

### **Grasim Industries Limited**

# Performance Review Q3FY08

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### **Consolidated Financial Performance – Q3FY08**

	<u>%</u>			
	Rs. Crs. Change			
TOTAL REVENUE	4,358	19		
PBIDT (including minority share)	1,471	<b>1</b> 24		
Interest	<b>51</b>	<b>(6)</b>		
PBT (including minority share)	1,254	<b>1</b> 29		
<b>Total Tax Expenses</b>	399	<b>1</b> 31		
PAT (Before Minority Share)	855	<b>1</b> 28		
PAT (After Minority Share)	722	<b>1</b> 29		
EPS (Rs.)	78.7	<b>1</b> 29		

- Net profit at record high of Rs.722 Crs.,up by 29%
- I Consolidated revenue up by 19%
- PBIDT up by 24% with improved performance from all business segments
  - Ø Historically high profits by VSF and Cement business



### **Consolidated Financial Performance – 9MFY08**

	<u>%</u>				
	Rs. Crs. Change				
TOTAL REVENUE	12,383	<b>1</b> 23			
PBIDT (including minority share)	4,108	<b>1</b> 35			
Interest	162	<b>(1)</b>			
PBT (including minority share)	3,459	<b>1</b> 42			
<b>Total Tax Expenses</b>	1,100	<b>1</b> 45			
PAT (Before Minority Share)	2,359	<b>1</b> 40			
PAT (After Minority Share)	2,012	<b>1</b> 43			
EPS (Rs.)	219.4	<b>1</b> 43			

- Consolidated revenue up by 23%
- I PBIDT up by 35% with improved performance from all business segments
  - Ø VSF business PBIDT up by 67%
  - Ø Cement business PBIDT up by 21%
- Net profit at Rs.2,012 Crs.; up by 43%



### **Consolidated Financial Performance**

(Rs. Crores)

	Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	% Chg.	<b>FY07</b>
Net Turnover & Op. Income	4,358.3	3,668.1	19	12,382.8	10,068.3	23	14,178.4
Other Income	90.5	64.9	<b>39</b>	276.6	167.5	<b>65</b>	245.6
PBIDT	1,471.3	1,182.5	24	4,108.4	3,050.4	35	4,290.1
Interest	51.0	54.5	(6)	161.8	162.8	(1)	228.6
<b>Gross Profit</b>	1,420.3	1,128.1	26	3,946.6	2,887.5	37	4,061.5
Depreciation	166.2	154.6	8	488.0	444.8	10	610.0
PBT	1,254.1	973.5	29	3,458.6	2,442.8	42	3,451.5
Current Tax	357.0	297.4		995.5	760.2		1,097.1
Deferred Tax	42.5	6.4		104.1	(3.3)		(5.1)
Total Tax	399.5	303.8	31	1,099.6	756.9	45	1,092.1
PAT	854.6	669.7	28	2,359.0	1,685.9	40	2,359.4
Minority Share etc.	132.7	110.3		347.5	276.9		391.9
PAT (after Minority Share)	721.9	559.3	29	2,011.5	1,409.0	43	1,967.5
Earning Per Share - Basic and Diluted (Rs.)	78.7	61.0	29	219.4	153.7	43	214.6



### **Standalone Financial Performance – Q3FY08**

		<u>%</u>		
	Rs. Crs.	<u>Ch</u>	ange	
TOTAL REVENUE	2,630	1	15	
PBIDT	921	1	29	
<b>Interest Charges</b>	23		(13)	
Depreciation	87	1	7	
PBT	815	1	<b>35</b>	
<b>Total Tax Expenses</b>	<b>262</b>	1	<b>35</b>	
PAT	<b>554</b>	1	35	
EPS (Rs.)	60.4	1	35	

- I Net profit at record high; up by 35%
- **Revenue up by 15%**
- PBIDT up by 29% with improved performance from all business segments
  - Ø Historically high operating profit by VSF business, up by 50%
  - Ø Satisfactory performance from Cement business
  - Ø Normal operations in Chemical business during the quarter, unlike lower production due to CPP shutdown in Q3FY07
  - Ø Sponge Iron business aided by higher realisation
- I Interest cost down by 13%



## **Standalone Financial Performance – 9MFY08**

		<u>%</u>		I Revenue up by 23%
	Rs. Crs.	<u>Cha</u>	<u>nge</u>	PBIDT up by 43% with improved
TOTAL REVENUE	7,596	Î	<b>23</b>	performance from all business segments
PBIDT	2,644	1	43	Ø VSF business PBIDT up by 77% Ø Cement business PBIDT up by 21%
<b>Interest Charges</b>	80	1	6	Ø Normal operations in Chemical business unlike lower production during last year
Depreciation	259	1	12	Ø Sponge Iron business aided by higher realisation
PBT	2,309	1	<b>50</b>	Ø Higher other income with increase in treasury income
<b>Total Tax Expenses</b>	744		<b>55</b>	I Tax expenses higher by 55%
PAT	1,565	1	47	Ø Lower component of tax exempt income in PBT
EPS (Rs.)	170.7	1	47	I Net profit at Rs.1,565 Crs.; up by 47%



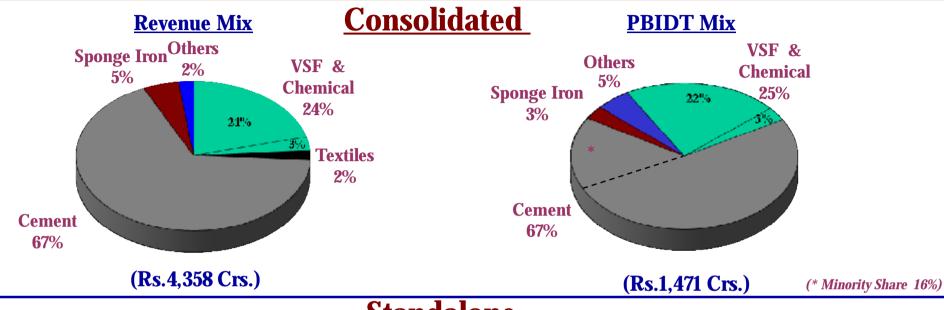
### **Standalone Financial Performance**

(Rs. Crores)

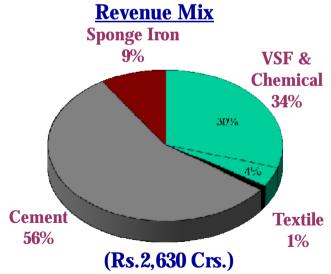
	Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	9MFY08	<b>9MFY07</b>	% Chg.	FY07
Net Turnover & Op. Income	2,629.9	2,280.2	15	7,595.8	6,185.3	23	8,680.3
Other Income	65.0	44.4	47	190.9	132.1	45	209.7
PBIDT	921.4	713.4	29	2,644.3	1,847.2	43	2,619.0
Interest	23.4	26.9	(13)	79.8	75.2	6	111.8
<b>Gross Profit</b>	898.0	686.5	31	2,564.5	1,772.0	45	2,507.2
Depreciation	86.5	80.7	7	259.1	230.4	12	317.9
Non Recurring Profit	3.9	-	-	3.9	-		37.1
PBT	815.4	605.8	35	2,309.3	1,541.6	50	2,226.4
Current Tax	235.6	192.3		665.0	477.1		692.4
Deferred Tax	26.0	1.9		79.1	3.2		(1.8)
Total Tax	261.6	194.2	35	744.1	480.3	55	690.6
PAT	553.8	411.6	35	1,565.2	1,061.3	47	1,535.8
Earning Per Share - Basic and Diluted (Rs.)	60.4	44.9	35	170.7	115.8	47	167.5



