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Sub: Press Release

Dear Sir(s)/Madam,

We are forwarding herewith the copy of Press Release in respect of Audited Financial Results for the year ended March 31, 2016.

Kindly host the same on your website and acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Thanking You.

Yours Faithfully,

For Jindal Stainless Limited

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Jindal Stainless Limited
Corporate Release

Key Performance Highlights for the Quarter & Year ended 31st March 2016

❖ **Q-o-Q Comparison:**

- Stainless Steel Production Volume increased by 9%
- Stainless Steel Sales Volume increased by 8%
- Total Income from Operations increased by 22% to Rs. 1,974 Crore
- EBIDTA increased by 12% to Rs. 174 Crore

❖ **Y-o-Y Comparison (Standalone):**

- Stainless Steel Production Volume increased by 35%
- Stainless Steel Sales Volume increased by 26%
- Total Income from Operations increased by 14% to Rs. 6,848 Crore
- EBIDTA increased by 110% to Rs. 639 Crore

❖ **Y-o-Y Comparison (Consolidated):**

- Total Income from Operations increased by 7% to Rs. 7,464 Crore
- EBIDTA increased by 87% to Rs. 691 Crore

• **Brief Performance Review:**

Figures in Rs. Crores	Standalone							Consolidated		
	Unaudited				Audited			Audited		
	Q-o-Q Comparison			Q4 2014-15	Y-o-Y Comparison			Y-o-Y Comparison		
	Q4 2015-16	Q3 2015-16	% Change		FY 2015-16	FY 2014-15	% Change	FY 2015-16	FY 2014-15	% Change
	Post Scheme			Pre Scheme	Post Scheme			Post Scheme		
	A	B	(A-B)/B	C	D	E	(D-E)/E	F	G	(F-G)/G
Production Volume										
Stainless Steel (tons)	162,311	148,353	9%	299,115	603,863	448,478	35%			
Ferro Alloy (tons)	32,040	33,683	-5%	32,662	131,445	119,984	10%			
Power (million units)	343	300	14%	440	1,470	1,483	-1%			
Sales Volume (tons)										
Stainless Steel (tons)	143,722	133,206	8%	281,097	533,778	423,461	26%			
Total Income from Operations (net)	1,974	1,612	22%	3,287	6,848	6,011	14%	7,464	6,948	7%
EBITDA	174	156	12%	347	639	304	110%	691	368	87%
EBITDA %	8.8%	9.7%		10.6%	9.3%	5.1%		9.3%	5.3%	
Non-operating other income	9	1		40	24	53		25	54	
Financial Cost	268	248	8%	340	1,015	916	11%	1,038	942	10%
Profit before depreciation	(85)	(91)	-7%	47	(351)	(559)	-37%	(323)	(520)	-38%
Depreciation	113	92		125	393	393		411	411	
Exceptional Gain / (Loss)	(4)	(8)		61	(37)	1,173		(43)	1,184	
Profit after tax	(212)	(191)		(17)	(792)	223		(789)	253	

Note: The figures of last quarter of the current year and previous year are the balancing figures between audited figures in respect of the full financial year ended on 31st March 2016 and 31st March 2015 and the

unaudited published year to date (nine months) figures up to the third quarter ended on 31st December 2015 and 31st December 2014 respectively, which were subjected to limited review. Further, the figures of last quarter of previous year are without giving effect to the terms of the Composite Scheme of Arrangement (the "Scheme") and are as approved by the Board of Directors of the Company in their meeting held on 30th May 2015, and thus are not comparable. The revised audited figures (Post Scheme) for the previous year ended 31st March 2015 have been disclosed.

Standalone Performance:

Quarter Performance review:

1. Quarter ended 31st March, 2016 witnessed better performance both in terms of production & sales volume of Stainless Steel with increase of 9% & 8% respectively as compared to quarter ended 31st December, 2016.
2. Total Income from Operations has also reported the increase of 22% to Rs. 1,974 Crore in quarter ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to Rs. 1,612 Crore in quarter ended 31st December, 2016.
3. EBITDA margin has been improved by 12% to Rs. 174 Crore in quarter ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to Rs. 156 Crore in quarter ended 31st December, 2016.

Yearly Performance review:

4. Financial Year ended 31st March, 2016 was spectator of the enhancement in the production & sales volumes of stainless steel by 35% & 26% respectively as compared to the financial year ended 31st March, 2015. Further improvement in the production volume of ferro alloys has also been reported by 10% in the financial year ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to the financial year ended 31st March, 2015.
5. Total Income from Operations has also reported the increase of 14% to Rs. 6,848 Crore in financial year ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to Rs. 6,011 Crore in financial year ended 31st March, 2015.
6. EBIDTA for the year improved by 110% to Rs. 639 Crore in financial year 2015-16 as compared to Rs. 304 Crore of previous financial year 2014-15. Further, EBIDTA margins have been substantially improved to 9.3 % in financial year 2015-16 as against 5.1 % in last financial year. This improvement in EBIDTA is outcome of the initiatives taken up by the Company such as start up of railway sidings at plant location, customer focus approach & improvement in production efficiencies.
7. However, despite of the outstanding improvement in operations, the EBIDTA was not sufficient to serve the interest cost of Rs. 1,015 Crore and depreciation cost of Rs. 393 Crore, which resulted in net losses (after tax) of Rs. 792 Crore. Interest cost was higher on account of reset of interest on rupee term loans at higher rate w.e.f. 01st April, 2015.

8. Pursuant to receipt of part consideration from Jindal Stainless (Hisar) Limited (out of total consideration of Rs. 2,600 Crore), the Company has prepaid the CDR long term debt by Rs. 2,359.24 Crore (as on 28th May 2016) to the lenders in line with the Assets Monetization Cum Reorganization Plan ("AMP") proposal, as approved by CDR EG and the balance amount is expected to be received soon. Further, going forward, the interest cost of the Company is expected to reduce further with full implementation of the AMP of the Company.

Consolidated Performance Review:

9. Total Income from Operations has also reported the increase of 7% to Rs. 7,464 Crore in financial year ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to Rs. 6,948 Crore in financial year ended 31st March, 2015.
10. EBITDA margin improved by 87% to Rs. 691 Crore in Financial year ended 31st March, 2016 as compared to Rs. 368 Crore in financial year ended 31st March, 2015.

Outlook:

Global outlook remains subdued as uncertainty in economic recovery weighs down on growth prospects. International Monetary Fund has revised its global growth projections downwards by almost 0.2 percentage points since January 2016. Emerging economies also appear to have lost some steam and the effects of slowdown in China are only too visible. Lower commodity prices and weak demand have added to financial fragility.

Overall contraction in steel demand is forecast for 2016 as economies struggle to recover from stress. Annual stainless steel production in 2015 registered a drop of 0.5% over the previous year's figure of 41.5 million tonnes. Chinese overcapacities continue to maintain pressure on prices globally. Countries across the globe continue to resort to trade remedial measures like Anti- Dumping and Safeguards duty to guard domestic industry.

India remains a bright spot in an otherwise bleak economic outlook. The domestic stainless steel industry continues to face pressure from low priced imports resulting in trade distortions. Recent trade remedial measures like Anti dumping Duty have failed to guard the domestic industry due to large scale circumvention of such measures. Relatively higher growth in India vis-a-vis other economies will drive stainless steel demand growth along with the GDP growth. Factors including monsoon and infrastructure spending would be significant drivers for boosting stainless steel demand.

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