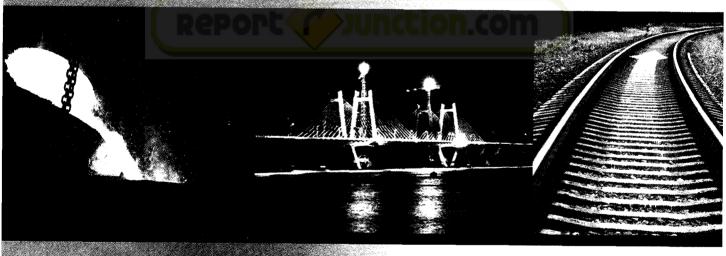
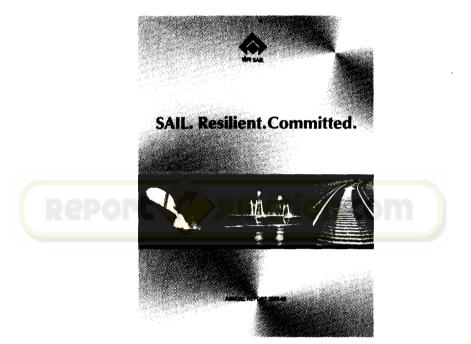


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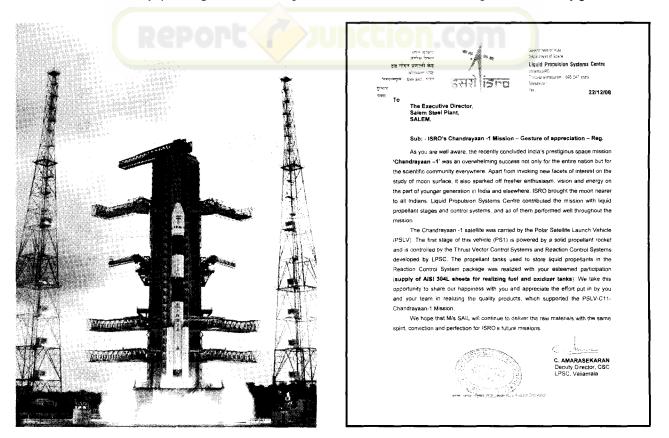


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It has been more than a year, that countries across the world, including India, are undergoing one of the toughest global economic crisis. This depressed economic and industrial scenario has initiated a process of litmus test to measure the resilience of business entities and expose the foundation of organisations.

SAIL didn't remain untouched by these developments. It chose to meet the challenge of tough times by reflecting upon its established practices and modifying them in the light of this changed environment. Steadily pushing towards the goal of maximising yield from physical and human capital, SAIL reinforced its commitment towards building strong systems and resilient attitudes.

With soaring input prices, fluctuating market and the world economy in a state of flux, SAIL remained undeterred in placing greater emphasis on all-round cost efficiency and going forward with its modernisation and expansion plans. SAIL's achievements in these turbulent times are a proof, that while the clouds on the horizon of SAIL changed colours, its feet on the ground definitely grew firmer.



SAIL supplied steel for tanks used to store liquid propellants in Reaction Control System package of the Polar Satellite launch Vehicle (PSLV) - C 11 which carried the Chandrayaan -1 satellite into space.



SAIL's ascent in terms of productivity and performance, irrespective of unfavourable situations, is not a matter of chance. It's a consequence of decades of deliberate action, geared towards instilling strength and flexibility in SAIL's physical resources and human potential.

The year 2008-09 marks yet another milestone for SAIL, dotted with challenging tasks and rewarding actions. At this juncture, we once again commit ourselves to evolving time-tested and resilient practices, and deepen our resolve to fulfill our commitments to the Nation.







...the Shivalik is the first Indian warship to be built... with Indian steel. The Steel Authority of India Limited has finally mastered the art of mass-producing specially toughened, warship-grade steel; no longer will India shop abroad for thousands of tons of steel for each warship it builds.

