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# Performance for the quarter ended March 31, 2010

# Profit after Tax grows 44% Sales up by 28%

**Mumbai, May 17, 2010:** Larsen & Toubro has maintained its all round growth track record during the quarter. While order inflow grew 90%, sales saw a growth of 28% over the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The new orders during the quarter came from Hydrocarbon, Fertiliser, Defence, Buildings and Industrial sectors signifying the Company's position of pre-eminence in these sectors.

The Company's profit after tax for the quarter grew by 44%. The significantly improved performance during the quarter helped the Company post a y-o-y growth of 35% in order inflow, 11% in sales (excluding Sales from RMC business sold during the previous year) and 26% in

Standalone Results	Quarter March 3		Year ended March 31, 2010		
	Rs. crore	Growth %	Rs. crore	Growth '	
Order Inflow	23843	90%	69572	35%	
Sales	13490	28%	36996	11%	
Profit after Tax (PAT)	1438	44%	4376	26%	
Operating Margin %	15.3%	110 bps	13.1%	140 bps	
Order Book	100239	43%			

profit after tax for the full year 2009-10.

Various cost optimization initiatives launched by the Company, aided by lower input costs, led to an improvement in the profitability of both project and product businesses. The Operating Margin of the Company for the year at 13.1%, improved by 140 basis points over the previous year.

The Company's Order Book as at March 31, 2010, crossed the Rs.100000 crore mark.

The Board of Directors has recommended a dividend of Rs. 12.50 per equity share.

## **Engineering & Construction (E&C) Segment**

During the year, the Segment bagged sizeable orders from the Power, Hydrocarbon, Process and Buildings & Factories sectors on the strength of its comprehensive EPC capabilities. The segment reported Order Inflow for the year 2009-10 at Rs. 63899 crore posting an increase of 41% over the previous year. The yearly growth in Order Inflow for the Segment was bolstered by the surge in turnkey orders during the fourth quarter at Rs. 22057 crore reflecting an increase of 95% y-o-y.

With many new projects under execution, E&C segment Customer Sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 at Rs. 11820 crore grew by 30% when compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The share of export sales represented 11.2%. The segment Customer Sales for the full year at Rs. 31650 crore grew by 13% over the previous year, despite several constraints faced during the earlier quarters of the year.

The segment Operating Margins for the year ended March 31, 2010 improved by 60 basis points to 13.6% due to cost efficient execution and adoption of all-round risk mitigation measures. The Segment continued the trend of improvement in operating margins seen in the recent years.

# **Electrical & Electronics Segment**

The Segment reported Customer Sales of Rs. 909 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, posting an increase of 28% y-o-y, reaping the benefit of revival in the industrial sectors towards the later part of the year. This helped the Segment register a growth of 7% in Sales for the year 2009-10 inspite of subdued demand for its products during the earlier part of the year. Electrical Standard Products and Metering & Protection Systems businesses reported higher sales and profitability during the year 2009-10. A healthy product mix and better capacity utilization led to an improvement in segment operating margin for the year by 220 basis points to 15.7%.

# **Machinery & Industrial Products Segment**

The slowdown in the Industrial sector over a large part of the year coupled with continued global recession in the hydrocarbon sector, impacted the flow of orders for the Industrial Valves business. Therefore, for the full year, the Segment achieved Customer Sales of Rs. 2150 crore, reporting a decline of 11% as compared to the previous year. However, other businesses of the segment saw demand picking up in the quarter ended March 31, 2010 which enabled the Segment to report a growth of 8% in Customer Sales to Rs. 659 crore over the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Led by an improvement in the profitability of other businesses of the Segment, Operating Margin at 22.1% for the year ended March 31, 2010 grew by 190 basis points over the previous year.

## **Consolidated Group Financials**

Group Profit after Tax for the year at Rs. 5451 crore grew by 44% as compared to the previous year. The Subsidiaries and Associate Companies together contributed Rs. 613 crore to the Group's profits, posting a rise of more than 100% over the similar amount for the previous year. Additionally, during the year, the Company's Infrastructure Subsidiary divested its stakes in Bangalore International Airport Limited and Second Vivekananda Bridge Toll-way Company Private Limited at a net gain of Rs. 388 crore and Rs. 74 crore, respectively.

The Consolidated Group Total Income stood at Rs. 43970 crore for the year vis-à-vis Rs. 40511 crore for the previous year.

### Outlook

The large order book of the Company provides sufficient visibility to its growth momentum in the medium term. The Company is in readiness to harness the opportunities thrown by the Power, Infrastructure, Defence, Hydrocarbon, Building and Industrial sectors, both in the domestic and international markets. India is poised to grow at an accelerated pace in the next few years. However, non-food inflation has been raising its head in the recent past. The Company is cautiously optimistic for the future.

