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### VISION

To be a respectable corporate entity having market leadership with global footprints in the chosen areas of operations, consistently delivering value to all stakeholders, with a high degree of environmental and social responsibility.

### MISSION

To gain market leadership in all business segments, make them robust through innovative business processes, selective restructuring, efficient/effective use of resources and thereby surpass a turnover of ₹3500 crore and profit before tax of ₹350 crore by 2015.

In this journey, foster the century old tradition of deep rooted commitment to business values, employee pride in the organization and inclusive growth.

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Board of Directors	Shri S. K. Mukherjee, Managing Director Shri VLVSS Subba Rao, Govt. Nominee Director Shri Prakash, Govt. Nominee Director Shri V. N. Sharma, Director (Manufacturing Businesses) Shri K. Subramanyan, Director (Finance) Shri V. Sinha, Director (Service Businesses) Shri Kashi C Murarka, Independent Director Shri Arun Seth, Independent Director Shri M. P. Bezbaruah, Independent Director Shri P. K. Bora, Independent Director Shri Asish K. Bhattacharyya, Independent Director Smt. Abha Chaturvedi, Independent Director
Company Secretary	Shri Amit Ghosh
Registered Office	Balmer Lawrie House 21, Netaji Subhas Road Kolkata - 700 001
Bankers	Allahabad Bank Bank of Baroda Canara Bank HDFC Bank Limited Indusind Bank Limited Standard Chartered Bank State Bank of India The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited United Bank of India Vijaya Bank
Statutory Auditors	Messrs J. Gupta & Co. 12, Waterloo Street, 2nd Floor, Room No. 10 Kolkata - 700 069
Branch Auditors	Messrs Padmanabhan Prakash & Co. 5, Smith Road, 2nd Floor Northern Wing Chennai - 600 002
	Messrs M M Nissim And Co. Barodawala Mansion, B Wing 3rd Floor, 81, Dr. Annie Besant Road, Worli Mumbai - 400 018
	Messrs H. S. Rustagi & Co 4654/21, Daryaganj, II Floor New Delhi - 110 002
Internal Auditors	Messrs HARIBHAKTI & CO Geetanjali Apartments Flat No. 7G, 7th Floor 8B, Middleton Street Kolkata - 700 071
Registrar & Share Transfer Agent	Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd. 59C, Chowringhee Road, 3rd Floor Kolkata - 700 020

### **Key Management Personnel**

Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of Birth	Date of Joining the Company	Total No. of years of experience [as on 01.07.10]
S. K. MUKHERJEE	B.Com. AICWA	MANAGING DIRECTOR	08.12.51	15.01.76	41
V.N. SHARMA	BE [Chem] PGDM [Op. Prod]	DIRECTOR (MANUFACTURING BUSINESSES)	04.07.52	05.05.75	35
K. SUBRAMANYAN	B.Com. ACA	DIRECTOR [FINANCE	17.11.52	08.02.80	32
V. SINHA	BA MBA [Sales & Mktg]	DIRECTOR [SERVICE BUSINESSES]	13.07.55	01.12.06	32
P.P. SAHOO	BA [H] LL.B. MA [PM & IR]	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR [HUMAN RESOURCE]	07.05.54	17.07.87	32
N. GUPTA	B.Com.[Hons.]ACA	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR [LOGISTICS]	17.07.55	03.03.80	30
A. DAYAL	BA Dip in Mktg. Mgt.	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR [INDUSTRIAL PACKAGING]	13.12.54	01.01.08	34
K. GOPINATHAN	B.Sc.(Engg.) Mech.	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR [LUBES]	01.12.52	03.07.80	34
S. RAVIKUMAR	Grad.Engr.[Chem] PG Engg.[Chem.]	GENERAL MANAGER [CHENNAI]	01.05.54	18.11.83	32
A. DASGUPTA	B.Com ACA	GENERAL MANAGER [FINANCE]	03.10.50	17.03.75	40
H.K. BHOKLAY	B.Sc.[Hons.] PGDM[Mktg./Sales]	GENERAL MANAGER [STRATEGIC PLANNING]	04.02.55	02.05.78	32
A. SENGUPTA	BME PGDBM PGDHRM	GENERAL MANAGER [OPERATIONS]	26.02.56	16.07.01	31
A.K. KHULLER	ВА	GENERAL MANAGER [TRAVEL & TOURS]	01.08.51	15.11.79	38
A.K. PAUL	ME(Chem) PGD Fuel Eff.	GENERAL MANAGER [TECHNICAL]	07.01.53	03.11.86	32
AMIT GHOSH	B.Com.[Hons.] ACA ACS	COMPANY SECRETARY	21.10.54	13.08.07 [on deputation]	29

#### Notice of 93rd Annual General Meeting to the Members

NOTICE is hereby given that the 93rd Annual General Meeting of the members of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Limited will be held at Ghanshyam Das Birla Sabhagar, 29, Ashutosh Choudhury Avenue, Kolkata - 700 019, on Friday, 24 September, 2010, at 10:30 a.m. to transact the following: -

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the audited Balance Sheet as on 31 March 2010 and the Profit and Loss Account for the financial year ended 31 March 2010 and the reports of the Auditors and the Directors thereon.
- 2. To declare dividend.
- To appoint a Director in place of Shri V N Sharma, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment
- To appoint a Director in place of Shri S K Mukherjee, who
  retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for
  reappointment.
- To appoint a Director in place of Shri K. Subramanyan, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment.
- To fix remuneration of the Auditors for the financial year 2010-11 and to pass, with or without modification(s), the following Resolution:

#### As an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 619, read with Section 224(8)(aa) of the Companies Act, 1956 ("the Act"), the Board of Directors be and is hereby authorized to determine the amount of remuneration payable to the Auditors appointed under Section 619 of the Act, by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India including the cost of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the audit of accounts of the Company for the financial year 2010-11 by the said Auditors."

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolutions:

#### 7. As an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, Shri Shri Prakash, a non-executive Government Nominee Director, be and is hereby appointed a Director, whose period of office shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation."

#### 8. As an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, Shri Virendra Sinha, Wholetime Director be and is hereby appointed a Director,

whose period of office as such Director shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation."

#### 9. As an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 258 and 259 of the Companies Act, 1956 ["the Act"], approval be and is hereby accorded to increase the maximum number of directors on the Board of the Company from the existing level of 12 (twelve) directors to 16 (sixteen) directors subject to the approval of the Central Government as may be required in accordance with Section 259 of the Act."

#### 10. As a Special Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 31 of the Companies Act, 1956 ["the Act"] and subject to the approval of the Central Government to the extent necessary under Section 259 of the Companies Act, 1956 ["the Act"] in respect of sub-item [a] below:

Articles 6 and 45 of the existing Articles of Association of the Company be altered / amended in the manner following:

 (a) Article 6 of the Articles of Association be altered to read as follows-

"Until otherwise determined by the Company by passing special resolution and otherwise complying with the provisions of the Act, the number of the Directors of the Company shall not be less than three, nor more than sixteen."

#### and

(b) At the end of the existing Article 45, the following new paragraph be and is hereby added:

"Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Articles of Association and so long as the Company remains a Government Company, the President of India shall, under Article 7A, be entitled to appoint the Chairman or the Chairman & Managing Director, the Managing Director or one or more Managing Directors of the Company and/or may re-designate any Managing Director as the Chairman & Managing Director of the Company."

(c) In view of the alteration under item (b) above, the caption to Article 45 be and is hereby altered to read as "Chairman / Chairman & Managing Director / Managing Director(s)."

#### Registered Office:

Balmer Lawrie House 21, Netaji Subhas Road Kolkata 700 001 24 August 2010

By Order of the Board Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd Amit Ghosh Company Secretary

#### Notes:

- 1. A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE IS ALSO ENTITLED TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND VOTE ON A POLL IN HIS STEAD, AND SUCH PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY.
- 2. Proxies, in order to be effective, must be received at the Registered Office, not less than 48 hours before the Meeting.
- 3. Explanatory Statement as required under Section 173(2) of the Companies Act, 1956 is annexed hereto.
- 4. Dividend on equity shares as recommended by the Board of Directors for the financial year ended 31 March 2010, when declared at the meeting, will be paid to those Members, whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company after giving effect to all valid share transfers in physical form lodged with the Company/ Registrar & Share Transfer Agent, on or before the close of business hours on 8 September 2010 and in respect of shares held in electronic form, to those 'Deemed Members', whose names appear in the statement of Beneficial Ownership to be furnished by the National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and the Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) as at the end of business hours on 8 September 2010.
- 5. The Company will be providing National Electronic Clearing Services (NECS) facility to the Shareholders whereby they will be able to receive their dividend by direct electronic credit to their bank account(s). In the absence of availing of the NECS option by the Shareholders, the Company would send the dividend warrants by post in the normal manner.
  - Shareholders holding shares in physical form are requested to fill in the "NECS Mandate Form" provided along with this Annual Report and send it to the Company's Registrars and Share Transfer Agents. Shareholders holding shares in dematerialized form are required to furnish such details to their respective Depository Participants, if not furnished earlier.
- 6. Members holding shares in physical form and desirous of making a nomination in respect of their holding, as permitted under Section 109A of the Companies Act, 1956, are requested to write to the Registrar and Transfer Agents of the Company in the prescribed form. If they hold the shares in dematerialized form, they may contact

- their respective Depository Participant for such nomination.
- 7. Additional Information relating to the Directors proposed to be appointed and those retiring by rotation and seeking re-appointment at this Meeting, as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchanges, is annexed to this Notice.
- 8. Members are requested to:
- I. Intimate on or before 8 September 2010, to the Registrar & Share Transfer Agent of the Company viz.,

#### Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd.

- 59C, Chowringhee Road, 3rd floor, Kolkata- 700 020, (Telefax no. 033-2289 0539, e-mail: kolkata@linkintime.co.in):-
- a. Change in their address (including PIN Code), mandate, etc. with requisite documentary proof;
- b. Bank account number, name and address of the bank;
- c. Contact phone number(s) and e-mail ID.
- II. Quote the ledger folio or Client ID and DP ID numbers in all communications with the Company.
- III. Bring their copies of Annual Report and show Attendance Slip and Entry Pass at the entrance of the venue of the Meeting. Annual Report shall not be distributed at the venue of the Meeting.
- IV. Note that the Register of Members and Share Transfer Books shall remain closed from 9 September 2010 to 24 September, 2010 (both days inclusive).
- V. Note that unclaimed dividend relating to dividend paid on 3 October 2002 has been transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund on 16 November 2009. Further, the amount of unclaimed dividend relating to the dividend paid on 1 October 2003 is due for transfer to the Investor Education and Protection Fund of the Central Government pursuant to Section 205C of the Companies Act, 1956 on 1 October 2010.
- VI. Note that though in terms of Sections 224(8)(aa) and 619 of the Act, in case of a Government Company, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India is to appoint the Auditor(s), the remuneration payable to the Auditors is required to be fixed by the Company at a general meeting. Item no. 6 under the ordinary business has been included accordingly as an Ordinary Resolution.

#### **Explanatory Statement**

Under Section 173 (2) of the Companies Act, 1956
[Forming Part of the Notice to the Members]

#### Item No. 7

Shri Shri Prakash, who is a Master of Arts and comes from the Central Secretariat Services cadre, was appointed as Government Nominee Director -- based on direction from the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India ["the Government"] -- on 9 March 2010.

Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956 ["the Act"] and Article 9 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Shri Shri Prakash shall hold his office up to the date of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

The Company has received a notice under Section 257 of the Act, proposing the appointment of Shri Shri Prakash as a Director of the Company, whose office shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation.

The direction from the Government as contained in its letter dated 26 February 2010 received in this regard for the appointment of Shri Shri Prakash, as non-executive Government Nominee Director and the Articles of Association of the Company are open for inspection at the Registered Office on all working days (except Saturdays) during 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Your Directors recommend the Ordinary Resolution for your approval.

Except Shri Shri Prakash, no other Director is interested or concerned in the Resolution.

#### Item No. 8

Shri Virendra Sinha, Bachelor of Arts and MBA, was appointed as Whole-time Director -- based on direction from the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India ["the Government"] -- on 14 June 2010.

Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956 ["the Act"] and Article 9 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Shri Sinha shall hold his office up to the date of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

The Company has received a notice under Section 257 of the Act, proposing the appointment of Shri Sinha as a Director of the Company whose office shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation.

The direction from the Government as contained in its letter dated 14 June 2010 received in this regard for the appointment of Shri Sinha as Whole-time Director and the Articles of Association of the Company are open for inspection at the Registered Office on all working days (except Saturdays) during 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Your Directors recommend the Ordinary Resolution for your approval. If approved, Shri Sinha would remain a Whole-time Director of the Company.

Except Shri Sinha, no other Director is interested or concerned in the Resolution.

#### Item No. 9

The Company has grown into a multi-product conglomerate having a diversified business portfolio with 8 Strategic Business Units [SBUs] consisting of 3 major manufacturing SBUs, 3 major service SBUs and 2 other relatively smaller SBUs engaged in the business of Tea blending & packaging and Refinery & Oil Field Services respectively.

The growth in the recent past has been both organic as well as inorganic. The consistent organic growth is seen from the rising net sales and profit over the years - both pre-tax and post-tax. Inorganically too, the Company has achieved considerable growth having acquired / increased its business interests in joint ventures including foreign joint ventures.

The business segments in which the Company operates are fraught with severe competition, both from the public as well as the private sectors, as also from the organized (including MNCs) / unorganized sectors. Managing such a diverse business portfolio in a competitive environment requires high level of managerial competence and expertise especially at the Board level and necessitates infusion of such capabilities at the said level from time to time.

The maximum Board strength of the Company under its Articles of Association is 12 and the actual strength at present is also 12, thus offering no scope for any future expansion of the Board to meet operational necessity consequent to the emerging growth orientation of the Company. Hence the need for expanding the overall Board size under the Articles of Association.

In this connection, it may be noted that any future addition of functional directors would also lead to increase in the number of Independent Directors in order for the constitution of the Board to remain in conformity with the norms under the Listing Agreement, the Company being a listed company.

Keeping these considerations in view, it is proposed to amend Article 6 of the Articles of Association of the Company so as to increase the maximum number of Directors on the Board of the Company from the existing level of 12 directors to 16 directors. The increase would take place only after being confirmed by the Central Government if and to the extent applicable, under the provisions of Section 259 and/or any other provisions of the Companies Act, 1956.

Your Directors recommend the Ordinary Resolution for your approval.

None of the Directors are interested or concerned in the Resolution.

#### Item No. 10

Historically, right from the entry of the Company into the public sector in 1972 [consequent to the Company becoming a subsidiary of the erstwhile IBP Co. Limited (IBP)] till February 2002, the Company has all along had a non-executive

Chairman, who was the full-time Chairman & Managing Director of IBP. The practice got discontinued after Indian Oil Corporation Limited acquired IBP in the wake of disinvestment of the shares held by the President of India in it.

In this connection, it may be mentioned that the Bureau of Public Enterprises has a standing norm, which stipulates that the Boards of Directors of Public Enterprises, should, inter alia, normally be headed by a Chairman & Managing Director. The Companies Act, 1956 too clearly demarcates a significant role for the Chairman of a corporate.

Taking into cognizance the foregoing perspectives, it is proposed to amend the Articles of Association of the Company so as to incorporate clear provision in Article 45 enabling the President of India, in exercise of his power under Article 7A, to appoint the Chairman or the Chairman & Managing Director, the Managing Director or one or more Managing Directors of the Company as also to re-designate any Managing Director

as the Chairman & Managing Director of the Company so long as the Company remains a Government Company.

The alteration proposed in Article 6 - which also forms part of this Special Resolution – is incidental to the Ordinary Resolution proposed under Item 9 envisaging increase in the maximum number of Directors from 12 to 16.

Section 31 of the Companies Act, 1956 enjoins that a company may, by passing Special Resolution alter its Articles of Association. Accordingly, the alterations proposed in Articles 6 and 45 have been mooted as Special Resolution.

The Articles of Association of the Company are open for inspection at the Registered Office on all working days [except Saturdays] during 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Your Directors recommend the Special Resolution for your approval.

None of the Directors are interested or concerned in the Resolution.

# Brief details of the Directors seeking Re-appointment/Appointment at the 93rd Annual General Meeting to be held on 24 September 2010 [Details as on 31 July, 2010]

Name	Shri V N Sharma	Shri S K Mükherjee	Shri K. Subramanyan
Date of Birth	4 July 1952	8 December 1951	17 November 1952
Date of Appointment on the Board	20 January 2005	8 October 2002 —     Appointed as the     Director (Finance)	30 December 2005
		<ul> <li>1 April 2005         Appointed as the Managing Director     </li> </ul>	
Date of appointment/last re- appointment at the Annual General Meeting	25 September 2007	28 September 2008	24 September 2009
Qualification	B. Tech (Chemical Engineering)	Bachelor of Commerce	Bachelor of Commerce
	Post Graduation Diploma in     Business Management	Cost Accountant (AICWAI)	<ul> <li>Chartered Accountant (ACA)</li> </ul>
Expertise in specific functional areas	He has a working experience of 35 years during which he has developed expertise in the functional areas of Production and Operations Management, Project Management, R & D Management as well as General Management.	He has served the Company in various capacities since January 1976. He has a total working experience of 41 years including 34 years in the Company, during which he gained specialization in functional areas like Accounts & Finance, Taxation and General/Stralegic Management. Shri Mukherjee's expertise is built on assignments both at the Strategic Business Unit as well as the Corporate levels.	He has a working experience of 32 years during which he has developed expertise in the functional areas of Accounts & Finance, Taxation and General Management.
Shareholding of Non- Executive Director	Not applicable being a Wholetime Director	Not applicable being a Wholetime Director	Not applicable being a. Wholetime Director
Directorship / Chairmanship on the Board of other Companies	Chairman – Transafe Services Ltd. Director – Balmer Lawrie Van Leer Ltd. Director – Avi-Oil India (P) Ltd. Director – Balmer Lawrie (UAE) LLC. Commissioner – PT Balmer Lawrie Indonesia	Director - Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd. Director - Balmer Lawrie Van Leer Ltd. Director - Proseal Closures Ltd. Director - Balmer Lawrie (UAE) LLC Director - Bangal Chamber of Commerce and Industries Commissioner - PT Balmer Lawrie Indonesia	Director - Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd. Director - Transale Services Ltd. Director - Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd.
Membership / Chairmanahip of Committee(s) of the Board in other Companies	Member of Audit Committee of Balmer Lawrie Van Leer Ltd.	None	Member of Audit Committee, Investors' Grievance Committee of Belmer Lawrie Investments Lt Chairman of Audit Committee o Transale Services Ltd.

Name	Shri Shri Prakash	Shri Virendra Sinha
Date of Birth	01 June 1964	13 July 1955
Date of Appointment	9 March 2010	14 June 2010
Qualification	<ul> <li>Master of Arts (English)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bachelor of Arts</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Belongs to the Central Secretariat Services Cadre</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Masters Degree in Business</li> <li>Administration</li> </ul>
Expertise in specific functional areas	Has a working experience of 20 years during which he has developed knowledge and expertise in the functional areas of Administration, Vigilance and Training.	Has a working experience of 31 years during which he has developed experiso in Marketing, International Trade especially in the operation of multi-modal logistics hubs and Container Freight Stations and in General Management.
Shareholding of Non- Executive Director	Nil	Not applicable being a Wholelime Director
Directorship / Chairmanship on the Board of Other Companies	NII	Director - Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd.
Membership / Chairmanship of Committee(s) of the Board in other Companies	Nil	Nil

#### **Directors' Report**

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the 93rd Report on the state of affairs of your Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2010, together with the audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account of the Company.

Overall Financial Results (Rs. In lakh)

	Financial Results for the Company Year ended 31 March		Consolidated Financ Results Year ended 31 Marc	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Surplus for the year before Finance Charge, depreciation and tax	16714	16726	20856	20109
Deduct therefrom: Finance Charge and depreciation Provision for Taxation	1416 3569 11729	1570 4995 10161	5535 3349 11972	3716 5478 10915
Add Transfer from: Profit & Loss Account	12204	8854	21746	17509
Total amount available for Appropriation:	23933	19015	33718	28424
Appropriations: Proposed Dividend @ Rs.23.00 per equity share (previous year Rs.20.00 per equity share)	3746	3257	3778	3332
Corporate Tax on Dividend	622	554	653	592
Transfer to General Reserve / Minority interest etc.	3,000	3000	3051	3125
Surplus carried forward to next year	16,565	12,204	26236	21375
Total of Appropriations	23933	19015	33718	28424

#### **Overview**

Your Company's strong performance continued in 2009-10 despite difficult economic conditions, especially during the first half of the year. In a year marked by cautious approach after the significant slow-down in the growth rate in the second half of 2008-09 following the financial crisis that began in the industrialized nations in 2007 and spread to economies across the world, your Company maintained its performance, which is evident from the following:

- The Company recorded net sales of Rs.1673 crore as against Rs.1697 crore in 2008-09, a marginal drop of 1% over the previous year.
- Profit Before Tax increased from Rs. 152 crore in 2008-09 to Rs.153 crore in 2009-10.
- Profit After Tax which crossed the Rs.100 crore mark in the last year for the first time, further increased (from Rs.102 crore in 2008-09) to Rs. 117 crore in 2009-10, an increase of almost 15%.
- Four segments viz., Industrial Packaging, Greases & Lubricants, Travel & Tours, Logistics Infrastructure & Services were the main revenue generators out of which

the manufacturing businesses - Industrial Packaging and Greases & Lubricants - registered significantly higher turnover relative to the previous year.

#### **Dividend**

A dividend of Rs.23 per equity share of Rs. 10 each [equivalent to 230%] for the year ended 31 March 2010 has been recommended by the Board of Directors for declaration by the Members at the ensuing 93rd Annual General Meeting to be held on 24 September 2010 as against Rs. 20 per equity share in the previous year. The trend of past dividend payment is depicted below:



\*Recommended

#### **Management Discussion and Analysis Report**

An analytical Report on the businesses of your Company is furnished along with this report under the heading "Management Discussion and Analysis".

#### **Report on Subsidiary**

#### Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd.

Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd ('BLUK') is a wholly owned subsidiary of your Company and its principal business activities were Leasing & Hiring of Marine Freight Containers and Tea Warehousing, Blending & Packaging. BLUK has since exited from both these business activities.

Proceeds from the sale of the above two businesses are being used to fund other business opportunities. In the financial year under report, BLUK formed an equal partnership Joint Venture with PT Imani Wicaksana, Indonesia to manufacture and market lubricating greases and other lubricants in Indonesia. The Joint Venture Company (JVC) was formed on 15th February 2010.

The JVC – now functioning under the name and style of 'PT. Balmer Lawrie Indonesia' – is establishing a manufacturing plant near Jakarta with technology/know-how being provided by your Company under a Technical Collaboration Agreement.

#### **Exemption from attaching accounts of the Subsidiary**

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, New Delhi, vide their approval no. 47/567/2010-CL-III dated 14 July 2010 has exempted your Company from attaching the Annual Accounts of Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd, the wholly owned subsidiary of your Company for the year ended 31 March 2010 with its Annual Accounts for the same period. However, such accounts have been duly consolidated in terms of applicable Accounting Standards.

#### **Report on Joint Ventures**

#### **AVI-OIL India Private Ltd. (Avi-Oil)**

During 2009-10, Avi-Oil sustained its performance with growth in every area as compared to the previous year, achieving the highest sales since its inception, despite several constraints and competition from imports.

Avi-Oil continued to maintain its registrations with DGAQA, DGCA, Naval Aircraft Servicing Development Organization and the Sri Lankan air-force. Avi-Oil obtained Type Approvals / Provisional Clearances from CEMILAC for number of products during the year taking the total number of approved products to 88.

In addition to the military business, Avi-Oil increased its export sale of ester base-stocks to Nyco, France and also supplied larger quantities of synthetic lubricants to the Indian Railways surmounting stiff competition.

Avi-Oil accords high priority to the environment and has consequently planted more than 1500 trees / plants within its premises and maintained its zero effluent status.

Avi-Oil has recommended dividend at the rate of Rs. 1.25 per share [equivalent to 12.5 %], for the financial year 2009-10 compared to Re. 1.00 per share [equivalent to 10%] declared and paid in relation to previous year i.e. 2008-09.

#### **Balmer Lawrie-Van Leer Ltd. (BLVL)**

BLVL started the financial year with sluggish export demand against the background of the global financial crisis. BLVL's Steel drum closure Division is predominantly dependent on exports. The impact of global economic slowdown felt during the last quarter of 2008-09 continued till June, 2009. The sudden spurt in demand witnessed for Plastic Containers since February'09 was also short lived. However, the impact of financial stimulus and packages initiated by the developed countries like USA, UK, China, Japan, and Indian Government in particular led to improvement in general business confidence and revival of demand both local and export since July 2009. During the first few months of the financial year, BLVL went through a consolidation phase due to slowdown especially after completion of work on capacity expansion of steel drum closure Division, which helped BLVL to end the year remarkably well by achieving overall volume growth of around 40% in steel closures and 14% in plastic containers/ liners.

During the year 2009-10 net income of BLVL grew by about 28% to Rs.15727 lakh and it achieved a profit before tax of Rs.3195 lakh, which includes a profit of Rs.2428 lakh arising out of completion of sales transaction of BLVL's property at Chembur to Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited as reported last year, as against a loss before tax of Rs.279 lakh in the previous year.

#### **Transafe Services Limited (TSL)**

TSL achieved a Turnover of Rs. 82.47 crore during 2009-10 – (a fall of around 9% compared with the turnover of Rs. 90.43 crore in the previous year) and recorded a net loss (after tax) of Rs. 38.95 crore [as against Profit After Tax of Rs. 8.21 crore in the previous year].

Apart from the challenging business circumstances faced during the year consequent to the economic slowdown, which resulted in under-utilisation of capital assets acquired by TSL in the recent years, the severely adverse financial results of TSL for the year was on account of TSL having to make Prior Period adjustment of Rs. 33.3 crore in the books of TSL to correct the irregularities and financial manipulation pertaining to the previous three years when Shri Gopal Krishna Mukerjea (G K Mukerjea) was the chief executive of TSL, initially as its Manager and Chief Operating Officer and then as its Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD and CEO). The financial irregularities were detected subsequent to:- (i) an independent investigation instituted by TSL (and carried out by the renowned firm KPMG) into anonymous letters alleging financial misconduct and other irregularities in TSL and (ii) the exit of the two shareholders (who together held 65% of the equity in TSL as on March 31, 2009) represented by ICICI Venture Funds Management Co. Ltd. in August/September 2009. The TSL Board relieved Shri G K Mukerjea of his responsibilities as its Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer with effect from November 21, 2009, with the immediate acceptance of his resignation.

Thereafter, TSL further engaged KPMG to conduct an independent investigation into the alleged fraudulent misstatement of financial statements and to quantify the impact of the identified misstatements. The investigation report brings out that some senior executives of TSL, had caused

manipulation/falsification/mi sstatements of accounts for three years. Criminal complaints have been filed against Shri G K Mukerjea and certain others senior executives and officials of TSL before the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata, which has led to the Kolkata Police registering FIRs against the accused persons and investigations are underway.

During the year TSL has brought in new Internal Auditors and new Statutory Auditors were appointed for the year 2009-10 upon the resignation of the previous Statutory auditors. A new Chief Executive was appointed with effect from November 21, 2009 and measures to restore the organization to good health were initiated.

TSL is, in the meanwhile, seeking restructuring of its loan repayment and interest payment obligations to its funding banks under the Corporate Debt Restructuring [CDR] Scheme of the Reserve Bank of India. TSL has also since appointed a new Managing Director.

As a measure of conservatism, your Company has provided for its investment in TSL and is closely monitoring the developments in TSL keeping in view its equity stake of 50% in TSL (increased from 35% as on March 31, 2009), the balance being held by Balmer Lawrie-Van Leer Ltd following the exit of the ICICI Venture Funds Management Co. Ltd. in 2009.

#### **Balmer Lawrie (UAE) LLC (BLUAE)**

BLUAE faced one of the toughest and most challenging years in 2009, against the backdrop of the world-wide recession, extremely difficult local market conditions and intense price competition in the backdrop of the economic recession causing steep fall in demand coupled with sharp decline in prices of raw materials. Margins on the products were under constant pressure throughout the year.

Despite these adverse factors, BLUAE managed to turn in satisfactory results during the year 2009. BLUAE is also confident of facing the challenges and maintaining its leadership position in the market. It is taking proactive steps to control and minimize wastage, improve efficiencies, and further enhance quality and service levels.

BLUAE values its reputation as a customer-friendly company, and focuses on fulfilling customers' preferences, maintaining highest standards of business ethics and in being long term reliable partners for its customers and vendors. BLUAE continues to aim at improving its facilities to achieve process, product and technology up-gradation.

#### **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

Your Company enters into an MoU with the Government of India, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas every year detailing therein various targets on operational, financial and efficiency parameters besides matters like customer satisfaction, quality and human resource development. The targets fixed are evaluated at the year-end by the Government of India, Department of Public Enterprises (DPE). It is indeed a matter of great pride to report that your Company has obtained the highest rating category viz. "excellent" for the financial year 2008-09. Result of MoU signed for the financial year 2009-10 by the Company is still to be announced by DPE.

#### **Human Resource Management**

The Company continued to invest in enhancing the professional skills and competencies of its employees. Accordingly, more than 15% of the employees underwent training, both externally for specialized competencies and internally for upgrading generic competencies.

The Company in its efforts to reinvigorate its human resource through infusion of fresh blood has, during the year, laterally inducted 16 Executives/Supervisors.

Further, with a view to improve upon performance orientation and bring about objectivity in assessment, the Company has introduced new performance appraisal system for its executives and non-unionized supervisory staff in the year under report.

#### **Employment of Special Categories**

The actual number of employees, belonging to various special categories, as on 31 March, 2010 are given below:

Group	SC	ST	OBC(*)	PH	Women	Minorities
Α	27	5	2	1	28	28
В	25	2	32	2	35	14
С	24	2	12	3	18	5
D(incl. D1)	85	10	21	6	6	95
Total	161	19	67	12	87	142

[\*] - Recruited on or after 8 September, 1993

#### **Employee Relations**

The Company believes in a process of open and transparent consultation with the collectives. Hence, employees are represented in various Trusts formed by the Company to administer various employee benefit schemes. Plant level committees are in place to discuss and settle productivity and work place related matters. Consultative Forums have been established to resolve disputes/differences.

During the year, pay revision effective 1 January 2007 was implemented by the Company for the Executives / Supervisors. The Long Term Settlements covering the wages, allowances and benefits of the unionized employees are under negotiations at all locations of the Company.

Employee relations continued to be generally cordial at all units/locations of the Company during the year.

Implementation of "The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995"

In compliance with the provisions of the above Act, the Company has identified positions for recruitment of persons with disabilities. As an ongoing exercise, necessary actions are taken to fill up the shortfall in vacancies.

#### Implementation of Official language

Efforts continued to further the implementation of the Government directives with regard to implementation of the Official Language. The Company was awarded the first prize amongst PSUs at Kolkata for implementation of Hindi by the Kolkata Town Official Language Committee and the second prize by Kendriya Hindi Parishad, Kolkata.

#### **Women Empowerment**

The Company provides a very conducive ambience for women employees. The percentage of women employees is on the rise with new recruitments. The present strength of women employees is 6.15% despite the fact that a large portion of the workforce constitutes shop floor workers.

The Company encourages activities pertaining to WIPS [Women in Public Sector] which is a Forum of women employees from participating organizations focused on the common aim of networking, experience sharing, interacting with various organization / other PSUs / bodies like National Commission, Women and Child Development Ministry, ILO and such other institutions. The objective inherent is to seek enhancement in women's role at the workplace and thereby increase their contribution in the growth of the Company. Women employees from the Company were encouraged to meet up and participate in Regional and National Meets organized by the Forum.

#### **Progress on principles under 'Global Compact'**

The Company remains committed towards fulfillment and furtherance of principles enumerated in the Global Compact. With this objective, the Company -- besides promoting greater environmental responsibility through Occupational Health & Safety Assessment Sequence [OHSAS] 18001:2007 certification of three of its Manufacturing Units -- is also initiating a Project on Wind Energy aiming at promoting clean technology. A 'Communication on Progress' on Global Compact detailing activities undertaken by the Company in furtherance of the principles, has been uploaded on the Company's website.

#### **Vigilance**

During the year under review, Vigilance Department had stressed upon improving administration using e-procurement/ auction. Customers, Vendors and employees were sensitized by organizing Vigilance Awareness Programmes to achieve total transparency in dealing with different stakeholders of the Company. The Vigilance Department always strives to help management to take initiatives to update existing rules, procedures and systems and to frame new rules, wherever required.

Preventive Vigilance is the set priority of the Vigilance Department and, accordingly, system studies were undertaken regularly by conducting surprise inspections, studying audit reports, reduction of discretionary areas and taking up complaints and grievances.

A draft Complaint/Grievance Handling Policy in compliance with the directive of the Central Vigilance Commission is under finalization to converge all complaints/grievances to Chief Vigilance Officer for investigation/administrative action. Special initiative has been taken for rotation of officials posted in sensitive positions. Minimization of corruption in the organization and bringing probity in public life, have continued to be at the forefront of the vigilance initiatives in the Company.

### Conservation of Energy, Technology Absorption and Foreign Exchange Earnings and Outgo

As required under Section 217 (1) (e) of the Companies Act,

1956, ("the Act") read with Rule 2 of the Companies (Disclosure of Particulars in the Report of the Board of Directors) Rules, 1988, the information is annexed.

