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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 Un-Audited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter/ half-year ended 30th September, 2020.

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

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(SONAM TANEJA) **Company Secretary**



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Management's Message









"During the second quarter the auto sector has seen a sequential recovery month over month basis after the problems created by COVID -19 in the entire country. I am very happy to share that in Q2FY21, we have seen a strong recovery in our sales volumes and have registered a highest ever quarterly volume sales of 43,896 tonnes with a revenue of Rs. 247 crores. This growth in the volumes has been on account of the efforts our sales and manufacturing teams have put in, which have been working very hard and closely with the customers to ensure their requirements are met.

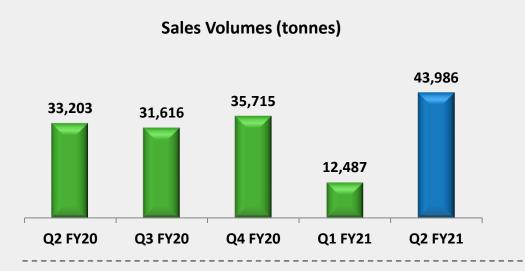
Though our half yearly performance has shown a decline in sales volumes which was mainly on account of the lockdown in the first quarter. We utilized that time of the lockdown as an opportunity to connect with each member of the organisation, identify hidden problems and come up with newer and innovative ways to solve problems and also train and upgrade our self and the benefits of which we have started to see.

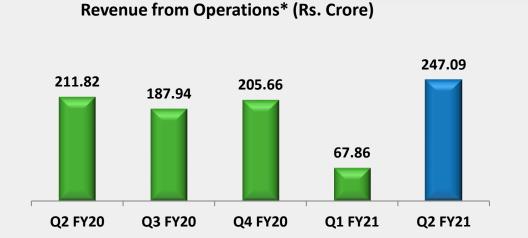
Our plans to increase the production and improve the profitability have been formulated and we have started to work in that direction and expect to see further improvement in the coming quarters on this front.

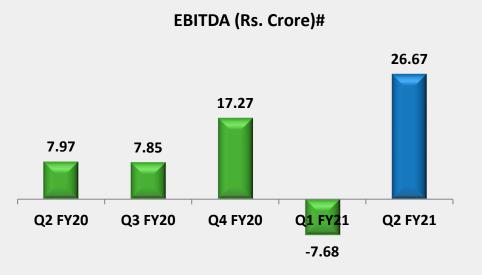
Overall, we remain focused on managing the business for the long term, transforming our business and our ways of working. I am thankful to the entire team at Vardhman for overcoming the uncertainties and driving value for our stakeholders"

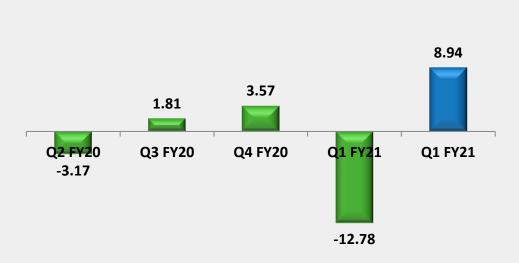
Financial Highlights - Quarterly











PAT (Rs. Crore)

^{*} Includes sale of raw material, billets and traded goods ; #EBITDA is including Other Income

Financial Highlights – Q2 FY21





INR Crore	Q2 FY21	Q2 FY20	Y-o-Y %	Q1 FY21
Revenue From Operations*	247.09	211.82	16.65%	67.86
Other Income	5.59	5.37		1.77
Total Income	252.67	217.19	16.34%	69.63
Cost of Materials Consumed	130.25	56.70		38.78
Purchases of Stocks	0.00	0.19		0.00
Changes In Inventory	18.86	99.77		4.81
Raw Material Expenses	149.11	156.67		43.59
Employee Expenses	12.63	11.08		10.71
Power & Fuel	34.37	14.46		11.69
Other Expenses	29.89	27.02		11.32
Total Expenditure	226.00	209.22		77.31
EBITDA	26.67	7.97	234.52%	(7.68)
Depreciation	6.79	6.34		6.69
Interest / Finance Cost	4.82	6.54		5.14
PBT	15.06	(4.90)	407.57%	(19.51)
Tax	6.12	(1.73)		(6.74)
PAT	8.94	(3.17)	382.18%	(12.78)
Basic EPS in Rs.	2.21	(0.88)	351.14%	(3.16)

