



**ESSAR STEEL LIMITED**

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**Audited Financial Results for the Quarter and Year from 1st April, 2004 to 31st March, 2005**

**Rs. in crores**

Particulars	Quarter ended		Year Ended	
	31.03.05	31.03.04	31.03.05	31.03.04
	(audited)	(unaudited)	(audited)	
Sales	2,070.22	1,322.69	6,533.25	4,024.60
Less : Excise Duty	(146.56)	(104.75)	(416.54)	(323.65)
Net Sales	1,923.66	1,217.94	6,116.71	3,700.95
Other Income	2.98	9.17	4.56	16.70
	<b>1,926.64</b>	<b>1,227.11</b>	<b>6,121.27</b>	<b>3,717.65</b>
Expenditure				
(a) Materials Consumed & others	681.85	496.95	2,315.31	1,555.49
(b) Energy Cost	354.45	333.16	1,252.86	1,108.05
(c) Staff Cost	24.80	12.59	76.09	48.94
(d) Other expenditure	121.13	56.26	364.95	165.35
(e) (Increase) / Decrease in Finished Goods / Work-in-Progress	44.92	42.49	(92.02)	(19.39)
<b>Gross profit before interest, depreciation, Charges pertaining to earlier years and taxation (EBIDTA)</b>	<b>699.49</b>	<b>285.66</b>	<b>2,204.08</b>	<b>859.21</b>
Interest (net)	147.73	72.11	550.73	397.68
<b>Gross profit before depreciation, Charges pertaining to earlier years and taxation</b>	<b>551.76</b>	<b>213.55</b>	<b>1,653.35</b>	<b>461.53</b>
Depreciation	98.46	95.99	394.29	403.27
<b>Profit / (Loss) for the year before Charges pertaining to earlier years and Taxation</b>	<b>453.30</b>	<b>117.56</b>	<b>1,259.06</b>	<b>58.26</b>
(a) Exchange variation	-	-	136.55	-
(b) Other write off and provisions net of Gains on settlement of debts	(0.86)	(35.81)	328.41	(35.81)
<b>Profit / (Loss) before Taxation</b>	<b>454.16</b>	<b>153.37</b>	<b>794.10</b>	<b>94.07</b>
Provision for Deferred Tax	(173.30)	(55.35)	(195.87)	(34.08)
Provision for Taxation	(8.08)	-	(8.08)	-
<b>Net Profit / (Loss) after tax</b>	<b>272.78</b>	<b>98.02</b>	<b>590.15</b>	<b>59.99</b>
Paid-up Equity Share Capital	507.31	507.97	507.31	507.97
Reserves excluding revaluation reserves			686.54	86.59
Basic Earnings Per Share (not annualised) (in Rupees)	5.38	1.92	11.63	1.33
Diluted Earnings Per Share (not annualised) (in Rupees)	4.70	1.43	10.17	0.96

Notes:

- The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee in its meeting held on 13th April, 2005 and taken on record at the meeting of Board of Directors held on that date.
- The Company is engaged in only one segment viz. Steel, hence there are no reportable segment as per Accounting Standard "AS-17"
- The aggregate of non-promoters share holding was 217,278,894 equity shares (42.83%) as on 31st March, 2005. (221,538,887 shares (43.28%) as on 31st March, 2004)
- The number of investors complaints received during the quarter, resolved and pending are

Pending as at 01.01.2005	:	32
Received during the Quarter	:	5,017
Disposed off during the Quarter	:	5,007
Pending as at 31.03.2005	:	42
- Charges pertaining to earlier years amounting to Rs. 328.41 crores (Previous year credit of Rs. 35.81 crores) have been regrouped as a separate item and accordingly shown above. The figures have been regrouped / reclassified wherever necessary.

For Essar Steel Limited

Mumbai  
13th April, 2005

V G Raghavan  
Director (Finance)