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Dear Sir,

Sub: Intimation under Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

In compliance with Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/84 dated 20th May, 2020, please find enclosed a brief details relating to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Business of the Company.

This is for your information and record.

Yours faithfully,
For ROSSELL INDIA LTD.

(N K KHURANA)
DIRECTOR (FINANCE) and
COMPANY SECRETARY

Encl. As above



Impact on the business segment- Cultivation, manufacture and Sale of Tea- Rossell Tea Division and steps taken to ensure smooth functioning

Tea Industry in India cannot remain isolated from the ramifications of this war against COVID 19.

The lockdown starting on the evening of 24th of March 2020 which was declared in India has affected the normal life in every sphere and taken away many lives and has led to unemployment and put the Global economy into a recession. However, The Tea Industry has been comparatively less impacted, owing to normal distancing that exists at work place, but the breakdown of supply chain has brought in some disruptions, which hopefully should be over by June 2020.

Our Tea Estates in Assam resumed operations from 11th (4 Estates), 12th (2 Estates) and 14th April (1 Estate) albeit with only 50% workers. The Head office has remained shut as Kolkata is in the Red zone and all executives are "working from home." Of late, limited permission has been received from local Police Station to resume operations at Head Office, Kolkata with barely 2 employees. The Plantations in Assam were allowed to operate in full strength from 10th May onwards.

We had anticipated a financial year production of 60.20 lac kgs and finally ended up with a production of 59.36 lac kgs. A shortfall of 0.84 lac kgs which was the loss in March due to the above mentioned shutdown.

At present, Work on the Estates is ongoing following strict guidelines as imposed by the MHA and the Government of Assam. Social distancing, wearing of masks and hand washing has become the new normal now and will remain so for some time'

Thus, shut down of Operations in the Estates from 24th March evening till the 11th/12th/14th April has had an impact on the crop and Bush development, likely crop loss of around 8%-10% on the Annual crop anticipated for 2020-21.

However, the silver lining is that due to crop shortage, market prices has firmed up and at present quality Tea is fetching Rs. 20-Rs. 30 higher than the prices prevailing at this period during the last year. This will offset the expected loss due to crop to a large extent.

Impact on the business segment- Engineering and Manufacturing in Aerospace and Defense (A & D)- Rossell Techsys Division and steps taken to ensure smooth functioning

Post the lock down commencement on 24th of March, the Government of Karnataka was quick to come to the aid of A&D manufacturing industries. A notification, from the department of Industries and commerce was issued on 01st of April 2020 by the Government of Karnataka, to be able to resume work with some caveats on hygiene, accommodation for staff, protections and total number of staff in a shift. Rossell Techsys was approved to commence work and the division resumed work with minimal staff. With this minimal staff, Rossell Techsys could focus on the high priority needs of its customers. Rossell had to follow the e-pass system instituted by the Karnataka Police. The e-pass was given on a weekly basis. The Karnataka Police advised to use the e-passes for vehicles. The passengers in vehicles did not need e-passes. The government of Karnataka was supportive. However, staff members who were eager to resume work could not do so due to a parallel law created by resident welfare associations, society at large, neighbors, paying guest owners, who put a complete embargo on movements of residents outside of their localities. During this peak lockdown period, significant number of finished goods inventory was shipped out to generate revenue.

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Post 14th April, 2020, the situation changed marginally. More staff members who were stationed in Bangalore, started attending work and the staff strength gradually rose to around 80. This included some support services staff too. The total productive work force was approximately 25%.

Post 3rd May, 2020, the situation improved but not to the desired levels. Many staff members, who had rushed out of Bangalore, hours before the lockdown, could not return due to embargo on inter-state travel. Nevertheless the total staff at work, direct and indirect was in the vicinity of around 160, with service providers being extra. Though pace of work increased, it is significantly lower than normal manufacturing output. To put things in perspective, in a normal month, the company could produce anywhere between 2100 to 2300 deliveries a month but during this period, the productivity was in the range of 1000 to 1100 deliveries a month, almost at the 50% mark.

Things started improving after 17th of May 2020. With e-passes being given to staff in various districts, it became possible for outstation staff to return to work. By the end of May, the division could achieve around 70% availability of its direct productive staff.

To comply with the Government of India and Government of Karnataka norms, the division had to spend significant amounts of money to maintain higher levels of hygiene, provisioning of PPE's to working staff, provisioning of accommodation to staff who found it difficult to commute from place of work, due to societal pressures, provisioning of large capacity transport vehicles to ensure safe distancing in commute, frequent disinfecting of common areas, high touch points, free breakfast, lunch and snacks for staff, and other staff amenities during lockdown. Further, the Division also, with the support of a health care provider, put in place quarantining process for returning staff, evaluation of staff health to resume work, all to ensure that the division does not suffer from any unfortunate episode of COVID19. These steps have been communicated to all stakeholders in the division in the form of a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to be followed till further improvements on the COVID19 situation.

The COVID19 and government sponsored decisions have resulted in (a) loss of around 3 to 4 months of productivity (b) increased expenses to the tune of 2 months operating expenses. This loss can be regained if the lockdown all over the country is completely removed and staff members who are stuck in other states, are allowed to return to work.. The company intends to work in multiple shifts and extended working days to overcome the loss of productivity and clear off backlogs.

Impact on cash Flows and Debt Repayment ability

Nevertheless, none of the business segments has any liquidity crisis and no change in the Debt Repayment ability is expected.

For Rossell India Limited

Mehul Shah
Director

05/06/2020