- Q2 FY21 volumes stood at 43,986 tons YoY growth of 32.48%, mainly on account of strong demand from automotive sector
- Increase in revenue mainly on account of increase in sales volumes by 32.48 %
- EBITDA Y-o-Y growth of 234.52%, mainly on account of increase in sales volumes and reduction in raw material cost

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Financial Highlights – H1 FY21





INR Crore	H1 FY21	H1 FY20	Y-o-Y %
Revenue From Operations	314.95	452.60	(30.41%)
Other Income	7.36	6.03	
Total Income	322.31	458.63	(29.72%)
Cost of Materials Consumed	169.03	178.02	
Purchases of Stocks	0.00	4.30	
Changes In Inventory	23.66	121.99	
Raw Material Expenses	192.69	304.31	
Employee Expenses	23.34	23.14	
Power & Fuel	46.06	42.72	
Other Expenses	41.21	64.45	
Total Expenditure	303.31	434.62	
EBITDA	19.00	24.01	(20.89%)
Depreciation	13.49	12.45	
Interest / Finance Cost	9.96	14.65	
PBT	(4.45)	(3.09)	
Tax	(0.61)	(1.06)	
PAT	(3.83)	(2.03)	(88.96%)
Basic EPS in Rs.	(0.95)	(0.57)	(66.67%)

- First half volumes stood at **56,473** tonnes YoY decline of **19.16%**, mainly on account country wide lockdown in the first quarter of financial year leading to a poor Q1 financial performance
- Decline in revenue, mainly on account of decline in sales volume by around 19.16%
- EBITDA decline of 20.89%
 Mainly on account of COVID
 19 situation in first quarter
 where Company was not able
 to achieve the desired sales
 volumes, and had to incur
 fixed costs for the same period