#### **Directors' Responsibility Statement**

Pursuant to the requirement under Section 217 (2AA) of the Act, it is hereby confirmed:

- (i) That in the preparation of the accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2010, the applicable accounting standards have been followed and there was no departure from such standards;
- (ii) That the Directors have selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgment and estimates that were reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the financial year on 31 March 2010 and of the profit of the Company for the said financial year;
- (iii) That the Directors have taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act, for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for detecting and preventing fraud and other irregularities;
- (iv) That the Directors have prepared the accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2010 on a 'going concern basis'.

#### **Consolidated Financial Statement**

The financial statements of your Company have been duly consolidated with its subsidiary and joint ventures in pursuance of Clauses 32, 41 as well as 50 of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchanges. For the purpose of such consolidation, the Accounting Standards -- especially, AS 21 and 27 -- have been adhered to.

#### **Report on Corporate Governance**

A detailed report on Corporate Governance is also furnished with this Report as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchanges along with the Auditor's Certificate regarding Compliance of the conditions of Corporate Governance.

#### **Particulars of Employees**

A list of employees who received remuneration of Rs. 2,00,000 or more per month or Rs. 24,00,000 per annum is attached herewith pursuant to Section 217(2A) of the Companies Act, 1956 read with the Companies (Particulars of Employees) Rules, 1975.

#### **Comments of Comptroller & Auditor General of India**

The comments of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, under Section 619(4) of the Companies Act, 1956 on the Accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2010 are set out elsewhere in the Annual Report.

#### **Directors**

In accordance with the provisions of Article 12 of the Articles of Association, Shri V N Sharma, Director [Manufacturing Businesses], Shri S K Mukherjee, Managing Director and Shri K Subramanyan, Director [Finance] would retire by rotation at the ensuing Annual General Meeting and they are eligible for reappointment at the said Meeting.

Shri Shri Prakash – a nominee of the Government of India, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas – has, on 9 March 2010, joined your Board, as additional director, in place of Shri Maninder Singh, who resigned earlier. He shall hold office up to the date of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting as per Section 260 of the Act. A notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received proposing the candidature of Shri Shri Prakash as a director of your Company. An ordinary resolution under special business has been proposed for appointment of Shri Shri Prakash as director, whose period of office shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation.

On 14 June 2010 Shri Virendra Sinha was appointed a whole-time Director of the Company under the designation, Director [Service Businesses]. His appointment having been made under Section 260 of the Act, Shri Sinha shall hold office up to the date of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting as per provisions of the Section. A notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received proposing the candidature of Shri Sinha as a director of your Company. An ordinary resolution under special business has been proposed for his appointment as a whole-time director and his period of office shall be subject to determination by retirement of directors by rotation.

A Brief Profile of the above Directors appears elsewhere in the Report.

Shri Maninder Singh, who was appointed Government Nominee Director on the Board of your Company on 21 February 2006 vacated his office with effect from 30 December 2009. Shri P.Radhakrishnan, Director [Service Businesses], who was appointed as a whole-time Director of the Company on 11 March 2003 vacated his office upon attaining the age of superannuation from the services of the Company, with effect from 31 December 2009. The Board places on record its deep appreciation for the valuable services rendered by Shri Singh and Shri Radhakrishnan during their tenure as director of the Company.

#### **Auditors**

Your Company being a Government Company, Auditors are appointed or reappointed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India in terms of Section 619(2) of the Companies Act, 1956. The remuneration of the Auditors for the year 2010-11 is to be determined by the members at the ensuing Annual General Meeting as per Sections 224(8)(aa) and 619 of the Act.

#### **Auditors' Report**

During the year under review, there was no audit qualification in the Auditors' Report. However, the Statutory Auditors have made an observation in their Audit Report that the present internal audit system, as conducted in a phased manner, is generally commensurate with the size and nature of the Company's business, but the same needs to be further strengthened by widening its coverage into various areas like

investments made and its follow-up and sale against verbal orders

Explanatory 'Management reply' as approved by the Board:

The scope of Internal Audit was strengthened during the year and was considered fairly adequate. However, the Company, as a routine practice, reviews its Internal Audit programme on a yearly basis and effects modifications / improvements as deemed fit. The observations of the Statutory Auditors would be duly considered during such review.

The Statutory Auditors also commented in their Audit Report that during the course of their audit they had not come across any instance of fraud on or by the Company. However, an instance of accounting fraud / manipulation committed on a Joint Venture Company - Transafe Services Limited - was detected during 2009-10, which has resulted in a provision of Rs.11.65 crore in the Accounts of the Company.

Explanatory 'Management reply' as approved by the Board:

The Joint Venture Company has taken necessary corrective and administrative actions and relevant adjustments have been effected in the financial statements of the Company in terms of Accounting Standard 13.

#### **Acknowledgement**

Your Company's Board is focused on creation of enduring value for all stakeholders utilizing multiple drivers of growth in the form of the diverse Strategic Business Units of the Company.

The Board of Directors wishes to place on record its appreciation of the excellent contribution made by the employees at all levels and acknowledges their sincere cooperation, continued support and commitment towards the achievement of more new milestones. The Directors also wish to thank the customers, dealers, vendors, business associates/consultants, bankers, auditors, solicitors and all other stakeholders for their valued support to and confidence reposed in the Company.

The Directors are also thankful to Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd. (the Holding Company) and the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India, for the valuable guidance, support and co-operation extended to the Company from time to time.

Finally, the Directors wish to place on record their special appreciation to the valued Shareholders of the Company for their unstinted support.

Registered Office:
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21 Netaji Subhas Road
Kolkata - 700 001
24 August 2010

On behalf of the Board of Directors

S K Mukherjee Managing Director
K. Subramanyan Wholetime Director

INFORMATION AS PER SECTION 217(1)(e) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956, READ WITH THE COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF PARTICULARS IN THE REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS) RULES, 1988, AND FORMING PART OF THE DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH, 2010

#### 1. CONSERVATION OF ENERGY

#### a) Energy conservation measures taken

The Company makes continuous efforts towards conservation of energy in view of rising cost of energy and keeping with Company's commitment to be an energy efficient entity. Some of the measures taken during the year were:

- Specific energy consumption per unit of production was monitored regularly at all manufacturing plants and corrective
  actions taken as required.
- Power factor correction capacitors were instatted in corporate Head office to improve power factor from 0.83 to 0.98.
- Energy efficient CFLs were installed in all floors of corporate Head office to conserve energy.
- In SBU : LC, Chermai, Aluminium blades of cooling tower were replaced with FRP blades to reduce power consumption.

#### b) Additional investment proposal for conservation of energy

Investment towards Installation of energy efficient systems / equipment has been made in some of the plants.

#### c) Impact of the above on cost of production

Above measures have helped containing the cost of energy per unit of production, in the face of steep increases in fuel and power costs during the year.

#### d) Total energy consumption and energy consumption per unit of production

Information on energy consumption is provided in the annexed Form A.

#### TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION:

#### e) Efforts made in Technology Absorption

information on technology absorption is given in the annexed Form B.

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:

#### f) Total foreign exchange used and earned :

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Total Foreign Exchange used	18	130.28
Total Foreign Exchange earned	200	15.36

#### FORM - A

#### Form for Disclosure of Particulars with respect to Conservation of Energy

Α.	Power -	Fuel Consumption		
			2009-10	2008-09
			Current Year	Previous Year
1.	Electric	lty		
	(a) Pu	chased		
	Un	ts ('000 kwh)	9741.41	7206.74
	Tot	al amount (Rs. Lakh)	586.15	389.38
	Fla	te/Unit (Rs./kwh)	6.02	5.40
	(b) Own generation			
	(i)	Through diesel generator		
		Units ('000 kwh)	1247.29	744.84
		Units per ltr. of diesel oil	2.43	2.15
		Cost/unit (Rs./unit)	12.84	11.73
	(ii)	Through steam turbine/generator Units		
		Units per ltr. of fuel oil/gas	N.A.	N.A.
		Cost/unit	J	50000

		2009-10 Current Year	2008-09 Previous Year
Q To	oral  Duantify (tonnes)  oral Cost  werage Rate	N,A.	N.A.
Q Tr	coal Gas Duantity (therms) oral Cost (Rs. lakh) werage Rate (Rs./unit)	63.66 36.32 57.05	65.29 32.99 50.54
O To	umace <b>0il</b> Juantily (kl.) otal amount (Rs. lakh) werage Rate (Rs./unit)	2088.48 739.95 35430.23	1485.01 530.09 35736.45
Q To	Mher/Internal Generation Joantily otal Cost Cost/unit	N.A.	N.A.
B. C	Consumption per unit of production	2009-10 Current Year	2008-09 Previous Year
L	ubricating greases		AMERICA CONTRACTOR
	Electricity (kwh/mt-kl)	74	74
	Furnace Oil (l/mt-kl)	20	18
В	arrels & Drums		
	Electricity (kwh/mt)	1.59	1.54
	Furnace Oil (l/unit)	0.50	0.45
S	ynthelic Fat Liquors		
	Electricity (kwh/mt)	145	190
	Furnace Oil (l/unit)	53	52
S	yntans		
	Electricity (kwh/mt)	146	207
	Furnace Oil (Munit)	25	23

#### Notes:

- Figures represent energy consumption in the manufacturing units of SBUs industrial Packaging, Greases & Lubricants and Leather Chemicals.
   SBU IP had discontinued production at Panipat and Mathura.
- 2. Figures are based on equivalent units of production as appropriate.
- Increases in electricity/furnace oil usage per equivalent unit of production in SBU : IP, SBU : G&L and decrease in electricity usage for Synthetic Fat Liquors are attributable to variations in product mix and changes in production processes.

#### FORM - B

#### Form for Disclosure of Particulars with respect to Technology Absorption

#### 1. RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

#### a) Specific Areas in which R&D work has been carried out by the Company

- R&D work had been carried out in development of lubricants, leather chemicals & industrial packaging
- In lubricants (Greases & Lubricating oil), R&D efforts at value engineering and upgradation of existing products had been the priority areas. Further efforts were directed at development and commercialization of eco-friendly and biodegradable products, viz. long life Axle Bearing grease, biodegradable Gear oil /hot Rolling oil, Fire Resistant Hydraulic fluid, Biodegradable grease, etc. Grease processing technology using microwave heating and grease based on non soap polymer thickeners were being explored.
- In leather chemicals, the development thrust had been towards high performance fat liquors for sophisticated leather segment and on a range of polymeric tanning agents. Eco-friendly tanning agents are also being developed.
- In Industrial packaging, R&D efforts had been towards development of import substitute machines & equipments and also development of more efficient and improved manufacturing processes.

#### b) Benefits derived as a result of the above

- R&D efforts in lubricant and leather chemicals have helped the Company to strengthen its customer base as also to remain ahead of competitors in near future.
- R&D efforts in industrial packaging have helped the Company in improvement of productivity, quality and manufacturing processes thereby helped retaining technological leadership in the industry.

#### c) Future Plan and action

R&D and technological upgradation are one of the key objectives of the Company. The efforts in R&D are directed at maintaining technological and cost leadership leading to customer satisfaction through:

- Value addition of existing product ranges
- Development of new specialty / high performance products in lubricants and leather chemicals and also maximization of yields & introduction of new products in industrial packaging.

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Development of systems/equipments & incorporation of new processes in order to reduce cost of production.

#### d) Expenditure on R&D

		115. Lakii
	2009-10	2008-09
Capital Revenue	52.95 323.62	47.20 271.45
Total	376.57	318.65
Total R&D expenditure as % of Turnover	0.23	0.19

#### 2. TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, ADAPTATION AND INNOVATIONS

#### a) Efforts in brief made towards the above

Products and processes developed through in-house R & D have been internally absorbed by the manufacturing units for commercialization.

#### b) Benefits derived

- Augmentation of Company's products basket in target market segments leading to addition of new customers and retention of existing customers.
- Introduction of environment friendly products
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Cost leadership

#### c) Import of technology (imported during last 5 years reckoned from beginning of the financial year)

i)	Technology imported	 Not applicable.
ii)	Year of import	 Not applicable.
iii)	Has technology been fully absorbed ?	 Not applicable.
iv)	If not absorbed, areas where this has not taken place. Reasons there of and future plan of action	 Not applicable.

	Information as per S	Section 217 [2A] read with Companies [Particulars	of Employme	nt] Rules, 1975 and	forming pa	rt of the Direct	ors' Report fo	or 2009-10
SI. No.	Name [Shri / Smt. / Km.]	Designation and Place of posting	Remuneration [Rs.]	Qualification	Experience	Date of commencement of employment [in Company] [MM/DD/YY]	Date of Birth [MM/DD/YY]	Last Employment
1	ACHARJEE MRITYUNJAY	Senior Manager [CT&IA] Kolkata	2521565.35	B.Com.[H] M.Com. ICWA CS	20.11	02-01-95	06-28-67	Bharat Electronics Ltd
2	ARORA J G [*]	Executive Director [T&T] Delhi	4029814.32	B.A	36.04	01-01-74	09-26-49	First employment
3	BASU PRABAL	Deputy General Manager [Fin.] Kolkata	2704202.64	B.Com.[H] CA ICWA CS	23.09	04-04-88	10-18-63	Duncans Agro Ind. Ltd.
4	BHAR ASHOKE KR [*]	Senior Manager [Accts.] Kolkata	4410112.50	B.Com.	35.03	06-18-73	09-27-49	First employment
5	BHOKLAY H K	General Manager [SP] Kolkata	2529328.05	B.Sc.[H] PGDM[Mktg./Sales]	31.10	05-02-78	02-04-55	First employment
6	CHAKRABARTI SANTANU	Deputy General Manager [Mktg.]-North East Kolkata	2557657.38	BE[Chem.]	27.03	09-16-02	10-05-61	Fuchs Lubricants India Ltd.
7	CHAKRABORTI BISWARUP	Deputy General Manager [Mfg.] Mumbai	2400154.65	BE(Metal) PGD in SQC Dip. in Mgt.	29.02	05-04-85	02-14-57	Bharat Brakers & Valves Ltd.
8	CHATTOPADHYAY ANIMESH	Assistant General Manager [T&D] Chennai	2666222.20	Grad.Engr.[Chem]	33.04	12-17-84	03-23-55	Rennets Eastern Exports
9	DAS MOHAN LAL (DR)	Senior Manager [R&D] Kolkata	2745428.60	M.Sc [Chemistry] Ph.D. [Physical Chemistry - Micro Emulsion]	22.07	10-07-96	03-01-61	ASRL
10	DASGUPTA ABHIJIT	General Manager [Fin.] Kolkata	2786287.59	B.Com CA	40.00	03-17-75	10-03-50	Price Water House Peat & Co.
11	DAYAL ANAND	Executive Director [IP] Mumbai	2557495.50	BA Dip in Mktg. Mgt.	33.05	01-01-08	12-13-54	Balmer Lawrie - Van Leer Limited
12	DEY CHANDAN KUMAR [*]	Deputy General Manager [Fin] Transafe Limited, Kolkata [on deputation from Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.]	1666668.66	B.Com. ACA ICWA	28.02	08-03-09	09-10-58	Oil India Ltd.
13	DHAR SANJIBAN	Deputy General Manager [SP] Kolkata	2589665.15	BE(Mech)	34.03	01-25-84	01-01-54	Simon Carves India Ltd.
14	GHOSH PRANAB KR	Deputy General Manager [LI]-ER Kolkata	2689998.43	B.Sc. ICWA	36.01	04-01-81	06-01-53	Bengal Waterproof Ltd.
15	GHOSH ROTHIN	Assistant General Manager [Travel]-South Chennai	2672447.60	B.Sc.	34.11	01-17-84	08-16-54	Travel Corpn. [India] Pvt. Ltd.
16	GHOSH SAMIR	Deputy General Manager [Fin.] Kolkata	2717923.67	B.Com.(H) M.Com. LL.B. CA ICWA	31.06	12-10-86	05-02-57	DVC
17	GHOSH UDAYAN	Senior Manager [A&F] Kolkata	2411264.45	B.Com.[H] CA	20.07	06-06-94	04-21-63	LIC Housing Finance
18	GOPINATHAN K	Executive Director [Lubes] Kolkata	3002179.60	B.Sc.(Engg.) Mech.	34.02	07-03-80	12-01-52	Steel Age Ind. Ltd.
19	GUPTA NIRAJ	Executive Director [LS] Kolkata	3082743.99	B.Com.[H] CA	30.02	03-03-80	07-17-55	Lodha & Co.
20	KHULLER A K	General Manager [T&T] Delhi	2481172.82	BA	38.06	11-15-79	08-01-51	Mother Dairy
21	LAKHANPAL MANOJ	Deputy General Manager [Fin.] Mumbai	2492269.12	B.Com. CA	24.11	04-15-88	08-15-58	Punbjab Anand Lamps Industries
22	LIKHITE A K	Deputy General 📗 🖺 🖟 🖟 🖺 🖟 🗎 🖺 📗	2572020.83	B.Com.	39.04	12-29-77	10-03-50	Elmot Engg. Co. Pvt. Ltd.

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SI. No.	Name [Shri / Smt. / Km.]	Designation and Place of posting	Remuneration [Rs.]	Qualification	Experience	Date of commencement of employment [in Company] [MM/DD/YY]	Date of Birth [MM/DD/YY]	Last Employment
23	MANOHARAN E [*]	Senior Manager [ROFS] Kolkata	1032132.80	BE(Mech.)	24.06	02-27-85	03-08-61	First employment
24	MATTOO G N	Deputy General Manager [HR]-ER Kolkata	2481883.22	B.Sc. PGDSW PGDBA MBA	31.09	06-03-88	02-25-54	Oil India Limited
25	MUKHERJEE SWAPAN	Managing Director Kolkata	4774641.60	B.Com. ICWA	41.08	01-15-	12-08-51	Bridge & Roof Co. [India] Ltd.
26	MUKHOPADHYAY AMRIT	Deputy General Manager [SP&C] Kolkata	2407822.44	BE(Civil) ME[Collaborative]-PE MBA	30.08	12-03-84	12-11-57	Development Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
27	MURTHY R K	Deputy General Manager [CFS] Mumbai	2524864.20	B.Sc.(H) MA in Social Sc. Dip. PM&IR LL.B.	31.10	06-09-80	10-10-54	Peacefort Chem Ind Pvt. Ltd.
28	NANDI BISWAJIT	Assistant General Manager [Mktg.] Mumbai	2418856.36	BOAT PGD in Mgt. AMIE	27.08	07-07-87	03-12-62	Nagarjuna Signode Ltd
29	NARULA SUBHASH	Assistant General Manager [Protocol] Delhi	2482814.00	B.A	36.06	07-01-77	06-28-50	Ariyan Travel
30	PAL PULAK BEHARI	Deputy General Manager [E&TS] Kolkata	2466695.95	BE(H) Civil Cert. In Proj. Plng. PGDBM FIE MIIW	34.03	09-16-85	04-10-53	Simon Carves India Ltd.
31	PILLAI N K [*]	Assistant General Manager [Mfg.] Chennai	2910528.81	B.Com. PGD Mat. Mgt.	40.11	06-15-79	02-15-50	Tiveni Sheet Glass Works Ltd.
32	PILLAI VRS	Deputy General Manager [HR] Kolkata	2725039.52	BA MBA[HRM] Dip. in T&D	37.03	11-05-97	05-20-52	Cochin Refinery-Balmer Lawrie Ltd.
33	RADHAKRISHNAN P [*]	Director [Service Businesses] Kolkata	4498872.89	BA DSW	36.03	02-06-84	12-20-49	SAIL [Salem Steel Plant]
34	RAO B MURALIDHARA [*]	Assistant General Manager [Mktg.]-Southern & Western Secunderabad	2728021.40	B.Sc. (Dairy Tech.) PGDM[Mkt. Fin Sys]	25.06	02-22-88	08-12-61	Coromandel Indago Products
35	RAVIKUMAR S	General Manager [Chennai] Chennai	2730741.60	B. Tech.[Chem] M. E.[Chem.]	31.05	11-18-83	05-01-54	HOC Ltd.
36	ROY ABHIJIT	Deputy General Manager [Mfg.] Kolkata	2763920.80	B.Sc.(Chemistry) M.Sc.[Organic]	28.01	07-01-82	11-19-58	Indian Asscn. For The Cultivation
37	ROY GAUTAM [*]	Executive Director [Tech.] Kolkata	3768263.70	B. Tech.(Mech.)	38.02	03-10-80	09-08-49	Sigma Consultants [P] Ltd.
38	SABHARWAL PUKHRAJ	Deputy General Manager [Travel] Delhi	2573709.55	M.A	36.05	03-01-77	09-30-54	Trade Wings
39	SAHOO PREM PRAKASH	Executive Director [HR] Kolkata	2545605.96	BA[H] LL.B. MA[PM&IR	31.11	07-17-87	05-07-54	Brooke Bond India Ltd
40	SARKAR SIDDHARTHA	Assistant General Manager [Matls.] Kolkata	2408542.73	B.Tech(H)-Mech. PGD Intl. Trade [Mktg.]	27.00	06-01-87	05-20-59	Usha Martins Ind. Ltd.
41	SHARMA NARAYAN V	Director [Manufacturing Businesses] Kolkata	3514884.65	BE[Chem] PGDM [Op. Prod]	34.10	05-05-75	07-04-52	First employment
42	SUBRAMANIAN HARIHARA	Assistant General Manager [Fin.] Chennai	2495538.37	B.Com CA	31.08	03-04-87	10-10-55	National Radio Electronics
43	SUBRAMANYAN KRISHNAMURTI	Director [Finance] Kolkata	3737202.88	B.Com. CA	30.01	02-08-80	11-17-52	First employment
44	SURENDRAN K C	Deputy General Manager [LS] Bangalore	2591822.20	B.Sc. PGDM[Matls.]	35.02	05-02-79	06-11-53	Bank of India
45	SWAMINATHAN K [*]	Deputy General Manager [Fin] Kolkata	1082656.06	B.Com. ICWA ACS	26.08	11-02-09	02-15-60	Cranes Software International Ltd.
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[1]	All appointments are contractual and to	I erminable by notice on either side.						
$\vdash$		ve are related to any of the Directors of the Company.						
$\vdash$		loyed for part of the year and were in receipt of remuneratio	n at the rate of r	not less than Rs. 2,00,0	000/- per mon	th.		
[4]		is allowance and other pay and allowance, Company's contr and where it is not possible to ascertain the actual expendi 961 and Rules made thereunder.						
[5]	Other terms and conditions – entitled to	gratuity.						

#### **Report on Corporate Governance**

[Forming part of the Directors' Report for the year 2009-10]

#### Company's philosophy on good Corporate Governance

The Company is committed to sound Corporate Governance practices aimed at increasing value for its stakeholders. The Corporate Governance philosophy of the Company is based on five pillars:

- High accountability to the stakeholders on the affairs of the Company.
- v Absolute transparency in the reporting system and adherence to disclosure compliances.
- High ethical standards in the conduct of the business with due compliance of laws and regulations.
- v Enhancement of stakeholders' value on a consistent basis.
- Contributing to the enrichment of quality of life of the community through discharge of Corporate Social Responsibility.

#### **Board of Directors**

#### a) Composition

The composition of the Board of Directors of the Company is governed by provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement, Guidelines on Corporate Governance for Central Public Sector Enterprises 2010 and the Articles of Association of the Company. Article 7A of the Articles of Association of the Company stipulates that so long as it remains a Government Company, the President of India shall have the right to appoint directors on the Board.

During the financial year under report, the composition of Board of directors had undergone a few changes. Effective 31 December 2009 (after business hours), Shri P Radhakrishnan, Director (Service Businesses) who was in the whole-time employment, retired from the services of the Company upon attaining the age of superannuation and Shri Virendra Sinha was appointed Director (Service Businesses) with effect from 14 June 2010. Shri Shri Prakash was appointed as Government Nominee Director with effect from 9 March 2010, in place of the outgoing Government Nominee Director, Shri M. Singh.

Currently, the Board consists of 12 Directors, viz, 4 Whole-time Directors, 2 Non-Whole-time Government Nominee Directors and 6 Non-Whole-time Independent Directors. The Composition of the Board is fully compliant with Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement with Stock Exchanges, the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 as well as the Guidelines on Corporate Governance for Central Public Sector Enterprises 2010. The background of the Directors is set out herein below:

Whole-time Directors

Shri S K Mukherjee (Managing Director)

Shri V N Sharma (Director - Manufacturing Businesses)

Shri K Subramanyan (Director - Finance)

Shri Virendra Sinha (Director - Service Businesses)

Government Nominee Directors

Shri VLVSS Subba Rao

Shri Shri Prakash

Independent Directors

Shri K C Murarka

Shri Arun Seth

Shri M P Bezbaruah

Shri P K Bora

Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya

Smt. Abha Chaturvedi

A brief profile of the Directors of the Company is set out herein:

#### Shri S K Mukherjee

Managing Director

Shri S K Mukherjee was appointed as Managing Director on 1 April 2005 based on direction by the Government of India and was further re-appointed at the 91st Annual General Meeting held on 26 September 2008. He has served the Company in various capacities since January 1976. Shri Mukherjee is a Bachelor of Commerce and is a qualified Cost Accountant (AICWAI). He has a total working experience of 41 years including 34 years in the Company during which he gained specialization in the various functional areas like Accounts & Finance, Taxation and General/Strategic Management. Shri Mukherjee's expertise is built on assignments both at the Strategic Business Unit as well as at the Corporate levels.

#### Shri V N Sharma

Director [Manufacturing Businesses]

Shri V N Sharma was appointed as a Whole-time Director on 20 January 2005 based on direction by the Government of India and was further re-appointed at the 90th Annual General Meeting held on 25 September 2007. He is a Bachelor of Technology (Chemical Engineering) and also holds Post Graduation Diploma in Business Management. Shri Sharma has a total working experience of 35 years during which he has developed expertise in the functional areas of Production and Operations Management, Project Management, R & D Management as well as General Management.

#### Shri K Subramanyan

Director [Finance]

Shri K Subramanyan was appointed as a Whole-time Director on 30 December 2005 based on direction by the Government of India and was further re-appointed at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. He is a Bachelor of Commerce and a qualified Chartered Accountant (ACA). He has a working experience of 32 years during which he has developed

expertise in the functional areas of Accounts & Finance, Taxation and General Management.

#### Shri Virendra Sinha

Director [Service Businesses]

Shri Virendra Sinha was appointed as a Whole-time Director on the Board on 14 June 2010 based on direction by the Government of India. He is a Bachelor of Arts and holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration. He has a working experience of 32 years during which he has developed expertise in Marketing, International Trade especially in operation of multi-modal logistics hubs and container freight stations and in General Management.

#### Shri VLVSS Subba Rao

Government Nominee Director

Shri VLVSS Subba Rao was appointed as non-executive Director on the Board on 13 October 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. He is a Government Nominee Director on the Board. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. He holds a Master Degree in Economics and is a member of Indian Economic Services. He has a working experience of about 23 years during which he has developed knowledge and expertise in the functional areas of Finance, Project Appraisal, Trade Logistics, Training and economic administration.

#### Shri Shri Prakash

Government Nominee Director

Shri Shri Prakash was appointed as non-executive Director on the Board on 9 March 2010 based on direction from the Government of India. He is a Government Nominee Director on the Board. Shri Shri Prakash is a Master of Arts and belongs to Central Secretariat Services cadre. He has a working experience of 20 years during which he has developed knowledge and expertise in the functional areas of Administration, Vigilance and Training.

#### Shri K C Murarka

Independent Director

Shri K C Murarka was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. Shri Murarka is an Independent Director of the Company. Shri Murarka is a Bachelor of Science. He has a working experience of 41 years during which he has gained expertise in the areas of marketing, research & development with specialization in manufacturing of dyes and chemicals.

#### Shri Arun Seth

Independent Director

Shri Arun Seth was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at

the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. Shri Seth is a Bachelor of Technology and Master in Business Administration. He has a working experience of over 31 years including experience in the Telecom Industry in the course of which Shri Seth has developed commercial and technical expertise in Information Technology and Telecommunication.

#### Shri M P Bezbaruah

Independent Director

Shri M P Bezbaruah was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. Shri Bezbaruah is a Master of Arts as well as Masters in Public Administration. He is a retired IAS and has a working experience of 37 years in the area of civil services.

#### Shri P K Bora

Independent Director

Shri P K Bora was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. Shri Bora is a Master of Arts (in English) and also a retired IAS. He has a working experience of 40 years during which he gained expertise in Development Administration & Financial Administration as also in Tea & Tourism industries.

#### Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya

Independent Director

Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, he was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. He is a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and the Institute of Cost & Works Accountants of India, besides being a Master of Commerce and a D.Phil; he also holds a Diploma in Management Accounting (ICA). Shri Bhattacharyya has a working experience of 37 years during which he has acquired expertise in Accounting, Finance, Business Valuation and Corporate Governance.

#### Smt. Abha Chaturvedi

Independent Director

Smt. Abha Chaturvedi was appointed by the Board as Director on 26 December 2008 based on direction from the Government of India. Pursuant to Section 257 of the Companies Act, 1956, she was appointed as a Director at the 92nd Annual General Meeting held on 24 September 2009. She is a Ph D. She has a working experience of 38 years in the areas of teaching, research and management consultancy. Her areas of specialization are Human Resource, Organization Behaviour and Organization Sociology.

The particulars as to the directorship of the Directors (who are currently on the Board) in other companies and their membership in various Board level Committees as on 30 June 2010 are enumerated as follows:

Name of the Director	No. of companies/bodies corporate, other than the Company, in which the Director holds Directorship.	•	Chairmanship held by the Director in various Committees¹ across all companies in which he is a Director	Chairmanship held by the Director in other Boards	Whether attended the last Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 24 September 2009
Shri S K Mukherjee	6	2	0	0	Yes
Shri VLVSS Subba Rao	0	1 <sup>2</sup>	1	0	No
Shri Shri Prakash	0	0	0	0	NA <sup>3</sup>
Shri V N Sharma	4	1	0	1	Yes
Shri K Subramanyan	3	3	1	0	Yes
Shri Virendra Sinha <sup>4</sup>	1	0	0	0	N.A.
Shri K C Murarka	1	1	0	0	No
Shri Arun Seth	7	0	0	1	No
Shri M P Bezbaruah	0	0	1	0	Yes
Shri P K Bora	0	1	0	0	Yes
Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya	2	3	0	0	No
Smt. Abha Chaturvedi	0	0	0	0	No

As per the requirement of the Clause 49(I)(C) of the Listing Agreement, Chairmanship/membership of the Audit Committee and the Shareholders'/ Investors' Grievance Committee have only been shown above.

<sup>2</sup>Shri Subba Rao was inducted as a member of the Audit Committee with effect from 29 January 2010.

#### c) Attendance at the Board Meetings

Attendance of the Directors at the Board meetings held during the financial year 2009-10 is shown below:

Name of the Director		Boa	ard Meetings h	neld during 200	9-10	
	15 June 2009	27 July 2009	29 October 2009	30 December 2009	29 January 2010	27 March 2010
Shri S K Mukherjee	3	3	3	3	3	3
Shri M Singh*	3	5	5	NA	NA	NA
Shri VLVSS Subba Rao	3	3	5	5	3	3
Shri Shri Prakash**	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3
Shri P Radhakrishnan***	3	3	3	3	NA	NA
Shri V N Sharma	3	3	3	3	3	3
Shri K Subramanyan	3	3	3	3	3	3
Shri K C Murarka	5	5	Х	3	5	5
Shri Arun Seth	5	5	3	5	5	5
Shri M P Bezbaruah	Х	3	3	3	3	3
Shri P K Bora	3	3	3	3	3	3
Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya	3	3	3	3	3	3
Smt. Abha Chaturvedi	3	3	5	3	3	3

<sup>\*</sup> Shri M Singh, Government Nominee Director, ceased to be a Director with effect from 30 December 2009

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Shri Shri Prakash was appointed as Government Nominee Director with effect from 9 March 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Shri Virendra Sinha was appointed as a Whole-time Director with effect from 14 June 2010.

All the Directors have made requisite disclosures as required under the Companies Act 1956, SEBI Guidelines and the Listing Agreement.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Shri Shri Prakash was inducted as Additional Director with effect from 9 March 2010

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Shri P Radhakrishnan, whole-time Director ceased to be a Director on retirement from the services of the Company upon attaining the age of superannuation on 31December 2009

#### **Committees of the Board**

#### 1. Audit Committee

The approved terms of reference of the Audit Committee are in line with the Companies Act, 1956, the Listing Agreement and the Guidelines on Corporate Governance for Central Pubic Sector Enterprises, 2010. The terms of reference interalia, include the following:

- Oversight of the Company's financial reporting process and the disclosure of its financial information to ensure that the financial statement is correct, sufficient and credible.
- Recommend the remuneration of the Statutory Auditor, appointed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for approval of the shareholders at the General Meeting in terms Section 224(8)(aa) so long as the provisions of Section 619 of the Companies Act, 1956 remain applicable to the Company and approval of payment to statutory auditors for any other services rendered by the Statutory Auditor.
- Review with the management the annual financial statements before submission to the Board, with particular reference to:
  - Matters required to be included in the Directors' Responsibility Statement
  - Changes, if any, in accounting policies and practices and reasons for the same.
  - Major accounting entries involving estimates based on exercise of judgement by management
  - Significant adjustments made in the financial statements arising out of audit findings
  - Compliance with listing and other legal requirements relating to financial statements
  - Disclosure of any related party transactions
  - Qualifications in the draft Audit report
- Review all related party transactions.
- Review the follow-up action taken on the audit observations by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India as also recommendations of the Committee on Public Undertakings (COPU) of the Parliament
- Review with the management, the quarterly financial statements before submission to the Board for approval.
- Reviewing with the management, the statement of uses / application of funds raised through an issue, the statement of funds utilized for purposes other than those stated in the offer document / prospectus, etc. and making appropriate recommendations to the Board to take up steps, if any, in this matter.
- Reviewing with the management, performance of statutory and internal auditors, the adequacy of internal control systems
- Reviewing the adequacy of internal audit function, if any, including the structure of the Internal Audit Department and discuss with internal auditors any significant findings,

including any difficulties encountered during audit work and follow-up thereon.

