



Welspun India announces 2007-08 Results

28% Growth in top line , operational EBITDA grew by 7%

Mumbai, May 30, 2008: Welspun India Ltd. (Welspun), the JC Penny **Supplier of the Year** and winner of **4 Gold trophies** at the TEXPROCIL Awards this year reported a 28% rise in sales, at Rs. 12,409 million in FY '08 as compared to Rs. 9,736 million in FY'07. Operational EBITDA reported grew by 7% to Rs. 1688 million. The Net Profit stands at Rs. 263 million in FY 08.

Management Comments

Speaking on the results, Mr. Rajesh Mandawewala Joint MD said, "The appreciating rupee, spiraling cotton prices and fuel prices affected the Company's performance. Despite these challenges, it has been an eventful year to position Welspun as one of the top home textile player in the World", he adds.

Salient features of the Year

- Welspun takes pride to add bath-rugs and shower curtains to its product portfolio with the acquisition of Sorema in December 07.
- The additional bath-rug facility at Vapi, Maharashtra will start production by the beginning of Q3 FY 09.
- Strengthened Christy presence in the US market besides consolidating its position in UK
- The top-of-bed facility at Mexico is proceeding as per schedule and will start commissioning fully by Q2 FY 09.
- The manufacturing of Christy has been shifted completely to India and is adding on to the Christy know-how.
- The commitment towards producing nothing but the best products is further strengthened after the Company bagged 4 Gold Trophies from TEXPROCIL (Textile Promotion Council of India) and the 'Supplier of the Year' award in Quality from Worlds largest retailer J C Penny, USA. This is in addition to the Earth Care Award the Company received from the Times of India and Jindal Steel Works for the sustainability of environment.

Management Outlook

The appreciating rupee, increase in cotton and fuel prices has played a very crucial role in the financials of Welspun. However due to the various mitigate measures which the management has undertaken and with the rupee showing a positive slide, the management is hopeful of improving the margins and provide the best investment opportunity for its stakeholders.

About Welspun India Ltd. (www.welspuntowels.com)

Welspun India, part of \$3 billion Welspun Group is one of the largest Home Textile Companies in the world. It started its activities in 1985 and since then has risen to become one of the largest exporters of Home Textiles in Asia and is amongst the 3rd largest terry towel player in the world. Welspun's facilities are located in India (Anjar and Vapi at Gujarat), Mexico, Portugal and in UK. Welspun's International presence is complimented by its acquisition of Christ, UK and Sorema in Portugal.