^{*} Includes sale of raw material and traded goods

Balance Sheet Highlights

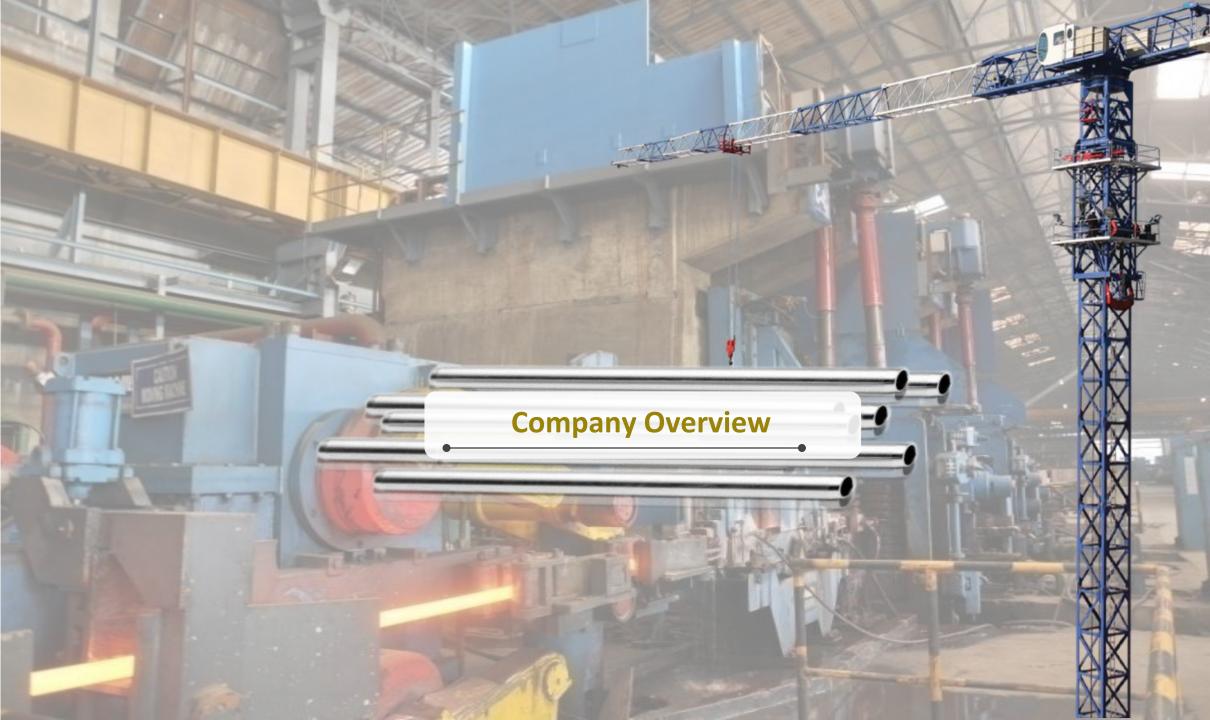




INR Crore	As on 30 th Sept'20	As on 31 st Mar'20
Equity*	409.29	413.63
Equity Share Capital	40.39	40.39
Other Equity	368.90	373.24
Non-current liabilities	123.56	110.95
Financial Liabilities		
Borrowing	120.81	107.84
Lease Liability	1.02	1.49
Other Financial Liabilities	0.20	0.18
Provisions	1.30	1.20
Other Non Current Liabilities	0.23	0.23
Current liabilities	260.87	245.66
Financial Liabilities		
Borrowings	163.76	148.62
Lease Liabilities	0.10	0.14
Trade Payables		
Total O/s dues of Micro, Small Enterprises	0.77	1.27
Total O/s other Than Above	52.11	60.46
Other Financial Liabilities	31.81	27.09
Provisions	1.49	0.86
Other Current Liabilities	10.82	7.21
Total Equity & Liabilities	793.73	770.24

INR Crore	As on 30 th Sept'20	As on 31 st Mar'20	
Non-Current Assets	346.28	409.37	
Property Plant & Equipment	297.86	308.31	
