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Dear Sir/Madam,

Press Release - GHCL got Environment Clearance for Soda Ash Greenfield Plant

<u>Subject: Disclosure of Material Event / Information under Regulation 30 of SEBI (LODR)</u>
<u>Regulations, 2015</u>

We would like to inform that GHCL, India's leading Chemical Company, has received environmental clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for its Soda Ash Greenfield Project in Kutch, Gujarat.

In this regard, please find enclosed herewith copy of the Press Release issued by the Company for your reference and record.

Please note that copy of this intimation is also available on the website of BSE Limited (<u>www.bseindia.com/corporates</u>), National Stock Exchange of India Limited (<u>www.nseindia.com/corporates</u>) and website of the Company (<u>www.ghcl.co.in</u>).

You are requested to kindly take note of the same.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully

For GHCL Limited

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Press Release

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New Delhi, 12 December, 2024: GHCL, India's leading Chemical Company, has received environmental clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for its Soda Ash Greenfield Project in Kutch, Gujarat.

The environmental clearance given on December 12, 2024, will help the company start setting up a 1.1 MMTPA Soda Ash plant over six years at a capital outlay of Rs 6,500 crore.

Commenting on the environmental clearance, **R S Jalan, MD, GHCL Limited, said**," The approval for the new plant of Soda Ash will play a significant role in achieving India's vision of Green Energy and AtmaNirbharta."

India, which aims to reach 500 GW of installed capacity of green energy by 2030, will witness a Soda Ash demand of around 7.0 MTPA. Currently, India produces 3.6 MTPA of Soda Ash which is merely 6% of the global Soda Ash manufacturing capacity, **Mr Jalan said**.

GHCL is currently the second-largest manufacturer of soda ash in India, and it has a nearly four-decade-long presence. The upcoming Greenfield project will almost double its production capacities. This forthcoming plant in Greenfield will be equipped with ultramodern technology, with a focus on carbon neutrality by exploring the use of green energy resources.

The plant will support the nearby community with CSR and sustainability initiatives, generating direct and indirect employment. It will encourage the setting up of micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in the logistics, and packaging material segments, ensuring increased prosperity and economic upliftment of the local communities and facilitating the development of locals.

ABOUT GHCL

GHCL Limited is engaged in the manufacture of Soda Ash (Anhydrous Sodium Carbonate), that is a major raw material for detergents & glass industries and Sodium Bicarbonate (baking soda). Through a demerger it has separated its spinning business into GHCL Textiles Limited.

Sustainability is a core element of business strategy as defined by the 'GHCL Way' with its four pillars i.e. Responsible Stewardship, Social Inclusiveness, Promoting Relationship and Adding Value. GHCL Limited remains committed to working closely with stakeholders at various plant locations for promoting the agenda of sustainability underpinning on the core values of Respect, Trust, Ownership and Integrated Teamwork.

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