

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2007

PARTICULARS	Quarter ended 30th September		Half Year ended 30th September		Year ended 31 st March
	2007 (Unaudited)	2006 (Unaudited)	2007 (Unaudited)	2006 (Unaudited)	2007 (Audited)
Income from Operations :					
Gross Sales - Domestic	844.93	704.51	1,684.93	1,340.73	2,953.20
- Export	403.84	531.04	881.33	837.38	2,314.60
Total Sales	1,248.77	1,235.55	2,566.26	2,178.11	5,267.80
Less: Excise Duty on Sales	121.28	90.91	241.95	178.60	390.30
Net Sales	1,127.49	1,144.64	2,324.31	1,999.51	4,877.50
Other Income	3.06	5.41	6.89	10.36	18.93
Total Income	1,130.55	1,150.05	2,331.20	2,009.87	4,896.43
Expenditure					
(a) (Increase)/Decrease in Stock-in-Trade	(123.88)	(47.18)	(353.03)	(134.84)	(120.50)
(b) Consumption of Raw Materials	820.71	642.22	1,742.47	1,247.61	3,026.95
(c) Goods purchased for sale	2.63	62.78	7.26	79.44	130.74
(d) Stores & Spares	44.35	51.89	89.19	89.42	199.47
(e) Power & Fuel	129.53	107.32	269.43	188.65	436.12
(f) Staff Cost	24.68	18.82	48.35	33.86	73.51
(g) Depreciation / Amortisation	58.95	57.64	122.92	95.45	216.10
(h) Other Expenditure	67.64	78.43	153.86	126.73	305.96
Total Expenditure	1,024.61	971.92	2,080.45	1,726.32	4,268.35
Interest Expense(Net)	39.44	32.86	58.18	58.43	70.35
Profit Before Tax	66.50	145.27	192.57	225.12	557.73
Provision for Taxation - Current	7.54	24.92	21.82	33.88	85.22
- MAT Credit Entitlement	(7.54)	-	(21.82)	-	-
- Fringe Benefit Tax	0.40	0.23	0.55	0.35	0.91
- Deferred Tax	24.29	23.07	67.61	43.05	113.28
Previous Years Taxation Adjustments	-	-	-	-	5.31
Net Profit After Tax	41.81	97.05	124.41	147.84	353.01
Paid-up Equity Share Capital					
(Face value Rs.2/- each)	28.60	26.28	28.60	26.28	27.64
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve)	-	-	-	-	1,374.13
Earning Per Share (EPS)					
- Basic (Rs.)	2.98	7.42	8.85	11.31	26.76
- Diluted (Rs.)	2.62	6.55	7.47	10.14	23.35
EPS for the period (not annualised)					
Aggregate of Non-promoter Shareholding					
- Number of Shares	66506349	61717117	66506349	61717117	61706212
- Percentage of Shareholding	46.50	46.96	46.50	46.96	44.64

Notes:

1. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and have been taken on record by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 26th October, 2007. The Statutory auditors have also conducted limited review of the above results.
2. 2,554,806 equity shares of Rs. 2/- each fully paid have been allotted during the quarter upon conversion of 1400 - 0.50% FCCBs, into equity shares of the company. Consequent to these conversions, the paid up equity share capital of the company has increased to Rs.28.60 Crore.
3. The Board has approved investments of upto USD 50 million in overseas ventures for acquisition/control/linkages of major mineral resources, including chrome, manganese and other ores.
4. During the quarter the company has completed the Steel Melting Shop capacity enhancement from 600,000 MT to 650,000 MT.
5. Interest for the quarter and half year ended 30th September 2007 includes gain of Rs.15.73 crore and gain of Rs.49.46 crore respectively (corresponding periods gain of Rs.2.21 crore and loss of Rs.5.90 crore respectively), on account of foreign exchange fluctuations and hedging operations.
6. Number of investors complaints during the quarter ended 30th September, 2007: Beginning 3, received 28, resolved 29 and pending 2, which have since been resolved.
7. As the company's business activity falls within a single primary business segment viz. "stainless steel", the disclosure requirement of Accounting Standard (AS-17) on "Segment Reporting" is not applicable.
8. The previous quarter/period figures have been regrouped wherever necessary.