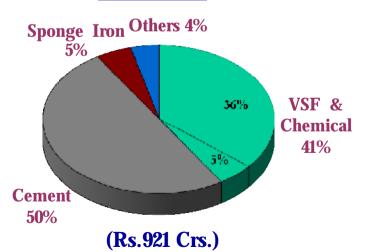
### **Segmental Performance – Q3FY08**







### **PBIDT Mix**





## **Financial Highlights**



### **Grasim Consolidated Financials**

(Rs. Crores)	FY05	FY06	FY07	9M FY08
Net Turnover	9,292	10,224	14,106	12,327
PBIDT	2,272	2,337	4,290	4,108
PAT (After Minority share)	880	1,041	1,968	2,012
Net Worth	4,082	4,833	6,636	8,610
<b>Capital Employed</b>	9,695	10,188	13,520	15,743
PBIDT Margins(%)	24.5	22.9	30.4	33.2
EPS (Rs.)	96.0	113.5	214.6	219.4
Interest Cover (x)	6.3	8.7	14.0	19.2
Debt: Equity (x)	0.86	0.69	0.65	0.48
Book Value (Rs.)	445	527	724	939
ROAvCE (PBIT Basis) (%) \$	18.2	17.8	31.0	33.0
<b>RONW</b> (%) *	23.7	23.4	34.3	35.2

I Strong Balance sheet

- I ROAvCE increased from 18% in FY05 to 33% in 9MFY08
- I Return on equity at 35%
- Debt-equity reduced from 0.86 in FY05 to 0.48 in 9MFY08
  - Ø Adjusted leveraging even lower at 0.36
- I Grasim's market-cap at Rs.335 Bn.\* (\$8.5 Bn.)
  - Ø 5 years' CAGR 63%
- Subsidiary company UltraTech's market-cap at Rs.126 Bn.\* (\$3.2 Bn.)

<sup>\$</sup> Capital Employed includes CWIP

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding Minority share



### **Grasim Standalone Financials**

(Rs. Crores)	FY05	FY06	FY07	9M FY08
Net Turnover	6,229	6,653	8,608	7,542
PBIDT	1,785	1,597	2,619	2,644
PAT	886	863	1,536	1,565
Net Worth	4,324	4,978	6,226	7,794
Capital Employed	6,931	7,542	9,760	11,131
Capital Employed (Excl. subsidiary Investments)	4,569	5,190	7,284	8,496
PBIDT Margin (%)	28.7	24.0	30.2	34.8
EPS (Rs.)	96.6	94.1	167.5	170.7
Interest Cover (x)	9.6	11.9	17.2	24.8
Debt: Equity (x)	0.46	0.40	0.47	0.34
<b>Book Value (Rs.)</b>	472	<b>543</b>	679	850
ROAvCE (excl.subsidiary investment) (PBIT Basis) (%) \$	35.1	26.7	36.9	40.3

**I Strong Balance sheet** 

- Ø Low gearing at 0.34
- Ø Adjusted gearing even lower at 0.18
- Ø Comfortable interest cover
- I Standalone ROCE in 9MFY08 at 40.3%
- I Strong funding capabilities to support Company's ambitious future growth plans
- I Grasim's market-cap at Rs.335 Bn.\* \$8.5 Bn.)
  - Ø 5 years' CAGR 63%

(\* 31st Dec. 07)



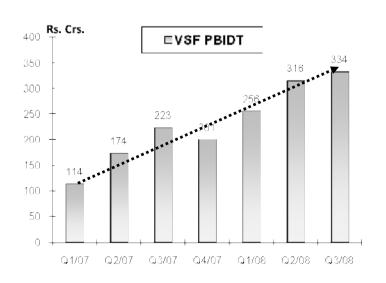
# **Business Review – Q3FY08**

- § VSF
- **§ Chemicals**
- **§ Cement**
- § Sponge Iron



# Viscose Staple Fibre: Q3FY08 Highlights

	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	% Chg.
Capacity (TPA)	270,100	266,450	1
<b>Production (MT)</b>	70,839	68,784	3
Sales Volumes (MT)	<b>68</b> ,552	67,061	2
Net Revenue (Rs Crs.)	805.9	653.7	23
Realisation (Rs./MT)	108,935	90,389	21
PBIDT (Rs. Crs.)	334.1	223.3	<b>50</b>
<b>PBIDT Margin (%)</b>	41.5%	34.2%	
PBIT (Rs. Crs.)	312.5	204.7	<b>53</b>
ROAvCE %	92.6%	<b>75.1</b> %	



- I Record operating profit of Rs.334 crores on back of robust volumes and higher realisation
- Capacity utilisation of 105%
- I VSF demand continues to remain strong both in domestic and global markets
- I Realisation up by 21%
  - Ø Firm international prices
  - Ø Rising input cost
- Operating margins increase to an high of 41%
- I Impact of high global pulp prices partially offset by rupee appreciation and part captive pulp capacity



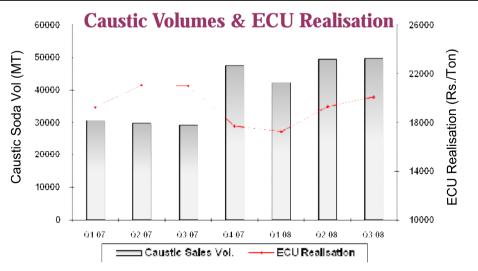
### **Viscose Staple Fibre : Outlook**

- I Volume outlook is positive, driven by consumer preference for comfort clothing
- I Prices to remain firm in the short term; but resistance seen at these levels
- I Margins likely to see some decline in short to medium term
  - Ø Cost pressure on value chain
  - Ø Rising pulp prices coupled with spurt in sulphur prices
- I Volume growth to help growth in operating profit
- I Lifting of quota restriction on Chinese textile exports and impact of rupee appreciation on Indian textile exports are areas of concern
- I Capacity expansion plans from existing 270K TPA to 453K TPA under implementation to meet growing demand
  - Ø 64K TPA expansion at Kharach (Gujarat) expected to be operational in March 08
  - Ø 31K TPA expansion planned at Harihar (Karnataka)
  - Ø 88K TPA greenfield project being pursued at Vilayat (Gujarat)
- I Foray into consumer product segment with test launch of non-woven products



# Chemical: Q3FY08 Highlights & Outlook

	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	% Chg.
Caustic Capacity (TPA)	258,000	190,800	35
<b>Caustic Production (MT)</b>	<b>50,452</b>	29,962	<b>68</b>
Caustic Sales Volumes (MT)	49,978	29,337	<b>70</b>
Net Revenue (Rs. Crs.)	116.7	<b>76.9</b>	<b>52</b>
ECU Realisation (Rs./MT)	20,090	21,035	<b>(4)</b>
PBIDT (Rs. Crs.)	45.1	19.3	134
PBIDT Margin (%)	<b>38.6</b> %	<b>25.0</b> %	
PBIT (Rs. Crs.)	39.0	13.5	188
ROAvCE %	<b>51.2</b> %	21.4%	