Capital work in progress	13.49	12.33	
Other intangible assets	0.19	0.25	
Right of Use Asset	0.98	1.55	
Financial Assets			
Long Term Loans	0.85	0.84	
Other Financial Assets	0.00	51.38	
Deferred Tax Assets (Net)	20.57	19.96	
Current Tax Assets (Net)	1.33	2.94	
Other Non-Current Assets	11.00	11.81	
Current Assets	447.45	360.87	
Inventories	131.78	151.78	
Financial assets			
Investments	0.00	5.00	
Trade receivables	204.56	179.89	
Cash & Cash equivalents	3.62	2.30	
Other Bank Balance	50.00	0.00	
Loans	0.83	0.91	
Other financial assets	3.81	1.68	
Assets Held for Sale	2.16	10.12	
Other Current Assets	50.70	9.17	
Total Assets	793.73	770.24	

^{*}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



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

2018 - Till Date

2016 - 2017

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



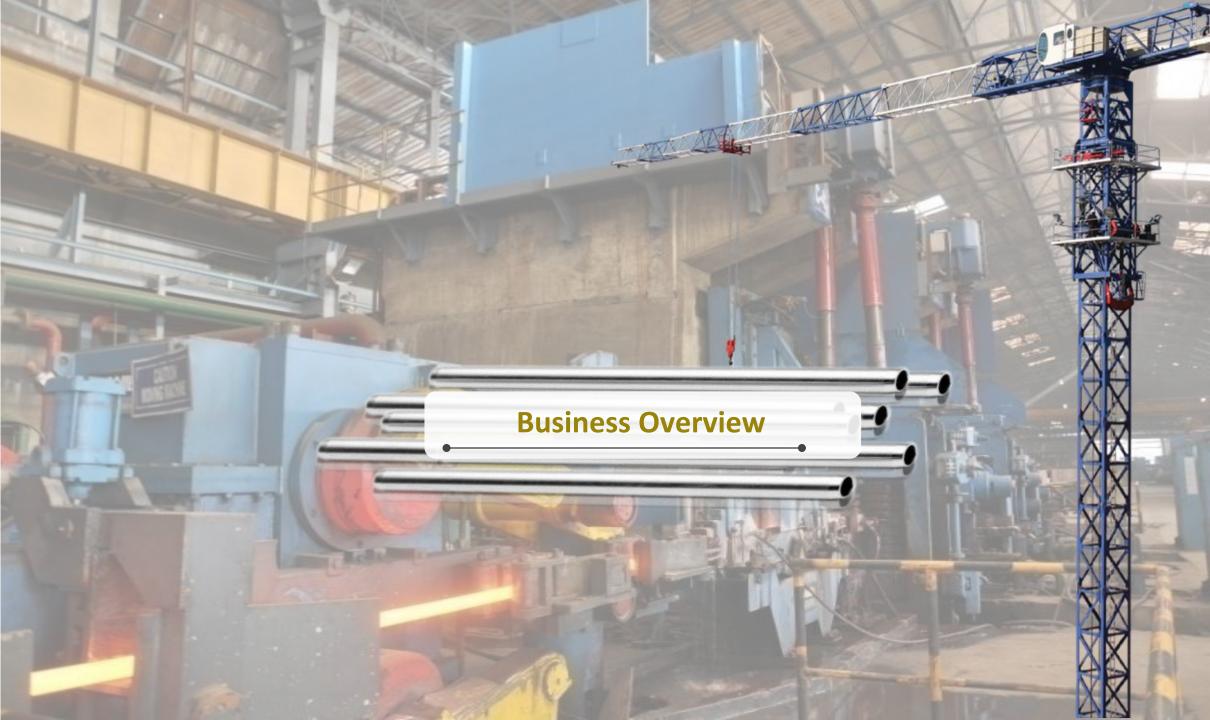
Ms. Shubhra Bhattacharya Independent Director

