

## EMBRACING THE REALIGNMENT

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The pandemic came in and disrupted what was familiar. It broke down the resistance against the new. It gave us the rare window of opportunity to evaluate our realignment strategy and reorient our journey.

AND SO WE DID.

We removed all that was superfluous. We rediscovered our core strengths and made them stronger. We refocused on new possibilities and opportunities by looking at newer

avenues. We initiated our organisation-wide realignment strategy, with some

amount of caution.

In other words, we are embracing what was inevitable, and making it our own. Instead of stubbornly grasping at 'what was', we are redirecting our energies towards 'what could be'.

#### WE ARE EMBRACING EVERY ASPECT OF OUR REALIGNMENT.

And readying our prospects for a promising future.

## ABOUT THE COMPANY

# FOR INDIA. In India. By India.



Ardently following this ethos over four decades, HBL Power Systems Limited energises critical applications through its storage battery solutions. The Company's prowess in developing technology solutions has enabled it to create pioneering products and solutions for the Indian Railways and the Defence. **Headquartered in Hyderabad**, HBL's shares are listed on the BSE and the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd. (NSE)



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## VISION

TO organise India's engineering talent into a globally competitive business, whether in manufacturing or services. Our choice is to be in businesses with technological challenges/ engineering intensity.

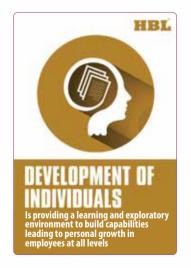
















## ABOUT THE BUSINESS

HBL possesses the following capabilities and services key business sectors such as Defence, Industry and Mobility.

BUSINESS SECTOR HBL CAPABILITIES	DEFENCE	INDUSTRY	MOBILITY
Batteries	Aircraft, Missiles, Torpedoes, Battle Tanks, Submarines	Nickel Cadmium & Lead Acid in various technologies	Lithium-ion (LFP, Pouch)
Electronics	Army communications equipment Artillery and other Fuses	Battery chargers Energy storage systems	Train Protection & Train Management Systems Motor & Vehicle controllers EV Charging systems
Motors	Torpedoes	Energy Saving Motors (IE4)	Switched Reluctance Motors
Build to Print manufacturing	Foreign Companies' Offset (local content) obligation	Bringing batteries developed abroad (Technology Readiness Level 5 to 9)	Long Term Evolution (LTE) Communication system

#### Our vertically integrated facilities



VIZIANAGARAM Near Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh Product line: 2V/12V-AGM VRLA and Tubular Gel

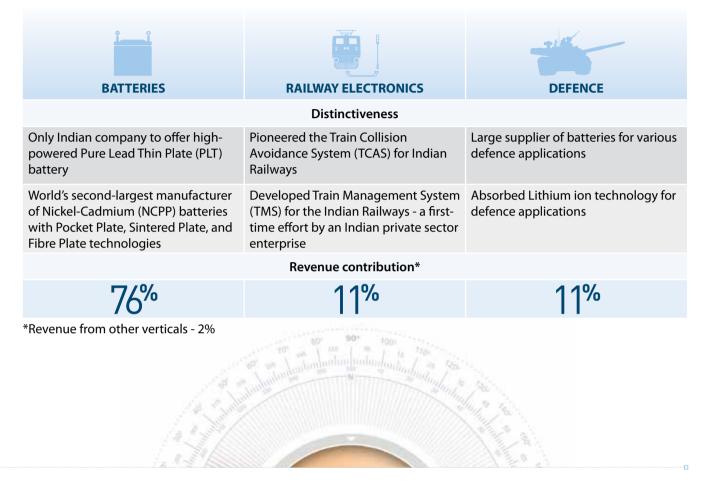


**SHAMIRPET** Hyderabad, Telangana Product line: Ni-Cd and specialty batteries, and power electronics



NANDIGAON Near Hyderabad, Telangana Product line: PLT and submarine batteries

## The Company has organized its business as three major verticals - Batteries, Electronics and Defence





**THUMKUNTA** Hyderabad, Telangana Product line: Electronics



VISAKHAPATNAM (SEZ) Andhra Pradesh Product line: Ni-Cd batteries



YAPRAL (Development Centre) Hyderabad, Telangana Activities: Product development initiatives

## REY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS



0.47 111 8% Earnings per share (₹) Net Cash from Operations (₹ Crore) EBITDA Margin



## **BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS**

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#### Electronics

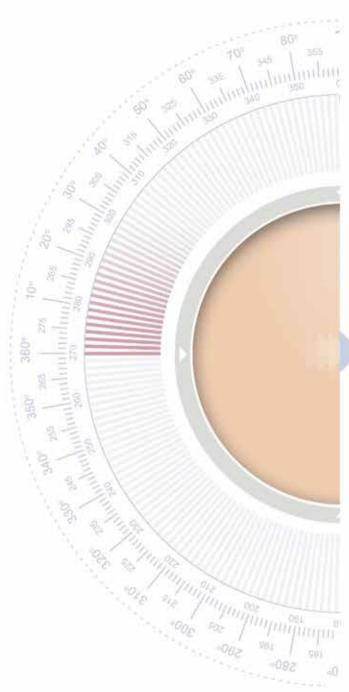
- Obtained Research Design and Standards Organisation (RDSO) approval for TCAS to be deployed in auto-signalling sections of Indian Railways network. TCAS, together with auto-signalling, will enhance traffic throughput on the existing rail infrastructure
- Signed an MoU with Ericsson for deployment of Long Term Evolution (LTE) communication system for Indian Railways. The Indian Railways has announced an allocation of LTE spectrum for use with TCAS

#### Defence

- Commenced manufacture and supply of Type I batteries for Kilo class submarine and Varunasthra torpedo batteries to Indian Navy
- Absorbed technology from NSTL (Naval Science and Technology Laboratory) for manufacture and supply of Lithium-ion batteries for defence applications

#### Batteries

- Secured product approval from the Indian Army for PLT batteries for use in defence vehicles. Delivered the first batch of battery for use in vehicles that run in sub-zero temperature in Leh-Ladakh
- Enhanced export volume of PLT batteries for battle tank cranking application
- Bagged a large NCPP order from BHEL for a solar project in Nigeria; increased share of business with the Indian Railways for NCPP batteries



FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21 WAS AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE. OUR DECADE-LONG EFFORTS IN DEVELOPING **DEFENCE BATTERIES & RAILWAY ELECTRONIC SOLUTIONS** STARTED YIELDING HEARTENING RETURNS. MOREOVER, THEY PROMISE BETTER OPPORTUNITIES OVER THE MEDIUM-TERM.

DEAR SHAREHOLDERS, We hope you are safe and healthy. For our lifestyle and the business environment as we knew it, has completely changed with the sudden spread of the pandemic across the globe.

HE lockdown imposed in India to contain the contagion took a substantial toll on commercial activity across the spectrum. Experts suggested that if you survive this year, that is a profit in itself. HBL was also impacted by this national health emergency, but survived and reported a profit. As we stepped into FY21, our first priority was people safety. We institutionalised detailed SOPs aligned to Government-suggested protocols for the safety of our people. Sanitisation, distanced operations, health check-up and employee support continued right through the year. With business operations curtailed to 10 months in the fiscal, revenue dipped by about 16% from ₹ 1,077