- I Production up by 68%
  - Ø Lower production in Q3FY07 due to shutdown of a captive power plant
- I Lower caustic prices due to overhang of capacity and cheap imports
- Operating profit increased considerably on higher volumes

### **Outlook**

Realisations to remain under pressure due to demand supply mismatch



## **Cement: Q3FY08 Highlights**

		Q3FY08	Q3FY07	% Chg.
Grey Cement				
Production	Mn. MT	3.69	3.67	1
Sales Volumes* \$	Mn. MT	3.76	3.72	1
Realisation	Rs./MT	3,215	2,918	10
<u>RMC</u>				
<b>Sales Volumes</b>	Lac Cu. Mtr.	<b>5.46</b>	3.76	45
Realisation	Rs./Cu Mtr.	2,767	2,433	14
White Cement				
Production	MT	105,123	91,722	15
Sales Volumes **	MT	103,879	93,571	11
Realisation	Rs./MT	7,076	6,456	10
Net Revenue <sup>§</sup>	Rs. Crs.	1,486.8	1,276.0	17
<b>PBIDT</b>	Rs. Crs.	459.8	420.3	9
<b>PBIDT Margin</b>	(%)	^ <b>30.9</b> %	<b>32.9</b> %	
PBIT	Rs. Crs.	411.0	376.4	9
ROAvCE	%	42.3%	65.0%	

<sup>\*</sup> Includes captive consumption for RMC

- I Production and volumes growth restricted due to capacity constraint
  - Ø Despite high capacity utilisation at 112%
  - Ø Capacity constraint to resolve with commissioning of new capacities
- I RMC volumes up by 45%, 13 RMC plants commissioned during Apr–Dec 07
- I Higher realisations set off by cost pressures
  - Ø Higher fuel cost increase in imported coal and petcoke prices
  - Ø Higher freight and employee cost
- I Rs.20 Crs. expense on brand migration to "UltraTech Cement" incurred during the quarter

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes captive consumption for value added products

<sup>\$</sup> Excludes traded sales volumes

<sup>^</sup> PBIDT margin without considering Brand Migration Expenses – 32.2%



### **Cement: Outlook**

- I Demand expected to grow at about 10% in the long term
- I Capacity announcement of around 90 Mn. tons over three years [FY08 FY10]
  - Ø If materialises in total as per announced schedule, may result in surplus
  - Ø Prices may come under pressure from end FY09
- I Cost pressure on account of rising energy prices
  - Ø New captive TPPs under construction to help reduce the energy cost
- Operating margins likely to remain stable
- Project implementation progressing satisfactorily
  - Ø Shambhupura, Rajasthan expected to be commissioned by March 08
  - Ø Kotputli, Rajasthan expected to be commissioned by end Q2FY09
  - Ø Tadpatri, A.P. (UltraTech) expected to be commissioned by March 08



# **Sponge Iron: Q3FY08 Highlights and Outlook**

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	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	% Chg.
Capacity (TPA)	900,000	900,000	
<b>Production (MT)</b>	142,701	116,996	22
Sales Volumes (MT)	135,205	147,339	(8)
Net Revenue (Rs. Crs.)	244.3	196.0	25
Realisation (Rs./MT)	15,875	12,344	29
PBIDT (Rs. Crs.)	48.9	27.9	75
PBIDT Margin (%)	20.0%	14.2%	
PBIT (Rs. Crs.)	40.2	19.1	110
ROAvCE (%)	32.6%	14.2%	

- I Production up by 22%
  - Ø Maintenance shutdown in corresponding quarter
- I Sales volume lower by 8%
  - Ø Liquidation of stock in Q3FY07
- I Increase in sponge prices helped by firm global scrap prices and record bulk freight rates
- Higher operating profit led by better realisation and higher sale of iron ore fines
   Ø Despite steep increase in iron ore prices

### **Outlook**

- I Business outlook expected to improve with adequate gas availability, likely by March 08
- Uncertainty in Gas pricing remains a concern



# **Capex**



## **Capex plans**

I Capex Summary Rs. Crores

	Total Project	Net	Cash Ou	ıtflow
	Cost	Capex *	FY08	FY09
Cement	5,123	4,085	2,871	1,133
- Kotputli (4.5 Mn. TPA) & Shambhupura (4.4 Mn. TPA) Projects, Rajasthan,(incl. 96 MW TPP)	3,276	2,529		
- 2 Nos. Thermal Power Plants (75 MW)	402	212		
- Grinding unit – Dadri, U.P. (1.3 Mn. MT)	204	116		
- RMC Plants (27 Nos., Capacity 5.4 mn. cu. mtrs.)	164	151		
- Modernisation, Upgradation, etc.	1,077	1,077		
<u>VSF</u>	952	910	415	404
- Capacity expansion, Kharach, Guj. & Harihar, Kar. (94,875 TPA)	606	<b>564</b>		
- Modernisation & Upgradation	<b>346</b>	346		
Other Businesses	117	117	103	14
Grasim	6,192	5,112	3,389	1,551
UltraTech	3,965	3,340	2,110	959
- 4.9 Mn. TPA Tadpatri Project, A.P. (incl. 50 MW TPP)	1,613	1,268		
- 3 Nos. Thermal Power Plants (175 MW)	1,096	844		
- 2 Mn. GCW Grinding Capacity augmentation	<b>370</b>	<b>370</b>		
- RMC plants (19 Nos., Capacity 3.2 mn. cu. mtrs.)	112	84		
- Modernisation, Upgradation, etc.	774	774		
Cement Business (Grasim & UltraTech)	9,088	7,425	4,981	2,092
Grasim and UltraTech	10,157	8,452	5,499	2,510

<sup>\*</sup> Net of capex incurred till FY07

<sup>\$</sup> Excluding Capex of Rs.840 Crs. for 88,000 TPA VSF Greenfield project being pursued at Vilayat, Gujarat



# **UltraTech Cement Performance Review**



### **UltraTech: Consolidated Financial Performance – Q3FY08**

(Rs. Crores)

	Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.
Net Turnover *	1,422.7	1,220.2	17
Other Income	21.4	16.9	27
PBIDT	493.0	400.5	23
PBIDT Margin (%)	34.1%	32.4%	
Interest	17.4	20.2	(14)
Depreciation	59.0	<b>57.3</b>	3
PBT	416.6	323.0	29
Total Tax Expenses	135.1	108.3	25
PAT after Minority share	280.9	214.2	31

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted for traded sales volumes

- I Net turnover increased by 17% due to improved realisation and higher RMC sales
- I Operating profit higher by 23% led by higher realisations and improved plant performance
- I Higher energy cost due to increase in imported coal prices
- I Interest cost lower by 14% on repayment of high cost debt
- I Net Profit at Rs.281 Crs, up 31%



