

### **Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited**

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Statement of standalone and consolidated audited financial results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2017 (Prepared in compliance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS)

(₹ in Lacs)								
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		For the Quarter ended		For the Year ended		For the Year ended		
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		2017	2016	2016	(0.14)	2016	(Audited)	(Audited)
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1	Revenue from operations	797.24	549.44	580.01	2,502.29	2,834.43		905.07
2	Other income	333.08	417.73	258.79	1,708.69	883.99	1,932.86	
3	Total income (1+2)	1130.32	967.17	838.80	4210.98	3718.42	4489.52	6069.69
4	Expenses			1				
	a) Share of expenses from producing oil and	323.17	291.95	313.78	1,133.02	1,250.35	1,133.02	1,250.35
	gas blocks b) Purchase of traded goods	_	_	_	-	-	-	839.01
	c) Excise duty	_	-	-		-	7.46	292.86
	d) Repacking costs	_	_	-	- 1	-	2.68	281.27
	Decrease /(Increase) in inventories of						20.52	100.21
	e) traded goods	-	-	-		-	28.52	100.21
	f) (Increase) / Decrease in stock of crude oil	108.51	6.83	82.66	(30.78)	215.37	(30.78)	215.37
	g) Employee benefit expense	30.03	30.06	56.73	122.29	245.06	142.83	457.97
	h) Depreciation, depletion and amortization	211.43	182.39	301.15	948.97	1,207.78	960.34	1,216.95
9	i) Finance costs	-	-	466.58	-	466.58	0.03	470.59
	j) Exploration costs written off		-	2.90	-	22.84	-	22.84
	k) Other expenses	117.15	37.78	42.91	802.50	481.95	901.45	871.97
	I) Write off of obsolete inventories	-	_	-	103.69	.=	237.22	
	Total expenses	790.29	549.01	1,266.71	3,079.69	3,889.93	3,382.77	6,019.39
5	Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities before	340.03	418.16	(427.91)	1,131.29	(171.51)	1,106.75	50.30
,	exceptional items and tax (3-4)						2.004.64	F14 02
6	Exceptional items	642.38	418.16	241.82 (186.09)	2,894.64 <b>4,025.93</b>	514.82 <b>343.31</b>	2,894.64 <b>4,001.39</b>	514.82 565.12
7	Profit from ordinary activities before tax (5-6)	982.41	418.16	(186.09)	4,025.95	343.31	4,001.33	303.12
8	Tax expenses a) Current tax	_	_	_	_	_	- ·	65.20
	b) Adjustment of tax relating to earlier periods	_	_	(3.45)	387.58	(6.18)	381.51	(5.36)
	c) Deferred tax	-	_	-	-	-	13.40	3.37
	Total tax expenses	-	-	(3.45)	387.58	(6.18)	394.91	63.21
9	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (7-8)	982.41	418.16	(182.64)	3,638.35	349.49	3,606.48	501.91
10	Other Comprehensive income	(3.89)	(0.12)	(0.12)	(4.23)	(0.45)	(4.23)	(1.64)
11	Total Comprehensive Income (9+10)	978.52	418.04	(182.76)	3,634.12	349.04	3,602.25	500.27
12	Paid up equity share capital (Face value of ₹ 10/-each)	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93
13	Total Reserves				20,084.74	16,450.62	21,083.59	17,481.34
14	Basic and diluted EPS ₹ - not annualized (Face value of shares ₹ 10/- each)	₹ 0.75	₹ 0.32	₹ (0.14)	₹ 2.78	₹0.27	₹ 2.76	₹ 0.38





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## Audited standalone and consolidated statement of Assets and Liabilities as at March 31,2017

(₹ in Lacs)

