

Hindustan Zinc Limited

Production Release

for the Second Quarter and Half Year Ended 30 September 2014

Udaipur, October 10, 2014: Hindustan Zinc Limited today announced its production for the second quarter and half year ended September 30, 2014.

Highlight

- Mined metal production of 213kt in Q2, up 30% sequentially

Operational Performance

Mined metal production in Q2 was up 30% sequentially and down 4% from a year ago. This is in line with our mine plan at Rampura Agucha of lower mined metal production in the first half of the year as we excavated more waste than ore and exposed the ore body by September, which will contribute to higher volumes in the second half of the year.

Integrated production of refined zinc, lead and silver increased sequentially, though it was down from a year ago due to lower mined metal production and smelter shutdown.

Production Summary

(In '000 MT, except as stated)

Particulars	Q2			Q1	H1		
	2015	2014	Change	2015	2015	2014	Change
Mined Metal Production ('000 MT)	213	222	-4%	163	376	459	-18%
Refined Metal Production ('000 MT)							
Total Refined Zinc	181	196	-8%	141	321	370	-13%
- Refined Zinc – Integrated	174	195	-11%	139	312	368	-15%
Total Saleable Refined Lead¹	30	30	0%	31	61	61	0%
- Saleable Lead – Integrated	26	29	-12%	22	47	56	-16%
Total Refined Saleable Silver^{2,3}(in MT)	80	90	-11%	82	162	186	-13%
- Saleable Silver – Integrated	67	83	-19%	56	123	160	-23%
Wind Power (in million units)	170	151	13%	146	316	313	1%

(1) Excluding captive consumption of 1,762 MT in Q2 FY 2015 and 3,451 MT in H1 FY 2015, as compared with 1,700 MT and 3,344 MT respectively in corresponding prior period.

(2) Excluding captive consumption of 9.1 MT in Q2 FY 2015 and 17.8 MT in H1 FY 2015, as compared with 9.0 MT and 17.8 MT respectively in corresponding prior period.

(3) Silver occurs in Lead & Zinc ore and is recovered in the smelting and silver-refining processes

Note: Numbers may not add up due to rounding off.

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About Hindustan Zinc

Hindustan Zinc (NSE & BSE: HINDZINC) is the one of the largest integrated producers of zinc-lead with a capacity of 1.0 million MT per annum and a leading producer of silver. The Company is headquartered in Udaipur, Rajasthan in India and has zinc-lead mines at Rampura Agucha, Sindesar Khurd, Rajpura Dariba, Zawar and Kayad; primary smelter operations at Chanderiya, Dariba and Debari, all in the state of Rajasthan; and finished product facilities in the state of Uttarakhand.

Hindustan Zinc has a world-class resource base with total reserve & resource of 365.1 million MT and average zinc-lead reserve grade of 12.0%. The Company has a track record of consistently growing its reserve & resource base since 2003 and currently has a mine life of over 25 years.

The Company is self-sufficient in power with an installed base of 474 MW coal-based captive power plants. Additionally, it has green power capacity of 309 MW including 274 MW of wind power and 35 MW of waste heat power. The Company has an operating workforce of over 15,000 including contract workforce.

Hindustan Zinc is a subsidiary of the BSE and NSE listed Sesa Sterlite Limited (ADRs listed on the NYSE), a part of London listed diversified metals and mining major, Vedanta Resources plc.

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