# **UltraTech Consolidated: Highlights**

	Q3 <b>FY08</b>	Q3 FY07	% Chg.
Production (Mn. MT)  Cement Sales volumes (Mn. MT)	3.60	3.59	
Cement - Domestic * - Exports	3.40 0.26	3.21 0.36	6 (28)
Clinker	0.71	0.77	(7)
	4.37	4.34	1
RMC Volumes (Lac. Cu. Mtr.)	2.32	0.48	
Realisation (Rs./MT)			
<b>Cement (Domestic)</b>	3,318	3,019	10
Cement (Exports) <sup>§</sup>	3,497	2,791	<b>25</b>
Clinker (Domestic & Exports)	1,973	1,673	18

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes traded sales volumes

- I Effective capacity utilisation of 102%
- I Domestic sales volume up by 6%
- I Decline in exports volume of cement to meet domestic demand
- I Higher realisation in both domestic and export markets
- I Current FOB price: Cement \$54/ton, Clinker \$49/ton
- I Outlook on export prices continue to be positive

<sup>\$</sup> Includes freight only on part quantity



# **Summary**



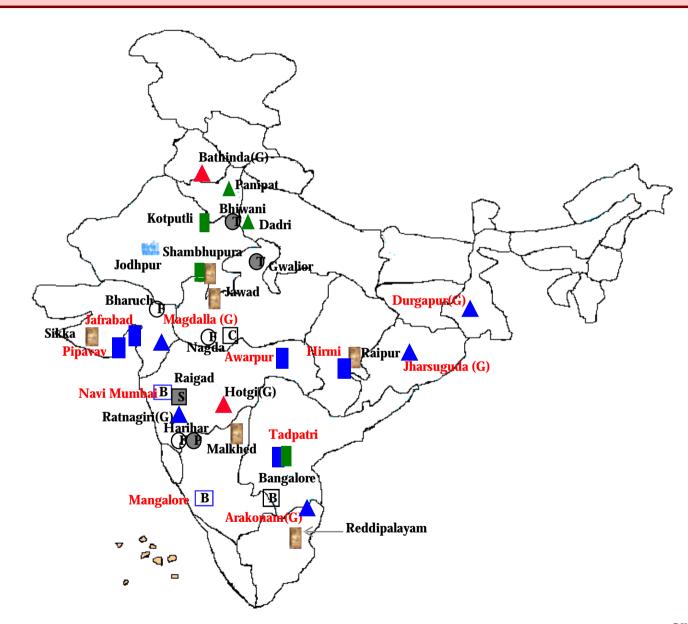
### **Summary**

- I Grasim A VSF and Cement major
  - Ø With strong competitive edge
  - **Ø** Global size operations
  - Ø Consolidating leadership position with strong organic growth pipeline
- I Domestic leadership in Cement
  - Ø Capex of Rs.9,100 Crs. on capacity expansions, captive power plants, RMC and modernisation
  - Ø Focus on greater efficiency through cost control and other measures
- I Leading global player in VSF
  - Ø Global presence
  - Ø Well planned strategy for growth of plantation, pulp and fibre capacities
  - Ø Building capacity for specialty fibre



### Plant Locations- Grasim & its subsidiaries

- Proposed Cement Projects
- **▲ Proposed Grinding Units**
- Grey Cement plants
- ▲ Grinding Units (G)
- **B** Bulk Cement Terminal
- UltraTech Cement Plants
- **▲** UltraTech Grinding Units (G)
- **B** UltraTech Bulk Cement Terminals
- **Fibre plants**
- Pulp plant
- **C** Chemical plant
- **Textiles units**
- Sponge Iron plant





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# **Grasim Industries Limited Annexures**



### **Annexures**

- **§ Consolidated and Standalone Financial**
- **§ Consolidated and Standalone Profitability**
- § Segmental Performance Q3 & 9M FY08
- **§ VSF Summary**
- **§ Chemical Summary**
- **§** Cement Summary
- **§ Sponge Iron Summary**
- **§ UltraTech Performance**



# **Financial Snapshot**

### **Standalone**

(Rs. Crores)	FY04	<b>FY05</b>	FY06	<b>FY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>
Gross Block §	5,802	6,052	6,417	7,974	9,887
Net Block <sup>§</sup>	3,213	3,204	3,307	4,593	6,390
Goodwill	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cement Subs. Investment</b>	2,333	2,362	2,352	2,476	2,635
Investments	409	939	1,422	2,141	1,646
Net Current Assets	349	426	461	550	460
<b>Capital Employed</b>	6,304	6,931	7,542	9,760	11,131
Net Worth	3,606	4,324	4,978	6,226	7,794
<b>Minority Interest</b>	1	-	-	-	-
Debts	2,065	2,008	1,980	2,952	2,675
Deferred Tax	633	599	<b>584</b>	582	662
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Debt: Equity (x)	0.57	0.46	0.40	0.47	0.34
<b>Book Value (Rs.)</b>	393	472	<b>543</b>	679	850

### **Consolidated**

	COIIS	Componented											
<b>FY05</b>	<b>FY06</b>	<b>FY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>										
11,312	11,927	14,481	17,905										
6,294	6,411	8,468	11,646										
1,958	1,773	1,922	1,986										
-	-	-	-										
<b>769</b>	1,352	2,272	1,957										
674	652	858	154										
9,695	10,188	13,520	15,743										
4,082	4,833	6,636	8,610										
500	514	859	1,179										
3,934	3,683	4,873	4,699										
1,179	1,158	1,152	1,255										
0.86	0.69	0.65	0.48										
445	<b>527</b>	724	939										

\$ Block includes CWIP



# **Profitability Snapshot**

### **Standalone**

(Rs. Crores)	FY04	<b>FY05</b>	FY06	<b>FY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>
Gross Turnover	6,130	7,201	7,638	9,613	8,525
Net Turnover	5,213	6,229	6,653	8,608	7,542
PBIDT	1,504	1,785	1,597	2,619	2,644
PBIDT Margin (%)	28.9	28.7	24.0	30.2	34.8
Interest	154	139	103	112	80
PBDT	1,350	1,646	1,494	2,507	2,564
Total Tax Expenses	298	418	343	691	744
PAT (After Minority Share)	779	886	863	1,536	1,565
EPS (Rs.)	85.0	96.6	94.1	167.5	170.7
DPS (Rs.)	14.0	16.0	20.0	27.5	
ROAvCE (PBIT Basis)(%)	\$ <b>28.9</b>	\$35.1	\$ <b>26.7</b>	\$ <b>36.9</b>	\$ <b>40.3</b>
RONW (%)					
Interest Cover (x)	7.9	9.6	11.9	17.2	24.8

### **Consolidated**

	Collse	Diluate	<u>u</u>
FY05	FY06	<b>FY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>
10,776	11,746	15,714	13,886
9,292	10,224	14,106	12,327
2,272	2,337	4,290	4,108
24.5	22.9	30.3	33.2
285	218	229	162
1,988	2,118	4,061	3,947
442	403	1,092	1,100
880	1,041	1,968	2,012
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
96.0	113.5	214.6	219.4
18.2	17.8	31.0	33.0
23.7	23.4	34.3	35.2

