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# Press Release: Q1FY10

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Bajaj Auto Limited was held today to consider and approve the results for Q1FY10.

A summary of the results is given in Annexure I.

## Highlights of Q1FY10

- ✓ Total Income Rs. 2338 crores v/s Rs. 2305 crores in Q1FY09
- ✓ Exports in value Rs. 637 crores v/s Rs. 639 crores in Q1FY09
- ✓ Profit from operations Rs. 422 crores v/s Rs. 233 crores in Q1FY09 ↑81%.
- ✓ Profit after tax Rs. 293 crores v/s Rs. 175 crores in Q1FY09 ↑67%.
- ✓ Operating EBITDA Margin 19.5% v/s 11.6%(Q1FY09)
  - sequentially improves from 15.2% (Q4FY09)

#### Sales in numbers

Particulars Motorcycles	Q1FY10	Q1FY09	FY09 1,907,853
	482,749	558,633	
2 Wheelers	484,442	561,977	1,919,625
3 Wheelers	63,220	58,118	274,529
Grand total	547,662	620,095	2,194,154
Exports (out of the above)	178,295	198,717	772,519

- Upgrades of "Pulsar 150" and "Pulsar 180" launched in May 2009. "Pulsar 220" the fastest Indian biţe – launched in June 2009. Response has been overwhelming
- Domestic sale of Pulsar in June 2009 ~ 42,000 vehicles as against an average of 28,000 during FY09. The full impact of upgrades would be seen in coming months
- Sequentially domestic motorcycle sales witnessed an improvement across all segments and averaged approximately 110,000 per month during Q1FY10 as against around 83,000 per month during Q4FY09.

- 4. A new motorcycle possibly the world's most fuel efficient, scheduled for launch on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009. This "volume" bike should enable the company to record high double digit motorcycle sales growth.
- 5. Domestic three wheeler sales have begun to grow on the back of marketing initiatives focused on the in-city segment. Sale of passenger carriers in domestic market registered a growth of 31%
- 6. Market share in domestic passenger segment improved from 47% in FY09 to 49% Q1FY10.
- Volume drop in Q1 Exports is due to lower April numbers. May & June witnessed normalised
  exports, paving way for positive YoY growth trend into the rest of the year. The exports volumes
  are tabulated below

Particulars	Q1FY10	Q1FY09	FY09
Motorcycles	152,555	170,305	631,383
2 Wheelers	152,711	170,877	633,463
3 Wheelers	25,584	27,840	139,056
Grand Total	178,295	198,717	772,519
Exports in value –Rs. in crores	637	639	2641

#### **Operating Margins**

Operating EBITDA Margin stands at a healthy 19.5% during Q1FY10 and marks a significant improvement over 15.2% in Q4FY09 and 11.6% in Q1FY09.

Improvement in sequential EBITDA margin largely on account of

- > Richer product mix
- > Higher volumes
- > Benefit of exchange rate on exports

### Outlook

Favourable factors include -

- Strong demand for Pulsar upgrade and launch of new Bajaj "volume" motorcycle
- Growth in three wheeler passenger segment
- Revival in exports
- > Stable material costs

Kevin D'sa

Vice President (Finance)

16th July 2009.