An excerpt from the article 'On Board the Shivalik', Business Standard (Weekend), March 21, 2009



VISION

To be a respected world-class corporation and the leader in Indian steel business in quality, productivity, profitability and customer satisfaction.



We build lasting relationships with customers based on trust and mutual benefit.

We uphold highest ethical standards in conduct of our business.

We create and nurture a culture that supports flexibility, learning and is proactive to change.

We chart a challenging career for employees with opportunities for advancement and rewards.

We value the opportunity and responsibility to make a meaningful difference in people's lives.



Highlights 2008-09

- ▶ Highest ever Turnover of Rs. 48,681 crore a growth of 7%.
- ► EBIDTA of Rs. 10,942 crore.

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- ▶ Profit Before Tax (PBT) of Rs. 9,403 crore.
- ▶ Profit After Tax (PAT) of Rs. 6,175 crore.
- ▶ Highest ever Net Worth of Rs. 27,984 crore a growth of 22%.
- ► Total Dividend payout (including interim dividend of 13%) at 26% (Rs. 1,074 crore).
- Produced 14.4 million tonnes of Hot Metal, 13.4 million tonnes of crude steel and 12.5 million tonnes of saleable steel.
- Cost Reduction initiatives resulted in savings of around Rs. 834 crore.
- Share of value-added steel in overall production grew to 30% compared to 27% in 2007-08 and best-ever sales of value added steel a growth of 8%.
- ▶ Best ever coke rate at 521 kg/thm (2% improvement).
- ▶ Best ever specific energy consumption at 6.74 Gcal/Tcs (3% improvement).
- > Highest ever labour productivity of 215 tonnes / man / year.
- National record of lining life achieved for top blown converter, with converter 'A' at BSP achieving a landmark of 10,115 heats.
- Best-ever sales of 4.45 million tonnes of long products, with total sales of 11.32 million tonnes.
- Distribution network expanded to 625 districts of the country with around 2400 dealers in place.
- ► Record supplies to projects of national importance sales to the power sector, telecom sector, DMRC and the railways grew 41%, 58%, 49% and 4% respectively.
- ► To enhance customer satisfaction about a million tonnes of steel products delivered at customers premises up by 61%.



Awards & Accolades











The performance of SAIL has been widely recognized by all stakeholders including leading financial institutions/ rating agencies and industry bodies, winning several awards/ accolades in various fields. Some are :

- President of India, Her Excellency, Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil conferred the first prize to SAIL's in-house Rajbhasha journal "Ispat Bhasha Bharti". The award was received by Chairman SAIL, Shri S.K. Roongta on the occasion of the Hindi Day on September 14, 2008. The publication has the unique honour of securing the first prize among all PSUs under the All-India House Journal Award Scheme of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, for the second consecutive year.
- SAIL has won six Prime Minister's Shram Awards for the year 2006 42% of total awards in the country Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) won one PM's Shram Bhushan, one PM's Shram Vir and one PM's Shram Shri Award. Durgapur Steel Plant (DSP) won two PM's Shram Vir Awards and RSP won one PM's Shram Shri Award. The break-up of awards is as under:

PM Shram Awards	Total No. of awards	Plant	No. of awards
	(No. of workers)		per plant (workers)
Shram Bhushan	1 (5)	BSP	1 (5)
Shram Vir	4 (19)	BSP	·1 (5)
		DSP	2 (13)
		RSP	1 (1)
Shram Shree	1 (1)	BSP	1 (1)
Total	6 (25)		6 (25)

Highest No. of Vishwakarma Rashtriya Puraskar 2007 amongst both public & private sectors bagged by SAIL employees - 15 out the total 28 awards (54% of the total awards). These were for the performance year 2006, involving total 68 employees of five plants. The break-up of awards is as under:

Class	No. of VRPs won	No. of employees	Plant-No. of awards (No. of employees)
A	2	10	BSP-1 (5) & BSL-1 (5)
В	6	29	BSP-2 (10), DSP-2 (13), RSP-1 (1) & BSL-1 (5)
С	7	29	BSP-1 (5), DSP-1 (1), RSP-3 (16), BSL-1 (5) &
			SSP-1(2)
Total	15	68	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