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<sup>\$</sup> Adjusted for investments in cement subsidiaries and related income



# **Segmental Performance – Q3FY08**

Standalone Rs. Crores

Business	Revenue		PBIDT			PBIDT Margin (%)		BIT	Capital Employed		ROAvCE (%) (PBIT basis)	
	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	Q3FY08	<b>Q3FY07</b>	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	Q3FY08	Q3FY07	Q3FY08	<b>Q3FY07</b>
VSF	806	654	334	223	41.5	34.2	313	205	1,489	1,181	92.6	75.1
Chemical	117	77	45	19	38.6	25.0	39	14	305	296	51.2	21.4
Cement	1,495	1,344	460	420	30.9	32.9	411	376	4,695	2,554	42.3	65.0
Sponge Iron	244	196	49	28	20.0	14.2	40	19	432	547	32.6	14.2
Textile	13	57	1	(0.3)	5.3	(0.5)	0.4	(3)	24	128	2.3	(10.4)
Direct Operations			889	690			803	611	6,945	4,706	52.6	56.7
Cement subsidiaries									2,635	2,379		
Company as a whole	2,630	2,280	921	713	35.0	31.3	835	633	11,131	8,866	<sup>@</sup> 42.3	<sup>@</sup> 43.3
Consolidated	i	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VSF	912	737	339	243	37.1	33.0	314	223	1,790	1,345	78.0	75.3
Cement \$	2,962	2,562	966	841	32.6	32.8	857	738	11,383	7,961	33.8	40.0
Company as a whole\$	4,358	3,668	1,471	1,183	33.8	32.2	1,305	1,028	15,743	12,187	35.7	36.7

S including minority share

<sup>@</sup> ROCE calculated after excluding investment in cement subsidiaries & releated income Capital Employed includes CWIP



# **Segmental Performance – 9MFY08**

Standalone Rs. Crores

Business	Rev	enue	PBIDT			Margin %)	PE	BIT	T Capital E			CE (%) ' basis)
	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	9MFY08	<b>9MFY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	9MFY08	<b>9MFY07</b>
VSF	2,308	1,666	906	512	39.3	30.7	843	459	1,489	1,181	83.3	<b>56.2</b>
Chemical	320	225	114	46	35.4	20.6	96	32	305	296	41.8	16.7
Cement	4,277	3,699	1,393	1,153	32.8	32.6	1,250	1,024	4,695	2,554	42.9	58.9
Sponge Iron	675	515	114	48	16.9	9.3	88	22	432	<b>547</b>	23.8	5.5
Textile	159	199	5	2	3.1	1.1	(2)	(3)	24	128	(3.1)	(3.8)
Direct Operations			2,532	1,761			2,275	1,534	6,945	4,704	49.7	47.5
Cement subsidiaries									2,635	2,379		
Company as a whole	7,596	6,185	2,644	1,847	34.8	29.9	2,385	1,617	11,131	8,866	<sup>@</sup> 40.3	<sup>@</sup> 36.7
Consolidated	1											
VSF	2,634	1,933	911	<b>545</b>	34.6	28.2	839	487	1,790	1,345	69.5	<b>54.8</b>
Cement \$	8,385	7,084	2,739	2,256	32.7	31.8	2,419	1,956	11,383	7,961	31.8	35.3
Company as a whole\$	12,383	10,068	4,108	3,050	33.2	30.3	3,620	2,606	15,743	12,187	33.0	31.0

S including minority share

<sup>@</sup> ROCE calculated after excluding investment in cement subsidiaries & releated income Capital Employed includes CWIP



# Viscose Staple Fibre : Summary

		Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	9M FY08	9M FY07	% Chg.	FY07
Capacity	TPA	270,100	266,450	1	270,100	266,450	1	270,100
Production	MT	70,839	68,784	3	209,072	179,061	17	246,833
Sales Volumes	MT	68,552	67,061	2	208,131	182,137	14	250,725
Net Revenue	Rs. Crs.	805.9	653.7	23	2,307.5	1,665.8	<b>39</b>	2,327.6
Avg. Realisation	Rs./MT	108,935	90,389	21	102,098	84,617	21	85,729
PBIDT	Rs. Crs.	334.1	223.3	50	906.1	511.9	77	712.3
PBIDT Margin	%	41.5%	34.2%		39.3%	30.7%		30.6%
PBIT	Rs. Crs.	312.5	204.7	53	843.4	459.3	84	638.4
Capital Employed	Rs. Crs.	1,489	1,181	26	1,489	1,181	26	1,211
<b>ROAvCE (PBIT Basis)</b>	%	92.6%	75.1%		83.3%	56.2%		<b>57.8</b> %



# **Chemical: Summary**

		Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	9M FY08	<b>9M FY07</b>	% Chg.	FY07
Capacity	TPA	258,000	190,800	35	258,000	190,800	35	258,000
Production	MT	50,452	29,962	68	142,046	89,610	<b>59</b>	136,685
Sales Volumes	MT	49,978	29,337	<b>70</b>	142,484	90,121	<b>58</b>	137,830
Net Revenue	Rs. Crs.	116.7	76.9	<b>52</b>	320.4	225.4	42	319.0
Avg. Realisation	Rs./MT	20,090	21,035	(4)	18,917	20,422	(7)	19,444
PBIDT	Rs. Crs.	45.1	19.3	134	113.5	46.4	145	80.6
PBIDT Margin	%	38.6%	25.0%	1	<b>35.4</b> %	20.6%		25.3%
PBIT	Rs. Crs.	39.0	13.5	188	95.6	31.7	201	60.1
Capital Employed	Rs. Crs.	305	296	3	305	296	3	304
ROAvCE (PBIT Basis)	%	51.2%	21.4%		41.8%	16.7%		23.3%



# **Cement: Summary**

		Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	9M FY08	9M FY07	% Chg.	FY07
<b>Grey Cement</b>								
Capacity	Mn. MT	13.12	13.12		13.12	13.12		13.12
Production	Mn. MT	3.69	3.67	1	11.16	10.54	6	14.42
Sales Volumes *	Mn. MT	3.76	3.72	1	11.26	10.59	6	14.52
Avg. Realisation	Rs./MT	3,215	2,918	10	3,156	2,824	12	2,867
White Cement								
Capacity	TPA	475,000	475,000		475,000	475,000		475,000
Production	MT	105,123	91,722	15	287,449	267,533	7	364,649
Sales Volumes	MT	103,879	93,571	11	281,450	264,967	6	367,167
Avg. Realisation	Rs./MT	7,076	6,456	10	6,797	6,435	6	6,458
Net Revenue *	Rs. Crs.	1,486.8	1,276.0	17	4,245.1	3,531.5	20	4,907.0
PBIDT	Rs. Crs.	459.8	420.3	9	1,393.1	1,152.8	21	1,623.0
PBIDT Margin	%	30.9%	32.9%		<b>32.8</b> %	32.6%		33.1%
PBIT	Rs. Crs.	411.0	376.4	9	1,250.4	1,024.3	22	1,448.2
Capital Employed	Rs. Crs.	4,695	2,554	84	4,695	2,554	84	3,077
ROAvCE (PBIT basis)	%	42.3%	65.0%		42.9%	58.9%		56.2%
*Adjusted for traded sales volumes	Mn. MT	0.01	0.20		0.07	0.50		0.77