<b>15.15</b>		Standa	lone	Consolidated		
	Particulars	As at	As at	As at	As at	
	Tarteday .	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	March 31, 2017	March 31, 2016	
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	ASSETS					
1	Non-current assets					
	Property, plant & equipment	22,198.42	5,987.31	22,198.42	5,987.31	
	a) Oil and gas assets	771.08	786.94	785.37	811.39	
	b) Others	612.66	13,011.46	612.66	13,011.46	
	Capital Work-in-Progress	197.65	1.60	198.50	3.65	
	Intangible assets Financial assets	201100	- 90 100	×		
	Investment in subsidiary	50.00	50.00	-	-	
	Site restoration deposit	5,143.70	4,803.58	5,143.70	4,803.58	
	Other financial assets	-	117.79	-	157.69	
	Income tax assets (Net)	-		10.96	23.72	
	Deferred tax assets (Net)	-	-	-	13.40	
	Total non- current assets	28,973.51	24,758.68	28,949.61	24,812.20	
2	Current assets			6		
_	Inventories	2,469.69	2,243.41	2,469.69	2,434.20	
	Financial assets					
1	Investments	15,103.84	6,620.86	16,021.29	7,445.82	
	Trade receivables	473.78	216.83	515.57	402.59	
	Cash and cash equivalents	2,842.72	4,814.92	2,849.95	4,843.85	
	Other bank balances	586.69	501.79	586.69	501.79	
	Other financial assets	84.43	15	84.63	0.26	
	Income tax assets (Net)	927.69	8,568.64	927.69	8,568.64	
	Other current assets	47.28	91.46	70.52	137.02	
	Total current assets	22,536.12	23,057.91	23,526.03	24,334.17	
	TOTAL ASSETS	51,509.63	47,816.59	52,475.64	49,146.37	
	<b>EQUITY &amp; LIABILITIES</b>					
	Equity			12.050.02	13,050.93	
	Equity share capital	13,050.93	13,050.93	13,050.93	17,481.34	
	Other equity	20,084.74	16,450.62	21,083.59	30,532.27	
	Total equity	33,135.67	29,501.55	34,134.52	30,552.27	
	Liabilities			1	× .	
1	Non-current liabilities					
	Financial liabilities		2 622 11	2 244 07	2,630.11	
	Trade payables	2,211.07	2,630.11	2,211.07	9,609.42	
	Provisions for site restoration	9,365.00	9,609.42	9,365.00	0.000.000	
	Other Non-current liabilities	19.84	14.85	19.84	29.32	
	Total non-current liabilities	11,595.91	12,254.38	11,595.91	12,268.85	
2	Current Liabilities					
	Financial liabilities			4 000 05	921.68	
	Trade payables	1,782.60		1,822.05	5,338.81	
	Other financial liabilities	4,925.11		4,852.34	84.76	
	Other current liabilities	70.34	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	70.82	6,345.25	
	Total current liabilities	6,778.05		0.000.000000000000000000000000000000000	AND THE PARTY OF THE PARTY.	
	Total Liabilities	18,373.96				
	TOTAL EQUITY & LIABILITIES	51,509.63	47,816.59	52,475.64	49,146.37	

The disclosure is an extract of the audited standalone and consolidated balance sheet as at March 31, 2017 and March 31, 2016 in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind As)







#### Notes:-

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- 1. The above results and notes thereto were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meetings held on April 18, 2017. The statutory auditors have audited the financial results for the year ended March 31, 2017. The information presented above is extracted from the audited standalone and consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind As) as prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act 2013 and notified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standard) Rules 2015 (as amended) and the Guidance note on Oil & Gas producing activities (Ind As) issued by the ICAI.
- 2. The Company has adopted Indian Accounting Standards ("Ind AS") on April 1, 2016 with effect from April 1, 2015 as transition date. The transition was carried out from the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in India as prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act 2013 read with Rule 7 of Companies (Accounts) Rules 2014 (IGAPP) which was the previous GAAP.
- 3. The individual items of expenses in the above financial results are net of amounts charged to Unincorporated Joint ventures (UJV) where the Company is the operator. The Company's share of such net expenses in UJV's are treated as exploration, development and production costs as the case may be.
- 4. Hardy Exploration & Production (India) Inc., CY-OS-90/1 (PY-3) operator has issued an arbitration notice to all non-operators, ONGC Ltd, Tata Petrodyne Ltd and the company for a total claim of ₹5,193 lacs (US\$ 8.02 million) and the claim against the company is ₹1,329 lacs (US\$ 2.05 million). The non-operating parties have not accepted the claim of the Operator and are in the process of adjudicating the dispute through arbitration as the expenditure after the shutting down of the field on July 31, 2011 is not an authorized expenditure by the Management Committee. The Company made a claim of ₹8,638 lacs (US \$ 13.32 million) towards various excess charges and sought refund from the Operator during the year. The claim not acknowledged as debt by the company also includes the claim of ₹1,440 lacs relating to dispute between Aban Offshore Limited and the Operator "Hardy" wherein the claim was not acknowledged by the Operator.
- 5. In block PY 1, solely operated by the Company, the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas (MOP&NG) has computed the royalty based on the value of gas received by the Company (the Operator) and made a demand for the years from 2009-10 to 2014-15 towards short paid royalty of ₹1,028 lacs (US\$ 1.55 million) excluding interest.
- 6. With regard to the above claim, the company has, during the previous year, re-computed the royalty on gas produced and sold, based on wellhead price as per the terms of the production sharing contract and compared it with the actual royalty paid by the company for the years from 2009-10 to 2014-15 and noted that they have made an excess payment of ₹1,159 lacs (US\$ 1.75 million) to MOP&NG. A claim has been lodged by the Company to MOP&NG, which is pending settlement.
- 7. For block RJ ONN 2005/2, operated by the Oil India Limited (the Operator), the parties have surrendered the block. The Company has made a provision of ₹ 799 lacs for the liquated damages payable to Government of India.
- In this block, RJ-ONN-2005/1, there has been a delay for more than two years in obtaining the Government clearances. According to the terms of policy of Government of India issued in November 2014, which states that, if the delay due to lack of statutory and other clearances is beyond 2 years, then the contractor is permitted to exit from the contract without payment of cost of unfinished work program. The company has decided to exercise this option and exited this block, on July 9, 2015 and therefore no liability will devolve with respect to this block.
- 9. With respect to block CB-OS/1 operated by Oil & Natural Gas Commission (ONGC), there was no operations during the year and therefore, no expenditure has been considered in the financial statements.
- During the year, the company has received a demand from the service tax authorities for ₹ 77.09 lacs (March 31, 2016 ₹14.75 Lacs) with an equivalent amount of penalty for the period from October 2007 to March 2011 on availing Cenvat credit. An appeal has been filed with Commissioner (Appeal) as the demand is not sustainable under the law after paying an amount of ₹5.78 lacs to the tax authorities. Previous year demand of ₹ 14.75 lacs pertains to one of the unincorporated joint ventures.
- Hindage Oilfield services Limited ("HOSL") (formerly known as HOEC Bardahl India Limited), a wholly owned subsidiary of the company was incorporated on November 24, 1988 in the state of Gujarat. HBIL was engaged in the business of marketing "Bardahl" brand of products through a distributor agreement with Bardahl Manufacturing Company ("BMC"), USA. This agreement was extended time and again and was valid till February 29, 2016. BMC has not renewed the agreement with HOSL and entered in to an agreement with one of the distributors LV Rustore Applications Pvt Itd ("LVR"). Consequent to the discontinuation of distribution of marketing BMC products effective February 29, 2016, the legal process has been initiated inst LVR to protect the interest of the company. The arbitration application to the arbitrators adjudicate the disputer.

