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**AUSTIN ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED** 



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# **Austin Engineering Company Ltd.**

Patla, Tal. Bhesan, Dist. Junagadh, India

has established and applies a quality system for

Design and Manufacturing of Ball, Roller and Needle Bearings

An audit was performed, Report No. 99553

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are fulfilled.

The certificate is valid until 2002 June

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Cologne, 1999-06-04





# 22nd ANNUAL REPORT

1999-2000

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Shri N. C. Vadgama :

Chairman & Executive Director

Shri S. M. Thanki

Managing Director

Joint Managing Director

Shri R. N. Bambhania :

Shri J. R. Bhogayta : Executive Director

#### **AUDITORS:**

Dhirubhai Dand & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Junagadh - 362 001

#### **BANKERS:**

Bank of Baroda

#### REGISTERED OFFICE & WORKS:

Village: Patla, Taluka: Bhesan, Dist.: Junagadh - 362 030.

#### JUNAGADH OFFICE:

101, GIDC Estate, Vadal Road, Junagadh - 362 003.

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#### NOTICE

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Twenty-Second Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered office of the Company at Village: Patla, Taluka: Bhesan, Dist.: Junagadh - 362 030 on Wednesday, 20th September, 2000 at 4.00 p.m. to transact the following business.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

- 1) To receive, consider and adopt the audited accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2000 and the Directors' and Auditors' Reports thereon.
- To appoint a Director in place of Shri Narottam C. Vadgama, who retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-appointment.
- 3) To appoint a Director in place of Shri Jeshanker R. Bhogayta, who retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-appointment.
- 4) To appoint Auditors to hold office from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remunerations.

By order of the Board of Directors

Place: Patla Dist. Junagadh. Date: 19th June,2000. N.C.Vadgama Chairman.

#### NOTES:

- A member entitled to attend and vote is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and on poll to vote instead of himself and the proxy need not be a member of the Company. The proxy must be lodged with the Company not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting.
- 2 The Register of Members and Share Transfer book of the Company will remain closed from 14th September, 2000 to 20th September, 2000 (both days inclusive.).
- 3 Members seeking any further information are requested to write to the Company at least 7 days before the meeting so as to enable the management to keep the information ready at the meeting.
- 4 Members/Proxies are requested to bring with them duly filled attendance slip for attending the meeting.
- Those members who have so far not encashed their dividend should approach the company for payment or otherwise the same will be transferred to the General Revenue Account of the Central Government on the expiry of the specified period.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

To the Members,

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the Twenty-Second Annual Report with the audited accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2000.

#### FINANCIAL RESULTS :

Rs. in lacs.

|   | 1999-2000 | 1998-99 |
|---|-----------|---------|
| Gross Profit before Interest depreciation and taxes | 40.29     | 305.09  |
| Less : Interest and Depreciation                    | 262.29    | 281.80  |
| Profit (Loss) before tax                            | (222.00)  | 23.29   |
| Less : Provision for taxation                       |           | 6.25    |
| Profit (Loss) after tax.                            | (222.00)  | 17.04   |
| Less : Prior Period Items (Net)                     | 15.95     | 4.14    |
| Add : Balance brought forward from last year.       | 778.22    | 765.32  |
| Profit av <mark>a</mark> ilable for appropriations. | 540.27    | 778.22  |
| Balance carried forward to next year.               | 540.27    | 778.22  |

#### BEARING INDUSTRY REVIEW:

While the Indian Industry in general contineous to face recessionary condition such as reduced rate of growth, slow down in demand and liquidity shortage, bearing industry in particular showed no signs of recovery during the year under review. It contineous to be one of the worst hit industries facing combined adverse impact of general recession as well as unhealthy competion from unfairly cheap imports of bearings.

#### Y2KCOMPLIANCE :

The Company had taken necessary steps to assure/secure Y2K compliance of the equipments and software deployed in the company's operations. The Company has not experienced any problem in the change over to the Year 2000

#### **OPERATING RESULTS:**

The sales during the year were Rs. 3015/= lacs as against Rs. 3404/= lacs in the previous year. The keen competition in the trade and the recessionary trend prevailing in the market, effected much to the operating profit of the Company during the year under review.

#### DIVIDEND :

Considering the position of the Bearing Industry and the Company, the Board of Directors regrets its inability to recommned dividend for the year.

#### FIXED DEPOSITS :

There is no deposit outstanding/unpaid as on 31/03/2000

#### DIRECTORS :

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act.1956 and Articles of Association of the Company, Shri Narottam C. Vadgama and Shri Jeshanker R. Bhogayata, Directors retire by rotation at the ensuing annual general meeting and being eligible offer themselves for re-appointment.

#### AUDITORS' :

M/s Dhirubhai Dand & Co., Chartered Accountants the auditors of the company retire at the conclusion of the ensuing Annual General Meeting. They are eligible for re-appointment and have furnished certificate to the effect that their appointment, if made will be in accordance with the limits specified in Section 224(B) of the companies Act.1956.

#### PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES :

The particulars of employees as required under section 217 (2-A) of the Companies Act 1956, read with the Companies (Particulars of Employees)Rules 1975, is given in the annexure appended hereto and forms part of this report. As per the provisions of Section 219 (1) (b) (iv) of the Companies Act, 1956, the report and accounts are being sent to the Shareholders of the Company, excluding the statement of particulars of employees under Section 217 (2A) of the Act. Any shareholder interested in obtaining a copy of the said statement may write to the Company secretary at the Registered Office of the Company.

#### INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS :

The industrial relation with workmen and staff continued to be extremely cordial during the year under review.

# CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:

Information as per section 217 (1)(E) of the companies Act, read with Companies (Disclosure of Particulars in the report of Board of Directors) Rules 1988 in annexed to this report.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Your Directors wish to place on record their gratitude for the continued co-operation and patronage extended by the esteemed customers both in OEM and after market segments. The Directors would also like to place on record their sincere appreciation for the continued co-operation, guidance, support and assistance during the year under report by our Bankers, all time customers, suppliers of the Company and Government agencies. The Board of Director wishes to express its appreciation for the efforts and contribution made by the employees at all levels during year under review.

On behalf of the Board of Directors.

Place: Patla, Dist. JUNAGADH.

Date: 19th June, 2000.

N. C. Vadgama Chairman.

#### **ANNEXURE (I)**

Particular under the Companies (Diclosure of Particulars in the Report of Board of Directors) Rules, 1988.

#### FORM 'A' :

#### (A) CONSERVATION OF ENERGY:

(a) Energy Conservation measures taken:

Regular preventive maintenance of Machinery & Electric equipments.

(b) Additional investments and proposals, fany, being implemented for reduction of consumption of energy:

#### None

(c) Impact of measures at (a) and (b)for reduction of energy consumption and consequent impact on the cost of production of goods.

The aforesaid measures have resulted in a saving in the consumption of electricity & Fuel.

(d) Total Energy Consumption and Energy Consumption per unit of production as per prescribed Form 'A' is not applicable as the Company is not covered under the list of specified industries and hence not given.

#### FORM 'B' :

#### (A) REASEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

(i) Specific areas in which R & D is carried cut by the Company.

The R & D efforts of the Company are directed towards—quality assurance, improvement/upgradation of existing product lines, rninimising—dependence—on scarce—and imported—raw materials, development—of new products and subjecting them to stringent endurance tests.

(ii) Benefits derived as a result of the above R & D :

The benefits are improvement in the quality of the existing range of products, cost reduction, development of new products, energy saving, export promotion and import substitution.

(iii) Future plans of action:

R & D efforts are being planned as a continuous exercise to improve quality, reduce costs and try for import substitution as far as possible.

(iv) Expenduture on R & D:

Expenduture on R & D is not quantifiable at present since it is a continuous exercise, forming part of our Techincal Department.

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#### (B) TECHNOLOGY, ADAPTATION & ABSORPTION & INNOVATION:

The Company is continuously undertaking a comprehensive modernisation and technology upgradation. Quality of bearings has improved substantially & are well accepted by OEMs as import substitute. Technology imported during last five years: Nii.

#### (C) FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:

|                                      | (Rs. in lacs) | (Rs. in lacs) |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS :          |               |               |
| Exports of Goods on FOB basis        | 223.86        | 208.23        |
| Foreign Exchange earned              | 223.86        | 208.23        |
| FOREIGN EXCHANGE OUTGO:              |               |               |
| Import-of CIF Value of raw Materials |               |               |
| stores & Capital goods.              | 0.75          | 1.69          |
| Travelling                           | 2.80          | 1.73          |
| Total Foreign Exchange used          | 3.55          | 3.42          |
|                                      |               |               |

On behalf of the Board of Directors.

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Place: Patla, Dist. JUNAGADH.

Date: 19th June, 2000.

N. C. Vadgama Chairman

#### **AUDITORS' REPORT**

To.

The Members of

AUSTIN ENGINEERING CO. LTD.

We have audited the attached Balance sheet of AUSTIN ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED, as at 31st March, 2000 together with the Profit & Loss Account of the company for the year ended on that date annexed hereto, and report that:

- 1. As required by the Manufacturing and other Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 1988 issued by the Company Law Board in terms of section 227(4A) of the Companies Act, 1956, we give in the annexure a Statement on the matters specified in paragraphs 4 & 5 of the said order.
- Further to our comments in the Annexure referred in paragraph (1) above, we report that:
  - (a) We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
  - (b) In our opinion, proper Books of Account as required by law have been kept by the company so far as appears from our examination of the books.
  - (c) The Balance sheet and Profit & Loss Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the Books of Account.
  - (d) In our opinion the Balance Sheet AND the profit & Loss Account comply with the accounting standars referred to in Sub. Section (3C) of Section 211 of the Companies ACT, 1956
  - (e) In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said accounts read together with other notes thereon give the information required by the Companies Act, 1956 in the manner so required, and give a true and fair view:
    - (i) In the case of the Balance sheet, of the state of affairs of the company as at 31st March, 2000;

#### AND

(ii) In the case of the Profit & Loss Account, of the LOSS for the year ended on that date.

FOR **DHIRUBHAI DAND & CO.**Chartered Accountants

Place: Junagadh Date: 19th June, 2000 DHIRUBHAI H. DAND

Proprietor