- Review the findings of any internal investigations by the internal auditors / auditors / agencies into matters where there is suspected fraud or irregularity or failure of internal control systems of a material nature and reporting the matter to the Board.
- Discuss with statutory auditors before the audit commences, nature and scope of audit as well as to have post-audit discussion to ascertain any area of concern.
- Look into the reasons for substantial defaults, if any, in the payment to the depositors, debenture-holders, shareholders (in case of non-payment of declared dividends) and creditors.
- Discuss with the auditors periodically about internal control systems, the scope of audit including the observations of the auditors and review the quarterly, half-yearly and annual financial statements before submission to the Board and also ensure compliance of internal control systems.
- Consider and review the following with the independent auditor and the management:
  - The adequacy of internal controls including computerized information system controls and security, and
  - Related findings and recommendations of the independent auditors and internal auditors, together with the management responses
- Review the following:
  - Management discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations
  - Statement of significant related party transactions submitted by management
  - Management letters/ letters of internal control weaknesses issued by the statutory auditors
  - Internal audit reports relating to internal control weaknesses, and
  - The appointment, removal and terms of remuneration of the Chief Internal Auditor, which shall be subject to review by the Audit Committee
- Review Certification / Declaration of financial statements by the Chief Executive / Chief Finance Officer
- Provide an open avenue of communication between the independent auditor, internal auditor and the Board of Directors
- Investigate into any matter in relation to the items specified in Section 292A of the Act or referred to it by the Board or pertaining to any activity within its terms of reference and to this purpose, shall have full access to information contained in the records of the Company and external professional advice, if necessary, seek information from any employee in the matter and secure attendance of outsiders with relevant expertise, if considered necessary.

 Review the Whistle Blower Mechanism and to protect Whistle Blowers.

The composition of the Audit Committee is in line with the requirements of Section 292A of the Companies Act, 1956 and Clause 49 (II) (A) of the Listing Agreement with Stock Exchanges. Presently, the Committee consists of 6 Members including 4 non-wholetime Independent Directors and one non-wholetime Government Nominee Director. Shri M P Bezbaruah, being an Independent Director, is the elected Chairman of the Committee. Shri P K Bora, Shri K C Murarka, Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya, Shri VLVSS Subba Rao, and Shri S K Mukherjee are the other members. The Company Secretary, Shri Amit Ghosh, acts as the secretary to this Committee.

The Audit Committee met 5 times during the year. The details regarding the attendance of the Members at the meetings are enumerated as follows:

Name of the	Audit Cor	nmittee N	leetings h	eld durin	g 2009-10
Member	15 June 2009	27 July 2009	29 Oct. 2009	29 Jan 2010	27 Mar. 2010
Shri M P Bezbaruah	Х	3	3	3	3
Shri M Singh*	3	Х	Х	NA	NA
Shri VLVSS Subba Rao**	NA	NA	NA	NA	3
Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya	3	3	3	3	3
Shri K C Murarka	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Shri P K Bora	3	3	3	3	3
Shri S K Mukherjee	3	3	3	3	3

<sup>\*</sup> Shri M Singh, Government Nominee Director, ceased to be a Director with effect from 30 December 2009

#### 2. Shareholders'/ Investors' Grievance Committee

The Shareholders' / Investors' Grievance Committee reviews and monitors the grievances of shareholders and investors. The constitution of the Committee had undergone a change during the Financial year under review consequent upon [a] Shri P Radhakrishnan, Director (Service Businesses) retiring from the services of the Company on attaining the age of superannuation

and Shri K Subramanyan, Director (Finance) being inducted as a member of the Committee in his place and [b] Shri VLVSS Subba Rao becoming a Committee member in place of Shri M. Singh after the latter's resignation from the Board as a Government Nominee Director.

The Committee, as on 31 March 2010, consists of three Members, with non-executive Government Nominee Director as Chairman and with the Managing Director and the Director (Finance) as Members. On 29 July 2010, the Committee met and took on record the status of investors' grievances as well as the services rendered during the financial year 2009-10. The terms of reference of the Committee are as per the terms set out in the Listing Agreement.

The particulars of investors' complaints during 2009-10 were published along with the Unaudited Financial Results of the respective quarters and Audited Annual Financial Results in compliance with Clause 41 of the Listing Agreement.

The Company maintains an exclusive e-mail ID viz, blsharegrievance@balmerlawrie.com to enable the investors lodge their complaint/grievance, if any, in addition to the e-mail address referred to subsequently under the head "Means of Communication and Address for Correspondence".

Shri Amit Ghosh, Company Secretary is the Secretary to the Committee. He is also the Compliance Officer as per Clause 47(a) of the Listing Agreement and is *interalia* responsible for establishing liaison with the authorities such as SEBI, Stock Exchanges, Registrar of Companies etc., and Investors with respect to implementation of various clauses, rules, regulations and other directives of such authorities as well as investor service & complaints related matters.

## Nature of Shareholders' communication received and redressed during the period from 1 April 2009 to 31 March 2010.

The Company had received nil communications in the nature of complaint and 407 general communications during the financial year 2009-10 and all of them were resolved/replied to within a maximum period of 120 hours from the time of receipt.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Shri Subba Rao, Government Nominee Director, was inducted as member of the Audit Committee at the Board Meeting held on 29 January 2010.

Nature of communication	General communication Resolved		•	Complaints  Resolved		ances
	Within 120 hours	Beyond 120 hours	Within 120 hours	Beyond 120 hours	Within 120 hours	Beyond 120 hours
Non-receipt of share certificates lodged for transfer	21	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Non-receipt of share certificates after sub-division, consolidation, duplicate and renewal of share certificates	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Loss of share certificates	38	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Change of address	49	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Transmission, Registration of power of attorney, death, marriage certificates etc.	32	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Non-receipt of dividend	65	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Revalidation/ issue of fresh Dividend warrant	74	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Recording of Electronic Clearing data under the National Electronic Clearing Service (NECS) implemented by RBI or mandates or bank details	60	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Queries from SEBI	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Queries from CLB, Stock Exchanges and Depositories	2	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Queries from RBI, Income-Tax	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Legal notices/ Cases etc.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Request for Nomination	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Miscellaneous	66	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	407	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

#### 3. Share Transfer Committee

The Share Transfer Committee oversees the physical share transfer procedure and miscellaneous share registry matters. The Committee meets every Monday and Thursday of the week to monitor and approve the various cases of physical share transfer subject to receipt of requests for transfer of shares or other miscellaneous share registry matters. Since, the Committee needs to meet at frequent intervals, it consists of the Managing Director and a Whole-time Director.

The Company Secretary, being the Compliance Officer as per Clause 47(a) of the Listing Agreement, is responsible for monitoring the share transfer process and reports to the Company's Board at every meeting.

#### 4. Remuneration Committee

Formation of a Remuneration Committee is a non-mandatory requirement under the Listing Agreement. The Company being a Government Company within the meaning of Section 617 of the Companies Act, 1956, the Whole-time Directors of the Company are Presidential appointees and their remuneration is fixed by the Government of India from time to time. Nevertheless, a Remuneration Committee has been constituted by the Board at its meeting held on 30 January 2009 to look into matters relating to managerial remuneration and such other issues relating to compensation that may be laid down or provided for under the Companies Act, 1956, the Listing Agreement and the applicable Government

Guidelines. The Committee consists of three members, viz., Smt. Abha Chaturvedi, Independent Director -- who is the Chairperson - Shri VLVSS Subba Rao, Government Nominee Director and Shri Arun Seth, Independent Director. During the financial year 2009-10, the Committee met once, viz. on 8 April 2009 to examine various issues that had become relevant in the context of pay revision of the officers. The said meeting was attended by all the members.

### 5. Committee for issue of Power of Attorney to functionaries and other Miscellaneous matters

The Committee is *interalia* authorized by the Board to overview matters relating to issuance of Power of Attorney to various officers and cancellation thereof and consists of the Managing Director and one Wholetime Director.

### Review of the functioning of Registrar & Share Transfer Agent (RSTA) of the Company

To ensure smooth functioning of the RSTA, the Company has voluntarily instituted a monthly audit by a Practicing Company Secretary. The scope of this audit includes stock-check of physical share certificates, timely disposal of the requests for physical share transfer and issuance of share certificates.

In compliance with Clause 47(c) of the Listing Agreement with stock exchanges, certificate(s) from a Practicing Company Secretary certifying that registration of all transfers have been completed within the stipulated time, have been obtained by the Company and furnished to the Stock Exchanges.

A shareholder's satisfaction survey was conducted in August 2009. Responses reflected that the services to the shareholders are generally satisfactory. The Company is committed to persistently improve and raise the standard of service to the shareholders.

#### **Secretarial Audit**

During the Financial year 2009-10, Secretarial Audit as stipulated under Regulation 55A of SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 1996 was carried out on quarterly basis by Practicing Company Secretary for reconciliation of the total admitted capital with National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) and total issued and listed capital. The audit confirms that the total issued/paid-up capital is in agreement with the total number of shares held in physical form and the total number of dematerialized shares held with NSDL and CDSL.

#### **Legal Compliance Audit**

With a view to ensure better compliance with the provisions of Clause 49(I)(C)(iii) of the Listing Agreement, the Company conducts a Legal Compliance Audit every year. For the financial year 2008-09, this audit has been duly conducted in the year 2009-10 to check the quality of compliance of all applicable laws under which the Company and its Strategic Business Units operate. The Board has reviewed the report of such legal compliance audit and found the same generally satisfactory.

#### **Board Procedure**

The Board of Directors meets from time to time with appropriate notice and agenda papers in a defined agenda format, which are circulated in advance to the Directors. All proposals to the Board in the form of Board Notes are prepared at the senior management level and are placed after being vetted by the Managing Director and the concerned Whole-time Director besides obtaining concurrence of the Director (Finance), wherever the proposals involve financial implications.

Agenda papers are made in such form so as to facilitate meaningful and focused deliberations at the meeting. Where it is not practicable to attach any document in the agenda papers, the same is placed on the table at the meeting with specific reference to this effect in the agenda. In exceptional circumstances, and in matters having sensitivity, additional items on the agenda are submitted directly to the Board without written material being circulated in advance. The Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India are not mandatory; however the Company endeavors to adhere to these to the best possible extent, especially in the matters of board meetings, dividend and transmission of shares.

### Payment of Dividend through National Electronic Clearing Services (NECS)

The Reserve Bank of India under Circular no. DPSS (CO) EPPD No. 2283 / 04.01.04 /2008-2009 dated 25 June 2009 addressed to the chief executives of banks, advised optimal usage and expansion of the NECS in order to provide credit to customer accounts without delay. The Company, accordingly, encourages use of NECS for payment of Dividend, wherever available. Shareholders are requested to avail of NECS facility by furnishing the 9 digit (MICR) code number of their bank and branch along with their 15 digit account number to the Registrar & Share Transfer Agent of the Company, viz. Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd. in case they hold the shares in the physical mode and to their depository participant where the shares are held in the dematerialized mode. This would facilitate prompt encashment of dividend proceeds and enable the Company to reduce costs of dividend distribution.

### Transfer of Unclaimed Dividend to the Investor Education and Protection Fund

In terms of Section 205C of the Companies Act, 1956, it is mandatory to deposit the unclaimed amount lying in the unpaid dividend account of the Company, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund established by the Central Government, after seven years.

Accordingly, the amount of unclaimed final dividend, which was lying in the 'unpaid dividend account' of the Company, for the financial year 2001-02 has been deposited with the "Investor Education and Protection Fund" of the Central Government, by the Company on 16 November 2009.

The details of dividends remaining unclaimed as on 30 June 2010, which may, in future be required to be transferred to the

Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company are as below:

Date of Dividend Payment	For the financial year	Total amount of Dividend (Rs.)	Dividend per share (Rs.)	Amount of unclaimed dividend as on 30 June 2010 (Rs.)	% of Unclaimed Dividend on the total Dividend	Due date* for transfer to Inves- tor Education and Protection Fund
1 October 2003	2002-03	5,04,86,851.00	3.10	562457.80	1.11	1 October 2010
1 October 2004	2003-04	5,70,01,284.00	3.50	518621.80	0.91	1 October 2011
29 September 2005	2004-05	8,95,73,446.00	5.50	821766.00	0.92	29 September 2012
25 September 2006	2005-06	14,65,74,729.00	9.00	1235859.00	0.84	25 September 2013
3 October 2007	2006-07	21,98,62,093.50	13.50	1938036.00	0.88	31 October 2014
3 October 2008	2007-08	27,68,63,377.00	17.00	2470744.00	0.89	1 November 2015
29 September 2009	2008-09	32,57,21,620.00	20.00	2818992.42	0.87	30 October 2016

<sup>\*</sup>These are indicative dates. Actual Deposit dates may vary but would be as per Section 205C read with the applicable Rule(s).

During 1 April 2009 to 31 March 2010, the Company filed with the Registrar of Companies, West Bengal, the quarterly statements duly certified by a Practicing Company Secretary regarding the amounts which were credited to the Investor Education & Protection Fund pursuant to circular issued by Ministry of Law, Justice & Company Affairs, Department of Company Affairs vide F. No. 5/199-IPC-I, dated 21-6-2002.

Quarter Ended	Due date of compliance	Date of compliance
30 June 2009	5 July 2009	3 July 2009
30 September 2009	5 October 2009	1 October 2009
31 December 2009	5 January 2010	5 January 2010
31 March 2010	5 April 2010	5 April 2010
30 June 2010	5 July 2010	2 July 2010

#### **General Body Meetings**

Details of the last three Annual General Meetings held by the Company are enumerated as under:

Date and Time	Venue	Type of Meeting	Special Resolution Passed
24 September 2009 at 10.30 a.m.	G. D. Birla Sabhagar 29, Ashutosh Choudhury Avenue, Kolkata - 700 019	92nd Annual General Meeting	NIL
26 September 2008 at 10.30 a.m.	G. D. Birla Sabhagar 29, Ashutosh Choudhury Avenue, Kolkata - 700 019	91st Annual General Meeting	NIL
25 September 2007 at 10.30 a.m.	G. D. Birla Sabhagar 29, Ashutosh Choudhury Avenue, Kolkata - 700 019	90th Annual General Meeting	NIL

#### **Resolutions passed through Postal Ballot**

During the financial year 2009-10, the Company passed a Special Resolution through Postal Ballot in accordance with Section 192A of the Companies Act, 1956 for effecting certain alterations in the Objects Clause of its Memorandum of Association pursuant to Section 17(1) of the Companies Act, 1956.

The Notice of the Postal Ballot dated 10 November 2009 together with the text of the Resolution were mailed to the Members on 26 November 2009 as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 read with the Companies (Passing of the Resolution by Postal Ballot) Rules, 2001. The Company completed dispatch of postal ballot forms along with postage prepaid business reply envelopes to the Members whose name appeared on the Register of Members / list of beneficiaries as on 20 November 2009.

The Board of Directors of the Company had earlier, at its meeting held on 29 October 2009, appointed Shri P. V. Subramanian, Company Secretary in whole-time practice, as Scrutinizer for conducting the Postal Ballot process involving passing of the Special Resolution.

The Scrutinizer submitted his detailed Report on the results of Postal Ballot on 11 January 2010 to the Company after verification and scrutiny of the Postal Ballots received. Based on the Report of the Scrutinizer, the result of the Postal Ballot was declared by Shri V N Sharma, whole-time Director of the Company, at the Registered Office of the Company, in the presence of Shareholders on 14 January 2010. He declared the Special Resolution passed with requisite majority. The said results were also published in the Business Standard [English] and the vernacular newspaper Aajkal on 15 January 2010 and in Business Standard [Hindi] on 16 January 2010.

#### **Voting Pattern**

SI. No.	Particulars	No. of Postal Ballot Forms	No. of Shares
1	Total Postal Ballot forms received	560	1,02,50,843
2	Less: Invalid Postal Ballot forms	53	1,04,871
3	Total no. of Valid Votes polled	507	1,01,45,972 (100.00%)
4	Total No. of the Votes polled in favour of the Special Resolution	464	<b>1,01,45,540</b> (99.996%)
5	Total No. of votes polled against the Special Resolution	43	432 (0.004%)

#### **Disclosures**

a) There was no materially significant related party transaction executed during the financial year ended 31 March 2010 requiring disclosure under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement, except as has been mentioned under Clause 14.22(i) and (ii) of Schedule-14 of the Notes on the Annual Accounts which were all carried out at arm's length prices and all disclosures have been made in accordance with the Accounting Standard 18 issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

- b) There was no non-compliance by the Company on capital market related matters and no penalty or stricture was imposed on the Company by the stock exchanges, SEBI or any other statutory authorities during the financial year ended 31 March 2010.
- c) The Company has with effect from March 2003 introduced a Code for Prohibition of Insider Trading. The Company Secretary being the Compliance Officer, monitors adherence to the Code.
- d) The Company has filed requisite returns, documents and forms within the statutory time frame with the Registrar of Companies, West Bengal, as required under various provisions of the Companies Act, 1956.
- e) Pursuant to Clause 49 (VII)(1) the Company has obtained Certificate from the Statutory Auditors on compliance of the various conditions as stipulated under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement and a copy of such Certificate is attached to this report.
- f) The CEO (Managing Director) and the CFO [Director (Finance)] have jointly certified to the Board, with regard to reviewing the financial statements, cash flow statements and effectiveness of internal control and other matters as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement.
- g) A Remuneration Committee has been constituted by the Board.
- h) The Company introduced the 'Whistle Blower Policy' with effect from 9 April 2010 as per Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement. Although this is a non-mandatory requirement of the Listing Agreement, it has been introduced to promote and encourage transparency in the Company. The existence of the mechanism has been appropriately communicated within the Company.
- i) On and from 9 April 2010, the Company also introduced a 'Fraud Prevention Policy' with the object of promoting high standards of professionalism, honesty, integrity and ethical behaviour. This policy meets the requirements laid down in the Guidelines on Corporate Governance for Public Sector Enterprises, 2010, which were made effective by the Government in May 2010.

#### j) Remuneration Policy

By virtue of Article 7A of the Articles of Association of the Company, the President of India is entitled to determine terms and conditions of appointment of the Directors. This *interalia* includes determination of remuneration payable to the Whole-time Directors. The Company circulates/discloses to the Members such terms of appointment & remuneration/any variation thereof together with memoranda of interest of Directors in accordance with Section 302 of the Companies Act, 1956. The Company

pays sitting fees of a sum of Rs. 10,000/- per meeting of the Board or Committee thereof attended by each of the non-executive Independent Directors. No sitting fee is paid to the Whole-time/Non-Wholetime Government Nominee Directors for the meetings of Board of Directors or Committees attended by them.

Details of remuneration paid to the Directors during 2009-10 are enumerated hereunder, which includes arrear for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 March, 2009 as arrear of Pay revision:

(All figures in Rs.)

Name of Director	Salaries and allowances	Contribution to provident fund	Contribution to gratuity fund	Other benefits and perquisites	Sitting fees	Total Remuneration
Shri S K Mukherjee	4272946.00	340895.00	126224.00	419971.09	-	5160036.09
Shri VLVSS Subba Rao	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shri Shri Pakash	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shri P Radhakrishnan	3968194.20	222344.00	-	201180.00	-	4391718.20
Shri V N Sharma	2891243.00	287709.00	116743.13	349658.00	-	3645353.13
Shri K Subramanyan	3165992.33	274982.00	116743.13	394669.28	-	3952386.74
Shri K C Murarka	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shri Arun Seth	-	-	-	-	20000.00	20000.00
Shri M P Bezbaruah	-	-	-	-	90000.00	90000.00
Shri P K Bora	-	-	-	-	110000.00	110000.00
Shri Asish K Bhattacharyya	-	-	-	-	110000.00	110000.00
Smt Abha Chaturvedi	-	-	-	-	60000.00	60000.00

- k) The Code of Conduct for Directors and Senior Management Personnel of the Company is operational. Declaration by the CEO under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement has been set out elsewhere in the Annual Report.
- The number of equity shares of the Company being held by the Directors are as follows:

Name of the Director	Shares held in the Company
Shri S K Mukherjee	383
Shri V N Sharma	1650*
Shri K Subramanyan	101
Shri Virendra Sinha	258**

<sup>\*</sup>Including 250 shares held jointly [with his wife as the first holder]

\*\* Including 126 shares held jointly [with his wife as the first holder]

m) The Company has instituted, a Risk Management Policy making the executive management accountable to assess risks and minimize the impact of risk as a continuing process as per Clause 49(IV)(C) of the Listing Agreement. The policy is fully operational.

#### **Shareholders' Information**

Date and time of the

93rd Annual General Meeting: 24 September 2010 at

10.30 a.m.

Venue: Ghanshyam Das Birla

Sabhagar 29, Ashutosh Choudhury Avenue,

Kolkata - 700 019

Financial year ended on: 31 March 2010.

**Dividend Payment date:** The dividend warrants would

be posted or dividends would be transferred through NECS on or after 29 September 2010 and within 30 days from the date of declaration as provided in the Companies

Act, 1956.

Date of Book Closure: 9 September 2010 to 24

September 2010 (Both days

inclusive)

The shareholders are requested to submit NECS mandate / bank particulars, on or before 17 September 2010 at the following address:

Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd.

59-C, Chowringhee Road, 3rd Floor

Kolkata - 700 020 Phone: (033) 2289 0540

Telefax: (033) 2289 0539 E-mail: kolkata@linkintime.co.in

#### **Shares in Suspense Account**

Pursuant to Clause 5A(g) of the Listing Agreement, it is hereby confirmed that the Company has no share remaining unclaimed and lying in the suspense account at the beginning of the financial year, nor was the Company approached by any such shareholder for transfer of such shares from such suspense account.

### Stock Exchanges where the equity shares of the Company are listed and other related information:

Name and address of the Stock Exchanges	Stock code	Annual Listing Fee for 2009-10 paid to the Stock Exchanges on
Bombay Stock Exchange Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street Mumbai 400 001	523319	26 April 2010
National Stock Exchange of India Limited Exchange Plaza, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai 400051	BALMLAWRIE	12 April 2010
ISIN Code of the Company	INE 164A01016	

#### Means of Communication and Address for Correspondence

Financial results are generally published in Financial Express (English), Business Standard (English), Aajkal (Bengali) and Jansatta (Hindi).

- The financial results and other notices issued by the Company are also posted on the website www.balmerlawrie.com
- The Company has created an exclusive e-mail ID viz, blsharegrievance@balmerlawrie.com to enable the investors lodge their complaint/grievance, if any.
- All communications relating to share registry matters may be addressed to:

#### Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd.

59-C, Chowringhee Road, 3rd Floor

Kolkata - 700 020 Phone: (033) 2289 0540 Telefax: (033) 2289 0539

E-mail: kolkata@linkintime.co.in

OR

#### Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.

Secretary's Department 21, Netaji Subhas Road Kolkata - 700 001

Phone: (033) 2222 5322/5314

Fax: (033) 2222 5292

E-Mail: dey.sk@balmerlawrie.com or mukhopadhyay.c@balmerlawrie.com

#### Distribution of Shareholding on the basis of face value of equity shares held as on 31 July 2010

Face value of Equity shares (Rs.)	Number of Shareholders	Percentage of total Shareholders	Number of Shares	Percentage of total Shareholding
Upto 50	10668	56.86	229883	1.41
51 TO 100	3148	16.78	273795	1.68
101 TO 200	2224	11.85	351084	2.16
201 to 300	751	4.00	194574	1.19
301 TO 400	442	2.36	160003	0.98
401 TO 500	395	2.11	189596	1.16
501 TO 1000	572	3.05	435731	2.68
1001 TO 2000	314	1.67	469524	2.88
2001 TO 3000	90	0.48	219710	1.35
3001 TO 4000	40	0.21	144559	0.89
4001 TO 5000	21	0.11	95226	0.58
5001 TO 10000	51	0.27	368895	2.27
10001 AND ABOVE	47	0.25	13153501	80.17
TOTAL	18763	100.00	16286081	100.00

#### Distribution of Shareholding as on 31 July 2010 on the basis of category of Shareholders

	Category	No. of shares held Shareholding	Percentage of
Α	Promoter's Holding		
1	Promoters		
	- Indian promoters	NIL	NIL
	- Foreign promoters	NIL	NIL
	Sub-Total	NIL	NIL
В	Non-Promoter's Holding		
	2. Institutional Investors		
	a. Mutual Funds and UTI	941175	5.78
	b. Banks, Financial Institutions, Insurance		
	Companies (including Central/State Govt.		
	Institutions/ Non-Government Institutions)	1489011	9.14
C.	Foreign Institutional Investors	281950	1.73
	Sub-Total	2712136	16.65
3	Others		
	a. Bodies Corporate*	10558617	64.83
	b. Indian Public	2889992	17.75
	c. Non-Resident Indians/ Overseas Corporate Bodies	125336	0.77
	d. Any other	-	
	Sub-Total	13573945	83.35
	GRAND TOTAL	16286081	100.00

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd., a Government Company, which holds 10064700 equity shares i.e. about 61.80% of the total paid-up equity share capital of the Company. Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd. is the holding company of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.

#### Categories of Shareholders as on 31 July 2010

Category	Number of Physical Shares	Number of Dematerialized Shares	Total number of Shares	Percentage of Equity holding
Foreign Nationals	17806	389480	407286	2.50
Financial Institutions and Banks	12306	1472685	1484991	9.12
Balmer Lawrie Investments Limited (a Government company)	0	10064700	10064700	61.80
UP State Government	4020	0	4020	0.02
Mutual Fund	650	940525	941175	5.78
Bodies Corporate	8664	485253	493917	3.03
Directors & their relatives	742	1650	2392	0.01
Public	377309	2510291	2887600	17.88
TOTAL	421497	15864584	16286081	100.00

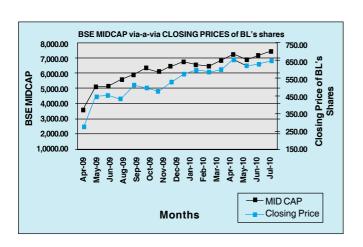
### Percentage of physical and dematerialized shares as on 31 July 2010

Form of Shareholding	%
Physical	2.59
Dematerialized	97.41
Total:	100.00

Market Price (High and Low) and the Volume of transactions in the Shares of the Company as per National Stock Exchange (for the period April 2009 to July 2010)

Month	High (Rs.)	Low (Rs.)	Volume of Transactions during the month (No.s)
April 2009	318.00	239.00	126088
May 2009	448.00	275.05	266525
June 2009	493.00	401.15	401814
July 2009	473.00	403.05	372253
August 2009	523.00	416.30	401987
September 2009	539.80	470.00	385530
October 2009	521.00	469.00	190417
November 2009	536.85	451.15	300351
December 2009	583.80	520.00	432299
January 2010	753.90	552.65	2021349
February 2010	654.40	570.10	381927
March 2010	630.00	576.50	320590
April 2010	685.00	592.55	560835
May 2010	665.75	563.00	263844
June 2010	680.00	585.55	549107
July 2010	682.00	596.10	293580

Market Price of the Equity Shares of the Company vis-avis the BSE MIDCAP



#### **Location of Business**

Location of Business						
Name of the business	Location	ISO 9001: 2000 accreditation	ISO 9001-2008 accreditation	ISO 14001:2004 accreditation		
Greases & Lubricants	Manufacturing Units: Chennai* Kolkata Mumbai Silvassa Taloja Marketing Offices: Bangalore Calicut Chennai Kolkata Mumbai New Delhi Raipur Secunderabad Vadodara Chandigarh	3 3 3 3 3 - - - - - -		3 3 - 3		
Industrial Packaging	Chennai Kolkata Mumbai Silvassa Asaoti Marketing Office: New Delhi, Baroda and at all the places mentioned above	3 3 3 -	- 3	3 - - - -		
Leather Chemicals	Manufacturing units Chennai Manali* Technical Service Centers: Chennai Kanpur Kolkata Ambur Ranipet Vaniyambadi Marketing office: Chennai Kolkata Delhi Kanpur Ranipet Vaniyambadi Ambur	- 3 - - - - - - - - - - -		- 3 - - - - - - - - -		
Logistics Infrastructure	Chennai Kolkata Navi-Mumbai	3 3 3	3	3 3 3		
Logistics Services:	Ahmedabad Bangalore Chennai Coimbator Delhi Hyderabad Karur Kochi Kolkata Lucknow Mumbai Pune Thiruvananthapuram Tuticorin Visakhapatnam	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3 3 3 3 - - - 3 -	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		

Name of the business	Location	ISO 9001: 2000 accreditation	ISO 9001-2008 accreditation	ISO 14001:2004 accreditation
Engineering & Technology Services and Refinery & Oil Field Services	Kolkata	_	3	_
Tea Blending	rtontata		J	
& Packaging	Kolkata	-	-	-
Travel and				
Tours	Ahmedabad	-	3	_
	Bangalore	3		_
	Bhubaneswar	_		_
	Chennai	3		_
	Delhi	3		_
	Hyderabad	3		_
	Kanpur	-		
	Kolkata	3		_
	Lucknow	3		_
	Mumbai	3		_
	Pune	-		
	Tiruvanantha-			
	puram	-		-
	Vadodara***	-	3	-
	Chandigarh	-		
	Dehradun			

<sup>\*</sup> In addition to the above, Chennai office of SBU: Greases & Lubricants SBL:LI and Manali office of SBU: Leather Chemical have the accreditation of OHSAS 18001:2007 of TUV:SUD

#### Declaration by Managing Director (CEO) Under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement

To The Members of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd.

I, S. K. Mukherjee, Managing Director of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Limited hereby declare that myself and all Designated Personnel (viz. all wholetime directors and officers in the rank of general manager and above) of the Company, have affirmed compliance with the applicable Code of Conduct for the year ended 31 March 2010.

Kolkata 29 July 2010 S. K. Mukherjee Managing Director

# Auditor's Certificate on Corporate Governance To the Members of Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited

We have examined the compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance by Balmer Lawrie and Company Ltd ("the company"), for the year ended 31 March 2010, as stipulated in Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement of the said company with the stock exchanges in India.

The compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance is the responsibility of the company's management. Our examination was carried out in accordance with the Guidance Note on Certification of Corporate Governance (as stipulated in Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement), issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, and was limited to procedures and implementation thereof, adopted by the company for ensuring the compliance of the conditions of Corporate

Governance. It is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion on the financial statements of the company.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, and the representations made by the directors and the management, we certify that the company has complied with the conditions of Corporate Governance as stipulated in Clause 49 of the above mentioned Listing Agreement.

We further state that such compliance is neither an assurance as to future viability of the Company nor the efficiency or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the company.

For **J. GUPTA & CO.** Firm Reg. No.: 314010E Chartered Accountants

S.P. Datta *Partner* Membership No.13852

Kolkata August 20, 2010 12, Waterloo Street 2nd Floor, Room No. 10 Kolkata - 700 069

## **Management Discussion and Analysis**

[Forming Part of the Directors' Report for 2009-10]

Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. is a multi-product, multi-location company engaged in both manufacturing and service businesses striving to maximize shareholder value against a backdrop, which required the Company to weather the impact of the global economic slowdown that began in the financial year 2008-09 and the after-effects of which continued into 2009-10.

Eight Strategic Business Units (SBUs) constitute the business of your Company and these are being discussed separately herein below:

## 1. INDUSTRIAL PACKAGING (SBU-IP)

## **Industry Structure and developments**

The Company is the largest manufacturer of 200 litre steel drums in the Industrial Packaging segment. This Strategic Business Unit [SBU] of the Company offers a wide product range, which includes 165, 200 and 210 litre capacity mild steel barrels from its six manufacturing units spread across the country.

The products are sold through the Company's pan-India marketing network. The consumers -- who use the containers for safe packing, transport and storage of their products -- are leading manufacturers in the lubricating oils & greases, transformer oil, agrochemicals, fine chemicals, paint, food products, chemicals and bitumen segments.

Low growth rate, surplus capacities and a large number of manufacturers leading to depressed margins have characterized operations in the Industrial Packaging industry during 2009-10. Cold rolled steel is the main input material for the SBU, an item which was significantly affected by the vagaries of rising input costs.

Despite the above, the SBU continues to hold its lead position in terms of market share.

## **Opportunities & Threats**

The major Opportunities for the SBU lie in:

- Wider & varied product range
- Multi-locational presence and well accepted quality standards across diverse industry segments along with wide and patronising customer base.
- Leading edge technology and manufacturing expertise built over decades.
- Continued value addition as a packaging, filling and logistics service provider to attract a large volume/variety of customers.
- Consolidation of market players in the Industry.

The major Threats being faced by the SBU are:

- Excess manufacturing capacity in the industry leading to depressed pricing.
- Tender based supplies with wafer-thin margins.

- Growing competition from alternative packaging products, such as, plastic drums.
- Price fluctuation in the steel industry leading to unstable input cost and hence unstable product pricing.

#### **Segmentwise or Productwise Performance**

The SBU posted a year of strong growth in terms of volume and turnover activated by a substantial growth in demand for the products offered by the SBU. Effective cost management added to the positive contribution resulting in the SBU recording its highest volume sales, turnover and a sharp increase in profits during 2009 - 10.