# **Sponge Iron : Summary**

		Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	9M FY08	<b>9M FY07</b>	% Chg.	<b>FY07</b>
Capacity	TPA	900,000	900,000		900,000	900,000		900,000
Production	MT	142,701	116,996	22	427,510	357,503	20	525,183
Sales Volumes	MT	135,205	147,339	(8)	416,870	399,184	4	571,127
Net Revenue	Rs. Crs.	244.3	196.0	25	674.9	514.7	31	<b>755.8</b>
Avg. Realisation	Rs./MT	15,875	12,344	29	15,050	12,244	23	12,679
PBIDT	Rs. Crs.	48.9	27.9	75	114.1	48.1	137	85.1
PBIDT Margin	%	20.0%	14.2%		16.9%	9.3%		11.3%
PBIT	Rs. Crs.	40.2	19.1	110	88.0	22.1	298	50.4
Capital Employed	Rs. Crs.	432	547	(21)	432	547	(21)	552
ROAvCE (PBIT Basis)	%	32.6%	14.2%		23.8%	5.5%		9.3%



# **UltraTech: Consolidated Financial Performance**

(Rs. Crores)

		Q3 FY08	Q3 FY07	% Chg.	<b>9MFY08</b>	<b>9MFY07</b>	% Chg.	<b>FY07</b>
Cement Production (Mn. MT)		3.60	3.59	0.4	10.85	10.46	4	14.63
Sales Volume(Mn. MT):	<b>Cement-Domestic*</b>	3.40	3.21	6	10.22	9.49	8	13.35
	<b>Cement-Exports</b>	0.26	0.36	(28)	0.69	0.94	(27)	1.27
	Clinker	0.71	0.77	(7)	1.51	1.89	(20)	2.50
	<b>Total Volumes</b>	4.37	4.34	1%	12.42	12.31	1	17.12
Realisation(Rs./MT):	<b>Cement-Domestic</b>	3,318	3,019	10	3,236	2,901	12	2,934
	<b>Cement-Exports</b>	3,497	2,791	25	3,207	2,862	12	2,871
	Clinker	1,973	1,673	18	1,855	1,619	15	1,630
				I				
Net Turnover *		1,422.7	1,220.2	17	3,985.7	3,384.6	18	4,781.2
Other Income		21.4	16.9	27	71.6	39.0	84	59.2
PBIDT		493.0	400.5	23	1,310.9	1,059.7	24	1,490.8
<b>PBIDT Margin</b> %		34.1%	32.4%	-	32.3%	31.0%		30.8%
Interest		17.4	20.2	(14)	<b>56.4</b>	66.5	(15)	86.8
Depreciation		59.0	57.3	3	174.0	167.7	4	228.7
PBT		416.6	323.0	29	1080.5	825.5	31	1,175.3
Total Tax		135.1	108.3	25	354.0	271.1	31	388.7
PAT after Minority Share		280.9	214.2	31	725.5	552.8	31	784.9
Earning Per Share, Basic & Diluted (Rs.)		22.6	17.2	31	58.3	44.4	31	63.1
* Adjusted for traded sales volume	nes		0.15		0.04	0.31		0.56



### GRASIM, THE ADITYA BIRLA GROUP'S FLAGSHIP COMPANY PERFORMANCE FOR Q3 FY2008

Consolidated Net Profit : Rs. 722 Crs. 29%

Consolidated Net Revenues : Rs 4,358 Crs. 19%

### **Consolidated Financial Performance:**

Rs. Crores

	Q3	Q3	%	9 Months	9 Months	%
	FY08	FY07	Change	FY08	FY07	Change
Net Revenues	4,358	3,668	19%	12,383	10,068	23%
Gross Profit	1,420	1,128	26%	3,947	2,888	37%
Depreciation	166	155	7%	488	445	10%
Total Tax Expenses	399	304	31%	1100	757	45%
Profit after Taxes	855	669	28%	2,359	1,686	40%
Less: Minority Share	131	110	19%	345	277	25%
Net Profit	722	559	29%	2,012	1,409	43%
EPS (Rs.)	79	61	29%	219	154	43%

Grasim Industries Limited has posted good results for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2007. The improved performance was propelled by its core businesses, viz., Cement and Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF). The Company's Chemical and Sponge Iron businesses too aided the performance.

Revenues increased by 19% y-o-y to Rs.4,358 crores (Rs.3,668 crores). Gross Profit rose by 26% at Rs.1,420 crores (Rs.1,128 crores). Net Profit was higher by 29% at Rs.722 crores (Rs.559 crores).

### Highlights of Grasim's operations:

		Q3FY08	Q3FY07	%
				Change
Production -				
Viscose Staple Fibre	M.T.	70,839	68,784	3%
Cement	Mn. M.T.	3.69	3.67	1%
White Cement	M.T.	105,123	91,722	15%
Sponge Iron	M.T.	142,701	116,996	22%
Caustic Soda	M.T.	50,452	29,962	68%
Sales Volumes -				
Viscose Staple Fibre	M.T.	68,552	67,061	2%
Cement	Mn. M.T.	3.76	3.72	1%
White Cement	M.T.	103,879	93,571	11%
Sponge Iron	M.T.	135,205	147,339	-8%
Caustic Soda	M.T.	49,978	29,337	70%

### Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF) Business

VSF business recorded a positive performance during the quarter.

The Company plans to expand its capacity by 94,875 tons, through capacity additions of 63,875 tons at Kharach (Gujarat) and 31,000 tons at Harihar (Karnataka), at an estimated outlay of Rs.606 crores. Upon completion, the Company's VSF capacity will be 364,975 tons.

Alongside, a greenfield 88,000 tons plant is being set up at Vilayat (Gujarat) at an estimated capital cost of Rs.840 crores. The plant is expected to be commissioned in about 2-3 years' time.

The Company plans to foray into the consumer product segment with a test launch of non-woven products.

#### **Chemical Plant**

The Chemical plant's performance improved during the quarter. Production of caustic soda was higher by 68% at 50,452 tons. During the corresponding quarter, production was lower owing to the shut down of a captive power plant. Sales volumes rose by 70% at 49,978 tons.

#### **Cement Business**

The performance of Cement business was good. Both production and sales volumes were a tad higher at 3.69 million tons and 3.76 million tons respectively. The share of blended cement increased from 61% to 66%. 13 RMC plants were commissioned during the current year. Higher realisation during the quarter, however, was set off by the steep hike in fuel cost and increased freight cost, which impacted margins.

The White Cement unit reported a healthy performance. While production grew by 15% at 105,123 tons, sales volumes improved by 11% at 103,879 tons.

#### **Cement Subsidiaries**

UltraTech Cement Limited (UltraTech), a subsidiary of Grasim, too reported improved performance. Sales of cement and clinker were at 3.66 million tons and 0.71 million tons respectively. Net Profit was higher at Rs.281 crores.

#### Cement Capex plan

The capex plans of both Grasim and UltraTech are progressing satisfactorily. The Company's aggregate cement capacity (including that of its subsidiaries) will stand augmented by 17 million tons at 47 million tons, upon completion of all expansions. Besides, both the Company and its subsidiary are setting up Ready Mix Concrete plants at various locations in the country.

