



Annual Report

2020-21



Foward-looking Statement

In this annual report, we have disclosed forward looking information to enable investors to comprehend our prospects and take informed investment decisions. This report and other statements – written and oral – that we periodically make, contain forward-looking statements that set out anticipated results based on the management’s plans and assumptions. We have tried, wherever possible, to identify such statements by using words such as ‘anticipates’, ‘estimates’, ‘expects’, ‘projects’, ‘intends’, ‘plans’, ‘believes’ and words of similar substance in connection with any discussion on future performance. We cannot guarantee that these forward-looking statements will be realised, although we believe we have been prudent in assumptions. The achievement of results is subject to risks, uncertainties and even inaccurate assumptions. Should known or unknown risks or uncertainties materialise, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could vary materially from those anticipated, estimated or projected. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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Growing
plantations.
Growing
business.





Dhunseri Tea is an **Environment** friendly Company.
Our business is to grow plantations and
thereby we stand as a steward of nature and climate.

We consider our commitment to the **Society** as part of
our responsibility. Our focussed initiatives are aimed at achieving inclusive
growth for our employees, customers and community at large.

Dhunseri Tea believe in responsible Corporate **Governance**.
Our strong leadership ensure that we use the best practices
in everything we do. We maintain transparency in our business
practices and thrive to preserve rights of all stakeholders.



Creating sustainable eco system

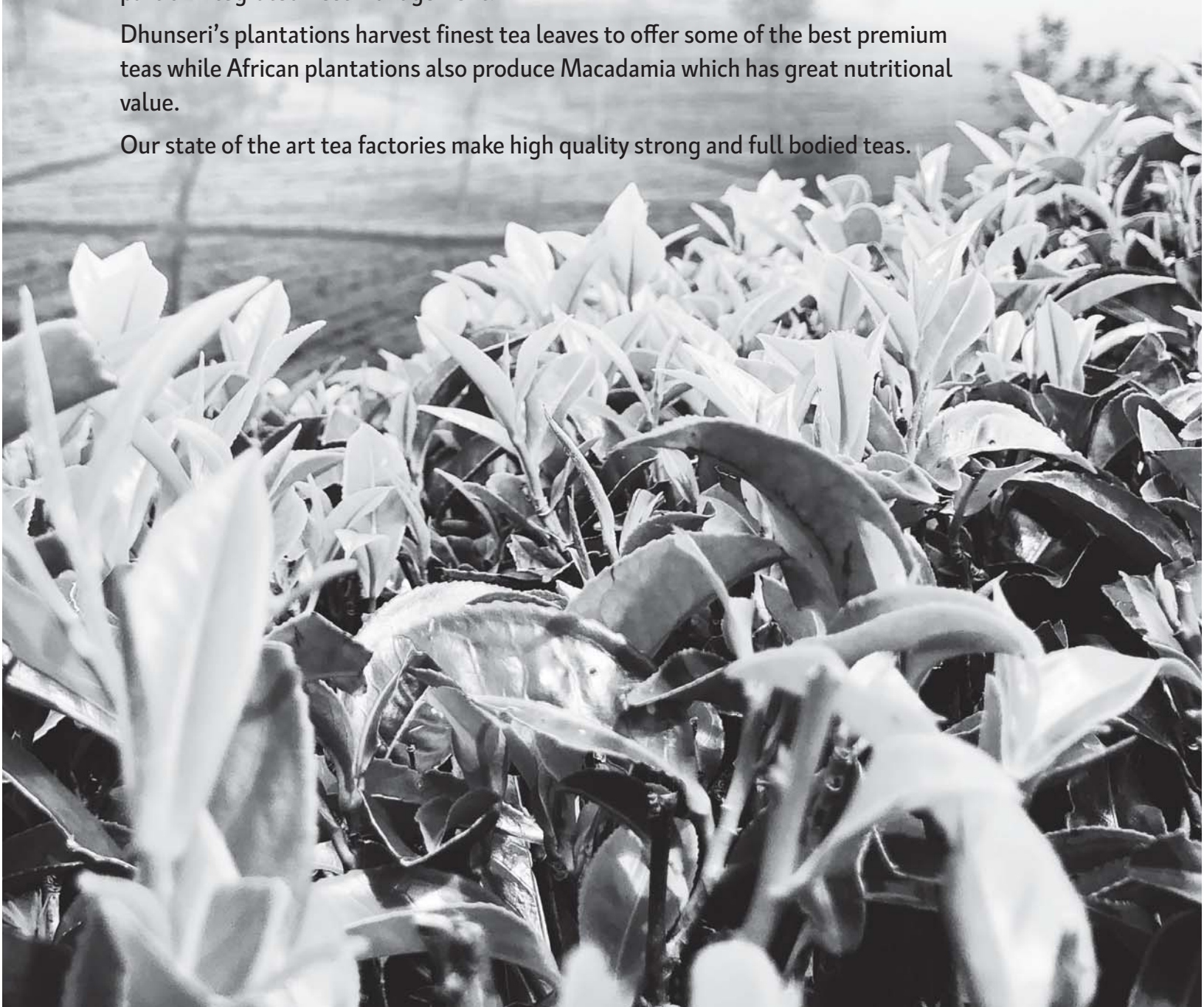


At Dhunseri, our mission is to create a sustainable eco system. Sustainability is one of our core focus across all areas of environmental, social and economic importance.