#### **Outlook**

The demand for the products of the SBU improved considerably in the year under review and 2010-11 portends to be a better year. The SBU expects its volume to improve and sustain its market share.

The SBU has since commissioned (in June 2010) its new plant at Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh, which would substantially add to the production capacity enabling the SBU to cater to the increasing demand.

#### **Risks & Concerns**

Increased competition from plastic drum manufacturers is an area of concern. Escalation in input costs, specially steel and paint often results in less than commensurate product price adjustments and has generally subjected the Industry, in which the SBU operates, to operational pressures. The SBU continues to lay focus on product quality and customer service.

### **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The SBU is governed by performance budget system and internal control measures to monitor performance against targets / norms. BIS certificate has been obtained for all plants of the SBU. Five out of the six plants under the SBU are certified to ISO 9001:2000 Quality Management Systems and one plant is certified to ISO 14001:2004 Standards. Additional checks are maintained through Internal Audit, Vigilance Inspection

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

The performance of the SBU: IP showed significant improvement compared to the previous year on account of higher sales volume owing to increased market demand and improved contribution due to relatively stable steel prices, efficiency improvement and cost reduction measures.

# Material Developments in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

The SBU continues to enjoy cordial relationship with its employees at all units.

## 2. GREASES AND LUBRICANTS (SBU-G&L)

#### **Industry Structure and developments**

The lubricant industry in India presently has a turnover in excess of Rs.10,000 crore per annum entailing a volume of about 1.4 million tons. India is the sixth largest producer of lubricants in the world and the third largest in Asia, after China and Japan. The market is characterized by intense competition with a large number of players including the PSU oil majors, MNCs, number of Indian companies - large, medium & small - and also the unorganized sector.

The lubricant market can be bifurcated into industrial lubricants and automotive lubricants, with the automotive sector representing about 65% of the total lubricant market. Impressive growth in the core sector industries and automobile sector along with revival of the overall economy have been instrumental in creating new opportunities for the lubricant industry in which the SBU:G&L operates.

In the long term, the overall prospect for the lubricant market looks positive owing to the projected growth of the Indian economy. The lower per capita consumption of lubricants in India, when compared with that of the developed nations, is an indicator of the growth potential; however, industry volume growth could be tempered by the reduced consumption of lubricants arising from improvement in efficiencies, use of sophisticated lubricants e.g. with longer drain intervals, new technological developments etc.

## **Opportunities and Threats**

Growth of the economy with emphasis on infrastructure development and greater industralisation would expectedly lead to growth in the consumption of lubricants. The growth in the automobile sector particularly commercial vehicles, small cars and 4-stroke two-wheelers offers opportunity for lubricant manufacturers to launch value-added, high quality engine oils and other lubricants suited for such engines. Growing concern for the environment is expected to lead to development and growth of eco-friendly biodegradable lubricants. The SBU is advantageously placed in this respect with ongoing work at its R&D centre.

Spiraling prices of lubricating base oil - which is a major input material - pushes up the lubricant prices and affects the margins of the lubricant manufacturers. Availability of base oil is also an area of concern at times.

## **Segmentwise or Productwise Performance**

The business of SBU: G&L may be broadly divided into -

- (a) Processing Business or Contract manufacturing for others including oil / lube companies, and
- (b) Direct Sales

The Direct Sales segment may be categorized into [a] Institutional / industrial, [b] Retail and [c] Export. In the Institutional / industrial category, the major segments are Steel, the Coal / mining, Jute, Petroleum Exploration, Railways, Defence etc.

The SBU registered good growth both in volume and profitability with better margins arising from cost effective formulations and relatively economical raw material prices for major part of the year. The grease processing business reflected a growth of about 28% compared to 2008-09 but the oil processing volume dropped by around 12%. Direct sales registered healthy growth of over 30%.

The SBU achieved highest ever production and sales volumes as well as turnover and profit during the year.

#### Outlook

As indicated earlier, the industry has good growth prospects linked to the country's economic growth. The SBU with its strong R&D and other technical service capabilities, multi-locational production facilities, focused marketing and dedicated manpower, expects to increase its share in the industry.

#### **Risks and Concerns**

The margins are under pressure in the current year with spiraling price of base oils exacerbated by the commitment in some of the customer segments to supply products at fixed prices in terms of contractual obligations.

#### **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The SBU has adequate internal control system suited to its business needs. In-house developed Greases & Lubricants Integrated Operating Software [GLIOS] including On-line Depot Management System is operational across all locations facilitating greater operational efficiency and better monitoring of performance.

The SBU has detailed Management Information System in place. The Quality and Environment Management System at all plants are certified to ISO 9001:2000 and ISO 14001:2004 standards. All the plants have also received OHSAS 18001 Certification. Implementation of ERP is being considered.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

SBU: G&L achieved all-time high levels of production, sales volume, turnover and profit during the year despite the intense competition and the strategic advantages enjoyed by some of the leading players in the industry.

Some of the causative factors underlying the impressive performance are improved production / delivery from all units of the SBU, cost effective substitution of raw materials through R&D, introduction of new products, close monitoring of base oil prices and timely purchase decision, discontinuation of low margin / unremunerative business lines etc..

# Material Development in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

The industrial relation scenario in all the Divisions / Units of SBU: G&L continues to be cordial and peaceful at all levels.

## 3. LOGISTICS SERVICES (SBU-LS)

#### **Industry Structure and developments**

A complex issue facing Logistics Services industry in India is the diversity in the country's regional, geographical and legislative aspects. The diversity has spawned other issues such as inappropriate industry practices and disparities in terms of regulatory compliance.

Another relevant aspect which needs to be considered in assessing the position of the industry is the impact of the unprecedented global recession in 2008-09 which continued to be felt during the first half of 2009-10. Only towards the later half, did the industry show some signs of improvement. India's modest GDP growth of 7.4% -- much better than what was anticipated in the beginning of the year - has, however, been a positive development. It is anticipated that accelerated growth in the GDP would be a trigger for further growth in the industry.

SBU-LS through wide range of logistics solutions --covering import consolidation by air and ocean, customs clearance, handling of project cargo through multimodal transportation, chartering of aircrafts and vessels, express service and door-to-door services -- is trying to cope up with the effects of the recession which has impacted industrial / sectoral development.

#### **Opportunities and Threats**

The wide spread terrorism at international and national levels has necessitated stiffening of security measures all over the globe. This along with rightsizing of the airline services across the world has resulted in hardening of rates which has had a negative impact on the SBU revenue in view of its long-term contracts.

The Ministry of Shipping and Surface Transport continues to put restrictions with regard to handling of Government and PSU import cargo movement by sea. This has a far reaching and serious impact on the growth of sea import business of the SBU.

The SBU has spent considerable time and money towards successfully developing customized tracking and tracing software solution for providing better service to customers and to improve bottom-lines in this adverse industry situation. The SBU is also aiming to put in place differentiation through improvement of service quality.

## **Segmentwise or Productwise Performance**

The SBU had a lower turnover in 2009-10 than the previous year, which was primarily on account of the effect of the global recession which continued to impact the operations in the first half of 2009-10 and more so in the air-chartering segment. However, with better cost control, the SBU achieved profitability which was marginally higher than the previous year. Air cargo and related services continue to be core activities of the SBU, as these contributed to about 70% of the turnover.

#### **Outlook**

With the world economy slowly emerging from the clutches of a widespread slowdown and with allotment

of higher funds to infrastructure sector in the national budget, the SBU expects to perform better in the coming year(s).

As per the CRISIL Research Report, the Indian Logistics Industry, which is currently valued at Rs.3.6 trillion, is expected to grow at 11% CAGR [Compounded Annual Growth Rate] for the next 3 years which is definitely an encouraging prospect for all the Industry players including SBU: LS.

#### **Risks and Concerns**

The Industry is highly fragmented and competitive with virtually no entry barriers. Most of the global logistics service providers have considerable presence in India so the environment is fraught with competition. There are pricing related risks connected more specifically with predatory / un-remunerative pricing arising out of the entry of global players and the presence of a large number of unorganised players in the logistics business. Globally the industry is gradually adapting itself to operating within the security constraints / systems which have been put in place but these tend to put pressure on the turnover and resultant profitability of the SBU. The activities of the SBU which were heavily focused on Europe and the United States of America has been affected by shift in EXIM trade from India to China, and other South East & Far East countries.

## **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The SBU has in place an effective internal control mechanism which includes external and periodical internal audits. All major branches and the SBU offices are certified to ISO 9001:2008 standards.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

Despite intensive marketing efforts, the turnover and profitability of the SBU-LS was affected on account of depressed market conditions and increased competition during 2009-10. The dip in turnover during the year was primarily due to lower turnover in the air-chartering segment.

# Material Development in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

Industrial relations continued to be cordial at all units of the SBU while operating with optimum level of manpower.

## 4. TRAVEL AND TOURS (SBU-T&T)

## **Industry Structure and Developments**

According to International Air Transport Association (IATA), 60,000 travel agents worldwide sell around 220 billion US Dollars worth of airline tickets on behalf of 230 member airlines. In India there are about 2900 accredited IATA agents. The SBU is one of the largest IATA affiliated travel agencies in the country operating in the organized sector. The travel industry has numerous other non-IATA agents operating in the country in addition to the IATA approved agents.

During 2009-10, the aviation industry and the travel trade

were very adversely impacted by the global economic downturn and austerity measures put in place by all customers. As such there was a steep fall in both domestic and international travel.

Against the above backdrop, the following developments took place with respect to the SBU:

- Two new branches were opened by the SBU at Chandigarh and Dehradun to strengthen the network.
- Baroda and Ahmedabad branches have been duly certified under ISO 9001:2008 accreditation.
- The SBU was awarded by the Lufthansa and Kenya Airways for its efficiency and effectiveness in the travel business.

Although the SBU issued 4.5% more tickets in the financial year 2009-10, the turnover showed a drop. This was largely due to the lower average cost per air-ticket on account of intense price competition amongst airlines and shift of passengers from the executive class to the economy class as a consequence of the economic slowdown.

#### **Opportunities and Threats**

Opportunities for the SBU lie in revival of the global economy and the resultant increase in travel & tours both by the corporates and the individual traveller. Though PSUs & Government Departments, who are major customers for the SBU, are continuing with austerity measures, there are signs of change in the travel & tourism scenario which is a positive signal for SBU-T&T.

Introduction of Low-fare and budget airlines operating on various domestic & international routes and the resultant substantial growth in international & domestic traffic / tourism is perceived as a major opportunity for the SBU.

As regard threat perceptions, the major threats for the SBU lie in reduction of commission & incentives by the Airlines along with all airlines targeting directly at the individual and the corporate traveller through the web. The SBU also faces stiff challenge from tie-ups between the Banks and the Airlines offering higher discounts to clients. Growth in the number of online ticketing agencies is also posing a substantial threat to the profitability of the SBU.

#### **Segmentwise or Productwise Performance**

SBU: T&T has two main segments viz., Domestic travel and international travel. During the year under review, performance in both the segments fell somewhat short of both budgeted targets and last year's performance on account of the factors explained above, which ultimately culminated in the segmental sales / income during 2009-10 being 8% lower as compared with the actual in 2008-09.

#### **Outlook**

By and large, 2009-10 was a challenging year for the SBU. The SBU's major customers are the Government

Departments, Ministries and PSUs. This segment was adversely affected by the government guidelines issued to bring austerity on travel expenditure. Travel by the executive class in the domestic segment was restricted as also restrictions placed on travel in business and first class on the International sectors. With the economy looking up and these restrictions eased, the prospects are positive for further development of the Company's travel business.

SBU: T&T is working with Air India to provide end-toend travel solution for athletes, players and officials, who would be arriving in India for the Commonwealth Games 2010 and this is expected to have favourable impact on turnover and revenue of the SBU during 2010-11 besides adding to the visibility of the Company.

#### **Risks and concerns**

The travel business of the Company has been unfavourably impacted by lower incentive and zero commission by some of the airlines. While the domestic airlines have restored the basic IATA commission structure, a number of European carriers have decided to continue with the practice of zero commission. With the popularisation of the internet and the airlines making all efforts to directly reach customers through web offerings, it poses a serious threat to the business of the SBU in the medium to long-term. The SBU is planning to focus on the Tours Business, which would cushion these challenges. Another area of concern has been the intense competition with the large number of private sector operators including small players who are offering disproportionate discounts and wafer-thin service fee.

Despite reduction in incentive and zero per cent commission by European carriers, intense competition has increased the expectations of the customers for free / add-on services coupled with discounts. These could affect the SBU's bottom-lines adversely in times to come.

Recovery/collection of debts is an area of concern for the SBU as large clients especially the Government Departments & the PSUs have different and cumbersome procedures for settling bills and in addition the former have budgetary constraints.

## **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The Internal Audit controls and checks assigned were duly carried out by the SBU during the year. The systems and procedures followed by the SBU have been found to be adequate from internal control stand point.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

During 2009-10, the overall turnover of the SBU was affected by the global economic downturn especially in the period April to December 2009 as compared to the previous year. Nevertheless, the profitability during 2009-10 improved through better operating efficiencies. The SBU with sustained efforts, has also maintained its business volume in terms of number of tickets sold.

# Material Development in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

The SBU continued to maintain cordial industrial relations at all its offices.

## 5. LOGISTICS INFRASTRUCTURE (SBU-LI)

#### **Industry Structure and Development**

Logistics Infrastructure comprises two activities (a) Container Freight Stations (CFS) and (b) Warehousing and Distribution (W&D).

CFSs operate as an extension of the Port and help decongesting the Port. It provides facilities for storage of containers, customs clearance, aggregation and segregation of long distance cargo, warehousing and transportation to and from Ports. Thus the Port concentrates on quick turnaround of containers and container ships, while storage, customs clearance etc., are done at the CFS.

Ports are the gateway to international trade and handle over 90% of foreign trade. More than 50% of the world's sea trade is containerized. The Indian Container traffic has been showing growth in line with the GDP and Foreign Trade growth.

The recession in International Trade and the severe downturn in the Shipping Industry which was seen in the second half of 2008-09 continued during the major part of 2009-10. Consequently, there was a steep drop in import containers during the first half of the year especially at Chennai and Nhava Sheva. As the CFS business is inextricably linked to the shipping industry and the EXIM trade, the month-on-month steep decline in import cargo has severely affected the performance of the CFSs. The downturn was most pronounced at Chennai and Mumbai, where the Company's two large CFSs are located and as such the operations at the two CFSs were the most affected. Kolkata Port, however, showed significant growth in the second half of the financial year and as such the eventual performance at CFS - Kolkata was in line with expectations.

With a view to diversification, the SBU has been exploring possibilities of setting up CFSs / Logistics Hubs at other locations; but a number of ports, which till recently registered growth have shown either a flat growth or a decline in the volume of containers handled in the year gone by. Nevertheless, this is seen only as a temporary aberration and EXIM volumes are likely to go up in the coming years. To cater to the growth opportunities, the SBU has acquired additional land at Mumbai and Kolkata to expand its CFS operations and is actively pursuing its plans to set up CFSs / Logistics Hubs at other locations.

Warehousing & Distribution (W&D) has been a traditional activity of the Company for a number of decades but the Kolkata facility only handled bulk metals. With the growth in organized sector like retail, consumer durables etc., during the last few years, the SBU has initiated steps to set up covered warehouses. At Kolkata the availability of covered warehousing space was doubled during the year. The overall performance has been encouraging.

#### **Opportunities and Threats**

The global economy, especially, the Indian economy began showing signs of recovery in the second half of 2009-10. Since then, in line with the growth, the resultant volume of cargo being handled by the SBU for export and imports (containerized as well as bulk) as well as volumes from the warehousing & distribution sector have shown modest growth.

Ports continue to lay emphasis on quick turnaround time for vessels and reducing congestion at the docks which provides a stimulus to volumes handled by the CFSs and W&D activity of the Company. Planned investments in new ports / container terminals did suffer a set back during the year but it is anticipated that the same would be back on track in the near future.

There are three other factors which could have a dampening effect on business. Firstly, importers and exporters have been clearing their cargo expeditiously; this would cut their own costs but prune the revenues of the SBU. Secondly, new Container Freight Stations have been opened during the year at Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata further intensifying competition and resulting in diversion of volume. Thirdly, CFSs owned and operated by the shipping lines constitute a major threat to the SBU. The shipping lines are not only moving deeper into the value chain by getting into every aspect of shipping and embarking on total logistics solutions, they are also ferociously cutting costs and thereby trying to maximize revenue. Severe price pressures and reduction in margins are thus anticipated for the future especially in the near-term although in the medium to long-term, these are expected to be offset by increase in

To counter the above, the SBU has introduced improved service and facility parameters to provide Total Customer Service. Use of technology as a competitive tool for creating product differentiation, such as, container tracing, induction of OCR technology etc. are also being made.

#### **Segmentwise or Productwise Performance**

CFS-Kolkata has performed extremely well in 2009-10 and posted a 2% volume growth in import coupled with 1% increase in its bottom line compared to the previous year. However, the two largest CFSs at Chennai and Mumbai operated well below their capacity for most part of the financial year due to major drop in import volumes handled by the two ports. As such, overall the CFS segment of the SBU showed a decline of 2% in the total volume of containers handled.

Warehousing and Distribution activity having posted break-even level after many years in 2008-09, has shown a profitable growth in 2009-10.

#### Outlook

Even though domestic growth and the EXIM trade have shown an up-trend, the performance of the CFSs has not shown significant improvement, primarily due to the poor financial position of the major shipping lines, who

continue to record big losses as a fallout of the economic slowdown. As such, the pressure on margins is expected to continue in the near term. The SBU has taken a number of initiatives to improve the overall volume and has taken up expansion of the Kolkata CFS as well as speeding up completion of Chennai CFS. Further, the SBU is proceeding ahead with its plan to set up new facilities with specific emphasis on the east and south coast.

#### **Risks and Concerns**

More than 50% of the country's EXIM container traffic moves through Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust at Navi Mumbai. Increasing saturation of this port along with excess industry capacity and shipping lines setting up their own CFSs are major areas of concern. Moderate to significant risk also stems from the competition emerging from new CFSs entering business. Kolkata Port with its historical legacy of being a river port has made efforts to improve performance but congestion is making it look less attractive to the shipping lines. Adverse changes in Customs Regulations and Port policies are also inherent risk factors for the SBU. Over capacity in the industry and the resultant pricing pressures have led to erosion of revenue.

#### **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The SBU has well defined and established working procedures and control systems. These are reviewed at periodic intervals to ensure optimal utilization and protection of resources.

Internal Audit is carried out at regular intervals covering functional and financial areas to ensure compliance with accepted standards and procedures. All the CFSs are ISO certified.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

In the backdrop of extremely adverse economic environment and depressed market conditions, the SBU, which in the past was a major bottom-line generator, suffered a decline in its turnover and profit as compared to the previous year.

# Material Development in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

Industrial relations at all the Container Freight Stations and Warehousing & Distribution units have been cordial throughout the year.

## 6. Leather Chemicals (SBU-LC)

#### **Industry Structure & Developments**

The Company's SBU-LC manufactures and markets performance chemicals for Leather processing primarily in the form of Fat liquors & syntans. In addition, the SBU is positioning itself to enter into Leather Finishing Chemicals as also international construction for Chemicals utilizing the synergy with its syntan range of products.

India's Leather and Leather products industry is valued

at 7 Billion US Dollars of which 3.5 Billion US Dollars represent export earnings, mainly from the European Union and the USA. The European Union accounts for about 40% of Indian Export of Leather and Leather Products. Leather industry is the eighth largest foreign exchange earner for the country.

The declining trend of exports as a result of the global economic meltdown witnessed in 2008-09 continued in the first half of 2009-10 but exports picked up considerably in the second half and has since grown at an accelerated pace to end the year at a level similar to 2008-09.

The Leather Chemicals Industry experienced a low market growth and high competitive pressures in 2009-10, which were due to the adverse impact of global recession on the Leather Industry and volatility in prices of raw materials throughout the year. Severe pressure on the margins and bottom-lines of the SBU: LC was concomitant to these macro-economic factors.

#### **Opportunities and Threats**

The Indian Leather industry has carved a niche for itself globally in research, fashion, colour forecasting, exports and in employment generation. India has become one of the global sourcing centres for finished leather and leather products owing to the availability of vast raw materials in the form of goat, cow, buffalo and sheep hides. The ongoing nationwide infrastructure development and low cost of production compared to other countries have imparted an edge to India in its pursuit of becoming a global major in this industry. Domestic consumption of leather goods too has also received a boost with the emergence of modern retailing outlets in all major cities, which has paved the way for the entry of branded leather products in the market place. These developments augur well for the growth of the Leather Chemicals industry in India.

Against the above backdrop, the objective of SBU-LC is to expand upon its reach in the domestic market and to further build upon its presence in the international arena.

The threat perceptions of the SBU-LC are essentially linked to the continuing effects of the global recession in the European and the US markets combined with volatility in input prices which can cut margins of the SBU. Imports account for a significant share of leather chemicals consumed by the Indian leather industry. Strengthening of the Rupee against US Dollar and Euro can increase the price advantage of imports to the detriment of domestic industry.

## Segment-wise or product-wise performance

2009-10 witnessed the SBU-LC recording a volume growth of about 16% in the Fat Liquor segment over the previous year. During the year, the SBU augmented the fat liquor range introducing a number of new advanced products.

In the syntans segment, the SBU achieved an impressive growth of around 10% over the sales volume of the previous year. Overall volume growth for the SBU in 2009-10 was about 14% over the preceding year.

#### Outlook

The Leather Industry in India is poised for making huge investments, which would, as per estimation, triple production, double exports and create one million new jobs. The sector is totally de-reserved and open for 100% Foreign Direct Investment under automatic route; this has created exciting opportunities for increased consumption of Leather Chemicals in India. Also on the anvil are the plans for broadening the product range by offering finishing chemicals and providing cost-effective products through innovation in formulations and processes.

#### **Risks and concerns**

The continuous spiraling of raw material, energy and other input costs have relentlessly squeezed the margins of the SBU on account of the need to absorb higher raw material cost, which is the prime area of concern. It may also be noted that certain materials have been designated as Substance of Very High Concern [SVHC], which must be eliminated from the Company's final product to continue exports to the European market; this is a significant risk. However, testing for elimination of these in the final product has been initiated and appropriate measures would be taken.

## Internal control systems and their adequacy

The SBU has internal control systems commensurate with the complexity and scale of operation. The SBU has a computerized business operation system. The manufacturing units, Product Development and marketing functions are certified for Integrated Management System comprising of ISO 9000:2000, ISO 14000 and ISO 18000 standards.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

Sales volume and turnover of the SBU: LC increased significantly and compared with the financial year 2008-09. The improved performance of the SBU as compared to the last year arose from higher sales volume and better margins, which were attributable to cost effective substitution of raw materials through R&D efforts.

# Material Development in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

Industrial relations continue to be satisfactory. A new production incentive scheme has also been introduced.

## 7. REFINERY & OILFIELD SERVICES (SBU-ROFS)

### **Industry Structure and Developments**

The Refinery & Oilfield Services portfolio was evolved in the year 2008 from the activities of "Mechanized Tank Sludge Cleaning & Hydrocarbon Recovery" system operated by the Company over the last one decade under the erstwhile Engineering & Technology Services Division.

Amongst other services, the SBU offers services to guard against vapour loss of petroleum products from storage tanks. The SBU has begun its marketing activities offering

high technology driven services, like composite repair service, non-metallic technology for repair of pipelines and tanks to avoid unplanned shutdowns and prevent external corrosion along with decontamination services for refinery and petrochemical plants. Major thrust has been given to market such new services.

## **Opportunities and Threats**

The SBU currently enjoys a market leadership in 'In-situ' tank sludge cleaning and hydrocarbon recovery and has processed more than 80,000 KL of oily sludge during the last decade. The SBU also provides mechanized lagoon sludge treatment and hydrocarbon recovery services and has processed more than 35,000 KL of oily sludge during the last five years. The process, now established for lagoon sludge treatment, is considered by clients as more technologically advanced. In order to maintain its leadership in this area and to meet market demand the SBU is working on capacity augmentation and fresh sanction of capital investment has been made during the year. However, the SBU is yet to reach its desired level of productivity.

The SBU is constantly striving to provide State-of-theart technologies in niche areas with the object of improving environmental protection & safety as well as productivity in oil refineries, oil installations and exploration sites.

The SBU provides a window of opportunities for the Company to grow in areas where the long standing relationships with various Oil companies and association with Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas can be leveraged. The application areas under exploration are high technology oil and gas field which need related services and offer good growth potential.

The major threat being faced by the SBU lies in the fact that there are negligible entry barriers into this business for new players.

#### Outlook

The SBU is actively working to expand its tie-up with relevant international technology suppliers and simultaneously attempting to intensify marketing efforts by popularizing new technologies through improved client awareness in the new areas encompassing decontamination, composite repair etc. besides its current business.

More areas of business have already been identified in association with the technology suppliers to enhance the basket of services under offer by the SBU in the field of refinery and oil field services. The SBU is also in touch with other industries where petroleum products are stored and hence require periodic cleaning, such as steel and power plants.

## **Risks and Concerns**

Major risk for the SBU lies in the development of ever increasing competitive technology and processes. The SBU also needs to intensify client interface, which will ultimately secure financial benefit from the technological advantage at the disposal of the SBU in the form of

suitable products and services. An aspect of concern here is the question of alignment of the various tenders to be in line with the technical specifications and minimizing gap in basic understanding as to the scope of work from the perspective of the customer.

Another significant risk factor is the possibility of loss of market share due to customers resorting to manual cleaning / chemical cleaning of tanks or selling sludge instead of adopting mechanized processes.

Since there is no entry barrier, private sector competition cannot be ruled out and, in this connection, it is worth mentioning that the market penetration strategies adopted by private enterprises are quite different from that of PSUs like the Company which have to be suitably countered.

Based on a scan of the risk factors, the SBU is aiming to lay down improved service and facility parameters so as to provide 'Total Customer Service' at reduced cost and time with increased recovery.

#### **Internal Control Systems and their Adequacy**

The SBU has well defined and established working procedures and control systems. The SBU has been accredited with ISO 9001:2008 during the year. These procedures are reviewed periodically and constantly upgraded.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

The SBU has recorded a double-digit increase in turnover during the financial year and the bottom-line has increased significantly.

# Material Developments in Human Resources / Industrial Relations

The SBU operates with a lean manpower and there is a need to increase its manpower with improved knowledge base to work at various sites. Accordingly, emphasis has also been laid on strengthening its marketing base by direct recruitment and also broaden the span of its marketing associates to cover the country.

The SBU has increased its operation areas to enable and cope with the requirements of simultaneous working in multiple locations throughout the country. To cope with such spread, technical personnel were inducted to enable uninterrupted simultaneous operation at such locations. In addition, an extensive training programme was conducted for up-gradation of skill of the operating personnel at site.

All these have resulted into cordial industrial relations throughout the units of the SBU.

## 8. TEA (SBU-TEA)

## **Industry structure and developments**

India's Tea production during the year 2009 was around 980 Million Kg, down by about 2 Million Kg from last year, though domestic consumption has grown by about 3% to touch 832 Million Kg.

Tea exports from India in 2009 was of the order of about 191 Million Kg, which was lower than the exports in 2008. Exports were hit in the first half of 2009 due to drought-like condition in the growing regions and shortfall in overseas demand.

#### **Opportunities and Threats**

Although the SBU does not have any manufacturing facility/tea garden, the SBU possesses a Packaging Unit and continues to leverage on its strength in packing high value-added tea for buyers in Japan.

However, the major tea consuming / importing countries are driven by price considerations in sourcing tea where the SBU as a Merchant Exporter continues to face stiff competition from the Producer-Exporters, who are better placed to offer teas at more competitive rates.

#### Segmentwise or Productwise Performance

Export sales of the SBU during the year 2009-10 was relatively down compared to the previous year.

#### Outlook

Japanese importers comprise the largest overseas market for the SBU: Tea. Supply to Japan may, however, be adversely affected on account of rising price consciousness coupled with demand for low/no pesticide content in the tea being exported.

#### **Risks and Concerns**

The increasing demand of developed countries, such as Japan, for supply of tea having no chemical/pesticides residue and also conforming to use of chemicals and their residue levels as designated by their Ministry of Health, is a concern not only for the SBU, but also for the entire Indian tea industry.

The major area of concern for the SBU continues to be manpower cost which is too high commensurate with the volume of business it generates. The Company is actively reviewing its various options.

## **Internal Control Systems and their adequacy**

The activities of the SBU are strictly governed by the Internal Control System laid down by the Company.

# Discussion on Financial Performance with respect to Operational Performance

Overall, the SBU's performance has been unsatisfactory due to lack of market and wage cost disproportionate to the volume.

# Material Developments in Human Resources/Industrial Relations

Industrial relations in the SBU remained cordial.

## **CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

 The Corporate 'Vision and Mission' enshrine the commitment of the Company to achieve business goals with a high degree of environmental and social responsibility thereby ensuring continued focus on Corporate Social Responsibility [CSR].

- b. In furtherance of this focus, the Company remains committed to the socio-economic development and upliftment of the disadvantaged and economically weaker sections and empowerment of women. The Company earmarks a portion of its net profit for funding different CSR projects. These projects are implemented in collaboration with NGOs / VSSOs of repute, under the supervision/ monitoring of the Company.
- c. With a view to bring in greater alignment of the Company and its activities with CSR and to provide due thrust to CSR activities, the following flagship schemes with specific agenda were introduced during 2009-10:
  - (i) Balmer Lawrie Initiatives for Self-Sustenance [BLISS]

This Scheme is intended to promote self-sustenance of disadvantaged / economically backward sections of the society and the focus groups are SCs / STs, Persons with Disabilities and Women. The focus areas covered under the initiative are [a] Education, [b] Training and [c] Entrepreneurial support. Projects under the Scheme are generally coordinated centrally from the Corporate Office.

[ii] Samaj Mein Balmer Lawrie [SAMBAL]

The thrust under SAMBAL is taking care of overall development and improvement in quality of life of different communities, particularly from the disadvantaged groups, in and around the Company's Work Centres. The areas covered under this Scheme are [a] Education and Vocational Training, [b] Health Care including Old Age Care, [c] Drinking Water, [d] Sanitation, [e] Income Generating Projects, [f] Provision of Civic Amenities, [g] Environmental / Green Initiatives and [h] Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation. Projects under this Scheme are administered by respective Regional HR setups.

d. During 2009-10, the Company spent an approximate amount of Rs. 101 lakh under the 'Tribal Sub Plan [TSP]' / 'Special Component Plan [SCP]', 'Gender Budgeting' and in providing disaster relief & rehabilitation assistance under CSR.

- e. The projects undertaken and the beneficiaries thereof include the following:-
  - Two Projects aimed at facilitating education of 99 physically challenged children and one project to provide sustenance to 30 destitute children.
  - (ii) A 3-year programme for integrated village development [covering two villages in two states], which would ultimately benefit 340 households in these villages.
  - (iii) One-time medical check up and health care for 200 personnel.
  - (iv) Old-Age care for 33 destitute women.
  - (v) Contribution made towards improving civic facilities in Thiruvattiyoor Village in Tamil Nadu and traffic management in the city of Kolkata.
  - (vi) Setting up of a Vocational Training Centre to provide training and income generation for 40 women.

Cautionary Note: The statements in the Management Discussion & Analysis describing the Company's focal objectives, expectations and anticipations and those of its SBUs may be forward looking within the meaning of applicable securities laws and regulations. Actual results may differ materially from expectations. Important factors that could influence the Company's operations include global and domestic supply and demand conditions affecting selling prices of products, input availability and prices, changes in government regulations/ tax laws, economic developments within the country and factors such as litigation and industrial relations.

The information and opinion stated in this section of the Annual Report essentially cover certain forward-looking statements, which the management believes to be true to the best of its knowledge at the time of its preparation. The management shall not be liable to any person or entity for any loss, which may arise as a result of any action taken on the basis of the information contained herein.

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# **Auditor's Report to the Members** of Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited

- We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited (the Company) as at 31st March 2010, and also the Profit and Loss Account and Cash Flow Statement for the year ended on that date annexed thereto, in which are incorporated the accounts of the Regions audited by Branch Auditors in accordance with the letter of appointment issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.
- We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. As required by the Companies (Auditors Report) Order,2003 ('the order') as amended, issued by the Central Government of India in terms of Sec 227(4A) of the 'Companies Act, 1956' of India (the Act), we enclose in the Annexure a statement on the matters specified in the paragraphs 4 and 5 of the said Order.
- Further to our comment in the Annexure referred to above, we report that:
  - (i) We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
  - (ii) In our opinion, proper books of account, as required by law, have been kept by the Company so far as

- appears from our examination of those books. The related Branch Auditor's Reports have been forwarded to us and have been appropriately dealt with in preparing this report;
- (iii) The Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Account and Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account;
- (iv) In our opinion, the Profit and Loss Account, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this report comply with the accounting standards referred to in sub-section (3 C) of section 211 of the Act;
- (v) This being Government Company, the provisions of the Section 274(1) (g) of the Act relating to disqualifications of directors are not applicable; vide Government of India, Department of Company Affairs Notification No. GSR 829(E) dated 21 October, 2003.
- (vi) In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said accounts together with the notes and accounting policies thereon and annexed thereto, give the information required by the Act in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:
  - in the case of the Balance Sheet of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010;
  - (ii) in the case of Profit and Loss Account, of the Profit for the year ended that date; and
  - (iii) In the case of the Cash Flow Statement, of the cash flows for the year ended on that date.