The additional capacity of around 90 million tons, as announced by the industry, over the 3-year period FY08 to FY10, could result in a surplus scenario, affecting realisation from end-FY09. Rising energy prices would lead to increased costs. However, the addition of captive power plants at various locations will help contain this impact.

The strong growth in demand emanating from the housing and infrastructure sectors bode well for the Company's Cement business.

#### **Sponge Iron Business**

The performance of Sponge Iron business improved during the quarter. Operating profits improved, despite a steep increase in iron ore prices, owing to higher realisation. The outlook for the business is expected to improve with adequate gas availability, likely by March'08. The pricing of gas, being uncertain, continues to be a concern.

#### Outlook

Grasim's outlook continues to be positive. The major expansion of capacity in cement and fibre businesses, relentless efforts towards cost optimization and improved productivity, coupled with effective financial management, portend well for the Company in the years to come.

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### UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2007

#### I. CONSOLIDATED RESULTS:

Rs in Crores

	Three Months Ended 31st December 2007	Three Months Ended 31st December 2006	Nine Months Ended 31st December 2007	Nine Months Ended 31st December 2006	Year Ended 31st March 07 ( Audited )
Net Sales / Income from Operations	4,358.34	3,668.12	12,382.80	10,068.25	14,178.44
Other Income	90.49	64.87	276.60	167.49	245.64
Expenditure:					
<ul> <li>Decrease / (Increase) in Stock</li> <li>Raw Material Consumed</li> <li>Purchases of Finished Goods</li> <li>Payment to &amp; Provision for Employees</li> <li>Power &amp; Fuel</li> <li>Freight, Handling &amp; Other Expenses</li> <li>Depreciation</li> <li>Other Expenditure</li> </ul>	(97.70) 942.69 22.92 213.98 740.58 515.40 166.20 639.72	4.18 729.79 4.99 165.32 627.30 471.94 154.57 546.95	(132.52) 2,632.63 56.01 599.35 2,033.54 1,499.79 487.95 1,862.21	3.47 1,980.30 48.02 500.21 1,768.53 1,330.15 444.76 1,554.72	33.25 2,821.40 74.83 672.98 2,472.45 1,878.07 609.97 2,181.02
Total Expenditure	3,143.79	2,705.04	9,038.96	7,630.16	10,743.97
Interest	50.99	54.47	161.83	162.83	228.64
Profit before Tax Expenses	1,254.05	973.48	3,458.61	2,442.75	3,451.47
Provision for Current Tax	(356.95)	(297.40)	(995.50)	(760.15)	(1,097.14)
Provision for Deferred Tax	(42.46)	(6.43)	(104.14)	3.29	5.07
Net Profit	854.64	669.65	2,358.97	1,685.89	2,359.40
Less : Minority Share Add : Share in Profit / (Loss) of Associates	131.02 (1.76)	110.34	345.16 (2.27)	276.92	391.50 (0.40)
Net Profit ( After Minority Share )	721.86	559.31	2,011.54	1,408.97	1,967.50
Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face Value Rs. 10 per share) Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve	91.69	91.69	91.69	91.69	91.69 6,538.05
Basic EPS for the period ( Rupees ) Diluted EPS for the period ( Rupees )	78.73 78.72	61.00 61.00	219.39 219.37	153.67 153.67	214.58 214.58

#### II. STANDALONE RESULTS:

Rs. in Crores

					Rs. in Crores
	Three Months	Three Months	Nine Months	Nine Months	Full Year
	ended 31st	ended 31st	ended 31st	ended 31st	ended 31st
	December 2007	December 2006	December 2007	December 2006	March 2007
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Net Sales / Income from Operations	2,629.93	2,280.22	7,595.75	6,185.33	8,680.34
Other Income	65.03	44.39	190.87	132.08	209.66
Expenditure:					
- Decrease / ( Increase ) in Stock	(44.28)	4.65	(57.58)	5.41	16.62
- Raw Material Consumed	704.05	577.89	2,001.85	1,576.67	2,219.14
- Purchases of Finished Goods	21.62	84.68	79.43	213.44	321.16
- Payment to & Provision for Employees	131.34	111.25	390.67	347.33	459.40
- Power & Fuel	368.86	311.41	1,041.48	856.46	1,196.14
- Freight , Handling & Other Expenses	255.43	235.59	758.00	658.69	919.40
- Depreciation	86.50	80.69	259.03	230.35	317.91
- Other Expenditure	336.58	285.77	928.47	812.21	1,139.13
Total Expenditure	1,860.10	1,691.93	5,401.35	4,700.56	6,588.90
Interest	23.41	26.93	79.84	75.21	111.84
Profit before Exceptional Items and Tax Expenses	811.45	605.75	2,305.43	1,541.64	2,189.26
Profit on transfer of textile units at Bhiwani	3.89		3.89		
Write back of provision for diminution in value of loans					37.10
Profit before Tax Expenses	815.34	605.75	2,309.32	1,541.64	2,226.36
Provision for Current Tax	(235.55)	(192.27)	(664.98)	(477.12)	(692.38)
Provision for Deferred Tax	(26.00)	(1.90)	(79.11)	(3.20)	1.83
Net Profit	553.79	411.58	1,565.23	1,061.32	1,535.81
Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face Value Rs. 10 per share)	91.69	91.69	91.69	91.69	91.69
Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve					6,134.46
Basic EPS for the period (Rupees)	60.40	44.89	170.71	115.75	167.50
Diluted EPS for the period (Rupees)	60.39	44.89	170.70	115.75	167.50
Total Public Shareholding*					
- Number of Shares (000's)			58,177	58,827	58,509
- Percentage of Shareholding			63.46%	64.17%	63.82%
*Total public shareholding as defined under Clause 40 A of the list	ng agreement(excludes	shares held by Promo			

