

Press Release

SEL Board Recommends 330% Dividend

Mumbai, **27**th **April**, **2015**: The Board of Directors of Swaraj Engines Limited (SEL) today announced the audited financial results for the quarter and year ended 31st March, 2015.

FY 2014 - 2015

As Company's business is linked with the tractor industry, the sharp decline in overall domestic tractor numbers during the second half of the Fiscal 2015 had impacted Company's sale for the year. As a result, Company's engine sale for the year was restricted to 64,595 units as compared to last year's 74,062 units and Net Operating Revenue stood at Rs. 539.7 crores as against Rs. 608.3 crores for the last financial year.

Due focus was given on cost front but with lower absorption of fixed expenses due to drop in volume coupled with higher depreciation and CSR expense mandated by the provisions of Companies Act 2013, Profit Before Tax for the year stood at Rs. 77.8 crores compared to last year's Rs. 97.8 crores.

Profit After Tax for the year at Rs. 51.8 crores (last year Rs. 67.0 crores) has translated into an earning per share of Rs. 41.74 (last year Rs. 53.95).

Q4 (Jan. - Mar. 15)

Similarly, due to severe drop in tractor industry in fourth quarter, Company's engines sale also witnessed sharp decline and stood at 12,344 units as against 19,265 units sold in the corresponding period of last year. Net operating revenue for the quarter was Rs. 104.3 crores compared to last year's Rs. 159.4 crores. Reflecting the decline in sales, profit before tax for the fourth quarter stood at Rs. 14.5 crores (last year Rs. 25.5 crores).

Dividend

The Board, while approving the annual accounts, has recommended an equity dividend of 150% (Rs.15.00 per share) for the financial year ended 31st March, 2015. Following its Investor friendly approach and keeping in view of Company's surplus cash position, the Board, over and above the said normal dividend, has again recommended a special dividend payment of 180% (Rs.18.00 per share), taking the total dividend to 330% (Rs.33.00 per share) for the FY 2014-15 as against 350% (including a special dividend of 200%) paid last year.

About Swaraj Engines Ltd.

Swaraj Engines Limited (SEL) was set up in 1985 in Mohali, Punjab. SEL is in the business of supplying engines to the Swaraj Division of Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. (M&M). The Company is also manufacturing hi-tech engine components for SML Isuzu Ltd.

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