

Burnpur Cement Limited

Chairman's speech for the 24th Annual General Meeting on 29th September, 2010.

Dear Shareholders,

It is a pleasure to welcome you on the occasion of the 24th Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The impact of the global financial crisis that erupted in the year 2008-09 had its uncertain effects on your Company's performance as revealed in the year 2009-10. While growth rates have picked-up, it will still take some time to get back to the pre crisis path.

Emerging global markets in general and India in particular are leading the way on the road to recovery with strong growth rates based on healthy economic policy. A steady monetary policy course has been maintained with a focus on supporting growth recovery inspite of inflationary pressures. The economy is stated to grow in excess of 8%, consumer spending is going momentum and private investment is picking up. This trend is encouraging to your company's growth and performance.

Plant at Patratu

Due to frequent change of Govt. in Jharkhand and other obstacles the project has been delayed in its execution. The cause of delay has also been mentioned in the director's report. However everything is on the track now and every effort is being made for expeditious completion of the project.

On a high growth terrain: -

Our growth plans in cement are aggressive. The government's accelerated budgetary provisions on and the general demand for housing in metropolitan cities, in towns & other urban areas will increase the demand for cement. It might interest you to learn that the planning commission in the mid term appraisal of the 11th plan has envisaged an expenditure of over Rs. 20 trillion on infrastructure. This will be spent during the 11th plan period.

Operations:-

I would now like to share with you the highlights of your Company's performance for the year ended 31st March 2010 and shall briefly touch upon these & the current operations as well as future plans.

During this year the sales volume has been increased by 38.94% to Rs. 30.11 crore compared to previous year's sale and the company has posted net profit after tax 66.39 lacs after adjusting the previous year's loss. The management has taken all corrective measures to curtail unnecessary expenditure in keeping with its policy.

In addition, a number of strategic initiatives have been taken by your management in the interest of its multiple share holders i.e. modernization of plant at Asansol, Implementation of new policy for sales promotion.

Corporate Social Responsibility and Corporate Governance

Your company is well aware of its responsibility at large and the management is committed to drive this initiative with enhanced effort.

I wish to assure that your Board and Management have been practicing the highest principles of corporate governance to create value for Stakeholder. I repeat that your company would continue to uphold its traditional endeavors for growth and act in the best interest of all concern.

I express my gratitude to you, dear Shareholders for your continued trust & faith in the Company's destiny. I again assure you on behalf of the management that we will continue striving to give you the best performance in the years to come.

<u>To Our Teams</u>

I extend my warm thanks to all our employees and my fellow Board members for their sincere contribution to your company's performance. I look forward to their continued co-operation and commitments in the days ahead to enhance the shareholders value.

Thank You,

Ashok Gutgutia Vice Chairman and Managing Director