was dismissed by the Court on October 14, 2016. The company has appointed a sole arbitrator to adjudicate the disputes.



During the year, the company has been awarded two discovered small fields MB/OSDSF/B80/2016 and 12. AA/ONDSF/KHEREM/2016 under the bidding round for discovered small fields by the Government of India. The Revenue Sharing Agreements have been executed with the Government of India on March 27, 2017 and the Company is the operator to these blocks. The participating interest details are as follows.

Field	Participants	Participating interest
MB/OSDSF/B80/2016	Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited Adhboot Estates Private Limited	50% 50%
AA/ONDSF/KHEREM/2016	Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited Oil India Limited Price Petroleum Company Limited	40% 40% 20%

Reconciliation between previously reported (referred to as 'Previous GAAP') and Ind AS for the year ended on March 31, 2016 are as under:

#### (a) Equity Reconciliation

(₹in lacs)

Nature of adjustments	As at March 31, 2016			
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Equity under previous GAAP attributable	14,798.16	15,814.52		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	(69.13)	(69.13)		
Fair valuation of investments	217.27	241.41		
Fair value of trade receivable	-	(9.78)		
Effect of discounting of site restoration liability	1,504.32	1,504.32		
Effect under Ind AS	16,450.62	17,481.34		

(b) Reconciliation of comprehensive Income

(₹in lacs)

Nature of adjustments	Stand	Consolidated	
	Quarter	For the year	For the year
	ended March	ended March	ended March
	31,2016	31, 2016	31, 2016
Net Profit under Previous GAAP	138.06	656.06	792.93
Actuarial loss on employee defined benefit funds recognized in other comprehensive income Unwinding of discount on decommissioning liability Investments at faire value adjusted in profit and loss Effect of change in depletion recognized as change in estimate	0.12	0.45	1.64
	(466.58)	(466.58)	(466.58)
	142.20	145.30	169.44
	3.56	14.26	14.26
Expected credit loss for trade receivable  Net profit for the period under Ind AS	(182.64)	- 349.49	(9.78) <b>501.91</b>
Other Comprehensive Income  Total Comprehensive Income under Ind AS	(0.12)	(0.45)	(1.64)
	(182.76)	<b>349.04</b>	<b>500.27</b>

- The Company operates in one segment i.e "Oil and Gas".
- Figures for previous years have been regrouped/reclassified wherever necessary to confirm to the current 15. year's presentation.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD For Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited

Place: Chennai

Date: April 18, 2017

**Managing Director** 

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
HINDUSTAN OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED

 We have audited the accompanying Statement of Standalone Financial Results of HINDUSTAN OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED ("the Company"), which includes five Unincorporated Joint Ventures consolidated on a proportionate basis, for the year ended 31/03/2017 ("the Statement"), being submitted by the Company pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as modified by Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016.

