

UNTEXTILE

HOW WE REWROTE EVERY RULE OF SURVIVAL IN
THE TEXTILE SECTOR – AND SUCCEEDED



BRAND REPORT 2020-21
SARLA PERFORMANCE FIBERS LIMITED

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“The wise work for the welfare of the world,
without thought for themselves.”

Bhagwad Gita (Chapter 3, verse 25)



MADHUSUDAN JHUNJHUNWALA

1941 - 2021

Madhusudan Jhunjhunwala was more than the Chairman of Sarla Performance Fibers.

He was our source of inspiration, ethical anchor and reference point.

He conducted his business and life at the highest standard of integrity; he was a generous host; he was accessible to all irrespective of their economic status; he heard criticism and dissent with patience and dignity; he advocated the enduring values of perseverance.

His values extended beyond the book; they have permeated into the way we do business at Sarla Performance Fibers; they will continue to inspire us way beyond his physical presence.

“In his last days, he told me three things: speak with everyone with love and sweetness, never with a high tone; remain positive in adversities; and read the Bhagavad Gita. A few months ago, we were discussing birth, death and rebirth; he said with conviction: this is my last life and after this I will return to God. This gives me peace because I know that he is with God. I am happy that such a great person came into our lives and taught us so much.”

Kanav Jhunjhunwala, grandson

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At Sarla, Untextile is not a product, tactic or strategy.

It is a mindset.

A mindset that encounters challenges and perceives 'opportunity'.

A disposition that encounters convention and asks 'Why can't we do it differently?'

A fabric that does not encounter the unusual and ask 'Why?' but responds with 'Why not?'

And that has made all the difference.

UNTEXTILE AND SARLA.

HOW WE HAVE SUCCEEDED ACROSS THE DECADES



They said, 'You will need to borrow substantially to survive in a competitive textile sector.'

We do not have any long-term debt for our textiles business, growing it with our earnings and emerging as a net-cash company in a capital-intensive business instead.

They said, 'You will need to engage a large marketing team to liquidate a large quantity of yarn.'

We created a focused and passionate marketing team headed by the Managing Director to address customers the world over instead.

They said, 'The textile sector is generally marked by commodity products where the company that prices lowest usually succeeds.'

We created a company where we developed speciality products and focused on maximising realisations instead.

They said, 'The business is of high volumes, low margins and cyclical.'

We focused on low volumes and high margins, emerging as a relatively non-cyclical company instead.

They said, 'Success in this business will be based on the quantum of capital that one can aggregate.'

We focused on building a business that would generate annuity revenues from relationship-driven customer accounts instead.

They said, 'Success in the textile sector is all about making the largest quantity of a few standardised products.'

We focused on the manufacture of moderate volumes of a range of customised products instead.'



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PERSONALITY & PERFORMANCE



You slip into your innerwear brief.

You wear a T-shirt.

You wear your socks.

You move into your shoes.

