

HeidelbergCement India Commissions New Unit at Jhansi, UP

New unit to expand Jhansi cement grinding plant capacity from 0.8 mtpa to 2.7 mtpa

Press Release

New Delhi / Gurgaon, January 16, 2013 - HeidelbergCement India Limited, a leading Cement manufacturer in India, has expanded its cement capacity from 0.8 million tonnes per annum to 2.7 million tonnes per annum at its Jhansi cement grinding plant in Uttar Pradesh, India. The Company successfully conducted trial runs of the new mill at the end of 2012 and early 2013 before starting production in the second half of January 2013.

Mr. Ashish Guha, CEO & Managing Director, HeidelbergCement India said, ***“This is the first move towards our expansion plans in Central India. We expect cement consumption to grow at a relatively higher rate in this region and we stand committed towards bettering the prospects for our stakeholders”.***

With the commissioning of the new mill that has been funded through mix of internal accruals and debts, the Company has increased its all India cement capacity to 5 million tonnes per annum. It expects to increase its market share in Central India, and also increase deliveries in other markets including Bihar, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi and Uttarakhand with enhanced capacity. Some of the key highlights of the project include installation of vertical roller mill from world renowned cement equipment supplier Loesche GmbH; enhancement of packing & dispatch capacities by installation of new packers and a 5 kms long 132 KV Power transmission line.

About the Company:

HeidelbergCement India Limited (BSE Code: 500292, NSE Code: HEIDELBERG), a subsidiary of Cementum I.B.V. is a leading Cement manufacturer in India. It has a strong presence in the growth markets of Central India, Western and Southern India with two cement plants and two grinding facilities in Damoh (Madhya Pradesh), Jhansi (Uttar Pradesh), Ammasandra (Karnataka) and Raigad (Maharashtra). The Company presently has total installed capacity of 3.07 MT which is set to rise to 6 MTPA with the commissioning of new facilities at Damoh and Jhansi.