

AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2005

(Rs. in millions)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Audited		Audited		Audited Financial Year ended 31.03.05
		Quarter ended		Nine months ended		
		31.12.05	31.12.04	31.12.05	31.12.04	
1.	Net Sales and Operating Income (Net of Discounts & Excise duty)	6406.27	5797.25	17536.85	14993.68	19415.15
2.	Other Income	82.84	87.96	214.72	224.74	316.14
3.	Total Expenditure :					
a)	(Increase) / decrease in stock in trade	802.50	94.13	5.11	(288.71)	(702.01)
b)	Consumption of raw and packing materials	3038.66	3373.97	10242.32	8943.11	11856.05
c)	Employees' remuneration	316.42	287.77	990.59	858.39	1179.30
d)	Other expenditure	1275.67	1138.92	3592.08	3152.21	4144.05
4.	Interest	17.46	7.67	31.79	21.19	27.54
5.	Depreciation	111.71	122.08	335.22	363.96	476.05
6.	Profit Before Extraordinary item and Tax (1+2-3-4-5)	926.69	860.67	2554.46	2168.27	2750.31
7.	Extraordinary item	-	43.06	-	43.06	42.31
8.	Profit before tax (6-7)	926.69	817.61	2554.46	2125.21	2708.00
9.	Provision for Current tax	316.24	296.48	857.49	772.92	988.00
10.	Provision for Deferred Tax	(6.39)	20.05	(4.73)	24.05	(18.16)
11.	Provision for Fringe Benefit Tax	10.50	-	24.50	-	-
12.	Net Profit (8-9-10-11)	606.34	501.08	1677.20	1328.24	1738.16
13.	Prior period items (net)	3.25	(0.01)	(12.25)	(4.45)	(3.34)
14.	Profit after prior period items	609.59	501.07	1664.95	1323.79	1734.82
15.	Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face value of share : Rs.10 each)	959.20	959.20	959.20	959.20	959.20
16.	Reserves excluding revaluation reserves (as per balance sheet)					4763.00
17.	Basic and diluted EPS (Rs.)	6.36	5.22	17.36	13.80	18.09
18.	Aggregate of Non-promoter Shareholding					
	- Number of Shares			51054314	54805913	54807814
	- Percentage of Shareholding			53.23	57.14	57.14

SEGMENT REPORTING

(Rs. in millions)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Audited		Audited		Audited Financial Year Ended 31.03.05
		Quarter ended		Nine months ended		
		31.12.05	31.12.04	31.12.05	31.12.04	
1.	Segment Revenue					
a.	Paints	6231.73	5617.01	17038.62	14517.92	18765.14
b.	Others	348.49	375.23	1065.65	1020.58	1381.35
	Total	6580.22	5992.24	18104.27	15538.50	20146.49
	Less: Inter-segment revenue	125.22	162.27	437.89	462.03	600.28
	Net sales/Income from operations	6455.00	5829.97	17666.38	15076.47	19546.21
2.	Segment Results Profit/(Loss) before tax and interest from each segment.					
a.	Paints	987.43	839.16	2716.71	2224.04	2915.22
b.	Others	42.40	62.08	92.92	112.52	121.57
	Total	1029.83	901.24	2809.63	2336.56	3036.79
	Less: Interest	(17.46)	(7.68)	(31.79)	(21.19)	(27.54)
	Unallocated Corporate Expenses net of unallocable income	(85.68)	(75.95)	(223.38)	(190.16)	(301.25)
	Total profit before tax	926.69	817.61	2554.46	2125.21	2708.00
3.	Capital Employed					
a.	Paints	3708.35	3191.15	3708.35	3191.15	4088.99
b.	Others	591.95	565.52	591.95	565.52	445.75
c.	Unallocable Corporate assets					
	Less Corporate Liabilities	2594.67	2447.49	2594.67	2447.49	1187.46
	Total capital employed	6894.97	6204.16	6894.97	6204.16	5722.20
	Note:					
	Others include Company's business units manufacturing Phthalic Anhydride and Pentaerythritol.					

