

# Praj announces Q4 & FY2015-16 results: Improves EBIDTA margins

**Pune, May 20, 2016:** Praj Industries (Praj), the global process engineering and solutions provider for bioethanol, alcohol & brewery, water & wastewater and process equipment globally, announced its audited financial results for Q4 & FY2015-16.

# Results: Q4 FY2015-16 - Consolidated:

- Income from operations stood at Rs 329.83 crore (Q4 FY 15: Rs 306.19 crore, Q3 FY 16: Rs 290.42 crore)
- PBT is at Rs 40.53 crore for the period (Q4 FY15: Rs 46.26 crore, Q3 FY16: Rs 34.66 crore)
- PAT is at Rs 34.01 crore (Q4 FY15: Rs 36.61 crore, Q3 FY16: Rs 25.51 crore)

# Results: FY 2015-16 - Consolidated:

- Income from operations stood at Rs. 1015.80 crore (FY15: Rs 1012.20 crore)
- PBT is at Rs 89.69 crore for the period (FY15: Rs 86.38 crore)
- PAT is at Rs 69.46 crore (FY15: Rs 76.27 crore). Previous year in FY15, PAT includes Rs 11.9 crore (pre-tax) capital gain on sale of office building at Bavdhan, Pune and write back of Rs 10.76 crore towards excess provision for tax.

"Despite challenging external environment, we have reported a stable performance in fiscal 2015-16 with improvement in operating performance with EBITDA (excluding other income) moving from Rs 93.02 crore to Rs 110.87 crore (19% growth). The growth in profitability was made possible through improved operational efficiencies. We remain confident of our business capabilities to deliver long-term sustainable growth in the years to come", said **Mr. Gajanan Nabar, CEO & MD, Praj Industries**.

### Key Developments

- The consolidated order backlog as on March 31, 2016 stood at Rs. 960 crore which comprised of 40% international orders.
- Ethanol blending in India reached 3.2% in the year 2015-16. OMCs have finalized contracts to procure 1.3 bn liter (equivalent to 5%) for the first time since the mandate is in place.
- Lok Sabha has passed the Industries (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, which transfers the control of beverage and industrial alcohol to the states; whereas fuel ethanol will be a central government subject. This is a positive movement for ethanol blending program.



- Praj commissioned a 200 m<sup>3</sup>/day multi-product plant based on the novel EcoSmart technology in Poland. It is capable of reducing water and steam consumption by upto 40%.
- Water and waste water treatment group recently commissioned zero liquid discharge ETP for a yarn manufacturing facility of one of the largest textile companies in Central India.
- Mr. Pramod Chaudhari, Executive Chairman, Praj Industries, has been appointed as Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industry's (CII) national committee on Bio-Energy for the 3rd consecutive year. Mr. Chaudhari has been actively involved with CII for more than a decade, spearheading Biofuels movement in India.

# Praj Industries Limited:

Praj is a global process solutions company driven by innovation and integration capabilities, offers solutions to add significant value to bio-ethanol facilities, brewery plants, water & wastewater treatment systems, critical process equipment & systems, HiPurity solutions and bio-products. Over the past 3 decades, Praj has focused on environment, energy and agri process led applications. Praj has been a trusted partner for process engineering, plant & critical equipment and systems with over 600 references across five continents. Solutions offered by Praj are backed by its state of the art R&D Centre called Matrix. Led by an accomplished and caring leadership, Praj is a socially responsible corporate citizen. Praj is listed on the Bombay and National Stock Exchanges of India.

### For more information, visit <u>www.praj.net</u>.

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