- 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

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Axle Gears

Stabilizer Bar

Knuckle Spindle

Piston

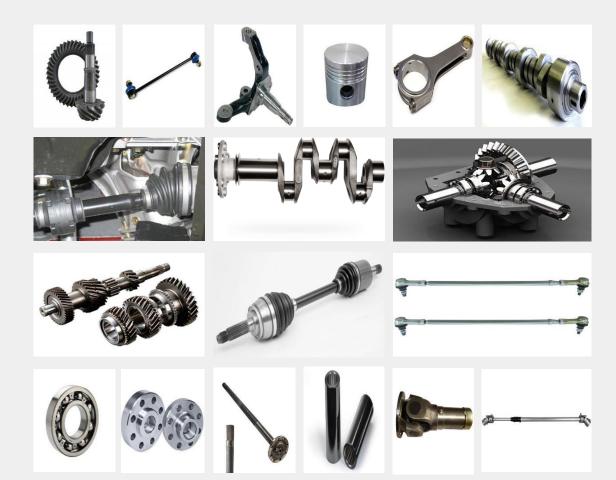
Connecting Rod

Camshaft

Center Velocity Joint

Crankshaft

Differential Gears



Transmission Gear

Drive-Shaft

Tie-Rod

Bearings

Companion-flange

Axle Shaft

Piston-Pin

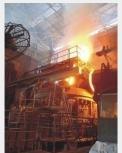
Steering-Yoke

Steering Shaft

State-of-art Manufacturing facilities













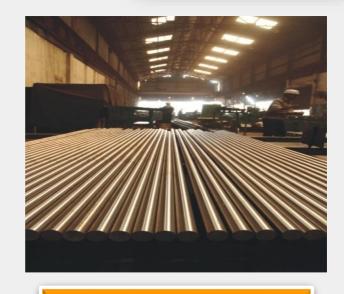
Steel Melting Shop

- 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



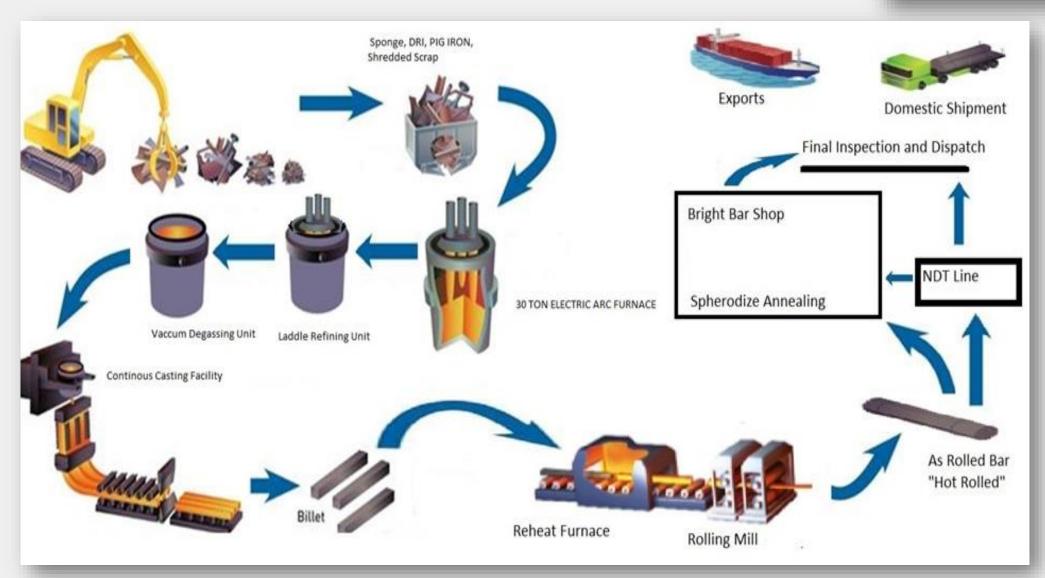
Bright Bars

- 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









Continuous Casting Machine

Vacuum Degassing







Rolling Mill & Bright Bars





Rolling Mill



Reheating Furnace





Bright Bar Shop



Spherodizing & Annealing Machines

Bright Bar Shop



Automatic Line of Bar Inspection - NDT Line





Straightening

Straightness : 2mm / meter



Chamfering

Bar ends free from Burr



MFLT

Acceptance Criteria: 0.2x10mm



UST

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





Best in class R&D Facility

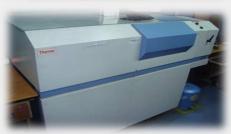




- Spectrometer: ARL 4460:1454 for Chemical Analysis. Can check 32 different elements
- CS 230 : Analyzer for Carbon & Sulfur content in steel
- **LECO gas analyzer** TC 600 H₂, N₂, O₂ Analyzer
- Mobile Spectro and XRF for Mix up Testing of Bars
- Mechanical and Metallurgical Testing Lab
 - Rockwell Hardness 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







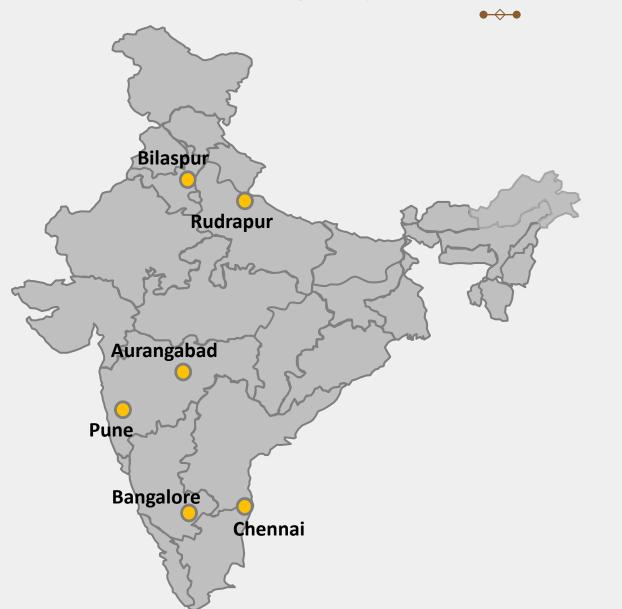






Strategically located Warehousing Facilities





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

Key Strengths





State of Art Manufacturing Facilities and advanced R&D Capabilities Well equipped with latest upgraded Technology Machines	01
Diversified Product offerings	
 Manufactures diverse range of products with wide applications across sectors 	
 Further expanding product offerings to increase wallet share with existing customers and adding new 	
clients	02
Rich Management Experience	
Dynamic & rich experience in special steel sector	
 Diverse team with right mix of operational & technical expertise along with dedicated and skilled 	
employee base	03
Quality Standards & Assurance	
 Adherence to quality standards across all stages of manufacturing 	
 Checked for dimensional accuracy & temper at every stage 	
 Well equipped modern testing facilities to check for physical, mechanical & chemical properties 	04
Brand Image	
 Continuous brand building exercise by providing excellent services to satisfy our 	
customers	05
	05

200+ Reputed & Long term customers....