All our cultivation practices conform to the globally best accepted standards. We use eco friendly practices from mapping soil nutrition, rain water harvesting enriching the soil with organic supplements and extensive use of Botanicals as a part of Integrated Pest management.

Dhunseri's plantations harvest finest tea leaves to offer some of the best premium teas while African plantations also produce Macadamia which has great nutritional value.

Our state of the art tea factories make high quality strong and full bodied teas.



Dhunseri today...

10 Tea Estates

8000 Hectares
Tea/Macademia plantations

11 manufacturing
facilities

210 lakh kg. (appx.)
tea production

4.1 Macademia
production
lakh kg.

Over
5000 employees





Quality Certifications

Dhunseri Tea has always been a quality driven company. We believe, quality of business secure sustainable growth. We are compliant with the best industry practices and have been accredited with ISO 22000-2005 Food and Safety standards. Our teas are certified by Trustea, Fairtrade, USFDA, Rainforest Alliance, HACCP, PPC and FSSAI.



Chairman's Statement



Dear Shareholders,

I welcome you all to this 24th Annual General Meeting.

The overall performance of the Company has been favourable during the year.

Although the continuing COVID-19 pandemic has led to disruption in certain sectors of the economy which are trying to re-establish, it has also resulted in businesses adapting new methods and technology to meet the challenges posed by the pandemic.

We are also constantly initiating necessary steps for the smooth functioning of the operations of the Company and ensuring that targeted performance of the Company is achieved along with safety, protection and well being of our employees.

We made contributions to Government funds towards COVID relief as well as initiated vaccination drive at our Offices and Estates for our employees and their families.

We have also completed the expansion of tea production facilities at our tea estates in North Bank which will enable us to augment our production capacities.

We have introduced several field operations including mechanized harvesting, integrated pest management and nutrition management to improve the quality of our produce and the yield.

The Company has commenced on trial basis the marketing/ sale of tea packets (CHHOTE LAL) in Kolkata through a KIOSK and is exploring the possibility of an e-commerce website also.

Our offshore expansion of plantation at Malawi is progressing as per plan and in course of time we hope to become one of the largest producers of Macadamia.

Kolkata
23rd June, 2021

C. K. Dhanuka
Chairman

Directors' Report

We have pleasure in presenting the 24th Annual Report together with the Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2021.

1. Financial Results :

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Particulars | Standalone | | Consolidated | |
|--|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
| | Accounting year ended | | Accounting year ended | |
| | 31.03.2021 | 31.03.2020 | 31.03.2021 | 31.03.2020 |
| Revenue from Operations | 24,820.22 | 17,737.86 | 37,672.86 | 30,248.32 |
| Other Income | 2,068.99 | 387.75 | 2,209.95 | 534.18 |
| Total income | 26,889.21 | 18,125.61 | 39,882.81 | 30,782.50 |
| Total expenses | 21,152.88 | 19,512.68 | 34,324.29 | 31,396.58 |
| Profit / (Loss) before exceptional items and tax | 5,736.33 | (1,387.07) | 5,558.52 | (614.08) |
| Exceptional items | (1,488.77) | 10,069.80 | (1,488.77) | 10,069.80 |
| Profit before tax | 4,247.56 | 8,682.73 | 4,069.75 | 9,455.72 |
| Tax expense | 588.50 | 2,032.65 | 997.95 | 2,136.22 |
| Profit for the year | 3,659.06 | 6,650.08 | 3,071.80 | 7,319.50 |
| Other Comprehensive Income | | | | |
| Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss | | | | |
| Remeasurement loss on defined benefit plans | (163.82) | (111.88) | (163.82) | (111.88) |
| Net (Loss)/Gain on fair valuation of equity instruments through other comprehensive income | 626.20 | (204.89) | 626.20 | (204.89) |
| Income Tax relating to these items | (24.57) | 54.51 | (24.57) | 54.51 |
| Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss | | | | |
| Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations | - | - | (491.84) | 144.59 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year (net of tax) | 437.81 | (262.26) | (54.03) | (117.67) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | 4,096.87 | 6,387.82 | 3,017.77 | 7,201.83 |
| Earnings per share (of Rs 10/- each) | | | | |
| Basic and Diluted (Rs) | 52.23 | 94.93 | 43.85 | 104.49 |

2. Dividend:

The Board has recommended a dividend of Rs. 5.00 per equity share of Rs. 10/- each i.e. 50% for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021 subject to approval of the shareholders at the ensuing 24th Annual General Meeting ("AGM"). The dividend on equity shares, if approved by the members would involve a cash outflow of Rs. 350.25 lakhs subject to deduction of tax at source as per the provisions of the Income Tax Act.

3. Transfer to reserves:

The directors have decided to retain the entire amount of Rs. 54,113.09 lakhs in the retained earnings.

4. Bonus Shares:

Subject to necessary approval of the Shareholders through Postal Ballot, the Board has recommended the following:

- Increase in Authorised Capital and consequential amendment to Memorandum of Association of the Company
- Bonus Issue in the ratio 1:2 by capitalization of reserves.

5. Operations:

The total tea manufacturing in respect of the Indian operations for the year under review was 11.44 mn kg as against 11.13 mn kg in the previous year and the total sales were 10.94 mn kg as against 11.11 mn kg in the previous year. The total production of tea from the Indian operations during