

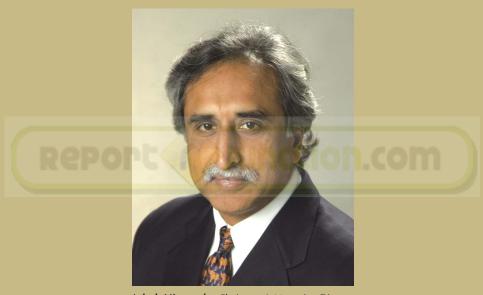


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Ashok Hiremath - Chairman & Managing Director



# Our mission

We will add value to our stakeholders namely our shareholders, employees and customers - without compromising on ethics.

We will be honest and transparent in our interactions. We will foster long-term relationships with our customers. We will protect and secure the environment.



Ashok Hiremath - Chairman & MD

Dr. P.L. Tiwari - Director

Laxmikant Kabra - Director



#### **Board of Directors**

Ashok Hiremath - Chairman & Managing Director Dr. P.L.Tiwari - Director Laxmikant Kabra - Director

## **Independent Directors**

Vinod Malshe - Independent Director Sitendu Sharma - Independent Director Mohammed Zakir - Independent Director

#### **Bankers**

The AXIS Bank Ltd.
The State Bank of Hyderabad
The IDBI Bank Ltd.

#### **Auditors**

P.M. Kathariya & Co., Chartered Accountants, Mumbai

### Registered & Corporate Office

5-5A, 4th Floor, Kamanwala Chambers, Sir P. M. Road, Fort, Mumbai - 400001.

#### **Plant Locations**

B-17, B-18 & B-21, – EOU Unit Birwadi Industrial Area, Mahad, Dist. Raigad.

B-16, Birwadi Industrial Area, – Local Unit Mahad, Dist. Raigad.

#### **R&D** Center

F-39, MIDC-Phase II, Dombivali - East, Dist. Thane.

#### Website

www.astecls.com



## Safety

The safety of our people is extremely important to us. Our organisational and plant systems, procedures and practices are under constant review for enhancement of standards to improve safety of plant and personnel. Astec has an elaborate Safety Management System which includes: Process safety management policy, Project safety reviews, Process specific training programmes, Hazard identification and safety review procedures, Work Permit Systems, Occupational Health Programs, Process safety testing and Emergency preparedness.

We have invested in a new fire hydrant system and a new solvent tank farm that meet the highest standards.

Training of personnel has been given the highest priority.

#### **Environment**

As a conscientious corporate citizen, Astec considers the environment an inherited legacy, its protection a sacred responsibility and is a signatory to Responsible Care..

We invested this year in further upgradation of our effluent treatment facilities after interaction with the various statutory bodies. Our facilities are fully compliant with all requirements of the pollution control bodies.

As signatories to the Responsible Care program, we have made considerable progress in our efforts to minimise waste.

## Research and development

Our initiatives have resulted in various successes. We have developed novel synthetic routes for the manufacture of some products which give us a significant competitive edge over our competitiors. The introduction of these products will contribute very significantly to the growth of the company going forward.

We have also successfully reduced the cost of manufacture of our exisiting products. Significant quality improvements have also been achieved.

We have also successfully observed Technology packages provided by our customers.



# Financial Performance – Last Five Years



## Financial Highlights

Rs. in lacs

|                    | 2004-05 | 2005-06 | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Turnover           | 2,187   | 2,670   | 3,438   | 6,046   | 8,933   |
| EBDIT              | 250     | 526     | 652     | 1,586   | 2,166   |
| PAT                | 136     | 348     | 370     | 807     | 1,072   |
| Gross Fixed Assets | 699     | 1,444   | 2,443   | 3,791   | 4,064   |



# Directors' Report

To, The Members, Astec LifeSciences Ltd. Mumbai.

The Directors' have pleasure in presenting the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Report and the audited accounts for the year ended March 31, 2009.

#### 1. Financial Highlights

|  | Rs. in lacs |         |
|--|-------------|---------|
|  | 2008-09     | 2007-08 |
| Sales and other operating Income                 | 8933.04     | 6046.27 |
| Other Income                                     | 36.39       | 15.41   |
| Total Income                                     | 8969.43     | 6061.68 |
| Profit before Interest & Depreciation            | 2165.70     | 1586.10 |
| Less: Interest & Depreciation                    | 925.15      | 642.50  |
| Profit before Tax                                | 1240.54     | 943.60  |
| Less: Provision for Income Tax/FBT               | 151.00      | 111.10  |
| Less: Provision for Deferred Tax                 | 17.14       | 25.37   |
| Profit after Tax                                 | 1072.40     | 807.13  |
| Less: Prior Period Adjustment                    | 35.28       | 12.84   |
| Amount available for appro <mark>priation</mark> | 1037.12     | 794.28  |
| Appropriation                                    |             |         |
| Proposed Dividend                                | 70.72       | 47.14   |
| Tax on Proposed Dividend                         | 12.02       | 8.01    |
| Transfer to General Reserve                      | 300.00      | 200.00  |
| Balance of Profit Carried Forward                | 654.39      | 539.13  |

#### 2. Operations

During the year under review Company's Sales rose by 47.74% and the net profit after tax increased by 32.86%.

The Company was successful in stabilizing production of the products introduced in the previous year and in increasing production efficiencies.

Our efforts have resulted in receipt of many new registrations in various parts of the world. Many more registrations are in the pipeline. We are in dialogue with some multinational companies for manufacturing products on contractual basis. On finalization of the agreements, the company will witness a substantial increase in sales and corresponding increase in profitability. The business will be predictable and will provide a platform of stability of the company. During the year the company established a relationship with a major multinational for supply of one of our products into the global supply chain.

We were successful in tapping markets in South East Asia and South America.

In Mahad we made investments to increase the capacity of our manufacturing facility and to improve the quality of our products. We also made the investments in line with our commitment to responsible care to improve our EHS standards.

We invested in R & D and were successful in developing products and intermediates that are unique and will give the company substantial growth in the coming years.