#### III. SEGMENT REPORTING - CONSOLIDATED

Rs. in Crores

	Three Months ended 31st December 2007	Three Months ended 31st December 2006	Nine Months ended 31st December 2007	Nine Months ended 31st December 2006	Rs. in Crores Full Year ended 31st March 2007
1. SEGMENT REVENUE					
a Fibre & Pulp	912.20	736.79	2,634.23	1,932.64	2,725.2
b Cement	2,961.88	2,562.05	8,384.81	7,084.09	9,957.7
c Sponge Iron	244.33	196.02	674.92	514.71	755.7
d Chemicals	116.72	76.88	320.41	225.43	319.0
e Textiles	72.09	57.47	218.35	199.09	270.9
f Others	110.84	87.16	308.08	231.43	326.9
T	OTAL 4,418.06	3,716.37	12,540.80	10,187.39	14,355.6
(Less) : Inter Segment Revenue	(59.72)	(48.25)	(158.00)	(119.14)	(177.2
Net Sales / Income from Operations	4,358.34	3,668.12	12,382.80	10,068.25	14,178.4
2. SEGMENT RESULTS					
	212.02	222.20	929.00	407.12	671
Fibre & Pulp	313.92 856.58	223.20 738.39	838.98	487.13	671. 2.767.
Cement			2,418.83	1,955.55	,
Sponge Iron	40.18	19.09	87.95	22.11	50.
1 Chemicals	38.98	13.53	95.60	31.73	60.0
e Textiles	0.01	(2.87)	(2.17)	(3.13)	(4.0
Others	24.47 OTAL 1,274.14	15.33 1,006.67	73.54 3,512.73	42.38 2,535.77	62. 3,607.
Add / (Less):	01AL 1,2/4.14	1,000.07	3,312.73	2,333.77	3,007.
Interest	(50.99)	(54.47)	(161.83)	(162.83)	(228.
Net Unallocable Income / (Expenditure )	30.90	21.28	107.71	(1 <b>02.83</b> ) 69.81	72.9
Profit Before Tax Expenses	1,254.05	973.48	3,458.61	2,442.75	3,451.
Tont before Tax Expenses	1,234.03	713.40	3,430.01	2,442.13	3,431.
B. CAPITAL EMPLOYED					
Fibre & Pulp			1,789.55	1,345.04	1,428.4
o Cement			11,383.12	7,961.46	8,913.
Sponge Iron			432.45	546.86	552.
Chemicals			304.84	295.81	304.
Textiles			165.43	127.97	126.
Others			572.45	418.00	516.
	OTAL		14,647.84	10,695.14	11,841.
unallocated Corporate Capital Employed			1,098.87	1,495.65	1,682.
TOTAL CAPITAL EMPLOYED			15,746.71	12,190.79	13,524.
			15,770.71	120,170,17	10,027

#### IV. SEGMENT REPORTING - STANDALONE Rs. in Crores Three Months Three Months Nine Months Nine Months Full Year ended 31st ended 31st ended 31st ended 31st ended 31st December 2007 December 2006 December 2007 December 2006 March 2007 (Audited) 1. SEGMENT REVENUE 805.92 653.74 2,307.52 2,327.63 Fibre & Pulp 1,665.83 Cement 1,494.80 1,344.36 4,276.76 3,699.41 5,172.66 244.33 196.02 674.92 514.71 755.79 Sponge Iron 320.41 225.43 319.00 Chemicals 116.72 76.88 Textiles 12.92 57.47 159.18 199.09 270.96 TOTAL 2,674.69 2,328.47 7,738.79 6,304.47 8,846.04 (143.04) (165.70) (48.25) (119.14) (Less): Inter Segment Revenue (44.76) Net Sales / Income from Operations 2,629.93 2,280.22 7,595.75 6,185.33 8,680.34 2. SEGMENT RESULTS Fibre & Pulp 312.52 204.74 843.40 459.33 638.42 410.96 376.37 1,250.40 1,024.27 1,448.21 Cement 40.18 19.09 87.95 22.11 50.39 Sponge Iron 95.60 31.73 60.05 Chemicals 38.98 13.53 Textiles 0.44 (2.87)(1.74)(3.13)(4.63)TOTAL 803.08 2,275.61 1,534.31 2,192.44 610.86 Add / (Less): Interest (23.41)(26.93)(79.84)(75.21)(111.84)Net Unallocable Income / (Expenditure ) 31.78 21.82 109.66 82.54 108.66 Profit before Exceptional Items and Tax Expenses 811.45 605.75 2,305.43 1,541.64 2,189.26 Profit on transfer of textile units at Bhiwani 3.89 3.89 Write back of provision for diminution in value of loans 37.10 1,541.64 Profit Before Tax Expenses 815.34 605.75 2,309.32 2,226.36 3. CAPITAL EMPLOYED Fibre & Pulp 1.488.95 1.181.13 1.210.72 3,076.68 Cement 4,694.90 2,554.34 Sponge Iron 432.45 546.86 552.21 295.81 304.49 Chemicals 304.84 127.97 23.93 126.17 Textiles TOTAL 6,945.07 4,706.11 5,270.27 Unallocated Corporate Capital Employed 4,189.10 4.493.88 4,164.18 TOTAL CAPITAL EMPLOYED 11,134.17 8,870.29 9,764.15

#### V. NOTES

- 1 Consolidated Results have been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard on Consolidated Financial Statements (AS-21), Accounting Standard on Accounting for Investments in Associates (AS-23), and Accounting Standard on Financial Reporting of Interest in Joint Ventures (AS-27) issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI).
- 2 Segments have been identified in line with the Accounting Standard on Segment Reporting (AS-17), taking into account the organisational structure as well as differential risks and return of these segments. Details of products included in each of the above segments are as under:

Fibre & Pulp - Viscose Staple Fibre & Wood Pulp

Cement - Grey & White Cement

Sponge Iron - Sponge Iron

Chemicals - Caustic Soda & Allied Chemicals

Textiles - Fabric & Yarn

Others - Mainly Telecom (in consolidated results)

- 3 No investor complaint was pending at the beginning of the quarter. During the quarter, six complaints were received, all of which have been attended by the Company and no complaints were pending at the end of the quarter.
- 4 a During the quarter, the Company has entered into an agreement for sale of its entire holding of 7,58,16,681 equity shares representing 53.63% of issued equity share capital of Shree Digvijay Cement Co. Ltd. (SDCC), a subsidiary company, at a price of Rs. 42.50 per share subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.
  - Pending actual transfer of shares of SDCC as per terms and conditions of above agreement, the company has not reversed the provision for diminution in value of SDCC shares amounting to Rs. 45.68 Crs. This will be reviewed and considered in the annual accounts depending upon the outcome of the subject agreement.
- 4 b Pending transfer of Equity Shares of SDCC, the company has included in its consolidated financial results the financial results of SDCC for the period of 3 months and 9 months ended on 31st December 2007. The net revenue and net profit (net of minority share) of SDCC considered in the consolidated financial results for the quarter and 9 months ended on 31st December 2007, are as under:

Rs. In Crs

Particulars	3 months ended 31st December 2007	9 months ended 31st December 2007	
Net Revenue	60.57	177.12	
Net Profit (net of minority share)	5.26	14.15	

- 5 a The standalone financial results of the company for the 3 months ended 31st December 2007 do not include the Financial results of the erstwhile Textiles Units at Bhiwani, as the same have been transferred to Grasim Bhiwani Textile Ltd. (GBTL), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, w.e.f. 1st October 2007. The impact of the same is not material on the Company's standalone financial results for the 3 months ended 31st December, 2007.
- 5 b The consolidated Financial Results of the Company for 3 months ended 31st December 2007, include financial results of GBTL.
- 6 During the quarter, the company has invested Rs 19.98 Crs for acquiring 30000 A Class equity shares of AV Cell Inc., Canada, a joint venture of the company, resulting into increase in the company's holding from 16.667 % to 25 %.
- 7 Previous period's figures have been regrouped / rearranged wherever necessary to conform to the current period's classification.
- 8 The above Unaudited results for the quarter ended 31st December, 2007 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and approved by the Board of Directors at the meeting held on 22nd January, 2008. The limited review, as required under Clause 41 of Listing Agreement has been completed by the auditors of the Company and the related report is being submitted to the concerned Stock Exchanges.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors

Place : Mumbai D. D. Rathi
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