This Statement, which is the responsibility of the Company's Management and approved by the Board of Directors, has been compiled from the related standalone Ind AS financial statements which has been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules issued thereunder ('Ind AS') and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Statement based on our audit of such standalone financial statements.

2. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and the disclosures in the Statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the Statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by the Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Statement.

We believe that the audit evidence obtained by us and the audit evidence obtained by other auditors in terms of their reports referred to in the paragraph 4 below, is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

3. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, and based on the consideration of the audit reports received from the other auditors as referred in paragraph 4 below, the Statement:

(i) is presented in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as modified by Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016; and

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- (ii) gives a true and fair view in conformity with the aforesaid Indian Accounting Standards and other accounting principles generally accepted in India of the net profit and Total comprehensive income and other financial information of the Company for the year ended 31/03/2017.
- 4. We did not audit the financial statements of five unincorporated joint ventures included in the standalone Ind AS financial statements of the Company whose financial statements reflect total assets of Rs.4,480.31 lakhs as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017 and total revenues of Rs.34.19 lakhs for the year ended on that date, as considered in the standalone Ind AS financial statements. The financial statements of these unincorporated joint ventures have been audited by the other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these unincorporated joint ventures, is based solely on the report of such other auditors.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

5. The Statement includes the results for the Quarter ended 31/03/2017 being the balancing figure between audited figures in respect of the full financial year and the published year to date figures up to the third quarter of the current financial year which were subject to limited review by us.

Our report is not modified in respect of this matter.

For **DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS LLP** 

Chartered Accountants (Firm's Registration No. 117366W/W-100018)

Bhavani Balasubramanian

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Partner

(Membership No.22156)

CHENNAI, APRIL 18, 2017



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF HINDUSTAN OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED

 We have audited the accompanying Statement of Consolidated Financial Results of HINDUSTAN OIL EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED ("the Parent") and its subsidiary (the Parent and its subsidiary together referred to as "the Group") and for the year ended 31/03/2017 ("the Statement"), being submitted by the Parent pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as modified by Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016.

This Statement, which is the responsibility of the Parent's Management and approved by the Board of Directors, has been compiled from the related consolidated financial statements which has been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with relevant rules issued thereunder ("Ind AS") and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Statement based on our audit of such consolidated financial statements.

2. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and the disclosures in the Statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Parent's preparation and fair presentation of the Statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Parent's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by the Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Statement.

We believe that the audit evidence obtained by us and the audit evidence obtained by other auditors in terms of their reports referred to in paragraph 4 below, is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

3. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, and based on the consideration of the reports of the other auditors on separate financial statements of the subsidiary and joint ventures referred to in paragraph 4 below, the Statement:

a. includes the results of Hindage Oilfield Services Limited (formerly known as HOEC
 Bardahl India Limited)

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- b. is presented in accordance with the requirements of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as modified by Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016; and
- c. gives a true and fair view in conformity with the aforesaid Indian Accounting Standards and other accounting principles generally accepted in India of the net profit, total comprehensive income and other financial information of the Group for the year ended 31/03/2017.
- 4. We did not audit the financial statements of five unincorporated joint ventures included in the standalone financial statements of the company included in the Group whose financial statements reflect total assets of Rs.4,480.31 lakhs as at 31st March, 2017 and total revenues of Rs.34.19 lakhs for the year ended on that date, as considered in the respective standalone financial statements of the company included in the Group. The financial statements of these unincorporated joint ventures have been audited by the other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these unincorporated joint ventures, is based solely on the report of such other auditors.

Our opinion on the Statement is not modified in respect of the above matter with respect to our reliance on the work done and the reports of the other auditors.

5. The Statement includes the results for the Quarter ended 31/03/2017 being the balancing figure between audited figures in respect of the full financial year and the published year to date figures up to the third quarter of the current financial year which were subject to limited review by us.

Our report is not qualified in respect of the above matter.

For **DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS LLP** 

Chartered Accountants (Firm's Registration No. 117366W/W-100018)

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Bhavani Balasubramanian

Partner (Membership No 22156)

CHENNAII, APRIL 18, 2017





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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Declaration pursuant to Reg 33(3)(d) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

I, R Jeevanandam, Whole-time Director & CFO of Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited (CIN: L11100GJ1996PLC029880) having its registered office at Tandalja Road, Off Old Padra Road, Vadodara - 390 020, hereby declare that, the Statutory Auditors of the Company, Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP (FRN: ) have issued an Audit Report with unmodified opinion on Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results of the Company for the quarter and year ended March 31, 2017.

This declaration is given in compliance to Regulation 33(3)(d) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended by the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016, vide Notification No. No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2016-17/001 Circular no. CIR/CFD/CMD/56/2016 dated May 27, 2016.

Kindly take this declaration on records.

Yours Sincerely,

For Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited

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Whole-time Director & CFO