

Press Release

Company of the year !!!

<u>Turnover</u> for the year crosses ₹ 20,000 crore Operating <u>EBITDA</u> for the year crosses ₹ 4,000 crore

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Bajaj Auto Limited was held today to consider and approve the results for FY12.

The Board of Directors recommended a dividend of ₹45 per share – 450% (previous year – 400%). The total amount of dividend and tax thereon amounts to ₹1513 crore (previous year – ₹1345 crore).

Bajaj Auto is the "Company of the year " – The Economic Times Award, 2010-11.

Bajaj Auto is amongst the world's most profitable automobile manufacturer.

- Operating EBITDA margins at 20.2%, best in the industry
- Operating profit margin, before exceptional items, at 19.4% is *almost double* that of any other automobile company in the country

Bajaj Auto is now the world's 3rd largest motorcycle manufacturer.

- Sold over 3.8 million motorcycles worldwide
- "Pulsar", cumulative sales, from launch, across the globe exceed 5 million units
- "Discover", estimated to be the second largest motorcycle brand of the country
- Overall, market share in excess of 32%

Bajaj Auto continues to be world's largest manufacturer of three-wheelers.

- Sales crossed 500,000 units

Bajaj Auto is India's No. 1 exporter, in terms of % of production exported.

- Exports contribute **36%** of total production
- Sold over **1.5 million** motorcycles and three-wheelers
- Spread across **35** countries, enjoy leadership position in **12 countries**
- Exports, by value, in excess of 1.36 billion USD; growth of 40% over last year

1. Performance highlights

₹ in crore	Q4 FY12	Q4 FY11	Growth QoQ	FY12	FY11	Growth YoY
Sales (No's)	1,017,167	948,198	7%	4,349,560	3,823,954	14%
Turnover	4791	4301	11%	20137	16975	19%
Export revenue	1477	1058	40%	6604	4552	45%
Operating EBITDA	972	859	13%	4001	3382	18%
Profit from operations before exceptional items	926	828	12%	3833	3257	18%
Profit after tax before exceptional items	759	676	12%	3095	2615	18%
Profit after tax, after exceptional items	772	1400		3004	3340	

<u>Q4 / FY12</u>

- ✓ Sales cross 1 million units; 4th quarter in a row.
- ✓ Operating EBITDA margin 20.7%.

<u>FY12</u>

- ✓ Highest ever turnover; ₹ 20,137 crore growth of 19%.
- ✓ Operating Profit, before exceptional items, at ₹ 3,833 crore growth of 18%.
- ✓ Profit after tax, before exceptional items, at ₹ 3,095 crore growth of 18%.

2. Motorcycle highlights

	Q4 FY12	Q4 FY11	Growth QoQ	FY12	FY11	Growth YoY
Domestic	616,516	617,255	-	2,566,757	2,414,606	6%
Exports	280,732	219,416	28%	1,267,648	972,437	30%
Total	897,248	836,671	7%	3,834,405	3,387,043	13%

- > Overall, motorcycle sales witnessed a growth of 13% market share in excess of 32%.
- > The "bigger and sportier " motorcycles contribute 64% of total motorcycles sold
 - "*Pulsar*", is now in its 10th year. The DTS-i technology introduced in the Pulsar has evolved further from twin-spark two-valve to four-valve triple-spark.
 - *"Discover* " sold nearly 1.5 million units during FY12.

3. Commercial Vehicle highlights

	Q4 FY12	Q4 FY11	Growth QoQ	FY12	FY11	Growth YoY
Domestic	53,237	55,100	-3%	202,979	205,603	-1%
Exports	66,682	56,427	18%	312,176	231,281	35%
Total	119,919	111,527	8%	515,155	436,884	18%

- Sales, for the first time crossed 500,000 units attributed to strong exports.
- Domestic sales for diesel carriers grew by 19% as against an industry growth of 2%; resulting in an increase in segment market share to 27%; a gain of 400 basis points.
- > Continue to dominate the alternate fuel passenger segment; market share of ~88%.
- Capacity for commercial vehicles increased to 50,000 units / month.

4. Export highlights

	Q4 FY12	Q4 FY11	Growth QoQ	FY12	FY11	Growth YoY
Motorcycles	280,732	219,416	28%	1,267,648	972,437	30%
Commercial Vehicles	66,682	56,427	18%	312,176	231,281	35%
Total	347,414	275,843	26%	1,579,824	1,203,718	31%

- > Exports, spread across 35 countries, enjoy leadership position in 12 countries.
- Exports, by value, in excess of 1.36 billion USD as against 975 million USD in the previous year growth of 40%.
- Boxer is the largest selling brand in Africa and the most visible vehicle in the city of Lagos and Pulsar 135 ranks amongst the top selling motorcycle model in various Latin American markets.

5. Results

A summary of the results is given in Annexure I

5.1. Margins

Despite input cost pressures, better realization from exports enabled the company to declare for Q4 / FY12 an EBITDA of ₹ 972 crore – EBITDA margin at 20.7% and on full year basis an EBITDA of ₹ 4001 crore – EBITDA margin at 20.2%.

5.2. Cash and cash equivalents

Strong operating margins resulted in surplus cash and cash equivalents of ₹ 5451 crore as on 31st March 2012 as against ₹ 4239 crore as on 31st March 2011.

5.3. Exceptional items

The company has protected its future export realizations by entering into range forward contracts. These hedge contracts are based on highly probable forecast transactions. MTM losses in respect of effective hedges is carried to the Hedge Reserve and ineffectiveness, if any, including the time value of option contracts is recognised in the results, as per the principles of AS-30. <u>The time value of option contracts</u>, aggregating ₹134 crore for FY12 charged to the Profit and Loss Account, will reverse over the tenure of the contract.



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	Annexure I					
	FINANCIAL RESULTS				(₹ In Crore)	
	Particulars	_	Standalone			
		Quarte	r ended	Year e	nded	
		31.03.2012	31.03.2011	31.03.2012	31.03.2011	
	Sales in numbers	1,017,167	948,198	4,349,560	3,823,954	
1	Income from operations					
a.	Gross sales	4,763	4,278	19,827	16,830	
	Less: Excise duty	248	248	947	933	
	Net sales	4,515	4,030	18,880	15,897	
b.	Other operating income	136	115	649	501	
	Total income from operations (net)	4,651	4,145	19,529	16,398	
2	Expenses					
	Material	3,312	2,977	14,102	11,797	
	Employee benefits expense	120	134	540	494	
	Depreciation	43	30	146	123	
	Other expenses	319	240	1,216	953	
	Expenses capitalised	(20)	(9)	(49)	(17)	
	Total expenses	3,774	3,372	15,955	13,350	
3	Profit from operations before other income, finance costs and exceptional items (1-2)	877	773	3,574	3,048	
4	Other income	140	156	608	577	
5	Profit from ordinary activities before finance costs and exceptional items (3+4)	1,017	929	4,182	3,625	
6	Finance costs	2	-	22	2	
7	Profit from ordinary activities after finance costs but before exceptional items (5-6)	1,015	929	4,160	3,623	
8	Exceptional items	20	725	(134)	725	
9	Profit from ordinary activities before tax (7+8)	1,035	1,654	4,026	4,348	
10	Tax expense	263	254	1,022	1,008	
11	Net Profit from ordinary activities after tax (9-10)	772	1,400	3,004	3,340	
12	Basic and Diluted Earnings per share (₹)					
	(not annualised) before and after extraordinary items	26.7	48.4	103.8	115.4	