



# NAVA BHARAT VENTURES LIMITED

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## *PRESS RELEASE*

### **Q1 FY15 Total Income at Rs. 306.2 Crores, up 21.3% YoY Q1 FY15 Profit after Tax at Rs. 56.2 Crores, up 11.9% YoY**

**Hyderabad, Saturday, August 09 2014:**

Nava Bharat Ventures Ltd (NBVL) announced its unaudited results for the quarter ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

NBVL reported total income of Rs 306.2 Crs and Profit after tax of Rs 56.2 Crs for the quarter ending June 2014 registering an increase of 21.3% and 11.9% respectively over the corresponding quarter in the previous year. The Company's improved operational performance for the quarter was principally due to higher average power realisations across captive use, sale to the Grid and sale through the power exchange.

#### **Power Business**

The Company generated 400.39 MU of power and delivered 355.80 MU of power from the power plants in Telangana, Andhara Pradesh and Odisha at an average PLF of 80.41%. The Company consumed 123.96 MU for power for captive consumption to produce ferro alloys and sold 234.91 MU of power (including purchased power of 3.07 MU) under open access route. The Power business was subjected to certain maintenance outages and Grid curtailments in Telangana and was constrained by the captive consumption requirement for the 94 MW captive power facilities in Odisha. The Telangana power plant had to absorb higher blend cost of the fuel owing to the short supply of linkage coal.

#### **Ferro Alloy business**

Marginally improved realisations in manganese alloy segment prompted the Company to scale up production in the first half of the current year. While, the ferro chrome conversion was impacted by the mining renewal impediment, faced by Tata Steel, the Company resorted to own production of ferro chrome as a short gap arrangement. The Company plans to switch over production to manganese alloys in the Odisha works to obtain the economics by way of fixed cost recovery and value addition through transfer price for captive consumption.



## **Sugar Business**

While the average realisation of sugar improved marginally during the quarter under review, the division performance continues to be critically dependent up on by-products from distillery and co-generation of power.

### **64 MW power plant in Odisha**

The Company has approached the Government of India for approval to use domestic coal instead of imported coal to obtain competitive cost of generation for merchant sale of power through open access. The Government has considered the request favourably and the Company is taking steps to conclude execution of the Memorandum of Understanding with the State Government to commence operations under this unit in the second half of the year.

### **150 MW unit under the Subsidiary**

The 150 MW power unit of Nava Bharat Energy India Limited generated 309.99 MU of power during the quarter at an average PLF of 94.62 % and continued merchant sale against the yearly contract with Telangana Grid. The Unit continues to predominantly use imported coal from, impacting the cost of generation relative to the other power units of the Group.

## **Overseas Projects**

### **Zambian Coal & Power Project**

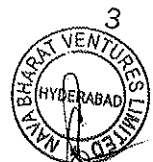
The Zambian step down subsidiary has been able to secure in principle approval for the ECA insurance facility and most of the sanctions for term loans for the coal & Power Project, estimated to cost US\$ 800 Million. The Project achieved more than 65% progress, funded in part by the equity funds of Sponsors and bridge facilities against long term loans. The subsidiary is negotiating financing and security documents and expects to achieve Financial Closure shortly following the compliance of various conditions precedent.

### **Laos Hydel Power Project**

The Singapore Subsidiary of the Company has been able to conclude the Share Holders Agreement with 70% control of the Hydel project company in Laos with balance stake being held by Kobe Green Power and the EDL, the Laos power Utility. After the Project company is formed key project agreements like Concession Agreement and Power Purchase Agreement will be concluded, paving way for selection of the EPC contractor, project financing work etc. The equity investment commitment will be frozen after these key project milestones towards the fag end of the financial year.

## **Tanzanian Agro Projects**

The Step down subsidiary in Tanzania awaits the allocation of initial parcel of land by the Government following which Pilot Oil Palm Project will be launched. Other Agro ventures in Tanzania are in early stages of exploration.



## Q1 FY2015 quantitative data table

Table on Production/Generation and Sales Volumes for quarter-ended period with comparative numbers:

	Q1 FY2015	Q1 FY2014
<b>A. Production / Generation</b>		
Silico Manganese (MT)	17,174	14,619
Ferro Chrome (MT)	1,322	-
Ferro Chrome (Conversion) (MT)	11,722	-
Power (MU) (Net)	355.80	324.70
Sugar (MT)	4,197	-
Molasses (MT)	1,905	-
Spirit (b.Litres)	1,077,900	954,330
Ethanol (b.Litres)	1,172,000	-
<b>B. Sales</b>		
Silico Manganese (MT)	17,659	15,451
Ferro Chrome (MT)	-	507
Ferro Chrome (Conversion) (MT)	11,722	-
Power (MU)		
-Captive Consumption (MU)	123.96	67.03
-Merchant Sale (MU) (including purchased power)	234.91	261.66
Sugar (MT)	12,527	7,747
Molasses (MT)	1,030	2,765
Spirit (B. Litres)	52,000	1,091,959
Co-gen Power (KWH)	1,039,940	-
Ethanol (b.Litres)	712,600	-
<b>C. Closing Stock</b>		
Silico Manganese (MT)	1,427	2,314
Ferro Chrome (MT)	2,857	1,202
Sugar (MT)	19,243	24,080
Molasses (MT)	5,246	7,769
Spirit (B. Litres)	17,606	669,770
Ethanol (b.Litres)	738,420	385,900



## **About Nava Bharat Ventures Limited (Nava Bharat)**

Nava Bharat Ventures is a power focused company with interests in ferro alloys and sugar. The Group has total installed power generation capacity of 442 MW in Telangana, AP and Odisha. Nava Bharat is one of the leading ferro alloy producers in India with about 125,000 MT of Manganese and about 75,000 MT of Chrome Alloy capacities. Nava Bharat also undertakes production of sugar and allied products in its 4,000 TCD integrated plant. Nava Bharat has investments and operations through Subsidiaries in India, Singapore, Laos, Zambia and Tanzania.

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