- SAIL has won the "ICWAI National Award for Excellence in Cost Management-2007" of the Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India (ICWAI) in the category /Public sector manufacturing organisation with turnover more than Rs. 1000 crore.
- Commendation certificate from SCOPE under the award category "SCOPE Meritorious Award for Good Corporate Governance" for the year 2006-07.
- SAIL received the "Best Turnaround Award" from Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi, in the first 'Dalal Street Investment Journal PSU Awards 2009' ceremony held on March 27, 2009 at New Delhi.
- SAIL Quality Circle teams won highest number of awards in the country at the International QC Meet in Bangladesh held in the last week of Oct'08; seven Excellent, seven Extra Ordinary & one Meritorious Awards.
- Indian Institute of Metals conferred awards to 4 SAIL professionals viz. OP Jindal Award. 3 SAIL executives also declared
 Metallurgist of the Year-Young Metallurgist of the Year.
- SAIL is among the 'top companies' selected for National Award for Excellence in Corporate Governance 2008 by the Institute
 of Company Secretaries of India.
- Institute of Chartered Accountants of India conferred ICAI Awards for Excellence in Financial Reporting under the category
 of Manufacturing & Trading Enterprises.
- CII ITC Sustainability Award 2008 'Certificate for Strong Commitment' conferred on SAIL amongst large business organisations.
- Adjudged as the top Indian company under the Iron and Steel Sector in the Dun & Bradstreet Rolta Corporate Awards 2008.
- Adjudged Best PSU and conferred with Business & Economy Leadership and Excellence Awards 2008 by Planman Media.
- Runner-up in the NIPM National Award for 'Best HR Practices 2008' competition organised by the National Institute of
 Personnel Management (NIPM) during December 2008- January 2009.
 - "Global HR Excellence Award 2008-09" under the award category "Outstanding Contribution to the cause of Education".



 Good Performance Award "ICWAI National Award for Excellence in Cost Management -2008" of the Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India (ICWAI).

SAIL's plants and units also won various awards/accolades. Afew are :

Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP)

- · CII-ITC Sustainability Award 2008 in the independent unit category.
- "Golden Peacock National Training Award" for the year 2008 from the World Council for Corporate Governance through the Institution of Directors (IOD), New Delhi.
- Awarded the "Golden Peacock Award 2008" in recognition of its initiatives and efforts in the corporate social responsibility front in Portugal.
- "Golden Peacock Climate Change Award" for the year 2008 from the World Environmental Foundation, New Delhi, in
 recognition of its excellent efforts for the preservation of environment.
- "Green Tech Platinum Award" for the year 2008 from the Green Tech Foundation, New Delhi, in recognition of excellent efforts in the environment front.
- · "Greentech Safety Gold Award" by Greentech Foundation for outstanding achievement in Safety Management.

Durgapur Steel Plant (DSP)

- "Greentech Environment Excellence Award-Gold" presented on September 5-7, 2008 from the Greentech Foundation at Goa in recognition of its excellent efforts for environmental preservation.
- Received "Ispat Suraksha Puraskar Award" on August 12, 2008 from the Joint Committee on Safety, Health and Environment in the Steel Industry at Ranchi in recognition of the fact that there was no fatal accident during 2007.
- DSP has received the "Business Excellence Award" on December 19, 2008 from the Indian Economic Development and Research Association (IEDRA) in recognition of its strong commitment for Business Excellence during the year 2008.

Rourkeia Steel Plant (RSP)

- Received the coveted Best Organisation Gold Award under the "Rajiv Gandhi Memorial National Awards-2008" for Excellence in Indian Industries. The award was presented to RSP at a glittering function organised at the Institution of Engineers (India) Ltd., Khairatabad, Hyderabad on July 13, 2008.
- Received "Business Excellence Award" from the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Export Import (Exim) Bank of India on November 8, 2008 in recognition of its strong commitment for Business Excellence during the year 2007-08.