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. 314010E

S. P. Datta *Partner* Membership. No. 13852

Kolkata, July 29, 2010

# **Annexure to Auditor's Report**

The Annexure referred to in paragraph 3 of the Auditor's Report of even date to the members of Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited ('the Company') on the financial statements for the year ended 31 st March, 2010. We report that:

- a. The Company has maintained proper record showing full particulars including quantitative details and situations of fixed assets.
  - b. The Company has a regular programme of physical verification of its fixed assets by which plant and machinery are verified every year, and other fixed assets are verified in a phased manner over a period
- of three years which, in our opinion, is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets. As explained to us, in accordance with its programme, plant and machinery and certain other fixed assets were verified during the year and no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
- c. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not disposed off a substantial part of the fixed assets during the year.

## **Annexure to Auditor's Report** (Contd.)

- a. The inventory of the Company has been physically verified during the year by the management. In our opinion, having regard to the nature and location of inventory, the frequency of verification is reasonable.
  - b. In our opinion, the procedure of physical verification of the inventory followed by the management is reasonable and adequate in relation to the size of the Company and the nature of its business.
  - c. On the basis of our examination of the inventory records, in our opinion, the Company has maintained proper records of inventory. The discrepancies noticed on physical verification of inventory as compared to book records were not material.
- 3. a. The Company has granted loans to two organizations under Joint Venture arrangement, to the extent of Rs.2547.92 lacs.
  - Rate of interest and other terms and conditions on which the loans have been given are prima facie, not prejudicial to the interest of the Company.
  - Payment of the principal amount and interest are regular. Accordingly paragraph (iii)(d) of the order is not applicable.
- 4. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, having regard to the explanation that certain items purchased are of special nature for which suitable alternative sources do not exist for obtaining comparative quotations, there is an adequate internal control system commensurate with the size of the Company and the nature of businesses, for the purchase of inventory and fixed assets and for the sale of goods and services.

Further, on the basis of our examination of the books and records of the Company, and according to the information and explanations given to us, we have neither come across nor have been informed of any continuing failure on the part of the Company to correct major weaknesses in the aforesaid internal control system.

- a. In our opinion and according to the information and explanation given to us, transactions that need to be entered into a register in pursuance of section 301 of the Act have been so entered;
  - b In view of our comment in paragraph (3) above, each of these transactions have been made at prices which are reasonable having regard to the prevailing market prices at the relevant time;
- 6. The Company has not accepted any deposits from the public within the meaning of the sections 58A, 58AA of the Act and the rules framed there under.

- 7. In our opinion, the Company's present internal audit system as conducted in phased manner, by a firm of chartered accountants, is commensurate with its size and nature of its business but the same needs to be further strengthened with regard to widening the coverage of various areas like investments made and its follow-up and sale against verbal orders.
- 8. We have broadly reviewed the books of account maintained by the Company in respect of the products of Grease and Lubricants (Petroleum products) and Tea Blending where, pursuant to the Rules made by the Central Government of India, the maintenance of cost records has been prescribed under Section 209(1) (d) of the Act, and are of the opinion that *prima facie*, the prescribed accounts and records have been made and maintained. We have, however, not made a detailed examination of such records with a view to determine whether they are accurate or complete.

To the best of our knowledge and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Central Government under the aforesaid Act has not prescribed the maintenance of cost records for any other products or services of the Company.

- 9. a. According to the information and explanations given to us and the records of the Company examined by us, the Company is generally regular in depositing with the appropriate authorities undisputed statutory dues including Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance, Income Tax, Sales Tax, Wealth Tax, Service Tax, Custom Duty and Excise Duty, Cess and any other material statutory dues applicable to it.
  - b According to the information and explanations given to us and the records of the Company examined by us, the particulars of dues of income-tax, sales-tax, service-tax, excise duty and cess as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2010 aggregating to Rs. 7037.98 lacs, which have not been deposited on account of a dispute, are as mentioned in note on accounts showing the amounts involved and the forum where dispute is pending.
- 10. The Company has no accumulated losses as at 31st March 2010, and it has not incurred any cash losses during the financial year ended on the date or in the immediately preceding financial year.
- 11. According to the records of the Company examined by us and the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not defaulted in repayment of dues to any financial institution or bank as at the balance sheet date. The Company has no debenture holder.

## **Annexure to Auditor's Report** (Contd.)

- 12. The Company has not granted any loans or advances on the basis of security by way of pledge of shares, debentures or other securities.
- 13. In our opinion, the provisions of any Special Statute applicable to Chit Fund, Nidhi Fund or Mutual Benefit Fund/Societies are not applicable to the Company.
- 14. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is not a dealer or trader in shares, securities, debentures and other investments.
- 15. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not given any guarantee for loans taken by others from bank or financial institutions.
- 16. In our opinion, and according to the information and explanations given to us, and on an overall basis, the term loans have been applied for the purposes for which they were obtained. The Company did not have any outstanding term loan as at 31 March, 2010.
- 17. On an overall examination the Balance Sheet of the Company, in our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, there are no funds raised on short-term basis which have been used for long term investment during the year.
- 18. In view of our comment in paragraph (3) above, the question of any preferential allotment of shares to parties

- and companies covered in the register maintained under section 301 of the Act does not arise.
- 19. The Company has not issued any debentures during the year and no amount is outstanding in respect of debentures as on the balance sheet date.
- 20. The Company has not raised any money by way of public issue during the year.
- 21. During the course of our audit, and according to the information and explanation given to us, we have neither come across any instance of fraud on or by the Company nor reported during the year, nor have we been informed of such case by the management. However, an instance of accounting fraud/manipulation committed on a joint venture unit of the company which has resulted in provision of Rs. 1165.12 lacs as referred in Para 14.17 of the Notes on Accounts.

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. 314010E

S. P. Datta *Partner* Membership. No. 13852

Kolkata, July 29, 2010

COMMENTS OF THE COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL OF INDIA UNDER SECTION 619(4) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956 ON THE ACCOUNTS OF BALMER LAWRIE & CO. LIMITED, KOLKATA FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010.

The preparation of financial statements of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Limited, Kolkata for the year ended 31 March 2010 in accordance with the financial reporting framework prescribed under the Companies Act, 1956 is the responsibility of the Management of the Company. The Statutory Auditors appointed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under Section 619(2) of the Companies Act, 1956 are responsible for expressing opinion on these financial statements under Section 227 of the Companies Act, 1956 based on independent audit in accordance with the Auditing and Assurance Standards prescribed by their professional body, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. This is stated to have been done by them vide their Audit Report dated 29 July 2010.

I, on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, have conducted a supplementary audit under Section 619(3)(b) of the Companies Act, 1956 of the financial statements of Balmer Lawrie & Co. Limited, Kolkata for the year ended 31 March 2010. This supplementary audit has been carried out independently without access to the working papers of the Statutory Auditors and is limited primarily to inquiries of the statutory auditors and company personnel and a selective examination of some of the accounting records. On the basis of my audit, nothing significant has come to my knowledge which would give rise to any comment upon or supplement to Statutory Auditors' Report under Section 619(4) of the Companies Act, 1956.

For and on behalf of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India

Sd/(Nandana Munshi)
Principal Director of Commercial
Audit & Ex-Officio Member,
Audit Board – I,
KOLKATA

Place : Kolkata Date : 24 August, 2010

# Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

SCHEDULE	S			As at 31st	March, 2009
		Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Sources of Funds					
Shareholders' Funds	4	1 000 01		1.000.01	
Share Capital Reserves and Surplus	1	1,628.61 44,567.42	46,196.03	1,628.61 37,206.15	38,834.76
Deferred Taxation Liability 14.2	_	44,307.42	1100.08	37,200.13	530.08
Dolonto Taxation Elability 11.2	.0		1100.00		000.00
			47296.11		39364.84
Application of Funds					
Fixed Assets	•	04 000 07		00.455.40	
	3	31,088.27		30,155.49	
Less: Depreciation		13,473.44		13,086.39	
Less: Impairment of Assets		117.40		150.87	
Net Block		17,497.43		16,918.23	
Conital auranditura in Drawca					
Capital expenditure in Progress Including Pre-Production Expenses		1,949.67		308.93	
Advance against Capital Expenditure	5	240.08	19,687.18	77.04	17,304.20
Advance against Suprial Experience			.0,007.110		17,001.20
Investments	4		4,394.12		5,005.96
Net Current Assets					
Current Assets, Loans and Advances					
	5	9,169.68		7,884.72	
	6	24,467.31		23,356.23	
	7 8	26,716.58 9,043.41		24,873.32 6,838.09	
Loans and Advances	0				
		69,396.98		62,952.36	
Less:					
Current Liabilities and Provisions	9				
Current Liabilities		37,386.80		34,401.80	
Provisions		8,795.37		11,495.88	
		46,182.17		45,897.68	
Net Coment Assets			00.044.04		47.054.00
Net Current Assets			23,214.81		17,054.68
			47,296.11		39,364.84
Notes on Accounts 1	4				

The Schedules referred to above form part of the Accounts.

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants

Firm Registration No. 314010E

**Significant Accounting Policies** 

Partner Membership No. 13852 Kolkata, the 29th July, 2010

S. K. Mukherjee Managing Director

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M. P. Bezbaruah Asish K. Bhattacharyya VLVSS Subba Rao K. Subramanyan *Directors* 

P. K. Bora Abha Chaturvedi V. Sinha V. N. Sharma

Sinha Sharma Amit Ghosh Secretary

S. P. Datta

# Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

SCI	HEDULES		2008-09
		Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Income			
Sales		70.077.77	00.050.00
Manufactured Goods Less: Excise Duty		73,877.77 7,791.75	63,058.22 7,921.85
Less . Excise Duty			
Trading Coods		66,086.02	55,136.37
Trading Goods Turnkey Projects		181.11 798.41	200.51 2,197.09
Services		94,267.36	1,06,342.53
Other Income	10	5,925.57	5,780.08
		1,67,258.47	1,69,656.58
Expenditure		1,07,200111	
Raw Materials Consumed		47,480.62	41,331.71
Purchases		41,400.02	11,001.71
- Trading Goods		149.90	152.09
- Turnkey Projects		1,260.16	2,109.07
Cost of Services		76,747.09	87,101.46
General Expenditure	11	25,677.96	22,746.43
Depreciation		1,160.62	1,051.67
Accretion(-) / Decretion to Inventories	12	(E20.92)	(1.50)
Prior Period Adjustments	13	(529.82) 14.04	(1.52) 9.30
Thor renor Adjustments	10		
		1,51,960.57	1,54,500.21
Profit before Taxation		15,297.90	15,156.37
Provision for Taxation - Current		2,998.70	5,785.00
- Deferred	14.26	570.00	(880.00)
- Fringe Benefit T Profit after Taxation	ax	0.00 11,729.20	90.00 10,161.37
Balance Brought Forward		12,203.91	8,853.32
Available for Appropriation		23,933.11	19,014.69
Proposed Final Dividend		3,745.80	3,257.22
·			
Corporate Tax on Dividend		622.13	553.56
Transfer to General Reserve		3,000.00	3,000.00
Balance Carried Forward		16,565.18	12,203.91
Earnings per Share (Rs.) [ Basic & Diluted ]		<del>72.02</del>	62.39

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The Schedules referred to above form part of the Accounts

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants

Chartered Accountants
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S. K. Mukherjee Managing Director M. P. Bezbaruah Asish K. Bhattacharyya VLVSS Subba Rao K. Subramanyan Directors P. K. Bora Abha Chaturvedi V. Sinha

V. Sinna
V. N. Sharma
Amit Ghosh
Secretary

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

SCHEDULE	1 SHARE CAPITAL		As at
		Rs./Lakhs	31st March, 2009 Rs./Lakhs
Authorised			
3,00,00,000	(3,00,00,000) Equity shares of Rs.10 each	3,000.00	3,000.00
Issued and S	Subscribed		
90,65,547	(90,65,547) Equity shares of Rs.10 each fully paid up in cash	906.56	906.56
4,48,130	(4,48,130) Equity shares of Rs.10 each allotted as fully paid shares pursuant to amalgamation of Steel Containers Ltd. and Industrial Containers Ltd. with the company	44.81	44.81
67,72,404	(67,72,404) Equity shares of Rs.10 each allotted as fully paid Bonus Shares by way of capitalisation of General Reserve and Share premium	677.24	677.24
		1,628.61	1,628.61

Note: Out of the above, 1,00.64,700 (1,00,64,700) Equity Shares are held by Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd. (Holding Company).

#### SCHEDIII E 2 RESERVES AND SURPLUS

SCHEDULE 2	RESERVES	AND SURPLUS		316	As at st March, 2009
		Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Share Premium Account As per last Account			3,626.77		3,626.77
Foreign Projects Reserve As per last Account Less: Transferred to General Reserve		5.00 5.00	_	5.00	5.00
General Reserve As per last Account		21,370.47		18,370.47	
Add : Transferred from Foreign Projects Reserve		5.00		-	
Add: Transferred from Profit  & Loss Account		3,000.00	24,375.47	3,000.00	21,370.47
Profit and Loss Account			16,565.18		12,203.91
			44,567.42		37,206.15

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March , 2010

SCHEDULE 3 (in Rs. / Lakhs)

(A) Assets held for active use FIXED ASSETS

		GROSS	BLOCK			DEPRECIAT	ION		IMPAIF	MENT OF A	SSETS	NET BLOC	К
PARTICULARS	Original cost as at 1st April, 2009	Additions during the year	Total cost of items sold or scrapped / Adjusted	Original Cost as at 31st March, 2010	Upto 31st March, 2009	For the year	On Items sold or Scrapped / Adjusted (*)	Total	As at 1st April, 2009	For the Year	Balance as on 31.3.2010	W.D.V. as at 31st March 2010	W.D.V. as at 31st March 2009
Land - Freehold	1,208.22	-	1.86	1,206.36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,206.36	1,208.22
- Leasehold	2,362.59	369.24	-	2,731.83	451.16	49.67		500.83	-	-	-	2,231.00	1,911.43
Buildings & Sidings	9,105.05	348.12	5.35	9,447.82	1,946.89	197.00	(4.46)	2,148.35	74.52	(4.31)	70.21	7,229.26	7,083.64
Plant & Machinery	11,478.92	426.71	129.38	11,776.25	6,566.19	573.55	109.64	7,030.10	43.35	(1.24)	42.11	4,704.04	4,869.38
Spares for Plant & Machinery	621.51	10.08	472.62	158.97	593.10	10.69	462.08	141.71	10.54	(10.54)	-	17.26	17.87
Electrical Installation and Equipment	1,914.43	249.39	99.30	2,064.52	1,156.03	99.51	75.71	1,179.83	17.41	(16.24)	1.17	883.52	740.99
Furniture and Fittings	557.81	62.27	24.83	595.25	404.61	35.01	23.91	415.71	-	-	-	179.54	153.20
Typewriters, Accounting Machine and Office Equipment	1,795.94	194.68	101.79	1,888.83	1,313.00	148.13	99.66	1,361.47	1.14	(1.14)	-	527.36	481.80
Tubewells, Tanks and Miscellaneous		40.00			-10.10								
Equipment	936.02	42.03	8.57	969.48	549.43	38.08	7.21	580.30	3.91	-	3.91	385.27	382.68
Vehicles	81.69	4.99	10.91	75.77	24.27	6.82	6.98	24.11	-	-	-	51.66	57.42
Intangible Assets	-	79.88	-	79.88	-	9.32	-	9.32	-	-	-	70.56	-
VTotal ( A )	30,062.18	1,787.39	854.61	30,994.96	13,004.68	1,167.78	780.73	13,391.73	150.87	(33.47)	117.40	17,485.83	16,906.63

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

SCHEDULE 3 (Continued)
(B) Assets held for Disposal

## FIXED ASSETS

( in Rs. / Lakhs)

		GROSS	BLOCK			DEPRECIATI	ON		IMP <i>A</i>	AIRMENT OF	ASSETS	NET BLOC	K
PARTICULARS	Original Cost as at 1st April, 2009	Additions during the year	Total cost of items sold or scrapped / Adjusted	Original Cost as at 31st March, 2010	Upto 31st March, 2009	For the year	On Items sold or Scrapped / Adjusted (*)	Total	As at 1st April, 2009	For the year	Balance as on 31.3.2010	W.D.V. As at 31st March 2010	W.D.V. As at 31st March 2009
Land - Freehold	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	-	_	_	-
- Leasehold	6.18	_	-	6.18	0.69	_	-	0.69	-	_	-	5.49	5.49
Buildings & Sidings	10.19	_	-	10.19	5.22	_	-	5.22	_	-	_	4.97	4.97
Plant & Machinery	34.39	_	-	34.39	33.29	_	_	33.29	_	-	_	1.10	1.10
Spares for Plant & Machinery	25.01	_	_	25.01	25.01	_	_	25.01	_	_	_	-	-
Electrical Installation and Equipme	ent 5.36	-	_	5.36	5.32	-	-	5.32	-	-	_	0.04	0.04
Furniture and Fittings	1.16	-	_	1.16	1.16	-	-	1.16	_	_	-	-	-
Typewriters, Accounting Machine and Office Equipment	3.04	-	-	3.04	3.04	-	-	3.04	-	_	-	_	-
Tubewells, Tanks and Miscellanceous													
Equipment	7.98	_	_	7.98	7.98	_	_	7.98	_	_	_	_	-
Total (B)	93.31	_	-	93.31	81.71	-	-	81.71	_	_	_	11.60	11.60
Grand - Total (A+B)	30,155.49	1,787.39	854.61	31,088.27	13,086.39	1,167.78	780.73	13,473.44	150.87	(33.47)	117.40	17,497.43	16,918.23
2008-09	28,847.69	2,240.83	933.03	30,155.49	12,526.68	1,057.13	497.42	13,086.39	211.24	(60.37)	150.87	16,918.23	

	2009-10	2008-09
	Rs.	Rs.
Depreciation for the year as above	1,167.78	1,057.13
Less: Prior Period Adjustment	7.16	5.46
Depreciation as per Profit & Loss Account	1,160.62	1,051.67

## Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

**SCHEDULE 4 INVESTMENTS** As at 31st March, 2009 Rs./Lakhs Rs./Lakhs Rs./Lakhs Rs./Lakhs Unquoted, unless otherwise stated **Long Term Investments** (a) Trade Investments Fully paid up - at cost 3,57,591 (3,57,591) Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in Bridge and Roof Co.(India) Ltd. 14.01 14.01 1,95,900 (1,95,900) Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in Biecco Lawrie Ltd. (carried in books at a value of Re. 1) 1,13,61,999 (79,03,998) Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in Transafe Services Ltd. 1,165.12 611.84 [Incl. 34,58,001 Equity Shares acquired in 2009-10 (2008-09 - includes 18,23,998 Equity shares allotted during 2008-09 on rights basis)] Less: Provision for diminution in value 1,165.12 0.00 (carried in books at a value of Re. 1) 45,00,000 (45,00,000) Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10 each in AVI-OIL India [P] Ltd. 450.00 450.00 9,800 (9,800) Shares of Dhs. 1000 each in Balmer Lawrie (UAE) LLC 890.99 890.99 63,19,978 (63,19,978) Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in Balmer Lawrie-Van Leer Ltd. 1,164.55 2,519.55 1,164.55 3,131.39 (b) Investment in Subsidiary Company Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd. Fully Paid up-at cost 33,80,312 (33,80,312) Ordinary Shares of Pound 1 each 1,874.06 1,874.06 (c) Other Investments Fully paid up-at cost 71 (71) Equity Shares of Rs. 100 each in Duncan Brothers & Co. Ltd. (Quoted) 0.06 0.06 172 (172) 1/2 % Redeemable Registered Debentures of Rs. 100 each in the East India Clinic Ltd. 0.17 0.17 280 (280) 5% Non-redeemable Debenture Stock 1957 of Rs. 100 each in the East India Clinic Ltd. 0.28 0.28 0.51 0.51 4,394.12 5,005.96 Quoted Investment-at cost [Market value Rs. 0.15 Lakhs (2008/09 - Rs. 0.15 Lakhs)] 0.06 0.06 Unquoted Investment-at cost 4,394.06 5,005.90 4,394.12 5.005.96

**SCHEDULE 5** 

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

**INVENTORIES** 

SCHEDULE 5	INVENTORIES	As at 31st March, 2009		
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Raw Materials [ net of provision Rs. 116.98 lakhs ( 2008-09 - Rs. 125.89 lakhs) ]		4,964.37		4,281.76
Finished Products [ net of provision Rs. 171.25 lakhs ( 2008-09 - Rs. 52.81 lakhs) ]		2,921.64		2,607.45
Work-in-Progress [ net of provision Rs. Nil lakhs ( 2008-09 - Rs. 20.55 lakhs) ]		749.62		651.05
Stock-in-Transit				
Raw Materials Finished Products	96.10 199.79	295.89	39.35 82.73	122.08
Stores and Spare Parts [ net of provision Rs. 33.72 lakhs ( 2008-09 - Rs. 0.93 lakhs) ]		238.03		221.90
Loose Tools		0.13		0.48
		9,169.68		7,884.72

SCHEDULE 6	DEBTORS	As at

Debts due for more than six months Unsecured Considered Good Considered doubtful
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts Other Debts Unsecured Considered Good

DEBTORS			As at
		319	st March, 2009
Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
3,403.16		3,798.13	
889.16		877.94	
009.10		077.94	
4,292.32		4,676.07	
889.16	3,403.16	877.94	3,798.13
21,064.15	21,064.15	19,558.10	19,558.10
	24,467.31		23,356.23

As at

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

## SCHEDULE 7 CASH AND BANK BALANCES

As at 31st March, 2009

	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Cash in hand [(including cheques and stamps - Rs. 0.01 Lakhs (2008-09 - Rs. 3.74 Lakhs )]		13.41		15.07
With Scheduled Banks In Current Accounts In Short term Deposit Account In Dividend Accounts	4,119.70 22,478.96 104.06	26,702.72	4,486.64 20,242.93 81.08	24,810.65
With Standard Chartered Bank, Dubai In Current Account [Maximum Amount at any time during the year		0.45		47.60
Rs. 47.60 Lakhs (2008-09 - Rs. 47.60 Lakhs)]		26,716.58		24,873.32

## SCHEDULE 8 LOANS AND ADVANCES

As at 31st March, 2009

	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Advances recoverable in Cash				
or in kind or for value				
to be received - Considered Good				
Secured	874.30		899.92	
[Due from Director and				
another officer- Rs. 1.96 Lakhs				
Maximum amount due at any time during				
the year - Rs. 2.97 lakhs				
(2008/09 - Due Rs. 2.97 Lakhs and				
Maximum amount due - Rs. 3.64 Lakhs)]				
Unsecured				
Holding Company				
Balmer Lawrie Investments Limited	5.09		1.26	
Others	5,849.75		3,865.89	
Considered Doubtful	85.00		99.71	
	6,814.14		4,866.78	
Less: Provision	85.00	6,729.14	99.71	4,767.07
Deposits - Unsecured				
Considered Good		1,801.89		1,584.05
Balance with Customs, Port Trust				
Central Excise, etc., Considered Good		512.38		486.97
		9,043.41		6,838.09

# Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

## **SCHEDULE 9**

## **CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS**

As at 31st March, 2009

	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Current Liabilities				
Sundry Creditors				
<ul> <li>Due to micro and small enterprises</li> </ul>		31.35		24.32
- Due to others		36,611.08		33,149.20
Amounts received in advance against contracts		640.31		1,147.20
Investor Education and Protection Fund shall				
be credited by the following amount namely:				
- Unclaimed Dividend		104.06		81.08
[ Refer Note below ]				
		37,386.80		34,401.80
Provisions				
Provision against Guarantee obligations	772.86		1,159.29	
Less: payment made during the year	386.43	386.43	386.43	772.86
Proposed Final Dividend		3,745.80		3,257.22
Taxation, net of Advance Payment		4,663.14		7,465.80
		8,795.37		11,495.88
		46,182.17		45,897.68

Note: There is no amount due and outstanding as at Balance Sheet date to be credited to Investor Education and Protection Fund.

# Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

## SCHEDULE 10 OTHER INCOME

		2008-09
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Income from Long Term Investments		
Trade Investments		
Dividend	734.10	689.20
Interest on Advances, Deposits		
Deferred Credit and Overdue Debts (Gross)	2,082.72	1,572.90
[ Tax deducted at source Rs. 296.74 Lakhs		
(2008/09 - Rs. 140.55 Lakhs)]		
Profit on Disposal of Fixed Assets	46.90	232.53
Surrender / Transfer of Leasehold Rights	0.00	934.40
Export Incentive	36.25	17.25
Rent	289.52	279.55
Packing and Despatching	412.99	339.64
Discount and Commission	1.68	1.96
Claims	39.71	7.25
Liabilities/Provisions		
no longer required written back	714.09	659.75
Sundries	1,567.61	1,045.65
	5,925.57	5,780.08

# Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

## **SCHEDULE 11**

## **GENERAL EXPENDITURE**

		2008-09
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Salaries, Wages, Bonus, Pensions and Gratuity		
[includes Pensions to Ex-Directors Rs. 1.29 Lakhs		
(2008/09 - Rs. 1.64 Lakhs )]	9,964.98	8,842.39
Contribution to Provident and Other Funds	945.15	579.93
Workmen and Staff Welfare Expenses	889.99	693.58
Manufacturing Expenses	659.96	563.64
Excise Duty [ Refer Note no. 14.19 ]	154.41	271.18
Consumption of Stores and Spare Parts	422.15	394.27
Repairs and Maintenance		33 <u>_</u> .
Buildings	696.17	617.68
Plant & Machinery	168.28	136.39
Others	259.32	204.70
Power and Fuel	1,561.80	1,390.62
	228.33	219.65
Electricity and Gas Rent	472.23	518.37
Insurance	89.39	85.86
Packing, Despatching, Freight and	4 045 05	1 510 00
Shipping Charges.	1,945.65	1,519.36
Rates and Taxes.	187.23	114.30
Interest [includes Rs. Nil Lakhs on Fixed Loans		
(2008/09 - Rs. 32.93 Lakhs)]	254.91	518.04
Auditor's Remuneration and Expenses	13.47	13.16
Bad Debts written off	157.70	87.96
Advances written off	12.92	37.41
Fixed Assets written off	16.79	63.57
Inventory written off	0.07	_
Provision for slow / non-moving inventory	136.87	150.18
Provisions for Debts, Deposits, Loans and		
Advances considered doubtful	222.04	420.34
Provision for diminution in value of investments	1,165.12	0.00
Loss on disposal of Fixed Assets	5.10	0.20
Selling commission	346.54	353.00
Cash Discount	364.97	268.81
Bank Charges and Discount	119.55	121.46
Travelling Expenses	815.56	802.45
Printing and Stationery	172.33	225.43
Motor Car Expenses	70.05	69.09
Telephone, Telex, Postage, Cables and Telegrams	254.26	256.24
Donations	5.00	1.27
Turnover Tax/Additional Tax on Sales Tax	-	0.49
Amortisation of Deferred Revenue Expenditure (VRS)	_	23.56
Expenditure on VRS for current year	30.95	44.46
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,943.18	3,189.15
Miscellatieous Experises	2,943.10	<del></del>
	25,752.42	22,798.19
Less : Provision for Debts, Deposits, Loans & Advances		
and Investments considered doubtful,written back	74.46	51.76
and investments considered doubtidi, written back	74.40	51.76
	25 677 06	22.746.42
	25,677.96	22,746.43

# Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

## **SCHEDULE 12**

## **ACCRETION (-) DECRETION TO INVENTORIES**

				2008-09
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Stocks and Work-in-Progress				
Opening Balance				
Trading Goods	_		24.45	
Work-in-Progress	651.05		724.47	
Finished Products	2,690.18	3,341.23	2,590.79	3,339.71
Less: Closing Balance				
Work-in-Progress	749.62		651.05	
Finished Goods				
[including in transit				
Rs. 199.79 Lakhs				
(2008/09 - Rs. 82.73 Lakhs)]	3,121.43	3,871.05	2,690.18	3,341.23
		(529.82)		(1.52)

## **SCHEDULE 13**

## **PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS**

	2008-09	
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Expenditure		
Experiance		
General Expenditure	6.88	3.84
Depreciation	7.16	5.46
	14.04	9.30
Net Debit	14.04	9.30
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## **Notes on Accounts**

#### **SCHEDULE-14**

- 14.1 (a) Fixed Deposit with bank amounting to Rs. 2.12 lakhs (Rs. 2.12 lakhs) are lodged with certain authorities as security.
  - (b) Conveyance deeds of certain land costing Rs.1,770.94 lakhs (Rs. 1,807.80 lakhs) and buildings, with written down value of Rs. 113.94 lakhs (Rs. 117.13 lakhs) are pending registration / mutation.
  - Certain buildings & sidings with written down value of Rs. 4,173.24 lakhs (Rs.4,157.90 lakhs) are situated on (c) leasehold/rented land. Some of the leases with Kolkata Port trust have expired and are under renewal. Action has been taken for finalizing the agreements with Kolkata Port Trust for renewal of such pending cases.
- Contingent Liabilities as at 31st March, 2010 not provided for in the accounts are: 14.2
  - Disputed demand for Excise Duty, Income Tax, Sales Tax and Service Tax amounting to Rs. 7,037.98 lakhs (Rs. 6,101.52 lakhs) against which the Company has lodged appeal/petition before appropriate authorities. Details of such disputed demands as on 31st March, 2010 are given in Annexure - A.
  - Claims against the company not acknowledged as debts amounts to Rs. 721.76 lakhs (Rs. 697.48 lakhs) in respect of which the Company has lodged appeals/petitions before appropriate authorities. In respect of employees/ ex-employees related disputes financial effect is ascertainable on settlement.
  - (c) Bills discounted with banks Rs. 75.77 Lakhs (Rs. Nil Lakhs).
- Counter guarantees given to Standard Chartered Bank, Bank of Baroda, HSBC, State Bank of India and Indusind Bank in respect of guarantees given by them amounts to Rs. 3,578.24 lakhs (Rs. 4,290.27 lakhs).
- 14.4 Estimated amount of contract remaining to be executed on Capital Accounts and not provided for [net of advances paid - Rs. 55.41 lakhs (2008-09 Rs. 48.12 lakhs )] amounted to Rs. 1,513.33 lakhs (Rs. 1,564.85 lakhs).
- 14.5 There are no Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, to whom the Company owes dues, which are outstanding for more than 45 days at the Balance Sheet date except as is shown below :

Name of the supplier	Amount due as on		Interest paid paym		Interest due an delayed pa	
	31-03-2010 (Rs. / Lakhs)	31-03-2009 (Rs./ Lakhs)	2009-10 (Rs. / Lakhs)	2008-09 (Rs./ Lakhs)	31.03.2010 (Rs. / Lakhs)	31.03.2009 (Rs./ Lakhs)
Plastic Processors	2.38	2.54	_	0.04	0.36	-

The above information has been determined to the extent such parties have been identified on the basis of information available with the company and relied upon by the auditors.

- 14.6 The amount of exchange difference credited to Profit & Loss account is Rs. 238.35 lakhs (Rs. (-) 471.01 lakhs).
- 14.7 Confirmation letters have been issued in respect of debts, loans and advances and deposits of the company but not responded to in many cases. Hence unconfirmed balances are subject to reconciliation and consequent adjustments, if any, would be determined / made on receipt of such confirmation.
- 14.8 Remuneration of Managing Director and Wholetime Directors :

	2009-10	2008-09
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Salaries	142.98	(37.65)
Contribution to Provident and Gratuity Fund	14.85	(22.66)
Perquisites	13.66	(11.00)
	171.49	(71.31)

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

## 14.9 Auditors' remuneration and expenses :

	2009-10	2008-09
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
Statutory Auditors		
<ul><li>Audit Fees</li></ul>	3.00	(3.00)
<ul><li>Tax Audit Fees</li></ul>	0.70	(0.70)
<ul> <li>Other Capacity for Limited Review and</li> </ul>		
Other certification jobs	2.40	(1.90)
Branch Auditors		
<ul><li>Audit Fees</li></ul>	6.20	(6.20)
<ul> <li>Other Capacity</li> </ul>	_	-
<ul> <li>Expenses relating to audit of Accounts</li> </ul>	1.17	(1.36)
	13.47	(13.16)

## 14.10 Particulars in respect of goods manufactured :

## (a) Capacity and Production:

Class of Goods	Unit	Installed Capacity (Single Shift Basis)	Ac	tual Production	
			With own materials	With customers' materials	Total
Greases & Lubricating Oils	M.T./K.L	74,280	34,266	8,944	43,210
		(73,200)	(25,375)	(9,530)	(34,905)
Barrels and Drums	Nos.	39,08,500	39,19,666	_	39,19,666
		(39,08,500)	(30,62,636)	(–)	(30,62,636)
Blended Tea including Bulk, Packets and Tea Bags	M.T.	3,000	82	43	125
-		(3,000)	(224)	(83)	(307)
Leather Auxiliaries	M.T.	3,900	5,964	_	5,964
		(3,350)	(5,222)	(-)	(5,222)

<sup>(</sup>i) Under the Industrial Policy Statement dated 24 July, 1991 and the notifications issued there under, no licensing is required for the Company's products.

<sup>(</sup>ii) Installed Capacities are as certified by the Management.

# Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

14.10 (b) Stock & Sale of Goods Manufactured (with own materials):

		C	pening	CI	osing			Sales
Class of Goods	Unit	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value		Qty.	Value
			Rs./Lakhs		Rs./Lakhs			Rs./Lakhs
Grease & Lubricating Oils	M.T./ K.L.	3,170 (3,116)	2,190.28 (2,022.76)	3,648 (3,170)	2,569.74 (2,190.28)	33,764 (25,254)		29,961.38 (24,133.62)
Barrels and Drums	Nos.	42,235 (44,858)	335.65 (372.83)	52,583 (42,235)	423.46 (335.65)	38,08,392 (29,73,062)		35,155.64 (30,521.47)
Blended Teas including Bulk, Packets and Tea Bags	M.T.	2 (46)	3.09 (25.25)	1 (2)	1.51 (3.09)	82 (267)		128.40 (438.64)
Leather Auxiliaries	M.T.	274 (300)	146.28 (153.52)	254 (274)	125.92 (146.28)	5,984 (5,248)		4,456.96 (3,956.05)
Others including Manufacturing Scrap			14.88 (16.43)		0.80 (14.88)			1,097.54 (967.33)
			2,690.18 (2,590.79)		3,121.43 (290.18)			70,799.92 (60.017.11)

# 14.10 (c) Stock & Sale of Goods Manufactured (with customers' materials) :

		Opening			Closing			Sales	
Class of Goods Un	it	Qty.		Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	
			Rs./I	Lakhs		Rs./Lakhs		Rs./Lakhs	
Greases & Lubricating Oils Blended Teas	M.T./ K.L		- (-)	- (-)	(-)	(-)	8,944 (9,530)	3,064.75 (3,013.96)	
including Bulk, Packets and Tea Bags	M.T.		(-) —	(-) 	(-)	(-)	43 (83)	13.10 (27.15)	
			=	(-)		(-)		3,077.85 (3,041.11)	

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

## 14.11 Analysis of Raw Materials Consumed (excluding materials supplied by Customers) :

	Unit	Quantity	Value Rs./Lakhs
Steel	M.T.	71,854 (56,276)	24,227.05 (21,954.31)
Lubricating Base Oils	K.L	30,361 (21,543)	11,337.22 (10,037.23)
Additives and other Chemicals	M.T./ K.L.	4,728 (4,382)	4,051.42 (3,470.00)
Vegetable and Other Fats	M.T.	3,229 (2,284)	1,940.02 (1,435.32)
Tea	M.T.	124 (267)	93.19 (258.10)
Drum Closures	Set	37,64,118 (27,08,131)	1,130.89 (820.01)
Paraffin Wax	M.T.	1,131 (1,162)	737.66 (820.88)
Paints	Ltr.	7,46,665 (5,98,418)	763.46 (553.65)
Others			3,199.71 (1,982.21)
			47,480.62 (41,331.71)

## 14.12 Value of Raw Materials, Components and Spare Parts consumed:

Raw Materials	Rs./Lakhs	(%)	Rs./Lakhs	(%)
Imported	2,521.31	5.31	(1,594.44)	(3.86)
Indigenous	44,959.31	94.69	(39,737.27)	(96.14)
	47,480.62	100.00	(41,331.71)	(100.00)
Spares & Components				
Imported	2.46	2.11	(6.58)	(5.58)
Indigenous	113.98	97.89	(111.43)	(94.42)
	116.44	100.00	(118.01)	(100.00)

## 14.13 (a) Purchase and Sale of Trading Goods:

	•	P	urchase	S	ale
Class of Goods	Unit	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
			Rs./Lakhs		Rs./Lakhs
Leather Auxiliaries	M.T.	_	_	_	_
		(–)	(–)	(12)	(31.23)
Speciality Containers	Nos.	49	137.83	49	164.62
		(19)	(152.09)	(19)	(169.28)
Others			12.07		16.49
			(–)		(–)
			149.90		181.11
			(152.09)		(200.51)

Sales of Leather Chemicals do not include Nil MT (5 MT) used for internal consumption.

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

## 14.13 (b) Stock of Trading Goods:

			Opening			Closing
Class of Goods	Unit	Quantity	Value	Qua	antity	Value
			Rs./Lakhs	i		Rs./Lakhs
Leather Auxiliaries	M.T.	– (17)	(24.42)	-	( <del>-</del> )	_ (-)
		(17)	(27.72)	l.	(-)	(-)
Otherwa			(0.00)	•	_	_
Others			(0.03)	_	(–)	(-)
Total			(24.45)	- 		_ ( <del>-</del> )
				<u> </u>		
14.14 (a) Value of Imports on C.I.F I	oasis:			Rs./Lakhs		Rs./Lakhs
Raw Materials				1,998.09		(1,295.05)
Components and Spare Pa	arts			10.66		(19.63)
Capital Goods				160.78		(192.61)
				2,169.53		(1,507.29)
14.14 (b) Expenditure in Foreign Co	urrency:		:			
Services				10,762.61		(11,865.95)
Others				96.04		(85.30)
				10,858.65		(11,951.25)
			:			
14.14 (c) Earnings in Foreign Curre	ency:					
Export of Goods and Comp calculated on F.O.B basis				684.12		(967.34)
Interest and Dividend				597.08		(593.46)
Services				250.22		(323.88)
Freight, Insurance, Exchan Miscellaneous items	ge Gain and	t		4.62		(14.26)

Earnings from services exclude deemed exports of Rs. 207.60 Lakhs (Rs. 39.82 lakhs).

14.15 Research and Development expenditure charged to Profit & Loss Account during the year 2009-10 amounts to Rs. 323.62 lakhs (Rs. 271.45 lakhs).

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(1,898.94)

- 14.16 Excess Income Tax provision in respect of four earlier years amounting to Rs. 1976.30 lakhs (Rs. Nil Lakhs) has been set-off with the current year's provision.
- 14.17 A major irregularity in the accounts of Transafe Services Limited (TSL), a joint venture company promoted by the Company in 1991, was detected leading to its accounts for the year 2009-10 showing substantial loss after incorporation of rectification entries. TSL is operating primarily in the Logistics sector, where the long term prospects are bright. However, the Company, following the policy of conservative accounting, has during the year provided Rs. 1165.12 lakhs, being the full value of investments in TSL in terms of Accounting Standard 13 "Accounting for Investments" towards diminution in value.

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

- 14.18 Operations at the Lube Blending Plant at Taloja remain suspended since 2006-07 due to unremunerative orders.
- 14.19 The amount of Excise duty deducted from the amount of "Sales Manufactured Goods" is relatable to Sales made during the period and the amount of Excise Duty recognised separately in Schedule 12 "General Expenditure" is related to the difference between the closing stock and the opening stock.

## 14.20 Employee Benefits

Consequent to Accounting Standard 15 on Employee Benefits (Revised) issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India being applicable to the Company during the year, the prescribed disclosures are made in Annexure B.

Defined Benefit Plans / Long Term Employee benefits in respect of Gratuity , Leave Encashment and Long Service Awards are recognised in the Profit & Loss Account on the basis of Actuarial valuation done at the year end. The details of such employee benefits as recognised in the financial statements are attached as Annexure B.

14.21 Loans and Advances in the nature of loans to Subsidiary / Joint Ventures / Associates

The company do not have any Loans and Advances in the nature of Loans provided to its Subsidiary / Joint Venture Companies / Associates as at the year end except as is disclosed in 14.22 below.

## 14.22 Related Party Disclosure

i)	Name of Related Party	Nature of Relationship
	Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd.	Holding Company
	Balmer Lawrie (U.K.) Ltd.	Wholly owned Subsidiary
	Transafe Services Ltd	Joint Venture
	Balmer Lawrie - Van Leer Ltd.	Joint Venture
	Balmer Lawrie (UAE) Llc.	Joint Venture
	Avi - Oil India (P) Ltd.	Joint Venture
	Proseal Closures Ltd.	Subsidiary of Balmer Lawrie Van Leer Ltd.
	PT Imani Ganda Utama	Joint Venture of Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd. ( w.e.f. 15-02-2010)
	Shri S K Mukherjee, Managing Director	Key Management Personnel
	Shri P Radhakrishnan, Director (Services Businesses)	Key Management Personnel (Till 31-12-2009)
	Shri V N Sharma, Director (Manufacturing Businesses)	Key Management Personnel
	Shri K Subramanyan, Director(Finance)	Key Management Personnel

# Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

ii)	Transactions with Related P	arties					Rs./Lakhs
	Type of Transaction		Holding Company	Subsidiary	Joint Ventures	Key Management Personnel	TOTAL
a)	Sale of Goods	31/03/10 31/03/09	1.13 0.91	-	54.10 0.41	-	55.23 1.32
b)	Purchase of Goods	31/03/10 31/03/09	• - • •	- -	1207.94 949.92	-	1207.94 949.92
c)	Value of Services Rendered	31/03/10 31/03/09	17.96 14.19	<u>-</u> -	467.83 427.56	-	485.79 441.75
d)	Value of Services Received	31/03/10 31/03/09	-	- -	3.35 5.55	173.83 74.41	177.18 79.96
e)	Sale of Fixed Assets	31/03/10 31/03/09	-	-	1453.00	- -	1453.00
f)	Purchase of Fixed Assets	31/03/10 31/03/09	- 		- 5.59	-	- 5.59
g)	Income from leasing or hire purchase agreement	31/03/10 31/03/09	- -	- -	1.10 33.56	-	1.10 33.56
h)	Investment in shares as on	31/03/10 31/03/09	- -	1,874.06 1,874.06	2,505.54 3,117.38	-	4,379.60 4,991.44
i)	Loans given as on	31/03/10 31/03/09	· -	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,547.92	1.96 2.97	2,549.88 2.97
j)	Dividend Income	31/03/10 31/03/09	· -	- -	733.74 688.84	- -	733.74 688.84
k)	Dividend Paid	31/03/10 31/03/09	2,012.96 1,711.01	<u>-</u> .	· · · · · · - · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	- -	2,012.96 1,711.01
I)	Interest Income	31/03/10 31/03/09	, -	-	201.11 81.89	0.01 0.03	201.12 81.92
m)	Amount received on a/c. of salaries, etc. of Employees deputed or otherwise	31/03/10 31/03/09	8.46 6.75	- -	63.48 24.74	; · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	71.94 31.49
n)	Guarantee given during the year ended	31/03/10 31/03/09	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	- -	<u>-</u>
o)	Net outstanding recoverable as on	31/03/10 31/03/09	5.29 1.26	- -	359.24 767.13	1.96 2.97	366.49 771.36
p)	Net outstanding payable as on	31/03/10 31/03/09		- -	181.53 116.61	<u>-</u>	181.53 116.61
q)	Balance outstanding against guarantee given as on	31/03/10 31/03/09	, <sup>1</sup> -	- -	386.43 772.86		386.43 772.86

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

14.23 The Engineering & Technology Services Division of the Company had during the year 2009-10 undertaken various project assignments for which accounting has been done based on Accounting Standard - 7 (AS-7) - Construction Contracts. The relevant particulars of the project activity are as follows:

		2009-10	2008-09
		Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
(a)	Amount of contract revenue recognised as revenue in the period	798.41	2,197.08
(b)	Method used to determine the contract revenue recognised in the period	Percentage Completion Method	
(c)	Methods used to determine the stage of completion of contracts in progress	Based on certification of physical progress	
(d)	Aggregate amount of costs incurred and recognised profits (less recognised losses) upto the reporting date for contracts in progress  - Costs incurred	Nil	1,713.38
(e)	- Recognised Profit  Advances received for contracts in progress	Nil _	153.16
(f)	Amount of retentions for contracts in progress	Nil	124.54
(g)	Gross amount due from customers for contract work as an asset	Nil	Nil
(h)	Gross amount due to customers for contract work as a liability	Nil	Nil

The aforesaid information is based on technical estimates of percentage of projects completed and expenses likely to be incurred as certified by the Management and relied upon by the Auditors.

#### 14.24 Segment Reporting

Information about business segment for the year ended 31st March, 2010 in respect of reportable segments as defined by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India in the Accounting Standard - 17 in respect of "Segment Reporting" is attached as Annexure - C.

## 14.25 Earnings per Share

- (i) Earnings per share of the company has been calculated considering the Profit after Taxation of Rs.11,729.20 lakhs (Rs.10,161.37 lakhs) as the numerator.
- (ii) The weighted average number of equity shares used as denominator is 1,62,86,081 (1,62,86,081) and face value per share is Rs. 10.
- (iii) The nominal value of shares is Rs.1,628.61 lakhs (Rs. 1,628.61 lakhs) and the earnings per share (Basic and Diluted) for the year on the above mentioned basis comes to Rs. 72.02 (Rs. 62.39)

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

## 14.26 Accounting for Deferred Taxation

The major components of the net deferred tax liability are :

		200	09-10	200	8-09
		Rs/Lakhs	RadLakha	Rs./Lakhs	Rs/Lakhs
Net Opening Balance [A]			530.00		1410.08
Provision for the Current Year					333333
Liability for timing difference arisi on account of	ng during the year				
a) Provision for loans, debts, de	posits,	25.31		17.59	
advances & investment, writing	en back				
b) Adjustments for VRS expend	iture	24.19		1.07	
c) Depreciation Allowance			49.50		18.66
Less:				V W	
i) Fixed Assets written-off in ac	counts	5.71		21.61	
ii) Depreciation Allowance		0.22	and the same of th	25.57	
iii) Provision for Leave /LTA / PI	RMBS ,etc.	253.37	<b>新州市</b> 公	213.88	
iv) Salary Revision		(902.27)	AND ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTY OF	444.79	
v) Provision for slow/non-movin	g inventory	46.48		51.05	
vi) Provision for loans, debts, de	posits & advances	75.99	1	141.76	
			520.50		(-) 898.66
Net Deferred Tax Liability for the	year [B]		570.00		(-) 880.00
Balance of Deferred Taxation liab	oility [A+B]		1100.08		530.08

## 14.27 Disclosure of Interests in Joint Venture Companies

Name of Joint Venture Company	Proportion of	Country of Incorporation
## The state of th	Shareholding	3
Balmer Lawrie (UAE) Llc.	49%	United Arab Emirates
Balmer Lawrie Van Leer Ltd	40%	India
Transale Services Ltd.	50%	India
Avi Oil India (P) Ltd.	25%	India

The Company's proportionate share of the estimated amount of contracts remaining to be executed on Capital Accounts relating to the Joint Venture Companies and not provided for in their respective financial statements amounts to Rs. 269.59 lakhs (Rs. 165.52 lakhs).

The aggregate amounts of each of the assets, liabilities, income and expenses related to the interests in the Joint Venture companies are as follows:-

Assets		Rs.	40,693 lakhs ( Rs. 39,862 lakhs)
Liabilities	12	Rs.	31,264 lakhs ( Rs. 30,319 lakhs)
Income	82	Rs.	37,060 lakhs ( Rs. 33,800 lakhs)
Expenses	19	Rs.	37,141 lakhs ( Rs. 32,710 lakhs )

## Notes on Accounts (Contd.)

## 14.28 Cost of Services is comprised of:

		Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
	Air / Rail travel costs	56,273.97	(61,914.31)
	Air / Ocean freight	17,384.14	(22,367.18)
	Transportation / Handling	2,382.18	(2,215.69)
	Other Service charges	706.80	(604.28)
		76,747.09	(87,101.46)
14.29	Capital Work in Progress as at the Balance Sheet date is comprised of :		
	Asset Classification (*)	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
	Leasehold Land	1,260.00	(-)
	Building	337.12	(115.22)
	Plant & Machinery	307.79	(143.81)
	Electrical Installation & Equipment	18.98	(10.74)
	Typewriters ,Accounting Machine & Off. Equipment	1.44	(0.89)
	Tubewells, Tanks & Misc. Equipment	24.33	(38.27)
		1,949.67	(308.93)

- (\*) Subject to final allocation / adjustment at the time of capitalisation
- 14.30 Miscellaneous Expenses shown under "General Expenditure" (Schedule 12) do not include any item of expenditure which exceeds 1% of the total revenue.
- 14.31 (a) Previous year's figures have been re-grouped or re-arranged wherever so required to make them comparable with current year figures .
  - (b) Figures in brackets relate to previous year.

## **Significant Accounting Policies**

#### **SCHEDULE 15**

#### 1. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

- a) Fixed Assets are valued at cost of acquisition inclusive of any other cost attributable to bringing the same to their working condition.
- Fixed Assets manufactured/constructed in-house are valued at actual cost of raw materials, conversion cost and other related costs.
- Cost of leasehold land is amortized over the period of lease.
- d) Expenditure incurred during construction of capital projects including related pre-production expenses is treated as Capital Work-in-Progress and in case of transfer of the project to another body, the accounting is done on the basis of terms of transfer.
- e) Fixed assets retired from active use and held for disposal are stated at the lower of book value and net realisable value and are shown separately in the financial statements. Loss determined, if any, is recognised in the profit and loss statement.
- f) The company reviews the depreciation policies followed for various items of assets, its useful life and circumstances prevailing in the business so as to make a more appropriate preparation or presentation of the financial statements. Necessary adjustment is made in the depreciation charge for the assets, if any significant variation is noticed in the pattern of economic benefits embodied in the assets. Based on the above technical review, certain items of Electrical Installations and Equipment, Furniture and Fittings and Typewriter, Accounting Machine and Office Equipment are being depreciated at the rate of 15%, 20% and 25% respectively on straight line basis.
- g) Depreciation is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, prevailing from time to time at the straight line method except (i) for mobile phones at the rate of 50% per annum, (ii) for items given to employees under the furniture equipment scheme which has been provided at the rate of 25% per annum for computers and 15% per annum for other items and (iii) for assets whose actual cost does not exceed Rs. 5000, which has been depreciated fully in the year of addition of the asset, irrespective of the date of such addition.
- h) Machinery Spares, which can be used only in connection with an item of fixed asset and whose use is expected to be irregular, are treated as fixed assets and depreciated over a period of five years (by charging depreciation @ 20% p.a. on straight line basis) or the residual life of the Principal asset, whichever is lower.

## 2. Valuation of Investments

The long term investments made by the company appear at cost inclusive of acquisition charges. Provision is made

for diminution in value considering the nature and extent of permanent diminution. Current investments appear at lower of cost or fair value.

#### 3. Valuation of Inventories

- Inventories are valued at lower of cost or net realisable value. For this purpose, the basis of ascertainment of cost of the different types of inventories is as under -
  - Raw materials & trading goods (other than tea), stores & spare parts and materials for turnkey projects on the basis of weighted average cost.
  - b) Work-in-progress on the basis of weighted average cost of raw materials and conversion cost upto the relative stage of completion.
  - Finished goods on the basis of weighted average cost of raw materials, conversion cost and other related costs.
  - d) Tea (unblended, blended and packed) on the basis of specific cost.
- (ii) Tools, dies, jigs and fixtures are written off over the economic life except items costing upto Rs.10000 which are charged off in the year of issue.

#### 4. Recognition of Revenue

Revenue is recognised in compliance with the following:

a) In case of sale of goods:

When the property and all significant risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to the buyer and no significant uncertainty exists regarding the amount of consideration that is derived from the sale of goods. Sales are stated exclusive of Sales Tax / VAT.

b) In case of services rendered:

When performance in full or part as having achieved is recognised by the buyer and no significant uncertainty exists regarding the amount of consideration that is derived from rendering the services. Income from Services are exclusive of Service Tax.

c) In case of project activities:

As per the percentage of completion method after progress of work to a reasonable extent.

d) In case of other income:

i) Interest on a time proportion basis taking into account the outstanding principal and the relative rate of interest.

ii) Dividend from on establishment of the investments in shares Company's right to receive.

#### 5. Employee Benefits

 a) Company's contributions to Provident Fund and Superannuation Fund are charged to Profit and Loss Account.

#### **Significant Accounting Policies** (Contd.)

- b) Employee benefits in respect of Gratuity, Leave Encashment, Long Service Awards and Leave Travel Assistance are charged to Profit & Loss Account on the basis of actuarial valuation made at the year end.
- c) Post retirement medical benefit is also recognised on the basis of actuarial valuation made at the year end.

#### 6. Payments made under Voluntary Retirement / **Separation Schemes**

- a) Compensation comprising of Ex gratia, Notice-Pay and Rehabilitation Grant payable to employees separating under Voluntary Retirement / Separation Scheme till 31 March, 2005 is treated as Deferred Revenue Expenditure and is written off as per following instalments :-
- (i) Paid upto December, 1999 Five equal yearly
  - instalments;
- (ii) Paid during January, 2000 Sixty equal monthly to March, 2005
  - instalments.
- b) Compensation under Voluntary Retirement/ Separation Scheme with effect from
  - 1st April, 2005
- Charged off in the same financial year .

#### 7. Treatment of Prior Period and Extraordinary Items

- a) Prior period items which arise in the current period as a result of error or omission in the preparation of prior period's financial statement are separately disclosed in the current statement of profit & loss . However, differences in actual income/expenditure arising out of over or under estimation in prior period are not treated as prior period income/expenditure.
- b) Income / Expenditure upto Rs. 10000 in each case pertaining to prior years is charged to the current year.
- c) Extraordinary items, i.e., gains or losses which arise from events or transactions which are distinct from the ordinary activities of the Company which are material are separately disclosed in the statement of accounts.

#### 8. Foreign Currency Translations

- a) All transactions in foreign currency other than those specified below are converted at the exchange rate prevailing on the respective dates of transactions.
- b) Current assets (other than inventories) and current liabilities are translated at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of Balance Sheet other than those covered with forward contract.
- c) Long Term Investment, Inventories and Fixed Assets are carried at cost.
- d) In case of foreign branch, translation of the financial statement is made on the following basis -
  - Revenue items except opening and closing inventories are converted at average rate. Opening and closing inventories are translated

- at the rate prevailing at the commencement and close respectively.
- Fixed Assets and depreciation are converted at the exchange rate on the date of the transactions.
- iii) Other Current Assets and Current Liabilities are converted at the exchange rate as on the date of the Balance Sheet.
- e) Any income or expense on account of exchange difference either on settlement or on translation is recognised in the Profit & Loss Account except as stated above.
- Premium / discount arising at the inception of the forward exchange contracts entered into to hedge foreign currency risks are amortised as expense or income over the life of the contract. Exchange difference on such contracts are recognised in the Profit & Loss Account.

#### 9. Accounting for Research & Development

- a) Revenue Expenditure is shown under Primary Head of Accounts with the total of such expenditure being disclosed in the Notes.
- b) Capital expenditure relating to research & development is treated in the same way as other fixed assets.

#### 10. Treatment of Grant/Subsidy

- a) Revenue grant/subsidy in respect of research & development expenditure is set off against respective expenditure.
- b) Capital grant/subsidy against specific fixed assets is set off against the cost of those fixed assets.
- c) When grant/ subsidy is received as compensation for extra cost associated with the establishment of manufacturing units or cannot be related otherwise to any particular fixed assets the grant/subsidy so received is credited to capital reserve. On expiry of the stipulated period set out in the scheme of grant/ subsidy the same is transferred from capital reserve to general reserve.
- d) Revenue grant in respect of organisation of certain events is shown under Sundry Income and the related expenses there against under normal heads of expenditure.

#### 11. Accounting for Borrowing Cost

Borrowing Costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets which take substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets . Other Borrowing Costs are recognised as expense in the period in which they are incurred.

#### 12. Impairment of Assets

An assessment is made at each Balance Sheet date to

#### Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

determine whether there is any indication of impairment of the carrying amount of the fixed assets. If any indication exists, an asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognized whenever the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the greater of the net selling price and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value based on appropriate discount factor.

#### 13. Cash Flow Statement

Cash Flow Statement, as per Accounting Standard - 3 issued by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, is prepared using the Indirect Method.

#### 14. Segment Reporting

Segment Reporting is done as per Accounting Standard - 17 issued by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India .The Company has identified business segment as its primary reporting segment .

#### 15. Intangible Assets

(a) Expenditure incurred for acquiring intangible assets like software of Rs. 5,00,000 and above and license to use software per item of Rs. 25,000 and above, from which economic benefits will flow over a period of time, is capitalised and amortised over the estimated

- useful life of the asset or five years, whichever is earlier, from the time the intangible asset starts providing the economic benefit.
- (b) In other cases, the expenditure is charged to revenue in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

#### 16. Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Capital Commitments

- (a) Provision is recognised when there is a present obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation in respect of which a reliable estimate can be made.
- (b) Contingent liabilities are disclosed in respect of possible obligations that arise from past events but their existence is confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Company.
- (c) Capital commitments and Contingent liabilities disclosed are in respect of items which exceed Rs. 1,00,000 in each case.
- (d) Contingent liabilities are considered only on conversion of show cause notices issued by various Government authorities into demand.

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants

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Amit Ghosh Secretary

PART - I ANNEXURE - A

## Statement of Disputed Dues as on 31st March, 2010 (Not provided for in the accounts)

Name of the	Nature of	Amount (R	s. in Lakhs)	Period to which the amount	Forum where dispute is
Statute	the Dues	2009-10	2008-09	relates	pending
Sales Tax Act.	Sales Tax	17.67	17.67 1.55	Asst year 1994/95	Tribunal, Mumbai
		1.55 1.35	1.55	Asst year 1994/95 Asst year 2004/05	Tribunal, Mumbai Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		36.00	-	Asst year 2003/04	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		1.53	=	Asst year 2003/04	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		87.25	-	Asst year 2003/04	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		2.33 0.26	-	Asst year 2003/04 Asst year 2004/05	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.81	_	Asst year 2003/04	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	0.52	Asst year 1998/99	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	9.67	Asst year 1998/99	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	0.40	Asst year 1998/99	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	1.02	Asst year 1998/99	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		=	0.35	Asst year 1999/00	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	2.02 1.54	Asst year 1999/00	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	1.79	Asst year 1999/00 Asst year 1999/00	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		5.78	5.78	Asst year 2000/01	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.90	0.90	Asst year 2000-01	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.61	0.61	Asst year 2001/02	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		8.08	8.08	Asst year 2000/01	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		4.85	4.85	Asst year 2001/02	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		1.35	1.35	Asst year 2000-01	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		1.68 1.37	1.68 1.37	Asst year 2001-02 Asst year 2001-02	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.73	0.73	Asst year 2002-03	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.72	0.72	Asst year 2002-03	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		2.34	2.36	Asst year 2002-03	Dy. Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	3.78	Asst year 1996-97	Appllate & Revisional Board
				(WBST Act. 1994)	West Bengal
		-	55.90	Asst year 2002-03	Asst. Commissioner, Mumbai
		43.97	43.97	Asstt Yr 2003/04	Asst. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.26 105.20	0.26 24.36	Asst year 2002-03	Jt Commissioner, Mumbai
		1.78	1.78	Asst year 2002-03 Asstt Yr 2001/02	Jt Commissioner, Mumbai  Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		2.18	2.18	(WBST Act. 94) Asstt Yr 2001/02	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
				(CST Act. 56)	•
		16.91	15.84	Asstt Yr 2002/03 (WBST Act. 94)	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		1.50	1.50	Asstt Yr 2002/03 (CST Act. 56)	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		13.25 25.73	13.25 25.73	Asstt Yr 2003/04 (WBST Act. 94) Asstt Yr 2003/04	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal  Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		13.17	13.17	(CST Act. 56) Asst yr 1992/93	CTO, Kochi
		69.38	69.38	Asstt Yr 1993/94	CTO, Kochi
		2.25	2.25	Asstt Yr 2005/06	CTO, Kochi
		6.63	6.63	Asstt Yr 2005/06	CTO, Kochi
		15.62	15.62	Asstt Yr 1993/94	Appeal pending before STAT, Koch
		1.82	1.82	Asstt Yr 2003/04	Asst. Commissioner, Chennai
		14.95 1.64	14.95 1.64	Asstt Yr 2008/09 Asstt Yr 2008/09	Appeal pending with AAC Appeal pending with AAC
		1.65	14.65	Assit Yr 2008/09 Assit Yr 1998/99	Appeal pending with AAC Appeal pending before STAT
		15.16	44.38	Asstt Yr 2004/05	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		48.17	93.90	Asstt Yr 2004/05	Dy. Commissioner, West Bengal
		72.94	109.13	Asst. Year 2005/06	Appeal pending with Sales Tax Appellate & Revision Board
		127.67 9.76	157.83 9.76	Asst. Year 2005/06 Asstt Yr 1998/99	- do - AAC, Chennai
SUB TOTAL	_	801.77	808.62		

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## Statement of Disputed Dues as on 31st March, 2010 (Not provided for in the accounts)

Name of the Statute	Nature of the Dues	Amount (R 2009-10	s. in Lakhs) 2008-09	Period to which the amount relates	Forum where dispute is pending
Control Evoice As	at Evoice Duty	01.15	01.15	1004.05	High Court Allahahad
Central Excise Ac	it Excise Duty	91.15	91.15	1994-95	High Court, Allahabad
		262.30 16.31	262.30 16.31	July'97 Feb.'2004	Appelate Tribunal, Kolkata
					Appelate Tribunal, Kolkata
		287.53	275.87	Jul 00 to Dec 02	Commissioner, Mumbai
		44.47	42.50 1.17	Feb.'2004	Jt Commissioner, Mumbai
		<u>-</u>	0.92	March' 2006 March' 2006	Asstt Commissioner, Mumbai
		=	13.21	Jan.' 2006	Asstt Commissioner, Mumbai Asstt Commissioner, Mumbai
		14.28	13.21	April'08	•
		2.16	1.98	2006/07	Addl. Commissioner, Mumbai
		2.16 1.25	1.96	2006/07 March' 2009	Commissioner (Appeal), Mumbai Commissioner (Appeal), Gurgag
		1.23	3.04		( ) , , , ,
		-	0.54	Apr 02 to Jun 06 Jul 06 to Feb 07	Commissioner, Mumbai Commissioner, Mumbai
		-	0.84	Mar 07 to Dec 07	
		=	0.61		Asst. Commissioner, Mumbai
		=	0.48	Jan 08 to Aug 08	Asst. Commissioner, Mumbai
		=	15.63	Sep 08 to Jan 09	Asst. Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.16	13.03	Apr 07 Feb.'2010	Jt Commissioner, Mumbai
		0.16	-	Feb. 2010	Dy. Commissioner (Central Excise), Kolkata
		2.46	-	March'2010	- do -
		3.30	3.94	March, 2002	Asstt Commissioner, Mumbai
		30.92	30.92	2008-09	Commissioner (Appeal), Mumbai
		195.94	175.00	2004-05	Commissioner (Appeal), Mumbai
			41.31	March' 2006	Commissioner (Appeal), Mumbai
	SUB TOTAL	952.22	977.72		
	Cess	75.63	70.70	Asstt Yr 1999/00	High Court, Mumbai
	"	62.38	58.24	Asstt Yr 2000/01	High Court, Mumbai
	SUB TOTAL	138.01	128.94		
Service Tax Act	Service Tax	250.60	239.24	Aug.'02 - March'05	Commissioner of Central Excise (Adjn), Mumbai
		151.81	144.33	April'05 - March'06	- Do -
		161.35	152.80	July, 2007	- Do -
		165.71	-	14-05-2009 to 29-12-09	Commissioner of Registered Commissionerate, Mumbai
		31.54	-	14-05-2009 to 29-12-200	9 - Do -
		5.98	=	May, 2005 to Nov2007	Asst. Commissioner of Service Tax, Chennai
		3,054.72	3,054.72	01.10.2002 to 31.03.2007	
		1.14	1.14	November, 2007	Joint Commissionr (Service Tax) West Bengal
		6.85	6.85	November, 2007	- Do -
		26.89	<del>-</del>	07-12-2009	Addl. Commissioner (Service Tax) West Bengal
		2.40	-	10-03-2010	Dy. Commissioner (Service Tax) West Bengal
		4.38	-	28, November, 2007	CESTAT, Ahmedabad
		1.92	-	21-07-2009	Commissioner of Central Excise
		1.02		2. 3. 2000	(Appeals), Chennai
		716.14	<u>-</u>	April'08 to March'09	Commissioner of Central Excise, Mumbai
		4,581.45	3,599.08		
Income Tax Act	Income Tax	545.65	545.65	Asst. Year 2004-05	I.T.A.T, Kolkata
		10.01	41.51	Asst. Year 2005-06	I.T.A.T, Kolkata
		8.88	<del>-</del>	Asst. Year 2006-07	I.T.A.T, Kolkata
GRAND TOT	·A1	<u>564.54</u>	587.16		
GRAND IOI	AL	7,037.98	6,101.52		

Rs./Lacs

Annexure - B
Employee Benefits ( Refer note no. 14.20 )

Particulars	Gra	tuity		ment Medical Funded)		ncashment unded)		Assistance (\$) unded)	Long Sei (Non-Fu	rvice Award		ged Providen ided)
Particulars	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	•	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	,	2008-09
I. Net Asset / (Liability) recognised in the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2010												
1 Present value of funded obligations - A	2,713.21	2,247.47	154.17	125.74	2,222.03	1,612.40	105.45	105.45	38.55	35.66	10,435.73	,
2 Fair Value of Plan Assets - B	2,311.28	1,099.27	(454.47)	(405.74)	(0.000.00)	- (4.040.40)	(405.45)	- (405.45)	(00.55)	(05.00)	10,506.68	
3 (Deficit) / Surplus - ( A - B )	(401.93)	(1,148.20)	(154.17)	(125.74)	(2,222.03)	(1,612.40)	(105.45)	(105.45)	(38.55)	(35.66)	70.95	93.82
4 Net Asset / Liabilities											70.05	93.82
<ul><li>Assets</li><li>Liabilities</li></ul>	(401.93)	(1,148.20)	(154.17)	(125.74)	(2,222.03)	(1,612.40)	(105.45)	(105.45)	(38.55)	(35.66)	70.95	93.82
II. Expense Recognised in the Profit & Loss Acco	ount fo											
the year ended March 31, 2010												
1 Current Service Cost	157.18	142.72	_	-	443.34	355.24	_	-	-	-	521.41	864.20
2 Interest on Defined Benefit Obligation	177.07	68.49	9.68	8.69	122.43	80.72	-	3.76	2.60	2.56	794.29	734.15
3 Expected Return on Plan Assets	179.77	85.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	768.80	668.66
4 Net Actuarial Losses / (Gains) recognised during the year	247.09	1,208.89	28.14	18.28	-	-	-	97.16	6.64	2.45	5.08	(186.33)
5 Past Service Cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Excess Contribution made in earlier years to be adjusted in future years												
Total (1+2-3+4)	401.57	1,334.18	37.82	26.97	565.77	435.96	-	100.92	9.24	5.01	551.98	743.36
Actuarial return on Plan Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III. Change in present value of obligation during year ended March 31, 2010	ng the											
Opening Defined Benefit Obligation	2,247.47	887.97	125.74	118.33	1,612.40	1,009.05	105.45	89.33	35.66	33.31	1 '	8,385.14
2 Service Cost	157.18	142.72	- 0.00	- 0.00	443.34	355.24	-	- 0.70	-	- 0.50	521.41	864.20
3 Interest Cost	177.07	68.49	9.68	8.69	122.43	80.72	-	3.76	2.60	2.56	794.29	734.15
4 Actuarial Losses / (Gains)	199.64	1,211.99	28.14	18.28	207.75	167.39	-	97.16	6.64	2.45	(60.48)	,
<ul><li>5 Benefits Paid</li><li>6 Closing Defined Benefit Obligation (1+2+3+4-5)</li></ul>	68.16	63.70 2.247.47	9.39 154.17	19.56 125.74	163.89	1 610 40	105.45	84.80	6.35	2.66 35.66	327.99	360.40
6 Closing Defined Benefit Obligation (1+2+3+4-5)	2,113.20	2,241.41	154.17	125.74	2,222.03	1,612.40	105.45	105.45	38.55	33.00	10,435.73	a,50 <b>6</b> .50

## Annexure - B Employee Benefits ( Refer note no. 14.20 )

1 Op 2 Ex 3 Ac	Particulars  thange in fair value of Plan Assets uring the year ended March 31, 2010  Ppening Fair Value of Plan Assets xpected Return	(Fui 2009-10 1,099.27	2008-09	(Non-F 2009-10	unded) 2008-09	(Non-Fur 2009-10	,	(Non-Fu 2009-10	, ,	(Non-Fi 2009-10	unded) 2008-09	(Fund 2009-10	led) 2008-09
1 Op 2 Ex 3 Ac	uring the year ended March 31, 2010 pening Fair Value of Plan Assets		2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09
1 Op 2 Ex 3 Ac	uring the year ended March 31, 2010 pening Fair Value of Plan Assets	1,099.27							I			1	
1 Op 2 Ex 3 Ac	pening Fair Value of Plan Assets	1,099.27											
2 Ex 3 Ac	. •	1,099.27		I									
3 Ac	xpected Return		1,073.95	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,610.02	8,358.12
		179.77	85.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	768.80	668.66
4 As	ctuarial (Losses) / Gains on Plan Assets	(47.44)	3.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(65.56)	71.74
	ssets Distributed on settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Cc	ontribution by employer	1,148.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	521.41	864.20
6 Be	enefits Paid	68.16	63.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	327.99	360.40
7 Cl	losing Fair Value of Plan Assets	2,311.64	1,099.27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,506.68	9,602.32
(1-	1+2+3-4+5-6)												
V. The M	Major categories of Plan Assets												
as a p	percentage of total Plan Assets												
1 Go	overnment of India	30.78%	22.64%									31.88%	30.43%
Se	ecurities / State Govt (s) Securities				Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not		
2 Cc	orporate Bonds	58.75%	54.42%	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	51.29%	48.67%
3 Ot	thers	10.47%	22.94%									16.83%	20.90%
VI. Pr	rincipal Actuarial Assumptions												
as at I	March 31, 2010												
1 Di:	riscount Rate (p.a.)	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50
2 Ex	xpected Rate of Return on Plan Assets	8.00	8.00	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	Not	8.00	8.00
(p.	o.a.)			Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable	Applicable		

VII The employees are assumed to retire at the age of 60 (sixty) years

VIII The mortality rates considered are as per thepublished rates in the LIC (1994-96) ULTIMATE TABLE.

