

Sukhjit Starch and Chemicals Limited Sukhjit Road., Phagwara-144401, Punjab. INDIA.

## **Press Release**

# Sukhjit Starch and Chemicals Limited announces Financial Results for Q3 FY 19

QoQ Highlights: PAT growth 128.66 %; EBIDTA growth 69.00%; SALES up 12.82%

Diamond Jubilee Bonus: 1:1

Interim Dividend: 75% i.e Rs. 7.50/- per equity share of FV of Rs. 10/- each

#### Q3 FY19 financial performance highlights:

- Sukhjit Starch and Chemicals Limited achieved 3 months Net Sales of Rs. 197.78 crores for Q3 FY19, a rise of 12.82 % v/s Rs. 175.31 Cr in Q2 FY19
- EBIDTA grew by 69.00 % to Rs 29.13 crores (Rs. 17.23 Crores)
- PAT grew by 128.66 % to Rs. 14.52 crores (Rs. 6.35 Crores)

### <u>9 months FY19 financial performance highlights:</u>

- Sukhjit Starch and Chemicals Limited achieved 9 months Net Sales of Rs. 546.74 crores for FY 19 v/s Rs. 516.22 crores during the corresponding 9 months of FY18
- **EBIDTA grew by 37.78 % to Rs. 63.71 crores** (Rs. 46.24 Crores)
- Profit Before Tax (PBT) increased to Rs. 40.60 crores (Rs. 23.57 Crores), achieving growth of 72.25%
- Profit After Tax (PAT) increased to Rs.27.60 crores (Rs. 16.72 Crores), achieving growth of 65.07%



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#### Phagwara, 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2019:

**Sukhjit Starch & Chemicals Limited,** one of India's leading starch manufacturer, announced its financial results for the third quarter ended December 31, 2018 of the FY 2019.

For Q3 FY2019, the company registered a turnover of Rs. 197.78 crores as compared to Rs. 191.19 crores in Q3 FY2018. EBIDTA for the quarter grew to Rs. 29.13 crores as compared to Rs. 19.97 crores during the third quarter of the previous FY. Profit After Tax during Q3 FY 2019 stood at Rs. 14.52 crores visa-vis Rs. 8.40 crores during Q3 FY2018 showing an increase of 72.86%.

On a year on year basis, EBIDTA grew by 37.78%, with gross margins holding up well. EPS for 9 months stood at Rs. 37.40 i.e. up by 65.05 % over the corresponding 9 months.

During this period, the company strengthened its presence in key markets in the western/ Eastern/ Southern states of India. Total Long Term borrowings stood at just Rs. 76.57 crores as on 31.12.2018 with a very low debt equity ratio of less than 0.30.

In this 75<sup>th</sup>year of its corporate existence and encouraged by excellent results and sound financial position, the Board of Directors of the company at its meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 have recommended, subject to the approval of shareholders in EGM and other regulatory approvals (if any), the issue of Bonus shares to the shareholders of the company in proportion of 1:1 i.e. One (1) Bonus share for every One (1) existing equity share held by them.

Further the Board has declared an interim dividend @ 75% (i.e. Rs. 7.50/-per equity share of face value of Rs. 10/- each) in the  $75^{th}$  year (Diamond Jubilee Year) of the corporate existence of the company .

Commenting on the results, Mr. I K Sardana, Managing Director, Sukhjit Starch & Chemicals Limited said, "2019 is a very special year for the company as in this 75th year of its corporate existence (the Diamond Jubilee year). The company has decided to further share the prosperity of company's growth with its shareholders".



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The company has been continuously rewarding its shareholders in the past by way of periodic bonus issues and uninterrupted dividends at handsome rates for over 4 decades. The philosophy of Sukhjit to grow and reward the shareholders will also continue in years to come. The Board and employees are grateful to its shareholders for their continues confidence and trust in SUKHJIT management.

He further added

#### " SUKHJIT WILL CONTINUE TO LEAD BY DEEDS AND NOT BY WORDS".

The upcoming 600 TPD Maize processing unit in the state of Punjab is likely to be commissioned by Q2 & the regular production to commence in Q3 of FY 20. The Prestigious project of Mega Food Park being set up by the company through its wholly owned subsidiary, in the state of Punjab is also likely to commission in the second half of FY 20.

With feed back from marketing and R & D teams, shareholders will be pleased to learn that the company is planning another expansion next year, which may take the total capacity of Sukhjit to 2500 TPD by FY 2021. The same will be done through internal accruals / debt funds.

Sukhjit is committed to improve the quality of human life by enabling people to do more, feel better and confident. Currently, the key users of our products are food, FMCG, pharma and paper industry, which are also doing well.

Keeping in view our goal to become one of the world's most innovative, best performing and most trusted supplier, Sukhjit is evolving commercial operating model to reinvest resources on key products and R & D development in the coming years.

Sukhjit Starch & Chemicals Limited, will be hosting a concall for investors and analysts on Monday, 18th February , 2019 at 11 am IST for its performance during the third quarter ended 31st December, 2018.

The call will be initiated with a brief management discussion on the earnings performance followed by an interactive question and answer session. The management team will be represented by Mr. Bhavdeep Sardana -Sr. VP & CEO, Mr. Dhiraj Sardana, Sr. VP & CEO and Mr. Amandeep Setia, VP Finance & Company Secretary.



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### **About Sukhjit:**

Sukhjit Starch and Chemicals Limited (SSCL) is engaged in developing, manufacturing and distribution of Maize starch, Liquid glucose, Dextrine, Malto Dextrine, Dextrose Monohydrate, Dextrose Anyhydrous, Sorbitol and related bye-products catering to a wide spectrum of Industries. SSCL's existing manufacturing facilities are located in Phagwara (Punjab), Nizamabad (Telangana), Malda (West Bengal), Gurplah (Himachal Pradesh) and a new manufacturing facility is being set up at Rehana Jattan (Punjab).

Sukhjit Starch is headed by an experienced Board of Directors and managed by highly skilled and capable Professionals. A double pronged approach using State of-the-art technology as well as exploiting indigenous potential is the Company philosophy that has served it well. Years of research and careful Co-ordination of methodology has resulted in qualitatively superior products meeting stringent customer norms, manufactured by cost effective production techniques.

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