Bokaro Steel Plant (BSL)

- · "Rajiv Gandhi National Quality Award 2007" to BSL in "Best of All" category by Bureau of Indian Standards.
- "Enterprise Excellence Award" for the year 2007 from the Indian Institute of Industrial Engineering in recognition of its
 outstanding operational and financial achievements.
- "Golden Peacock Award" for Occupational Health & Safety 2008.

IISCO Steel Plant (ISP)

• Received "Green Tech Excellence Award (Silver)" in July 2008 from the Green Tech Consultancy Services awarding body in recognition for maintaining specified norms for environmental protection for the year 2007-08.

Raw Materials Division (RMD)

 Two iron ore mines (Kiriburu & Kalta) and one limestone mine (Kuteshwar) of SAIL, RMD have received five National Safety Awards for their commendable performance in maintaining the safety standard in the mines. Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil, gave away the awards in a function held at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi on May 5, 2008.

Salem Steel Plant (SSP)

- Declared winner of Greentech Safety Award (Silver) in Metal & Mining Sector for extra-ordinary performance and achievement in Safety Management.
- Golden Peacock Occupational Health & Safety Award Special Commendation Certificate from the Institute of Directors
 (IOD) New Delhi, in recognition for effective occupational health and safety performance during the year 2007-08.
- Awarded the "CSR Award" by the Tamil Nadu government for the year 2008-09 for its valuable contribution towards socioeconomic upliftment of neglected sections of society through CSR initiatives.
- Won the National Sustainability Award 2007 (First Prize) amongst the Secondary Steel Plants / Alloy Steel Plants category by Indian Institute of Metals.

Research and Development Centre for Iron & Steel (RDCIS)

Received "Golden Peacock National Quality Award-2008" from the Institute of Directors for the year 2008.

Environment Management Division (EMD)

• "Golden Peacock Finalist Certificate" for the year 2008 from the Institute of Directors (IOD) in recognition for eco-renovation.













Board of Directors

Chairman

Shri S.K. Roongta

Functional Directors

Personnel Shri G. Ojha

Finance Shri Soiles Bhattacharya

Commercial Shri S.S. Ahmed

Technical Shri V.K. Gulhati

Managing Directors

Durgapur Steel Plant Shri V. Shyamsundar

Bokaro Steel Plant Shri V.K. Srivastava

Bhilai Steel Plant Shri R. Ramaraju

IISCO Steel Plant Shri S.P. Rao

Rourkela Steel Plant

Shri S.N. Singh

Government Directors

Shri B.S. Meena Special Secretary & Financial Adviser Ministry of Steel, Government of India

Shri G. Elias Joint Secretary Ministry of Steel, Government of India

Independent Directors

Prof. Javaid Akhtar Shri P.K. Sengupta Dr. Vinayshil Gautam

Secretary

Shri Devinder Kumar

Bankers

- Allahabad Bank
- Andhra Bank
- Bank of Baroda
- Bank of India
- Bank of Maharashtra
- Canara Bank
- Central Bank of India
- Corporation Bank
- Dena Bank
- IDBI Bank
- Indian Bank
- Indian Overseas Bank
- Oriental Bank of Commerce
- Punjab & Sind Bank
- Punjab National Bank
- State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur
- State Bank of Hyderabad
- State Bank of India
- State Bank of Indore
- State Bank of Mysore
- State Bank of Patiala
- State Bank of Travancore
- Syndicate Bank
- UCO Bank
- Union Bank of India
- United Bank of India
- Vijaya Bank
- Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd.
- HDFC Bank Ltd.
- ICICI Bank Ltd.
- AXIS Bank Ltd.
- Karnataka Bank Ltd.
- ING Vysya Bank Ltd.
- Indusind Bank Ltd.
- The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.
- Federal Bank Ltd.
- South Indian Bank
- Yes Bank Limited

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