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2005

(Rs. in millions)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Unaudited		Unaudited		Audited Financial Year ended 31.03.05
		Quarter ended		Nine months ended		
		31.12.05	31.12.04	31.12.05	31.12.04	
1.	Net sales and Operating Income (Net of discounts and excise duty)	8181.55	7374.71	22540.75	19381.98	25605.22
2.	Other income	80.07	109.02	202.97	266.06	323.69
3.	Total Expenditure :					
a)	(Increase) / decrease in stock in trade	(49.48)	112.51	(907.42)	(582.12)	(695.81)
b)	Consumption of raw and packing materials	4991.07	4213.43	14293.09	11771.66	15588.69
c)	Employees' remuneration	571.55	509.53	1713.18	1498.17	2015.52
d)	Other expenditure	1574.89	1513.17	4446.03	4049.92	5345.50
4.	Interest	38.25	30.27	91.60	91.35	108.15
5.	Depreciation	143.24	157.05	431.31	469.63	613.60
6.	Profit from associate company	(0.44)	0.28	(5.21)	1.78	2.18
7.	Profit Before Tax and amortisation of Goodwill (1+2-3-4-5+6)	991.66	948.06	2670.72	2351.21	2955.44
8.	Amortisation of Goodwill	15.28	17.14	47.48	51.40	77.10
9.	Profit Before Tax after amortisation of Goodwill (7-8)	976.38	930.92	2623.24	2299.81	2878.34
10.	Provision for current tax, deferred tax and fringe benefit tax	349.72	350.28	969.53	878.33	1060.82
11.	Net Profit (9-10)	626.66	580.64	1653.71	1421.48	1817.52
12.	Prior period items (net)	3.25	(0.05)	(12.25)	(4.45)	(4.98)
13.	Profit after tax and prior period items	629.91	580.59	1641.46	1417.03	1812.54
14.	Minority interest	3.59	20.32	(14.25)	42.89	71.63
15.	Profit attributable to shareholders	626.32	560.27	1655.71	1374.14	1740.91
16.	Paid-up equity share capital (Face value of share : Rs.10 each)	959.20	959.20	959.20	959.20	959.20
17.	Reserves excluding revaluation reserves (as per balance sheet)					4712.55
18.	Basic and diluted EPS (Rs.)	6.53	5.84	17.26	14.33	18.15

Notes:

- Net sales and operating income include income arising out of processing charges for products manufactured for the joint venture unit, Asian PPG Industries Ltd., and wholly owned subsidiary, Asian Paints Industrial Coatings Ltd., lease rentals towards leasing of tinting machines to dealers and revenue from Home Solutions operations.
- With effect from the financial year ended 31st March 2005, the Company has discontinued the method of recognising inter-division transfers for captive consumption as sales and material consumption respectively. The previous period figures have been restated accordingly.
- During the quarter ended 31st December, 2005, a total of 15 investor complaints were received and resolved. No investor complaints were pending at the beginning of the said quarter and no complaints were lying unresolved at the end of the quarter.
- The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 31st January, 2006.
- The previous period figures have been regrouped wherever required.

Notes:

- For the parent company, Indian subsidiaries and Joint venture, the period considered in the above consolidated results for nine months ended 31st December 2005 is April 2005 to December 2005. In respect of the overseas subsidiaries and associate company, the period considered in the above consolidated results is January - September 2005 except Nepal subsidiary. The period considered for Nepal subsidiary is 15th January to 14th October 2005.
- The previous period figures include financials of subsidiaries Berger Paints (Malta) Ltd. and Asian Paints (Mauritius) Ltd., divested in May 2004 and March 2005 respectively. The above consolidated results for the current period do not include the financials of the above subsidiaries and hence not comparable.

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Sd/-
 ASHWIN C. CHOKSI
 CHAIRMAN

Date: 31st January, 2006.
 Place: Mumbai