#### LARSEN & TOUBRO LIMITED



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AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2010

		Standalone Financials				Rs. Lakh Consolidated Financials		
Particulars		3 months ended March 31		Year ended March 31		Year ended I		
		2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	
1 Gross S	Sales / Revenues from Operations (excluding sales from Ready-mix Concrete business)	1348952	1057656	3699593	3343912	4385424	4000195	
Gross S	ales from Ready-mix Concrete business (sold during FY 2008-09)	-	-	-	60592	-	60592	
Less: Ex	ccise Duty	11463	10758	32078	39847	34066	42087	
Net Sale	es / Revenues from Operations	1337489	1046898	3667515	3364657	4351358	4018700	
2 Other O	perational Income	21021	13633	35965	29197	45622	32406	
	ncome (1+2)	1358510	1060531	3703480	3393854	4396980	4051106	
4 Expend								
	e) / decrease in stock -in- trade and work -in -progress	9583	6856	42299	(10511)	48773	(12352	
	Imption of raw materials ontracting charges	292174 272465	230841 219182	785430 866175	788924 705327	781764 914183	824302 76707	
	truction materials	331627	234504	747808	750999	837414	833678	
	hase of traded goods	53707	38431	157428	167869	153095	164452	
v) Other	manufacturing / operating expenses	81284	56832	246215	224554	490387	445850	
c) Employe	pe cost	61384	48868	237914	197446	306583	263649	
d) Sales, a	dministration and other expenses	51210	76626	138656	177028	220912	262004	
	ation, amortisation, obsolescence and impairment	11622	8894	41460	30599	97932	72832	
Total Ex	xpenditure	1165056	921034	3263385	3032235	3851043	3621492	
5 Profit fr	om Operations before Other Income, Interest & Exceptional Items (3-4)	193454	139497	440095	361619	545937	429614	
6 Other In	come	32984	23523	91025	73978	75963	57566	
7 Profit b	efore Interest & Exceptional Items (5+6)	226438	163020	531120	435597	621900	487180	
8 Interest	expenses	13556	4693	50531	41556	69192	52806	
9 Profit at	fter Interest but before Exceptional Items (7-8)	212882	158327	480589	394041	552708	434374	
10 Exception	onal item (net gain) (Note No.1 & 2)	2752	-	107478	1	181827	1659	
11 Profit fr	om Ordinary Activities before Tax (9+10)	215634	158327	588067	394041	734535	436033	
12 Provisio	on for Taxes:							
a) Provisio	n for Current Tax (incl. Fringe Benefit Tax for previous periods)	80456	45750	164425	122077	203977	13895	
b) Provisio	n for Deferred Tax	(1315)	(1662)	(338)	1044	(237)	3536	
	Dividends received from Subsidiaries / Joint Ventures	-	-	-	-	135	80	
	rovision for Taxes	79141	44088	164087	123121	203875	142567	
13 Share of	f Profit / (Loss) from Associates	-	-	-	-	10595	5090	
	ents for Minority Interests in Subsidiaries	_	_	_	_	(9753)	3144	
- ,	fter Tax from Ordinary Activities (11-12+13+14)	136493	114239	423980	270920	531502	301700	
	dinary items [net of tax ] ( Note No.3)	7317	(14387)	13572	77246	13572	77246	
	fter Tax (15+16)	143810	99852	437552	348166	545074	378946	
	equity share capital (Face value of share:Rs. 2 each)	140010	00002	12044	11714	12044	11714	
	es excluding revaluation reserve			1814282	1231796	2081492	1383845	
	PS before Extraordinary Items (Rupees)	22.69	19.51	71.49	46.30	89.61	51.56	
	EPS before Extraordinary Items (Rupees)	22.25	19.50	70.15	45.68	87.92	50.87	
	PS after Extraordinary Items (Rupees)	23.90	17.05	73.77	59.50	91.90	64.76	
	EPS after Extraordinary Items (Rupees)	23.44	17.03	72.39	58.70	90.16	63.89	
	ervice Coverage Ratio (DSCR) (No.of times) #	25.44	17.04	4.86	10.08	30.10	05.09	
	Service Coverage Ratio (ISCR) (No.of times) ##			10.51	10.48			
26 Aggrega	ate of Public Shareholding :							
	- Number of Shares ('000s)			585993	568496	585993	568496	
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	Percentage of Shareholding ers and promotor group shareholding (Note No. 8)			<b>97.31%</b> Nil	97.06% Nil	<b>97.31%</b> Nil	97.06% Nil	

# DSCR = [Profit before Interest and exceptional & extraordinary items ÷ (Interest Expense + Principal repayments of long-term debt during the period)]

