offerings to increase wallet share with existing customers an clients</li> <li>Rich Management Experience</li> <li>Dynamic &amp; rich experience in special steel sector</li> <li>Diverse team with right mix of operational &amp; technical expertise along with dedicated ar employee base</li> <li>Quality Standards &amp; Assurance</li> <li>Adherence to quality standards across all stages of manufacturing</li> <li>Checked for dimensional accuracy &amp; temper at every stage</li> </ul>	02
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## 200+ Reputed & Long term customers....





#### Cars











#### **Two Wheelers**











#### **HCL/LCVs**









DAIMLER

### **Auto Components**



RENAULT









#### Tractors











NEW HOLLAND

AGRICULTURE

### **Off Highway Vehicles**

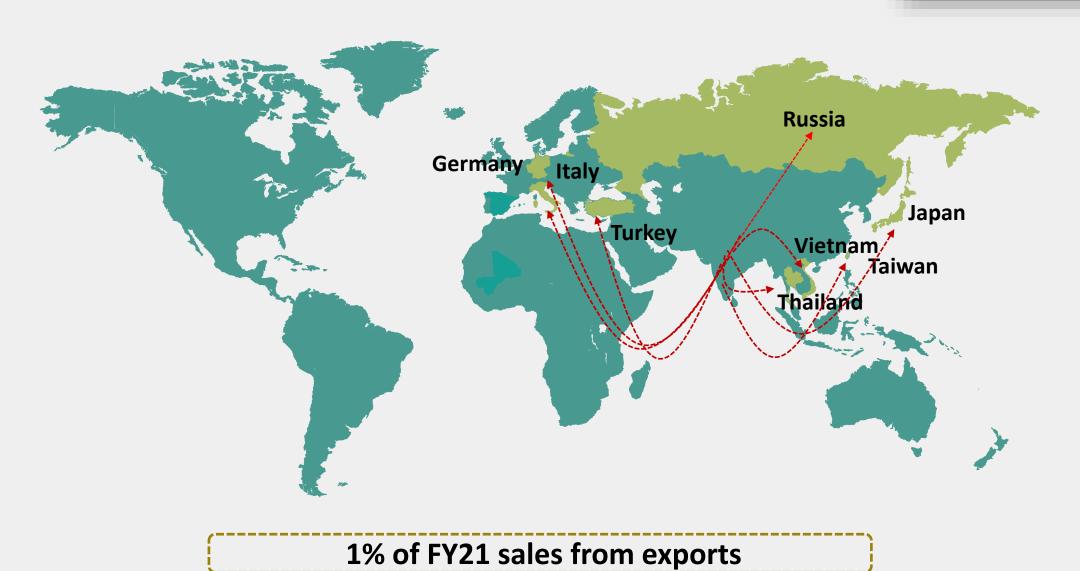






## ... Across Globe with Customer Base







### **Investing in Our Real Assets**





## Vardhman Leadership Development Program Park Plaza, Ludhiana -16th to 20th January 2019







#### **Centre for Creative Leadership**

- CCL US based Organisation offers leadership programs across 160 countries, FT top10 in executive education with 500K alumni over 50 years
- Customized leadership training for 12 senior management

#### 'Manay Vikas Kendra'

- Training programs –
   functional, attitudinal, skill
   development, quality –
   across all levels of employees
- Specialized & customized programs

#### 'EKLAVYA - B.Sc. to B. Tech.'

- New Initiative undertaken
- Formalized training programs that focus on technical knowledge, enhance skill sets and productive efficiencies of personnel

# VSSL entered a strategic alliance with Aichi Steel Corporation (ASC) Japan. (Main material maker for Toyota)



Gasoline





Hybrid





EV's





Phase - 1

- Technology and technical know how shared with VSSL to make steel for Toyota companies and other OEM's
- To raise quality of steel of VSSL to be supplied to future ready cars like Hybrid, Hydrogen fuel and Electric



Phase - 2

- Increase VSSL production capacity with aim to achieve high quality combined with minimum cost
- Enable VSSL to build an optimal global production system and customer requirements in India and ASEAN regions

TARGET - To make Japanese quality steel in India for Indian auto majors and ASEAN region

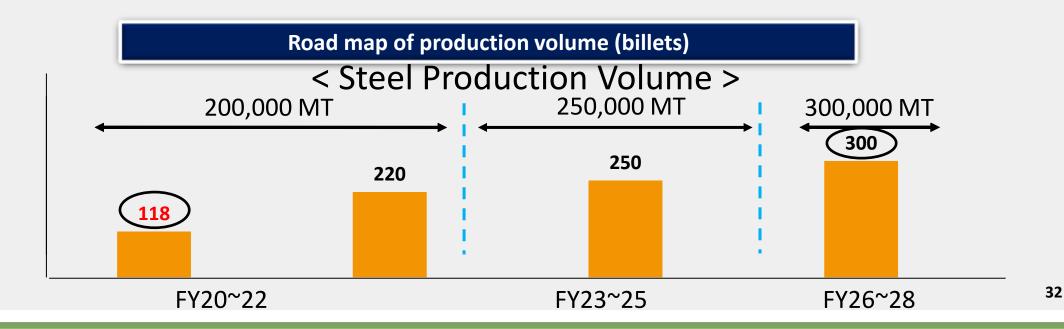
To reduce manufacturing costs by reducing and the eliminating waste

### What advantage for VSSL after alliance with Aichi



#### **Possibilities**

- Future Ready products Patent steel grades developed for special application in EV's, hybrid and conventional Cars
- Own In House R&D Toyota Car Company takes input from Aichi on special steel to be developed car parts. It means we can target more approvals for VSSL in Maruti Suzuki and Toyota
- More customers for Vardhman in India and ASEAN region
- Export expected to increase from current 1% in FY 2021 to expected 20% 25% by FY 25
- Ministry of Environment grants Environmental Clearance for expansion from 2,00,000 MT per annum to 2,80,000 MT per annum of rolled capacity
- Forward Integration of VSSL into specialised Forging plant in India



#### Timeline for activities





#### Phase 3

Export 60,000 MT / year

Production 300,000MT / year

- Initiate CAPEX to increase production capacity to 250,000 MT in first phase
- FY 2022-23: Year of manufacturing of Trial orders for Aichi
- Anticipate to receive orders from Aichi for Southeast Asia as well as import substitutions
- FY 2023-24: Year of start of supply of products against firm orders for Aichi

Take Japanese approvals like Yamaha, Mushashi, JTEKT, Toyota, Aichi Forge, Suzuki, Hino Motors

2022-2025

- Vardhman may look forward to Forging business in India
- Time for Aichi to Invest more in Vardhman
- VSSL AICHI may lay foundation for future steel company in India

2025-2028

- Phase 1
- Continuous improvement in quality and productivity by strengthening existing procedures

Phase 2

- Focus on Improving safety levels
- Start marketing to customers in India, Thailand, Philippines and Indonesia
- FY 2021-22 Year of Sampling for Aichi

2019-2022

Goal 2030 – VSSL to emerge as # 1 company in special steel making in India

### **Thank You**







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