Cars







TOYOTA





Two Wheelers











HCL/LCVs









DAIMLER

Auto Components











Tractors











NEW HOLLAND

AGRICULTURE

Off Highway Vehicles

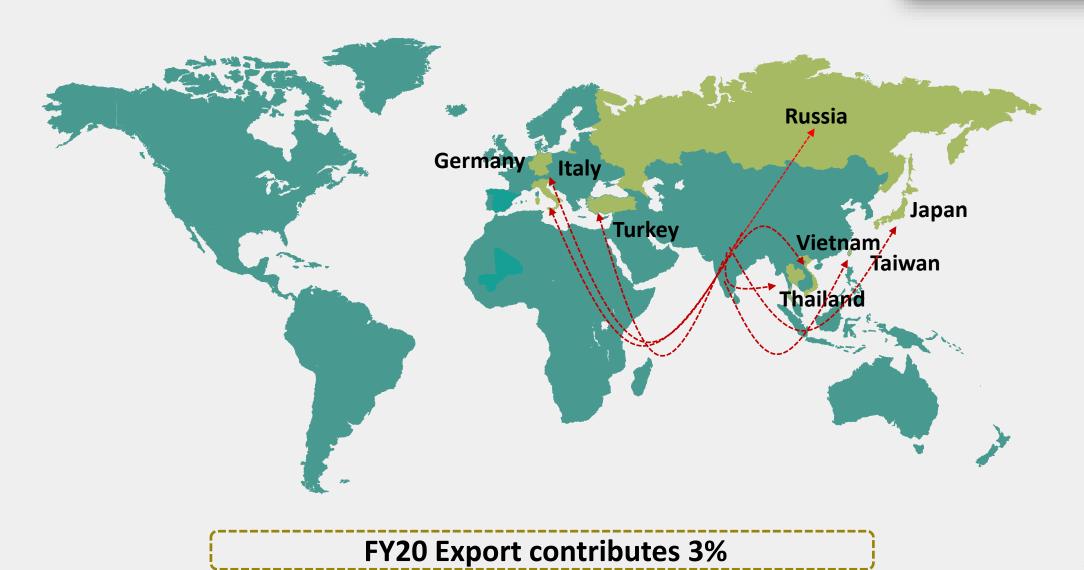






... Across Globe with Customer Base







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

'Manav 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

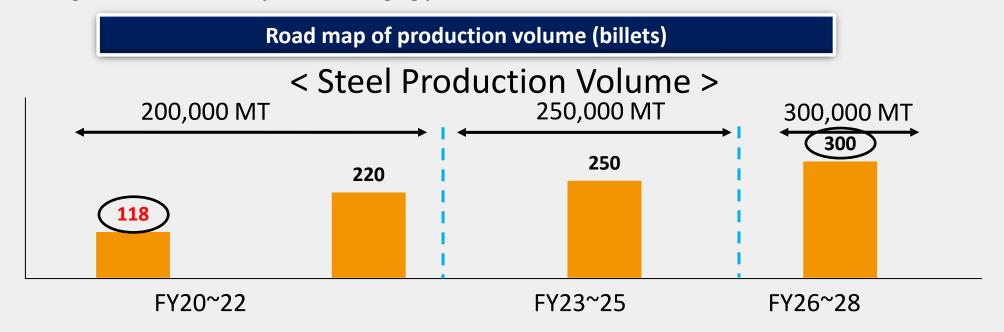
To reduce manufacturing costs by reducing and the eliminating waste

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 3% in FY 2020 to expected 20% 25% by FY 25
- Forward Integration of VSSL into specialised Forging plant in India



Timeline for activities





Phase 3

CAPEX to bring in new

manufacturing facilities for

improving productivity to 250,000 MT

 Vardhman may look forward to Forging business in India

Production 300,000MT / year

Export 60,000 MT / year

Time for Aichi to Invest more in Vardhman

 VSSL AICHI may lay foundation for future steel company in India

2025-2028

Phase 2

Phase 1

- Continuous improvement in quality and productivity by strengthening existing procedures
- Focus on Improving safety levels
- Start of Marketing activities to customers in India, Thailand, Philippines and Indonesia

2019-2022

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

2022-2025

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

Way Ahead







- Increase melting capacity to 2,50,000 TPA and Rolling Capacity to 2,20,000 TPA by FY22
- Target of achieving full capacity utilization, quality improvement, cost reduction & product mix enrichment in consultation with Aichi Steel Corporation

De-risking Business

 Explore avenues – increase high margin products, enter into new geographies, change in customer mix and expand into new industry applications

Thank You







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