## ISCR = [Profit before Interest and exceptional & extraordinary items ÷ Interest Expense]

#### Notes :

- 1 Exceptional item in the standalone financials for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 includes gain of Rs.2722 lakh (net of tax Rs.2289 lakh) arising on part buy-back of the company's equity holding, by one of the associate companies.
- 2 Exceptional item in consolidated financials for the year ended March 31, 2010 includes (i) gain of Rs.101988 lakh on sale of investment in UltraTech Cement Limited (accounted in the standalone financials for the quarter ended June 30, 2009) and (ii) Rs.10913 lakh on sale of investment in Second Vivekananda Bridge Tollway Company Private Limited and Rs.62113 lakh on sale of investment in Bangalore International Airport Limited during the quarter ended December 31, 2009 and March 31, 2010 respectively.
- 3 Extraordinary item in the standalone financials for the quarter ended March 31, 2010 represents a gain of Rs.7317 lakh (net of tax of Rs.2161 lakh) from sale of the Company's Petroleum Dispensing Pumps & Systems business.
- 4 The Company during the quarter ended March 31, 2010 has allotted 19,22,595 equity shares of Rs. 2 each fully paid up on exercise of stock options by employees, in accordance with the Company's stock option schemes.
- 5 The Board of Directors has recommended a dividend of Rs.12.50 per equity share of face value of Rs. 2 each.
- 6 Figures for the previous periods have been re-grouped / re-classified to conform to the figures of the current periods.
- 7 There were no pending investor complaints as on January 1, 2010. During the quarter ended March 31, 2010, 12 complaints were received and resolved.
- 8 The promoter and promoter group shareholding being nil, the disclosure of information on shares pledged / encumbered is not applicable.
- 9 The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on May 17, 2010.

For Larsen & Toubro Limited

#### Segment-wise Revenue, Result and Capital Employed in terms of Clause 41 of the listing agreement :

Rs. Lakh

	Standalone Financials				Consolidated Financials		
Particulars		3 months ended March 31		Year ended March 31		Year ended March 31	
	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	
Gross Segment Revenue							
1 Engineering & Construction	1210944	943750	3231577	2871226	3484802	3152253	
2 Electrical & Electronics	98829	79002	298654	278338	380169	339658	
3 Machinery & Industrial Products	68192	62060	221953	247460	256590	270536	
4 Financial Services					145628	112601	
5 Developmental Projects					73355	54831	
6 Others	10047	13256	36456	108670	225466	298932	
Total	1388012	1098068	3788640	3505694	4566010	4228811	
Less: Inter-segment revenue	18039	26779	53082	71993	134964	135618	
Net Segment Revenue	1369973	1071289	3735558	3433701	4431046	4093193	
Segment Result (Profit before Interest and Tax)							
1 Engineering & Construction	184656	141983	409501	347348	416976	346852	
2 Electrical & Electronics	13287	8893	39419	32301	49134	35928	
3 Machinery & Industrial Products	14312	10929	45190	47060	46470	45681	
4 Financial Services					40677	22803	
5 Developmental Projects					19508	10836	
6 Others	204	(820)	4434	5263	33217	35498	
Total	212459	160985	498544	431972	605982	497598	
Less: Segment margins on internal capitalization	2431	1808	5835	5639	15167	12620	
Less: Interest expenses	13556	4693	50531	41556	69192	52806	
Add: Unallocable corporate income net of expenditure	19162	3843	145889	9264	212912	3861	
Profit Before Tax (PBT)	215634	158327	588067	394041	734535	436033	
Capital Employed							
(Segment assets less Segment liabilities)							
1 Engineering & Construction			629067	646221	1027481	789319	
2 Electrical & Electronics			113176	124658	176972	180156	
3 Machinery & Industrial Products			22400	41274	51861	70422	
4 Financial Services			22400	412/4	207338	132803	
5 Developmental Projects					918309	694942	
6 Others			20348	18788	96077	121914	
Total capital employed in Segments			784991	830941	2478038	1989556	
Unallocable corporate assets <i>less</i> corporate liabilities			1733995	1075478	1032703	745924	
Total Capital Employed	-		2518986	1906419	3510741	2735480	
Total Capital Elliployed			2310300	1300413	3310741	£133400	

#### Notes :

- 1 Segments have been identified in accordance with Accounting Standard 17 on Segment Reporting, considering the risk / return profiles of the businesses, their organisational structure and the internal reporting systems.
- 2 Segment composition for standalone and consolidated financials :

Engineering & Construction comprises execution of engineering and construction projects to provide solutions in civil, mechanical, electrical and instrumentation engineering (on turnkey basis or otherwise) to core / infrastructure sectors including Railways, ship building and supply of complex plant and equipment to core sectors. Electrical & Electronics include manufacure and/or sale of low & medium voltage switchgear and control gear, custom-built switchboards, petroleum dispensing pumps and systems, electronic energy meters / protection (realys) systems, control and automation products and medical equipment. Machinery & Industrial Products comprise manufacture and sale of industrial machinery & equipment and industrial valves, marketing of construction equipment and welding / industrial products. Machinery & Industrial Products in consolidated financials also include manufacture and sale of undercarriage assemblies. Financial Services comprise corporate finance, equipment finance, infrastructure financing, general insurance, asset management of mutual fund schemes and related advisory services. Developmental Projects comprise development, operation and maintenance of basic infrastructure projects, toll collection, development of urban infrastructure, power development and providing related advisory services. Others include property development, integrated engineering services and ready mix concrete. Others in consolidated financials also include information technology services and mining.

3 Segment Revenue comprises Sales & Operational Income allocable specifically to a segment. Unallocable expenditure mainly includes expenses incurred on common services provided to segments and other corporate expenses. Unallocable income primarily includes interest income, dividends and profit on sale of investments. Corporate assets mainly comprise investments.

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Mumbai May 17, 2010 A. M. NAIK Chairman & Managing Director