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UNAUDITED STAND-ALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS OF BAJAJ AUTO LIMITED FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 ( Rs. In Lakhs ) **Particulars QUARTER** QUARTER YEAR **ENDED ENDED ENDED** 30.06.2009 30.06.2008 31.03.2009 (Unaudited) ( Audited) (Unaudited) 547,662 620,095 2,194,154 Sales in numbers Gross Sales 237506 239594 904966 Less: Excise duty 11607 17156 61272 225899 222438 843694 Net Sales 7948 8029 37342 Other Operating Income 881036 TOTAL INCOME 233847 230467 **EXPENDITURE:** 3465 2449 a) (Increase) / decrease in stock in trade and work in progress 4768 141720 161910 606462 b) Consumption of raw materials 8214 9168 37436 c) Purchase of traded goods 11291 10811 35436 d) Employees Cost 12979 3308 3353 e) Depreciation and write downs 22441 18743 80463 f) Other expenditure (129)(308)(1442)g) Expenses capitalised 207142 773783 h) Total 191613 42234 23325 107253 Profit from Operations before Other Income, Interest & Exceptional Items 2314 2878 12190 Other Income Other expense 1023 Other Income (net) 2314 2878 11167 118420 44548 26203 Profit before Interest & Exceptional Items 597 92 2101 Interest Profit after Interest but before Exceptional Items 43951 26111 116319 **Exceptional items** (18330)(4582)Expenditure incurred for Voluntary Retirement of employees (See note 1) (2180)Valuation gains/(losses) on derivative hedging instruments (See note 2) 2180 41549 26111 95809 Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities before tax 12200 8600 30161 Tax expense 29349 17511 65648 Net Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities after tax (198)Prior period adjustments (net) 29349 17511 65450 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period 14468 14468 14468 Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value of Rs 10/-) 172501 Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserves Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share (Rs.) (not annualised) 20.3 12.1 45.2 before and after extraordinary items Public shareholding 72,720,699 71,167,007 72,715,699 No. of shares 50.26% 49.19% 50.26% Percentage of Shareholding Promoters & Promoter Group Shareholding (a) Pledged/Encumbered No. of shares 1,846,086 NA 3,785,111 Percentage of shares (as a % of the total shareholding of promoters & 2.57% 5.27% NA promoter group) 2.62% 1.28% NA Percentage of shares (as a % of the total share capital of the company) (b) Non-Encumbered 69,939,950 NA 68,000,925 No. of shares Percentage of shares (as a % of the total shareholding of promoters & promoter group) 97.43% NA 94.73% 48.34% 47.00% NA Percentage of shares (as a % of the total share capital of the company)

			(Rs. In Lakhs)
Particulars	QUARTER	QUARTER	YEAR
	ENDED 30.06.2009 (Unaudited)	ENDED 30.06.2008 (Unaudited)	ENDED 31.03.2009 ( Audited )
Segment Revenue			
Automotive	233847	230467	881036
Investments	2314	2878	12190
Total	236161	233345	893226
Segment Profit/(Loss) before Tax and Interest			
Automotive `	39832	23325	86743
Investments	2314	2878	11167
Total	42146	26203	97910
Less: Interest	597	92	2101
Total Profit Before Tax	41549	26111	95809
Capital Employed			
Automotive	154202	119248	154378
Investments	219273	215072	182525
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Total	330230	297851	301208

#### Notes:

- 1. During previous year, company decided to recognise the expenditure incurred on voluntary retirement of employees of it's Akurdi plant, aggregating to Rs. 36660 lakhs over a period of two years in line with the option of the special transitional provision introduced in the Accounting Standard 15 "Employee Benefits" allowing such expenditure to be deferred for recognition over the payback period but not extending beyond 1 April 2010. A charge of Rs.18330 lakhs has already been recognised during 2008-09. Accordingly, the company has recognised a charge Rs. 4582 lakhs during current quarter and the balance Rs. 13748 lakhs will be recognized as an expense in the remaining period of current year.
- 2. The company had entered into range forward contracts to hedge highly probable forecast transactions, where the export realizations of the company are protected below a minimum pre-determined foreign exchange rate whereas the realization advantages are available to the company there from up to a higher pre-determined foreign exchange rate. Though these instruments meet the management's Foreign exchange risk management objectives, they did not meet the test of effectiveness as per the principles of hedge accounting. As on 30 June 2009 (the valuation date), the unrealised gains on these instruments amount to Rs. 1983 lakhs, as against valuation losses previously recognised as on 31 March 2009 aggregating Rs. 2180 lakhs, which losses have now been reversed in the profit and loss account on appreciation in the fair value. However, due to the high volatility in the fair valuations, as a matter of prudence, the company has decided not to recognise the unrealised gains on the valuation date amounting to Rs. 1983 lakhs.
- 3. Tax expense has been provided for, based on the Finance (No. 2) Bill, 2009.
- 4. The company did not have any investor complaints pending as on 1 April 2009 and as on 30 June 2009. There were no investors' complaints received and disposed of during the quarter ended 30 June 2009.
- 5. Figures for previous year / period have been regrouped wherever necessary.
- 6. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors in the meeting held on 16 July 2009.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR BAJAJ AUTO LIMITED

Pune

Date: 16 July 2009

RAHUL BAJAJ

Chairman