IX The valuations have been done using the Projected Unit Credit Method.

<sup>(\$)</sup> Consequent to change in compensation structure of employees, Leave Travel Assistance payable to employees has made as one month's basic salary to be paid within 12 months of end of financial year. Hence, actuarial valuation for this facility was not required to be carried out for 2009-10.

#### Annexure - C (Note 14.24) Information About Business Segments for the Year Ended 31st. March 2010

		ıstrial kaging	Logistics tructure &		Trave Tou		Grease Lubrio		Oth	ners	Consolid Tota	
	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-09 Rs./Lakhs	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-2009 Rs./Lakhs	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-2009 Rs./Lakhs	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-2009 Rs./Lakhs	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-2009 Rs./Lakhs	2009-2010 Rs./Lakhs	2008-2009 Rs./Lakhs
SEGMENT REVENUE External Revenue Inter-Segment Revenue	34,362.69 1,010.23	29,936.77 902.63	33,491.16 33.04	39,763.73 87.43	60,836.88 44.26	66,228.68 33.86	28,609.69 24.30	23,093.09 39.57	6,448.59 114.77	7,772.01 64.91	1,63,749.01 1,226.60	1,66,794.28 1,128.40
Total Segment Revenue	35,372.92	30,839.40	33,524.20	39,851.16	60,881.14	66,262.54	28,633.99	23,132.66	6,563.36	7,836.92	1,64,975.61	1,67,922.68
Less : Inter-Segment Revenue Add : Other Unallocable Revenue											1,226.60 3,509.46	1,128.40 2,862.30
TOTAL REVENUE											1,67,258.47	1,69,656.58
SEGMENT RESULT Profit / (Loss) before Interest & Tax Less:     Interest Expense     Prior Period Adjustment     Other Unallocable Expenditure     (net of Unallocable Revenue) TOTAL PROFIT BEFORE TAX	2,582.04	1,712.40	8,991.79	10,240.95	2,402.92	2,271.81	3,058.82	1,606.38	(131.99)	439.88	16,903.58 254.91 14.04 1,336.73 15,297.90	16,271.42 518.04 9.30 587.71 15,156.37
OTHER INFORMATION Segment Assets Other Unallocable Assets	12,611.38	12,040.81	15,083.03	12,721.57	12,004.85	10,805.02	13,027.16	12,749.14	5,908.50	6,648.02	58,634.92 34,843.36	54,964.56 30,297.96
Total Assets											93,478.28	85,262.52
Segment Liabilities Other Unallocable Liabilities	5,137.16	3,013.95	12,099.68	11,954.03	4,387.07	3,444.24	6,500.10	6,280.09	1,847.63	1,900.59	29,971.64 16,210.53	26,592.90 19,304.78
Total Liabilities											46,182.17	45,897.68
Capital Expenditure Depreciation Impairment loss on Fixed Assets	218.16 315.99 -	667.99 282.37	2,519.64 319.52	526.71 282.75	47.12 36.02	54.07 29.21	218.03 193.46	158.22 194.42	588.24 295.63	510.37 262.92	3,591.19 1,160.62	1,917.36 1,051.67
Amortisation of Deferred Revenue Expenditure	-	21.71	-	0.20	-	-	-	-	-	1.64	-	23.55

1. Details of products / services included in each of the above Business Segments are given below:

Industrial Packaging -Barrels & Drums

Logistics Infrastructure & Services -Logistics Services & Logistics Infrastructure Travel & Tours -Travel (Ticketing), Tours & Money Changing Activities

Greases & Lubricating Oils Greases & Lubricants -

Engineering & Technology Services, Tea Blending & Packaging, Leather Chemicals etc.

Others - Engineering & Technology Services, Tea Blending & Packaging, Leather Chemicals etc.

Segment Revenue, Segment Expenses and Segment Results include transfers between Business Segments. Such transfers are accounted for at competitive market prices charged to unaffiliated customers for similar goods and are eliminated in consolidation.

#### Balance Sheet Abstract and Company's general business profils

ı	Registration Details			
	Registration No.	4 8 3 5	State Code	2 1
	Balance Sheet Date	3         1         0         3         2         0         1         0           Date         Month         Year		
II	Capital raised during the year (	( Amount in Rs. Lakhs )		
	Public Issue	NIL	Right Issue	N I L
	Bonus Issue	NIL	Private Placement	N I L
Ш	Position of Mobilisation and De	eployment of funds ( Amount in Rs. Lakhs )		
	Total liabilities	4 7 2 9 6	Total Assets	4 7 2 9 6
	SOURCES OF FUND Paid up Capital	1 6 2 9	Reserve & Surplus	4 4 5 6 7
	Secured Loans	0 0 0 0	Unsecured Loans	0 0 0 0 0
	Deferred Taxation provision	1 1 0 0		
	APPLICATION OF FUNDS Net Fixed Assets	1 9 6 8 7	Investments	0 4 3 9 4
	Net Current Assets	2 3 2 1 5	Misc.Expenditure	0 0 0 0 0
	Accumulated Losses	0 0 0 0 0	Deferred Taxation assets	0 0 0 0
IV	Performance of the Company (	Amount in Rs. Lakhs )		
	Turnover	1 6 7 2 5 8	Total Expenditure	1 5 1 9 6 0
	Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	1 5 2 9 8	Profit/(Loss) After Tax	1 1 7 2 9
	Earning Per Share ( in Rs.)	0 7 2	Dividend Rate ( % )	2 3 0
V	Genetic Names of Three Princi	pal Products/Services of Company ( as per monetary to	erms )	
	Item Code No. (ITC Code)	7 3 1 0 . 1 0		
	Product Description	STEELDRUMS	& B A F	REL
	Item Code No. (ITC Code)	2 7 1 0 . 0 0		
	Product Description	GREASE & LU	BRICAT	I N G O I L
	Item Code No. (ITC Code)	N A (*)		
	Product Description	TRAVELLTOUR	S & L C	G I S T I C S

S. K. Mukherjee

Managing Director

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

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Amit Ghosh Secretary

<sup>\*</sup> No Item Code has been assigned to Travel, Tours and Logistics under the Indian Trade Classification.

#### Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31st March, 2010

( Rupees in lakhs )

			, , ,
		Year ended March 31, 2010	Year ended March 31, 2009
A.	Cash flow from operating activities Net profit before tax [Note 1]	15256	14924
	Adjustment for Depreciation and fixed assets written off Foreign Exchange Interest / Dividend Provision for diminution in value of investments Deferred Revenue Expenditure ( charged off during the year )	1184 - (479) 1165	1121 1 (171) - 24
	Operating Profit Before Working Capital Changes	17126	15899
	Trade and other receivables Inventories Trade Payables	(3315) (1285) 2157	1363 751 3376
	Cash generated from operations	14683	21389
	Direct Taxes paid Interest paid	(5870) (255)	(1886) (485)
	NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	8558	19018
B.	Cash flow from investing activities Purchase of fixed assets Sale of Fixed assets Purchase of Investments Dividend received	(3173) 65 (553) 734	(1884) 543 (292) 689
	NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(2927)	(944)
C.	Cash flow from financing activities		
	Proceeds from Long Term Borrowings Interest paid on Long Term Borrowings Dividend paid Corporate Tax on Dividend	- (3234) (554)	(642) (33) (2748) (471)
	NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(3788)	(3894)
	NET CHANGES IN CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS ( A+B+C )	1843	14180
	CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS - OPENING BALANCE CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS - CLOSING BALANCE	24874 26717	10694 24874

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#### **Notes on Cash Flow Statement**

1. The above Cash Flow Statement has been prepared under "Indirect Method" set out in Accounting Standard - 3 on "Cash Flow Statements" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

		2009-10	( Rupees in lakhs) 2008-09
2.	Net Profit after tax as per Profit & Loss Account	11729	10161
	Add : Tax Provision (Net)	3569	4995
		15298	15156
	Less : Profit / (Loss) on disposal of fixed assets (net)	42	232
	Net profit before tax	15256	14924
	Not profit before tax		
3.	Changes in Working Capital - computation (Excluding items shown separately )		
	Current Assets		
	Sundry Debtors	24467	23357
	Loans & Advances	9043	6838
	Inventories	9170	7885
		42680	38080
	Current Liabilities		
	Trade Payable	36903	34746
	Net Current Assets	5777	3334
	Changes	2443	(5490)
4.	Component of Cash and Cash equivalent		
	Cash and Bank Balances	26717	24874
		26717	24874
	Changes	1843	14180

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## Statement Regarding Subsidiary Company Pursuant to Section 212(1) and (3) of the Companies Act, 1956

BAI	LMER LAWRIE (UK) LTD	USD	Converted @ Rs. 44.43/USD
a)	Holding Company's Interest:		
	Entire Issued Share Capital of Ordinary Shares of $\mathfrak{L}1$ each fully paid up at cost	53,37,478	23,71,44,148
b)	Net aggregate amount of Subsidiary's profit/(loss) not dealt with in the Holding Company's accounts:		
	i) for the subsidiary's financial year ended 31st March, 2010	2,08,578	92,67,121
	ii) for the previous financial years (cumulative)	27,68,290	12,29,95,125
c)	Net aggregate amount of Subsidiary's profit/(loss) dealt with in the Holding Company's accounts:		
	i) for the Subsidiary's financial year ended 31st March, 2010	Nil	Nil
	ii) for the previous financial years	Nil	Nil

## The following particulars as on 31st March, 2010 are provided pursuant to the direction of the Ministry of Company Affairs vide their letter no. 47/567/2010 - CL-III dated 14th July, 2010 relating to Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited

BAI	LMER LAWRIE (UK) LTD	USD	Converted @ Rs. 44.43/USD
a)	Share Capital	53,37,478	23,71,44,148
b)	Reserves and Surplus	29,76,868	13,22,62,245
c)	Total Assets	71,82,483	31,91,17,720
d)	Total Liabilities	4,48,789	1,99,39,695
e)	Details of Investments (except in case of Investment in Subsidiary)	11,78,108	5,23,43,338
f)	Turnover	1,69,053	75,11,025
g)	Profit / (-) Loss before Taxation	2,42,024	1,07,53,126
h)	Provision for Taxation	33,446	14,86,006
i)	Profit / (-) Loss after Taxation	2,08,578	92,67,121
j)	Proposed Dividend	-	-

### Subsidiary Company – Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited

Pursuant to Approval given under Section 212 (8) of the Companies Act, 1956 by the Department of Company Affairs, Government of India

Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March, 2010 is furnished in Indian Rupees converted at the exchange rate as on 31.03.2010 - Rs. 44.43/USD

## Directors' report for the year ended 31st March 2010

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010.

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Director's Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Under company law the director must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the director is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements: and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable the director to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The director is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

#### Awareness of relevant audit information

The directors at the time the report was approved are aware that;

• there is no relevant information of which the auditors are unaware and;

that they have taken all the steps they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### Principal activity and review of business

The company's principal business activities were Leasing & Hiring of Marine Freight Containers and Tea warehousing, Blending & packaging. The company has exited both these business activities.

Proceeds from the sale of the above two businesses are being used to fund other business opportunities. In the financial year under report, the company formed an equal partnership Joint Venture with PT Imani Wicaksana, Indonesia to manufacture and market lubricating greases and other lubricants in Indonesia. The Joint Venture Company (JVC) has been formed on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010 with BLUK investing US\$ 1.18 million (approx), equivalent to Indonesian Rupiah 11 billion being 50% of the paid up equity capital of the JVC.

The JVC is establishing a plant at an estimated cost of US\$ 5.3 million which is proposed to be funded with debt-equity ratio of 1:1. Work has since commenced on construction of the plant.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 85.

The profit for the year was US\$208,578 (2009: loss US\$114,972).

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2009: \$nil).

#### Directors

The directors set out in the table below have held office during the period from 1 April 2009 to the date of this report.

The interests of the directors holding office on 31 March 2010 in the company's issued share capital were:

	Ordinary shai	es of £1 each
	31 March 2010	1 April 2009
S K Mukherji		
K Subramanyan	_	_
(appointed 1 January 2010)		
V Sinha	_	-
P Radhakrishnan	_	_
(retired on 31 December 2009)		

#### Independent auditors

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be re-appointed and Pentagon Financial Limited will therefore continue in office. By order of the Board

S K Mukherji	K Subramanyan	V. Sinha
Director	Director	Director

19 July 2010

## Independent auditors' report to the members of Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010 set out on page 85 to 88. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Director's Responsibilities, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2010 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Opinion on matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made;
   or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Kalbinder Sanghera ACA
Senior Statutory Auditor
For and on behalf of Pentagon Financial Limited
Statutory Auditor
Beech Court
Summers Road
Burnham
Buckinghamshire
SL1 7EP

## Bolmer Laurie & Co.Ltd. Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited

#### Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March 2010

	Notes		(Rs./Lakhs)
		2010	2009
Turnover		25	133.20
Cost of sales		,, <del>[</del>	(8.35)
Gross Profit			124,85
Selling and distribution costs		E-	(19.61)
Administration expenses		35.05	(236.16)
Operating profit	2	35.65	(130.92)
Interest receivable and similar charges		75,11	119.35
Profit on sale of fixed assets	3		156.98
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(3.23)	
Profit on ordinary activities		22	SE SE
before taxation		107.53	144.41
Tax on profit or ordinary activities	0	(14.86)	(195.49)
Retained profit for the year	11	92.67	(51.08)

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

#### Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2010

523.43 29.68 3161.50 3191.18 (20.55)	2010 523.43 3170.63	51.57 37/9.22 8800.79 (199.43)	2009 -
29.68 3161.50 3191.18		37/9.22 3800.79	7601 78
29.68 3161.50 3191.18		37/9.22 3800.79	2001 20
29.68 3161.50 3191.18		37/9.22 3800.79	2601.28
3161,50 3191,18	3170.63	37/9.22 3800.79	2601 28
3161,50 3191,18	3170.63	37/9.22 3800.79	2601 28
3191.18	3170.63	8800.79	2604 20
	3170.63		2604.20
(20.55)	3170.63	(199.43)	2601.20
(20,55)	3170.63	(199.43)	2604.20
	3170.63		2604.20
	The second secon		2001.38
	3694.08		3601.39
	12		20
	3694.06		3601.39
	200		1000000000
	2371,44		2371.44
	1322.62		1229.95
	3694.06		3601.39
		2371.44 1322.62	2371.44 1322.62

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entries (effective January 2005).

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 19th July 2010 and were signed on its behalf by :

S K Muldherji	K. Subramanyan	V. Sinha
Director	Director	Director

#### Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2010

## Accounting Policies Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical coal convention and have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### 1.2. Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### 1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT

#### 1.4 Cashflow statement

The company is exempt from the requirement of Financial Reporting Standard I, "Cashflow Statements" as it qualifies as a small company in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

#### 1.5 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption granted under Enancial Reporting Standard 8 "Related Party Disclosures", not to disclose details of transactions with critics be onging to the group.

#### 1.6 Foreign currency translation

The Company's activities are more dependent on the American dollar than sterling. Consequently, the company's financial statements are prepared in American dollars on applying the following bases:

- (a) Monetary assets and flabilities denominated in a toreign currency were translated into dollars at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the balance shoet date.
- (b) Revenue and expenses in foreign currencies were translated in dollars at the average rate for the year.
- (c) Any gains or losses arising on translation were taken to the profit and loss account.

#### 1.7 Investments

Investments are carried at cost or valuation. Cost is based on the fair value of the consideration paid for the investment, including acquisition costs.

Where a different value is demonstrated by a significant third party event, the investment is certical all corresponding revalued amount. In the case of a permanent impairment in the carrying value of the asset, a write down provision is made in the profit and loss account.

			(Rs./Lashs)
2.	Operating Profit	2010	2009
	Operating profit Loss is sizted after charging :		
	Depreciation Auditors' remuneration	0 1.13	90.85 1.15
3.	Profit on sale of fixed assets		-
	Profit on disposal of fixed assets	·	155.98
		-	155.00

# 4. Interest payable and similar charges Chibank loans are overtiral! 5. Directors' emoluments Emoluments for qualifying services - 155.98 3.23 0 3.23 0

#### Taxation on profit on ordinary activities Analysis of charge (credit) in period : Current Taxation

UK corporation tax		
charge for the year	14.86	195,48
Total current tax	14.86	195.48
Deferred taxation		
Origination and reversal of timing difference (note 12)	(6)	2
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(42)	-

The standard rate of tax for the year, based on the UK standard rate of corporation tax is 28%. The actual tax charge for the current and the previous year varies from the standard rate for the reasons set out in the following reconcilation.

Profit on ordinary activities before tax	107.53	144.41
Tax on profit on ordinary activities at		7/2/2/2
standard rate	30.11	40.43
Factors affecting charge for the period :		
Expenses not deductible for tax surposes		38.24
Other adjustments	(15.25)	
Balancing charges on disposal contaniers		116.62
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#### **Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited**

2010

2009

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2010

	2010	2009 (Rs./Lakhs)
7. Investment Cost		
As as 1 April 2009	_	_
Addition	523.43	_
As at March 31 2010  Provision:	523.43	
As at 1 April 2009	_	_
Provision for the year	_	_
As at March 31 2010	_	_
Net Book amount at March 31 2010	523.43	

A 50 % investment with PT Imani Wickasana, in the newly formed joint venture company.

#### 8. Debtors

Prepayments and accrued income	29.68	51.57
	29.68	51.57
9. Creditors : Amounts falling		
due within one year		
Corporation tax provision	14.86	195.49
Accruals	5.69	3.90
	20.55	199.39
10. Share Capital		
Authorised		
4,000,000 Ordinary Shares of 1 each	2745.18	2745.18
Allotted, Called Up & Fully Paid		
3,380,312 (2008 : 3,380,312 )		
Ordinary Shares of 1 each	2371.44	2371.44

#### 11. Statement of movement on reserves

	Profit and Loss account
Balance at 1 April 2009 Retained loss for the year	1229.95 92.67
Balance at 31 March 2010	1322.62

# 12. Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds Profit/ (Loss) for the financial year 92.67 (51.08) Opening shareholders funds 3601.39 3652.47 Closing shareholders' funds 3694.06 3601.39

#### 13. Related party transactions

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption granted under FRS 8 "Related Party Disclosures", not to disclose details of transactions with entities belonging to the group, on the grounds that consolidated financial statements are prepared by the ultimate parent company.

#### 14. Ultimate parent company

The Company 's ultimate parent company and ultimate controlling party is Balmer Lawrie & Co.Limited, a company incorporated in India.

#### **Balmer Lawrie (UK) Limited**

#### **Detailed Trading and Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March 2010**

		2010		(Rs./Lakhs ) 2009
Sales				
Lease rentals - Containers	_		130.71	
Other Income			2.49	
		_		133.20
Cost of sales				
Containers: Handling charges	_		3.30	
Storage charges	_		2.25	
Depot charges	_		2.52	
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	0.28	8.35
Gross profit		_		124.85
Administration expenses	(35.65)		236.16	
Selling expenses	_	(35.65)	19.61	255.77
Operating Profit/ (Loss)		35.65		(130.92)
Profit on disposal of fixed assets		_		155.98
Interest receivable and similar charges				
Bank interest Receivable		75.11		119.35
Interest payable and similar charges				
Bank interest Payable	(3.23)		_	
		(3.23)		
Net profit before taxation		107.53		144.41

#### Direct, administration and selling expenses for the year ended 31st March, 2010

		(Rs./Lakhs )
	2010	2009
Administration expenses		
Audit and accountancy	3.33	5.36
Bank charges	0.26	0.24
Legal and professional fees	9.69	0.40
Travel and subsistence	5.53	11.38
Sundries	-	1.38
Exchange gain	(54.46)	136.55
Depreciation	<u>-</u>	80.85
	(35.65)	236.16
Container selling expenses		
Commission on rental income	_	19.61

#### Auditors' Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements

## To The Board of Directors of Balmer Lawrie and Company Limited

- 1. We have audited the attached Consolidated Balance Sheet of Balmer Lawrie and Company Limited ('the Company'), and its Subsidiary and four Joint Venture Companies (collectively referred to as 'the Group') as at 31st March, 2010, and also the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the year ended on that date annexed thereto. These Consolidated Financial Statements are the responsibility of the Company's management and have been prepared by the management on the basis of separate financial statements and other financial information regarding components. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Consolidated Financial Statements based on our audit.
- 2. We have conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with an identified financial reporting framework and are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. We did not audit the financial statements of its subsidiary and the joint ventures whose financial statements reflect total assets of Rs. 42,554.72 lakhs as at 31st March, 2010, total revenues of Rs. 37,204.54 lakhs and net cash flows amounting to (-) Rs. 1,740 lakhs for the year then ended. These financial statements and other financial information have been audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us and our opinion, in so far as it relates to the amounts included in respect of such subsidiary and joint ventures, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors.
- 4. We report that the Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared by the Company in accordance with the requirements of Accounting Standard (AS)

- 21, 'Consolidated Financial Statements', and Accounting Standard (AS) 27, 'Financial Reporting of interests in Joint Ventures', prescribed by the-Companies (Accounting Standards) Rules, 2006 and on the basis of the separate audited financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary and joint ventures included in the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- 5. On the basis of the information and explanations given to us and on consideration of the separate audit reports on individual audited financial statements of the Company and its aforesaid subsidiary and joint ventures, in our opinion, the Consolidated Financial Statements give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:
  - (a) in the case of the Consolidated Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Group as at 31st March 2010:
  - (b) in the case of the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, of the profit of the Group for the year ended on that date; and
  - (c) in the case of the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, of the consolidated cash flows of the Group for the year ended on that date.

FOR J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants Firm Registration No. 314010E

S P Datta Partner Membership No. 13852

Kolkata 29th July 2010

## CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BALMER LAWRIE & CO. LIMITED Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULES**

				As at 31	/3/2009
		Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs
Sources of Funds					
Shareholders' Funds	4	1 600	1 600	1 600	1 600
Share Capital Reserves and Surplus	1 2	1,629 46,389	1,629 55,107	1,629 39,424	1,629 48,122
neserves and Surplus	2				
Loan Funds		48,018	56,736	41,053	49,751
Secured	3		19,107		14,832
Unsecured	4		2,791		565
			21,898		15,397
B ( 1 T		4 000	· ·	500	·
Deferred Taxation Liability		1,096	1,807	529	1,374
		49,114	80,441	41,582	66,522
Application of Funds Fixed Assets (Net Block)		04.000	07.475	00.455	F7.040
Gross Block		31,209	67,475 30.707	30,155 13,087	57,812
Less: Depreciation Less: Impairment of Assets		13,475 117	117	15,067	25,745 151
Net Block	5	17,617	36,651	16,917	31,916
Less : Accumulated Lease Equalisat Less : Provision for Non Performing	ion Reserve				
		17,617	36,651	16,917	31,916
Capital Expenditure in Progress including Pre-Production Expend	diture	1,978	2,500	309	639
Advance against Capital Expenditure		240	240	78	78
		19,835	39,391	17,304	32,633
Investments Net Current Assets Current Assets, Loans and Advance	6 s	2,520	36	3,132	15
Interest accrued on Investment					
Inventories	7	9,176	22,412	7,885	27,612
Debtors	8	24,470	31,800	22,911	29,457
Cash and Bank Balances	9	30,213	30,508	29,133	29,457
Loans and Advances	10	9,126	11,886	6,838	7,886
Less :Current Liabilities & Provisions	11	72,985	96,606	66,767	94,412
Current Liabilities		37,415	45,544	34,125	47,681
Provisions		8,811	10,048	11,496	12,862
		46,226	55,592	45,621	60,543
Missollanoous Expanditure / to the autom		26,759	41,014	21,146	33,869
Miscellaneous Expenditure ( to the extent not written off or adjusted )					5
not witten on or adjusted ;		49,114	80,441	41,582	66,522

Notes on Accounts 16 Significant Accounting Policies 17

The Schedules referred to above form part of the Accounts.

S. K. Mukherjee

Managing Director

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. 314010E

S. P. Datta Partner Membership No. 13852 Kolkata, the 29th July, 2010 M. P. Bezbaruah Asish K. Bhattacharyya VLVSS Subba Rao K. Subramanyan P. K. Bora Abha Chaturvedi V. Sinha V. N. Sharma

Directors

Amit Ghosh Secretary

## CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BALMER LAWRIE & CO. LIMITED Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULES**

			As at 31st I	March, 2009
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Ventur Companies Rs./Lakhs
Income				
Sales				
Manufactured Goods	73,878	1,08,705	63,058	96,254
Less : Excise Duty	7,792	8,511	7,922	8,694
•	66,086	1,00,194	55,136	87,560
Trading Goods	184	215	201	536
Turnkey Projects	798	501	2,197	2,197
Services	94,267	95,471	1,06,343	1,06,469
Other Income 12	6,068	8,082	6,193	7,108
	1,67,403	2,04,463	1,70,070	2,03,870
Expenditure				
Raw Materials Consumed - Manufactured Goods	47,481	69,137	41,332	62,689
Purchases - Trading Goods	152	40	152	371
Purchases - Turnkey Projects	1,260	1,260	2,109	2,109
Cost of Services	76,747	77,992	87,110	87,077
General Expenditure 13	25,715 1.162	36,642	22,924	33,440
Depreciation Accretion(-) / Decretion(+) to Inventories 14	(530)	3,160 (462)	1,133 (2)	2,282 (500)
Prior Period Adjustments 15	14	2,347	9	(300)
Exceptional Items	- 17	(974)	_	_
Exceptional ficine	1,52,001	1,89,142	1,54,767	1,87,477
Profit before taxation	15,402	15,321	15,303	16,393
Provision for Taxation - Current	3,015	3,373	5,983	6,118
- Deferred	566	(24)	(880)	(748)
- Fringe		` '	` 9Ó	`108
Profit after taxation	11,821	11,972	10,110	10,915
Balance Brought Forward	13,769	21,375	10,470	17,477
Addition due to increase in stake		371		32
Available for Appropriation	25,590	33,718	20,580	28,424
Proposed Final Dividend	3,746	3,778	3,257	3,332
Corporate Tax on Dividend	622	653	554	592
Transfer to Minority Interest	_	34	_	92
Transfer to General Reserve	3,000	3,017	3,000	3,033
Balance Carried Forward	18,222	26,236	13,769	21,375
Earning Per Share	72.57	73.49	62.06	67.03

The Schedules referred to above form part of the Accounts.

