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Hindalco announces Q2FY 2014-15 standalone results (unaudited)

13 November 2014

Excellent operational performance in both Aluminium and Copper Businesses.

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| | | Vs. Q2 FY14 | 2 |
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| Revenues | Rs. 8,554 crore | 36% | t |
| PBITDA | Rs. 1,120 crore | 37% | t |
| Profit before Exceptional Items and Tax | Rs. 539 crore | 22% | t |

Net profit impacted by one timers of Rs. 431 crore (net) comprising

Provision for additional levy on coal as per Hon. Supreme Court

order: Rs. 563 crore

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| EBITDA | 897 | 748 | 540 | 1,645 | 1,018 | |
| Other income | 223 | 216 | 280 | 440 | 708 | |
| PBITDA | 1,120 | 965 | 820 | 2,085 | 1,726 | |
| Depreciation | 196 | 187 | 196 | 383 | 379 | |
| Finance costs | 386 | 338 | 183 | 723 | 332 | |
| Profit before Exceptional Items and Tax | 539 | 440 | 440 | 979 | 1,015 | |
| Exceptional Item | 431 | - | - | 431 | - | |
| Profit after Exceptional Item | 107 | 440 | 440 | 547 | 1,015 | |
| Tax expenses | 29 | 113 | 83 | 141 | 184 | |
| Net profit | 79 | 328 | 357 | 406 | 831 | |
| Basic EPS (not annualised) | 0.38 | 1.59 | 1.85 | 1.97 | 4.32 | |

Hindalco the Aditya Birla Group flagship company, today announced its unaudited results for the second quarter ending 30 September 2014.

Financials

Net sales stood at Rs.8,554 crore as compared to Rs.6,305 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Profit before Interest, Depreciation and Tax (PBITDA) was Rs.1,120 crore versus Rs.820 crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Profit before Tax and exceptional items was Rs.539 crore vis-a-vis

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| HINDALCO | copper businesses. PBITDA for the quarter | |

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Other income was lower compared to Q2FY 14 as previous years

income included certain one-timers and dividends from subsidiaries. Finance cost has increased during the quarter on progressive capitalisation of the company's greenfield projects.

Depreciation was at Q2FY14 level, despite higher capitalisation, mainly due to the revision of useful life of certain assets in compliance with Schedule II of the Companies Act, 2013.

Exceptional items (net) include the following:

Liability provision of Rs.563 crore towards additional levy of Rs.295 per MT on coal extracted by the company from the commencement of the production of coal from Talabira I mine in FY04 up to September 2014 in compliance with the order dated 24 September 2014 of the Hon. Supreme Court of India.

Provision of Rs.258 crore towards diminution in carrying value of investment in Aditya Birla Minerals Limited, Australia, a subsidiary of the company, arising on significant decline in value of the company's investment therein as reflected in decline in its quoted share price over a considerable period of time.

Reversal of Rs.29 crore out of the liability provided for in the previous year on account of UP Tax on Entry of Goods into Local Areas Act, 2007 (UP Entry Tax), following completion of assessment.

Foreign exchange gain of Rs.361 crore in connection with receipt of Rs.1,394 crore from A V Minerals (Netherlands) N. V., a wholly owned subsidiary of the company, towards return of capital by reducing nominal value of shares.

Coal mines

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in its judgment dated 25.08.2014 and order dated 24.09.2014, has declared all allocations of the coal blocks made through Screening Committee

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| HINDALCO | being developed by respective joint venture | |

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| Subject to payment of an additional levy of Rs.295 per MT of coal
| extracted since beginning till 31 March 2015.

Pursuant to the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Government of India has promulgated the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 2014 on 21.10.2014, which inter alia provides for allocation of cancelled coal blocks by way of auction and bidding process. The ordinance also provides for payment of compensation to prior allottees towards investments made in "land and mine infrastructure" for which details have already been submitted to the Ministry of Coal. The company propose to participate in the bidding process for suitable coal blocks to meet its coal requirement in future.

Business results

Of the total revenue of Rs.8,554 crore, Aluminium Business contributed Rs.3,316 crore vs. Rs.2,343 crore in Q2FY14. The higher revenue is attributable to higher volume and higher realisation. As a result, the segment results of Aluminium Business also improved from Rs.166 crore in Q2FY14 to Rs.339 crore in Q2FY15 despite higher coal cost.

In the Copper Business, revenue moved up to Rs.5,247 crore from Rs.3,974 crore in Q2FY14. The performance of the Copper Business reflected enhanced volume, better TcRc and improved by-product credit. The segment results soared from Rs.239 crore in Q2FY14 to Rs.414 crore in Q2FY15.

Sequentially, compared to Q1FY15, both segments have posted improved results.

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Alumina production (including Utkal) increased by 41 per cent to 531 Kt over Q2FY14. The standalone results do not include performance of Utkal Alumina refinery, as it is a subsidiary of the company.

Copper

Cathode production was higher at 96 Kt as against 77 Kt in Q2FY14.

To sum up, with additional capacity coming on stream in Aluminium Business, the company will further consolidate its leadership position and is well-poised to benefit from the expected upturn in the economy.

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