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S. K. Mukherjee

Managing Director

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants

Firm Registration No. 314010E

**Significant Accounting Policies** 

**S. P. Datta**Partner
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Kolkata, the 29th July, 2010

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Amit Ghosh Secretary

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

#### SHARE CAPITAL

	As	at	31st	March,	2009
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		Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs
Authorised	Equity shares	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Issued and Subscri	• •				
90,65,547	Equity shares fully paid up in cash	907	907	907	907
67,72,404	Equity shares of Rs. 10 allotted as fully paid Bonus Shares by way of capitalisation of General Reserve and Share Premium	677	677	677	677
4,48,130	Equity shares of Rs. 10 each allotted as fully paid shares pursuant to amalgamation of Steel Containers				
	Ltd. and Industrial Containers Ltd.	45	45	45	45
		1,629	1,629	1,629	1,629

#### SCHEDULE 2

#### **RESERVES AND SURPLUS**

SCHEDULE 2	RESERVES AND SUF	RPLUS		
Capital Reserve Central Investment Subsidy As per last Account	_	7	_	_
Capital Reserve on Consolidation	512	468	820	1,370
Share Premium Account As per last Account	3,627	3,675	3,627	3,627
Special Reserve As per last Account. Add: Transferred from Profit and Loss Account.				207 41
				248
Foreign Projects Reserve As per last Account Less: Transferred to General Reserve	5 —	5 5	5 5	5
	_	_	5	5
Foreign Currency Translation Reserve General Reserve	(347)	(353)	(167)	(9)
As per last Account Add: due to stake increase	21,370 —	22,052 —	18,370 —	18,471 1
Add : Transferred from Contingency Reserve Add : Transferred from	_	_	_	248
Foreign Projects Reserve Add : Transferred from	5	5	_	_
Profit and Loss Account.	3,000	3,017	3,000	3,033
Profit and Loss Account	24,375 18,222	25,074 26,236	21,370 13,769	21,753 21,375
	46,389	55,107	39,424	48,122

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### SCHEDULE 3 SECURED LOANS

From Banks/Financial Institutions

Cash Credit/Export Credit/Working Capital Demand

Loan Secured by hypothecation of

stocks and debtors

Term Loan

Secured by way of pari-passu first charge

on certain movable fixed assets as well as

some immovable properties

Other Loans: Vehicle Loan

		As at 31st N	March, 2009
Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs
_	8,054	_	7,106
_	11,046	_	7,726
_	7	_	_
	19,107		14,832

#### **SCHEDULE 4**

Other Loans and Advances

Bank

Others

#### **UNSECURED LOANS**

		As at 31st N	March, 2009
Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs./Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs./Lakhs
_	1,752	_	565
_	1,039	_	_
_	2,791		565

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March , 2010

SCHEDULE 5
(A) Assets held for active use

#### FIXED ASSETS

(in Rs. / Lakhs)	

	GROSS BLOCK			DEPRECIATION			IMPAIRMENT			NET BLOCK			
	Original Cost as at 1st April, 2009	Additions During the Year	Total Cost of Items sold or scrapped/ adjusted	Original Cost as at 31st March, 2010	Upto 31st March, 2009	For the Year	On items sold or scrapped/adjusted	Total	Opening Impairment	For the Year	Closing Balance	As at 31st March, 2010	As at 31st March, 2009
Goodwill - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	121	_	_	121	96	12	_	108	_	_	_	13	25
Land Freehold - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	1,208 1,479	87 87	2 (74)	1,293 1,640	l	_	_	_	_	_	l	1,293 1,640	1,208 1,479
Land Leasehold - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	2,363 2,953	369 369	(22)	2,732 3,344	451 463	50 58	_	501 521	_	_	-	2,231 2,823	1,912 2,490
Buildings & Sidings - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	9,105 14,587	358 517	5 (223)	9,458 15,327	1,947 3,540	197 512	(4) 81	2,148 3,971	75 75	(4) (4)	71 71	7,239 11,285	7,083 10,972
Plant & Machinery - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	11,479 31,581	427 1,371	129 (6,738)	11,777 39,690	6,567 16,770	574 2,098	110 (2,467)	7,031 21,335	43 43	(1) (1)	42 42	4,704 18,313	4,869 14,768
Spares for Plant & Machinery - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	622 622	10 10	473 473	159 159	594 594	11 11	462 462	143 143	11 11	(11) (11)		16 16	17 17
Electrical Installation & Equipment - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	1,914 1,949	249 269	99 74	2,064 2,144	1,156 1,162	100 106	76 70	1,180 1,198	17 17	(17) (17)	_ _	884 946	741 770
Furniture & Fittings - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	558 1,030	66 108	25 (1)	599 1,139	405 736	36 72	24 37	417 771		_	-	182 368	153 294
Typewriters, Accounting Machine & Off.Equip Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	1,796 1,999	195 226	102 (21)	1,889 2,246	1,313 1,451	148 204	100 11	1,361 1,644	1	(1) (1)	_ _	528 602	482 547
Tubewells, Tanks & Miscellaneous Equipment - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	936 936	42 42	9	969 969	549 549	38 38	7 7	580 580	4 4		4 4	385 385	383 383
Vehicles - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	82 361	26 37	11 (2)	97 400	24 216	7 43	7 5	24 254	_ _	_ _	_ 	73 146	58 145
Technical Knowhow - Consolidated with Subsidiary Technical Knowhow - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	102	22	_	124	87	5	_	92	_	_	_	32	15
Intangible Assets - Consolidated with Subsidiary Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies		80 80		80 80	_ _	9		9	_	_	_	71 71	
Leased Assets - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total - Consolidated with Subsidiary TOTAL(A) - Consolidated with Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies	30,063 57,720	1,909 3,138	855 (6,525)	31,117 67,383	13,006 25,664	1,170 3,168	782 (1,794)	13,394 30,626	151 151	(34) (34)	117 117	17,606 36,640	16,906 31,905

(in Rs. / Lakhs)

#### **Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March**, 2010

SCHEDULE 5 (Continued)
(B) Assets held for Disposal FIXED ASSETS

		GROS	SS BLOCK		ı	DEPREC	IATION		IMF	PAIRMENT		NET BLOCK	
	Original Cost as at 1st April, 2009	Additions During the Year	Total Cost of Items sold or scrapped/ adjusted	Original Cost as at 31st March, 2010	Upto 31st March, 2009	For the Year	On items sold or scrapped/ adjusted	Total	Opening Impairment	For the Year	Closing Balance	As at 31st March, 2010	As at 31st March, 2009
	(Rs.)	(Rs)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
Land - Leasehold	6	_	_	6	1	_	_	1	_	_	_	5	5
Buildings & Sidings	10	_	_	10	5	_	_	5	_	_	_	5	5
Plant & Machinery	34	_	_	34	33	_	_	33	_	_	_	1	1
Spare for Plant & Machinery	25	_	_	25	25	_	_	25	_	_	_	_	
Electrical Installation & Equipment	5	_	_	5	5	_	_	5	_	_	_	_	
Furniture & Fittings	1	_	_	1	1	_	_	1	_	_	_	_	
Typewriters, Accounting Machine and Office Equipment	3	_	_	3	3	_	_	3	_	_	_	_	_
Tubewells, Tanks and Miscellaneous Equipment	8	_	_	8	8	_	_	8	_	_	_	_	_
Vehicles	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	_
TOTAL (B)	92			92	81			81				11	11
GRAND TOTAL - [A+B] - Consolidated with Subsidiary	30,155	1,909	855	31,209	13,087	1,170	782	13,475	151	(34)	117	17,617	16,917
GRAND TOTAL - (A+B)	57,812	3,138	(6,525)	67,475	25,745	3,168	(1,794)	30,707	151	(34)	117	36,651	31,916
2008-09													
GRAND TOTAL - Consolidated with Subsidiary	33,808	2,241	5,894	30,155	15,733	1,139	3,785	13,087	211	(60)	151	16,917	17,864
GRAND TOTAL	52,620	10,353	5,161	57,812	27,033	2,288	3,576	25,745	211	(60)	151	31,916	25,376
		•	•				2009-10	2008-09					
	Depreciation	for the vear a	ıs above - Con	solidated with	Subsidiary		1,170	1,139	-				
		•		Joint Venture C	•		3,168	2,288					
			•	dated with Sub	•		8	6					
				Joint Venture C			8	6					
			•	nt - Consolidate	•	iary .	1,162	1,133	-				
		•		Joint Venture C		,	3,160	2,282					
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#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

SCHEDULE 6 INVESTMENTS

SCHEDULE 6	IVESTMENTS		As at 31st I	March, 2009
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
Trade Investments				
Fully paid-up at cost				
3,57,591 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in				
Bridge and Roof Co.(India) Ltd.	14	14	15	15
1,95,900 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in				
Biecco Lawrie Ltd.				
(carried in books at a value of Re. 1)	_	_		_
1,13,61,999 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each in				
Transafe Services Ltd (carried in books				
at a value of Re. 1)	_	_	612	_
45,00,000 Ordinary Shares of				
Rs. 10 each in AVI-OIL India [P] Ltd.	450	_	450	_
9800 Shares of Dhs. 1000 each in Balmer				
Lawrie(UAE) LLC	891	_	891	_
63,19,978 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 each				
in Balmer Lawrie-Van Leer Ltd. (Quoted)	1,165	_	1,164	_
Other Investments				
Fully paid up-at cost				
71 Equity Shares of Rs. 100 each in Duncan				
Brothers & Co. Ltd.(Quoted)	_	_		_
172 1/2 % Redeemable Registered Debentures				
of Rs. 100 each in the East India Clinic Ltd.	_	_		_
280 5% Non-redeemable Debenture Stock 1957				
of Rs 100 each in the East India Clinic Ltd.	_	_		_
5586 units of Reliance Money Manager				
Fund -Institutional	_	_		_
Option - Daily Dividend Plan	_	22	_	_
	_	22	_	_
	2,520	36	3,132	15

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### SCHEDULE 7

#### **INVENTORIES**

As at 31st March, 2009

		Consolidated with subsidiary		Consolidated with subsidiary
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
Raw Materials.	4,964	14,041	4,283	19,938
Finished Products.	2,922	3,456	2,607	3,255
Trading Goods.	6	6	_	_
Work-in-Progress.	750	1,752	651	1,635
Stock-in-Transit				
Raw Materials	96	2,084	39	2,800
Finished Products	200	200	83	83
Trading Goods				
	296	2,284	122	2,883
Stores and Spare Parts	238	951	222	900
Loose Tools.	_	152	_	350
Material With Third Party	_	58	_	_
Less: Provision for write down of inventories	_	288	_	1,349
	9,176	22,412	7,885	27,612

#### **SCHEDULE 8**

Debts due for more than six months

Unsecured

- Considered Good.
- Others
- Considered doubtful

Less: Provision for doubtful Debts

Other Debts

Unsecured

- Considered Good.
- Others

#### **DEBTORS**

889     1,100     878     953       3,403     3,446     3,294     8,003       21,064     28,201     19,617     21,454       3     153     —     —       21,067     29,254     10,617     21,454	4,292	1,100 4,546	4,172	953
<b>21,064 28,201</b> 19,617 21,454 <b>3</b> 153 — —	889	1,100	878	953
3	3,403	3,446	3,294	8,003
	21,064	28,201	19,617	21,454
24 067 29 254 10 617 24 454	3	153		
21,007 20,334 19,617 21,454	21,067	28,354	19,617	21,454
<b>24,470 31,800 22,911 29,457</b>				

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULE 9**

#### **CASH AND BANK BALANCES**

As	at	31st	March.	2009
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Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
14	54	15	43
4,211	4,250	8,746	8,907
22,723	22,934	20,243	20,299
104	104	81	142
27,038	27,288	29,070	29,348
3,161	3,161	_	_
_	_	_	17
_	4	_	_
_	1	48	49
30,213	30,508	29,133	29,457
	### subsidiary Rs. Lakhs  14  4,211  22,723  104  27,038  3,161  — — — — — —	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs         with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs           14         54           4,211         4,250           22,723         22,934           104         104           27,038         27,288           3,161         3,161           —         4           —         4           —         1	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs         with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs         Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs           14         54         15           4,211         4,250         8,746           22,723         22,934         20,243           104         104         81           27,038         27,288         29,070           3,161         3,161         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —           —         4         —

#### **SCHEDULE 10**

#### LOANS AND ADVANCES

Advances recoverable in Cash					
or in kind or for Value to be received					
Considered Good.					
Secured.					
Unsecured					
Subsidiary Company					
Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd.					
Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd.					
Others					
Considered Doubtful.					
Less: Provision					
Deposits - Unsecured					
Considered Good					
Balance with Customs, Port Trust					
Central Excise,etc.					

Considered Good

Advance Income Tax, net of provision Advance payment of Income Tax

874	874	900	900
074	0/4	900	900
_	8	_	_
5	5	1	1
5,933	7,776	3,866	4,052
85	95	100	102
6,897	8,758	4,867	5,055
85	95	100	102
6,812	8,663	4,767	4,953
1,802	1,946	1,584	1,663
,	•	•	,
512	803	487	717
312		407	/1/
_	276	_	_
	198		553
9,126	11,886	6,838	7,886

#### Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2010

#### SCHEDULE 11

#### **CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS**

SCHEDULE 11 CURREN	T LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS As at 31st March, 2009			
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
Current Liabilities.				
Sundry Creditors				
- Due to Small Scale Industries	31	45	25	26
- Due to Others	36,640	43,865	32,872	45,579
Minority Interest	_	202		167
Amounts received in advance against contracts.	640	1,287	1,147	1,804
Interest accrued but not due	_	37		3
Investor Education and Protection				
Fund shall be credited by the following amount :				
- Unclaimed Dividend	104	108	81	85
[ Refer Note below ]				
Unclaimed Redemption/Interest on Convertible Debentures	_	_		17
	37,415	45,544	34,125	47,681
Provisions				
Provision against Guarantee obligations				
As Per Last account	773	773	1,159	1,159
Less: Payment made during the year	386	386	386	386
	387	387	773	773
Proposed Final Dividend	3,746	4,501	3,257	4,019
Dividend Tax	622	653	_	_
Contingency as per last Account	_	2	_	2
Add: Provision made during the Year	_	109	_	96
Leave Encashment	_	61	_	96
Provision for Sick Leave	_	18	_	_
Provision for Gratuity	_	30	_	_
	_	111	_	98
Taxation , net of advance payment	4,056	4,396	7,466	7,972
	8,811	10,048	11,496	12,862
	46,226	55,592	45,621	60,543

Note: There is no amount due and outstanding as at Balance Sheet date to be credited to Investor Education and Protection Fund.

#### Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

SCHEDULE 12 OTHER INCOME

SCHEDULE 12	OTHER INCOM			
			As at 31st I	
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
Income from Investments				
Trade Investments				
Dividend	734	86	689	_
Other Investments				
Dividend	_	(43)	_	_
[Tax deducted at source]				
Dividend	_	_	_	3
Interest	_	_	121	42
	734	43	810	45
Interest on Advances,				
Deposits, Deferred credit and Overdue debts	2,166	1,978	1,573	1,582
Operating Lease Rentals	_	2,182	132	1,168
Profit on Disposal of Fixed Assets	47	168	390	471
Surrender of Leasehold Rights	_	_	934	934
Export Incentives	36	160	17	169
Rent	290	289	280	240
Recovery of Transporation Charges	413	413	340	340
Discount and Commission	2	5	2	2
Claims	40	40	7	7
Liabilities/Provisions no longer required written back.	714	729	660	668
Exchange Gain on Translation of Financial Statements of Foreign Subsidiary & Joint Venture Company	_	_	_	8
Sundries.	1,626	2,075	1,048	1,474
	6,068	8,082	6,193	7,108

Salaries, Wages, Bonus, Pensions and Gratuity Contribution to Provident and Other Funds Workmen and Staff Welfare Expenses

Consumption of Stores and Spare Parts

Packing, Despatching, Freight and Shipping Charges

Provisions for diminution in value of investments Provision for slow moving/Non moving Items Provisions for Debts, Deposits, Loans and Advances

Auditor's Remuneration and Expenses

Provision for non performing assets Expenditure on VRS for current year Loss on Disposal of Fixed Assets Selling commission - Others

Bank Charges and Discount. Travelling Expenses Printing and Stationery Motor Car Expenses

Miscellaneous, Expenses

#### Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULE 13**

Manufacturing Expenses

Repairs and Maintenance Buildings

Plant & Machinery

Excise Duty

Others. Power and Fuel Electricity and Gas

Rates and Taxes

Bad Debts written off Advances written off Fixed Assets written off

considered Doubtful

Cash Discount

**Donations** Exchange Loss

Rent Insurance

Interest

G	ENERAL EXPEND	IIIUKE	As at 31st March, 2009		
	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	
	9,969	13,161	8,842	11,938	
	945	1,031	580	643	
	891	1,212	702	1,021	
	660	1,139	564	864	
	154	160	271	277	
	422	1,501	394	1,460	
	696	764	618	714	
	168	409	137	271	
	259	401	205	320	
	1,562	2,668	1,391	2,394	
	228	236	220	223	
	473	1,331	518	1,325	
	89	208	86	147	
	1,946	2,776	1,519	2,412	
	187	240	114	153	
	259	2,375	518	1,434	
	17	29	19	29	
	158	170	88	88	
	13	17	37	37	
	17	17	64	64	
	1,165	_	_	_	
	137	137	_	_	
	222	232	420	444	
	_	_	150	150	
	31	31	44	44	
	5	9	_	_	
	347	495	373	551	
	365	371	269	274	
	120	247	122	321	
	822	1,043	814	997	
	172	195	226	248	
	70	128	69	127	
	254	322	256	318	
	5	6	1	2	
	6	10	_	_	
	_	9	24	25	
	_	_	138	138	
	2,955	3,636	3,183	4,047	
	25,789	36,716	22,976	33,500	
	74	74	52	60	
	25,715	36,642	22,924	33,440	

Less: Provision for Debts, Deposits, Loans & Advances Considered doubtful, written back

Exchange Loss on Translation of Financial Statements of Foreign Subsidiary & Joint Venture Company

Telephone, Telex, Postage, Cables and Telegrams

Amortisation of Deferred Revenue Expenditure

#### Schedules forming part of the Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2010

#### **SCHEDULE 14**

#### ACCRETION (-) / DECRETION (+) TO INVENTORIES

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Opening Balance.
Trading Goods.
Work-in-Progress
Finished Goods
Less: Closing Balance
Trading Goods
Work-in-Progress
Turnkey Projects

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Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary Rs. Lakhs	Consolidated with subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies Rs. Lakhs
_	_	24	24
651	1,444	724	1,412
2,690	3,326	2,591	2,963
3,341	4,770	3,339	4,399
750	1,526	651	1,562
3,121	3,706	2,690	3,337
3,871	5,232	3,341	4,899
(530)	(462)	(2)	(500)

#### **SCHEDULE 15**

#### Income

Sales

Manufactured Goods

Other Income

Expenses

General Expenditure

Depreciation

Net Expenditure

#### PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS (NET)

_	_	_	_
_	_	_	_
7	2,340	4	4
_		_	_
	7	5	5
14	2,347	9	9
14	2,347	9	9

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#### **Notes on Accounts**

#### Schedule-16

#### 16.1 Disclosure of Interests in Subsidiary and Joint Venture Companies

Name of Subsidiary/ Joint Venture Company	Nature of Relationship	Proportion of Shareholding	Country of Incorporation
Balmer Lawrie (UK) Ltd. Balmer Lawrie (UAE) Llc.	Subsidiary Joint Venture	100% 49%	United Kingdom United Arab Emirates
Balmer Lawrie - Van Leer Ltd.	Joint Venture	40%	India
Transafe Services Ltd.	Joint Venture	50%	India
Avi - Oil India (P) Ltd.	Joint Venture	25%	India

- Note: The accounting year of all the aforesaid companies is the financial year except for Balmer Lawrie (UAE) Llc which follows calendar year as the accounting year.
- 16.2 1,00,64,700 Equity Shares are held by Balmer Lawrie Investments Ltd. (Holding Company).
- 16.3 (a) Fixed Deposit with bank amounting to Rs. 2.12 Lakhs (Rs.2.12 Lakhs) are lodged with certain authorities as security.
  - (b) Conveyance deeds of certain land costing Rs. 1,770.94 Lakhs (Rs. 1,807.80 Lakhs) and buildings, with written down value of Rs. 113.94 Lakhs (Rs. 117.13 Lakhs) are pending registration / mutation.
  - (c) Certain buildings & sidings with written down value of Rs. 4,173.24 Lakhs (Rs.4,157.90 Lakhs) are situated on leasehold/rented land.
- 16.4 Contingent Liabilities as at 31st March, 2010 not provided for in the accounts are:
  - (a) Disputed demand for Excise Duty, Customs Duty, Income Tax, and Sales Tax amounting to Rs. 7,060.47 Lakhs (Rs. 6,121.59 Lakhs) against which the Company has lodged appeal/petition before appropriate authorities.
  - (b) Claims against the company not acknowledged as debts amount to Rs. 735.55 Lakhs (Rs. 706.63 Lakhs) in respect of which the Company has lodged appeals/petitions before appropriate authorities. In respect of employees/ex-employees related disputes financial effect is ascertainable on settlement, no settlement was reached during the year.
  - (c) Bills discounted with banks Rs. 169.30 Lakhs (Rs. 86.43 Lakhs).
- 16.5 Counter guarantees given to various banks in respect of guarantees/loans given by them amount to Rs. 5,329.42 Lakhs (Rs. 6,374.50 Lakhs).
- 16.6 Estimated amount of contract remaining to be executed on Capital Accounts and not provided for amounted to Rs. 1,782.92 Lakhs (Rs. 1,730.37 Lakhs).

#### 16.7 Segment Reporting

Information about business and geographical segment for the year ended 31st March, 2010 in respect of reportable segments as defined by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India in the Accounting Standard - 17 in respect of "Segment Reporting" is attached as Annexure - A.

#### 16.8 Earnings per Share

(i) Earnings per share of the company has been calculated considering the Profit after Taxation of Rs. 11,972.00 Lakbs (Rs. 10,915.00 Lakbs) as the numerator.

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#### **Significant Accounting Policies**

#### Schedule 17

#### 1. Fixed Assets and Depreciation

- Fixed Assets are valued at cost of acquisition inclusive of any other cost attributable to bringing the same to their working condition
- Fixed Assets manufactured/constructed in-house are valued at actual cost of raw materials, conversion cost and other related costs.
- c) Cost of leasehold land is amortised over the period of lease.
- d) Expenditure incurred during construction of capital projects including related pre- 'production expenses is treated as Capital Work-in-Progress and in case of transfer of the project to another body, the accounting is done on the basis of terms of transfer.
- e) Fixed assets retired from active use and held for disposal are stated at the lower of book value and net realizable value and are shown separately in the financial statements. Loss determined, if any, is recognised in the profit and loss statement.
- f) The company reviews the depreciation policies followed for various items of assets, its useful life and circumstances prevailing in the business so as to make a more appropriate preparation or presentation of the financial statements. Necessary adjustment is made in the depreciation charge for the assets, if any significant variation is noticed in the pattern of economic benefits embodied in the assets. Based on the above technical review, certain items of Electrical Installations and Equipment, Furniture and Fittings and Typewriter, Accounting Machine and Office Equipment are being depreciated at the rate of 15%, 20% and 25% respectively on straight line basis.
- g) Depreciation is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, prevailing from time to time at the straight line method except (i) for mobile phones at the rate of 50% per annum, (ii) for items given to employees under the furniture equipment scheme which has been provided at the rate of 25% per annum for computers and 15% per annum for other items and (iii) for assets whose actual cost does not exceed Rs. 5000, which has been depreciated fully in the year of addition of the asset, irrespective of the date of such addition.
- h) Machinery Spares, which can be used only in connection with an item of fixed asset and whose use is expected to be irregular, are treated as fixed assets and depreciated over a period of five years (by charging depreciation @ 20% p. a. on straight line basis) or the residual life of the Principal asset, whichever is lower.

#### 2. Valuation of Investments

The long term investments made by the company appear at cost inclusive of acquisition charges. Provision is made for diminution in value considering the nature and extent of permanent diminution. Current investments appear at lower of cost or fair value.

#### 3. Valuation of Inventories

- (i) Inventories are valued at lower of cost or net realisable value. For this purpose, the basis of ascertainment of cost of the different types of inventories is as under
  - a) Raw materials & trading goods (other than tea), stores & spare parts and materials for turnkey projects on the basis of weighted average cost.
  - Work-in-progress on the basis of weighted average cost of raw materials and conversion cost upto the relative stage of completion.
  - Finished goods on the basis of weighted average cost of raw materials, conversion cost and other related costs.
  - d)  $\;\;$  Tea (unblended, blended and packed ) on the basis of specific cost.
- (ii) Tools, dies, jigs and fixtures are written-off over the economic life except items costing upto Rs. 10000 which are charged off in the year of issue.

#### 4. Recognition of Revenue

Revenue is recognised in compliance with the following:

- a) In case of sale of goods:
  - When the properly and all significant risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to the buyer and no significant uncertainty exists regarding the amount of consideration that is derived from the sale of goods. Sales are stated exclusive of Sales Tax / VAT.
- b) In case of services rendered:
  - When performance in full or part as having achieved is recognised by the buyer and no significant uncertainty exists regarding the amount of consideration that is derived from rendering the services. Income from Services are exclusive of Service Tax.
- c) In case of project activities:

#### Significant Accounting Policies (Contd.)

As per the percentage of completion method after progress of work to a reasonable extent.

- d) In case of other income:
  - Interest on a time proportion basis taking into account the outstanding principal and the relative rate of interest.
  - Dividend from investments in shares on establishment of the Company's right to receive.

#### Employee Benefits

- Company's contributions to Provident Fund and Superannuation Fund are charged to Profit and Loss Account.
- b) Employee benefits in respect of Gratuity, Leave Encashment, Long Service Awards and Leave Travel Assistance are charged to Profit & Loss Account on the basis of actuarial valuation made during the year.
- Post retirement medical benefit is also recognised on the basis of actuarial valuation made during the year.

#### 6. Payments made under Voluntary Retirement / Separation Schemes

- a) Compensation comprising of Ex gratia, Notice-Pay and Rehabilitation Grant payable to employees separating under Voluntary Retirement / Separation Scheme till 31 March, 2005 is treated as Deferred Revenue Expenditure and is written off as per following instalments:-
  - (I) Paid upto December, 1999 Five equal yearly instalments;
  - (ii) Paid during January, 2000 to March, 2005 Sixty equal monthly instalments .
- b) Compensation under Voluntary Retirement / Separation Scheme with effect from
- 1\* April, 2005 Charged off in the same financial year.

#### 7. Treatment of Prior Period and Extraordinary Items

- a) All prior period items which arise in the current period as a result of error or omission in the preparation of prior period's financial statement are separately disclosed in the current statement of profit & loss. However, differences in actual income/expenditure arising out of over or under estimation in prior period are not treated as prior period income/expenditure.
- Income / Expenditure upto Rs. 10000 in each case pertaining to prior years is charged to the current year.
- c) All extraordinary items, i.e., gains or losses which arise from events or transactions which are distinct from the ordinary activities of the Company and which are material are separately disclosed in the statement of accounts.

#### 8. Foreign Currency Translations

- All transactions in foreign currency other than those specified below are converted at the exchange rate prevailing on the respective dates of transactions.
- b) Current assets other than inventories and current liabilities are translated at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of Balance Sheet other than those covered with forward contract.
- Long Term Investment, Inventories and Fixed Assets are carried at cost except that the exchange differences relating to liabilities for acquisition of fixed assets are adjusted in the cost of the asset.
- d) In case of foreign branch, translation of the financial statement is made on the following basis:
  - Revenue items except opening and closing inventories are converted at average rate. Opening and closing inventories are translated at the rate prevailing at the commencement and close respectively.
  - Fixed Assets and depreciation are converted at the exchange rate on the date of the transactions.
  - Other Current Assets and Current Liabilities are converted at the exchange rate as on the date of the Balance Sheet.
- Any income or expense on account of exchange difference either on settlement or on translation is recognised in the Profit & Loss Account except as stated above.
- Premium / discount arising at the inception of the forward exchange contracts entered into to hedge foreign currency risks are amortised

as expense or income over the life of the contract. Exchange difference on such contracts are recognized in the Profit & Loss Account.

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#### 9. Accounting for Research & Development

- a) Revenue Expenditure is shown under Primary Head of Accounts with the total of such expenditure being disclosed in the Notes.
- Capital expenditure relating to research & development is treated in the same way as other fixed assets.

#### 10. Treatment of Grant/Subsidy

- a) Revenue grant/subsidy in respect of research & development expenditure is set off against respective expenditure.
- b) Capital grant/subsidy against specific fixed assets is set off against the cost of those fixed assets.
- c) When grant/ subsidy is received as compensation for extra cost associated with the establishment of manufacturing units or cannot be related otherwise to any particular fixed assets the grant/subsidy so received is credited to capital reserve. On expiry of the stipulated period set out in the scheme of grant/subsidy the same is transferred from capital reserve to general reserve.

#### 11. Accounting for Borrowing Cost

Borrowing Costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets, which take substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. Other Borrowing Costs are recognised as expense in the period in which they are incurred.

#### 12. Impairment of Assets

An assessment is made at each Balance Sheet date to determine whether there is an indication of impairment of the carrying amount of the fixed assets. If any indication exists, an asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognized whenever the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the greater of the net selling price and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value based on appropriate discount factor.

#### 13. Cash Flow Statement

Cash Flow Statement, as per Accounting Standard - 3 issued by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, is prepared using the Indirect Method.

#### 14. Segment Reporting

Segment Reporting is done as per Accounting Standard - 17 issued by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India .The Company has identified business segment as its primary reporting segment with secondary information reported geographically.

#### 15. Intangible Assets

- (a) Expenditure incurred for acquiring intangible assets like software of Rs. 5,00,000 and above and license to use software .per item of Rs. 25000 and above, from which economic benefits will flow over a period of time, is amortised over the estimated useful fife of the asset or five years, whichever is earlier, from the time the intangible asset starts providing the economic benefit.
- (b) In other cases, the expenditure is charged to revenue in the year in which the expenditure is incurred.

#### 16. Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Capital Commitments

- (a) Provision is recognized when there is a present obligation as a result of a past event and it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation in respect of which a reliable estimate can be made.
- (b) Contingent liabilities are disclosed in respect of possible obligations that arise from past events but their existence is confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Company.
- (c) Capital commitments and Contingent liabilities disclosed are in respect of items which exceed Rs. 1,00,000 in each case.
- (d) Contingent liabilities are considered only on conversion of show cause notices issued by various Government authorities into demand.

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.

Chartered Accountants

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#### S. P. Datta

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S. K. Mukherjee Managing Director M. P. Bezbaruah Asish K. Bhattacharyya VLVSS Subba Rao K. Subramanyan P. K. Bora Abha Chaturvedi V. Sinha V. N. Sharma

Amit Ghosh Secretary

#### **ANNEXURE – A (NOTE 16.7)** Information About Business Segments for the year ended 31st March, 2010

	Industrial		Logistics Int & Serv		Travel a	nd Tours	Greases and	Lubricants	Othe	ers	Consolidate	ed - Total
		2008-2009		2008-2009		2008-2009		2008-2009		2008-2009		2008-2009
	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs	Rs./Lakhs
SEGMENT REVENUE	05400	222.42	20.404	00704		20000		0.4000	4404=	10001		004000
External Revenue	65102 1607	60049 1527	33491 33	39764	60837 43	66229 34	29574 69	24036 62	11947 206	10931 106	200952 1959	201008
Inter-Segment Revenue				87								1817
Total Segment Revenue	66710	61576	33524	39851	60880	66264	29643	24098	12152	11038	202911	202825
Less: Inter-Segment Revenue											1960	1817
Add: Other Unallocable Revenue											3512	2862
TOTAL REVENUE SEGMENT RESULT											204463	203870
Profit / (Loss) before Interest & tax	5250	3331	8992	10241	2403	2272	3178	1782	1562	1569	21385	19195
Less: Interest Expense	3230	3331	0932	10241	2403	2212	3170	1702	1302	1309	2375	1515
Prior Period Adjustment											2347	9
Other Unallocable Expenditure												
(net of Unallocable Revenue)											1341	1277
TOTAL PROFIT BEFORE TAX											15321	<u>16394</u>
OTHER INFORMATION												
Segment Assets	36420	49868	15083	12722	12005	10805	14324	14121	23764	19569	101595	107086
Other Unallocable Assets											34438	19979
Total Assets	11943	15278	12100	11954	4387	3444	6670	6477	4281	2316	<u>136034</u> 39380	<u>127065</u> 39468
Segment Liabilities Other Unallocable Liabilities	11943	15276	12100	11954	4307	3444	6670	6477	4201	2310	16212	21136
Total Liabilities											55592	60605
Capital Expenditure	572	974	2520	527	47	54	226	158	777	535	4142	2248
Depreciation	1316	976	320	283	36	29	254	257	1234	738	3160	2282
Impairment loss on Fixed Assets		2.0		_00	-			_0,		. 33	2100	<b></b>
Amortisation of Deferred												
Revenue Expenditure	_	22	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	2	_	24

#### Information About Geographical Segments for the Year Ended 31st. March 2010

	Indian Operations		Overseas Operations		Consolidated Total		
	2008-2009		D - // - l-l	2008-2009	D - // -  - -	2008-2009	
	Rs./Lakhs	Hs./Lakns	Rs./Lakns	Rs./Lakhs	RS./Lakns	Rs./Lakhs	
Segment External Revenue	180361	178461	24102	25409	204463	203870	
Segment Assets	115154	95356	20878	31709	136033	127065	
Capital Expenditure	4098	2118	43	130	4142	2248	

- Details of products / services included in each of the above Business Segments are given below:
  - Industrial Packaging -Barrels, Drums & Closures Logistics Infrastructure & Services -

Logistics Services & Container Freight Station activities Travel & Tours -Travel (Ticketing), Tours & Money Changing activities Greases & Lubricants -Greases, Lubricating Oils & Aviation Lubricants

Others -Project Engineering & Consultancy, Tea Blending & Packaging, Leather Chemicals, Operating Lease of Marine Freight Containers, etc.

Segment Revenue, Expenses and Result include transfers between Business and Geographical Segments. Such transfers are accounted for at competitive market prices charged to unaffiliated customers for similar goods and are eliminated in consolidation.

Overseas operations under Geographical Segments represent Leasing of Marine Freight Containers, Tea Blending & Packaging in UK and Industrial Packaging activity in UAE.

(Rupees in lakhs)

#### Balmer Lawrie & Co.Ltd.

#### Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31st March, 2010

			(Hapood III lakilo)
		Year ended	Year ended
		March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009
A.	Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
	Net profit before Tax [Note]	14188	15922
	Adjustment fo	14100	10022
		3177	2419
	Depreciation and fixed assets written off		
	Foreign Exchange	(448)	(121)
	Profit on sale of investment	_	(2)
	Interest / Dividend	1497	539
	Investments written off / Provision for diminution in value	_	34
	Provision of write down of inventories to net relisable value	(1022)	1433
	Deferred Revenue Expenditure ( charged off during the year )	` ģ	25
	Operating Profit Before Working Capital Changes	17410	20249
	Trade and other receivables	(4355)	2895
	Inventories	6171	(8591)
	Trade Payables	(3133)	8820
	Deferred Revenue Expenditure (payment made during the year)	_	_
	Cash generated from operations	16093	23373
	Direct Taxes paid	(6374)	(2281)
	Interest paid	(545)	(1047)
		(5.5)	(15.17)
	NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	9174	20045
В.	Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
-	Cust How How Modeling Activities		
	Purchase of Fixed assets	(4587)	(8954)
	Sale of Fixed assets	3041	
			2576
	Purchase of Investments	(1828)	(287)
	Sale of Investments	2	2
	Impact of increase in stake in JVC	(1316)	_
	Interest received	108	89
	Dividend received	775	14
	NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(3805)	(6560)
		(3.55)	(====)
C.	Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
٠.	Case is a second		
	Proceeds from Long Term Borrowings	(1805)	3103
	Proceeds from other Borrowings  Proceeds from other Borrowings	3073	230
	Interest paid on Long Term Borrowings	(1781)	(496)
	Dividend paid	(4191)	(2822)
	Corporate Tax on Dividend	(562)	(491)
N	ET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(5266)	(476)
	ET CHANCE IN CACH A CACH FOUNTAL ENTO (A. D. C.)	465	
N	ET CHANGES IN CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS (A+B+C)	103	13009
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	ASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS - OPENING BALANCE	22351	9342
C	ASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS - CLOSING BALANCE	22454	22351

#### NOTE ON CASH FLOW STATEMENT

1 The above Cash Flow Statement has been prepared under "Indirect Method" set out in Accounting Standard - 3 on "Cash Flow Statements" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

2 Net Profit after Tax as per Profit & Loss Account Add : Tax Provision (Net)

Less : Profit / (Loss) on Disposal of Fixed Assets (Net) Net Profit before Tax

(Rupees in lakhs) 2008-09 10915 5478

As per our report attached

For J. GUPTA & CO.
Chartered Accountants

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