MEGHMANI ORGANICS LIMITED

Third Quarter Financial Statements and Dividend Announcement

The Board of Directors of Meghmani Organics Limited ("MOL" or "the Company" or "the Issuer") wishes to make the announcement of the Group's results for the <u>Third quarter ended December 31, 2018</u> as follows:

PART I - INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF QUARTERLY (Q1, Q2, Q3), HALF YEAR AND FULL YEAR RESULT

1(a) An income statement (for the Group) together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

-		Group		Group			
	3 months ended % 9 months ended			s ended	%		
	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	Increase	31.12.2018	1.12.2018 31.12.2017		
			(Decrease)			(Decrease)	
	Rs '000	Rs '000		Rs' '000	Rs' '000		
Revenue	5,425,637	4,479,019	21.1	14,920,289	13,270,741	12.4	
						7.7	
Cost of sales	(3,747,502)	(3,243,241)	15.5	(10,436,415)	(9,687,395)		
Gross Profit	1,678,135	1,235,778	35.8	4,483,874	3,583,346	25.1	
Other operating income	116,737	89,565	30.3	317,537	237,540	33.7	
Distribution expenses	(261,628)	(280,527)	-6.7	(684,050)	(910,188)	-24.8	
Administrative expenses	(186,279)	(114,106)	63.3	(711,185)	(350,634)	102.8	
Other operating expenses	(58,615)	22,600	n.m.	52,399	19,788	164.8	
Profit from operations	1,288,350	953,310	35.1	3,458,575	2,579,852	34.1	
Finance cost	(119,283)	(109,280)	9.2	(359,468)	(319,207)	12.6	
Income from investments	336	1	n.m.	336	154	118.2	
Profit before tax	1,169,403	844,031	38.5	3,099,443	2,260,799	37.1	
Income tax	(375,405)	(217,921)	72.3	(917,109)	(650,531)	41.0	
Profit after income tax	793,998	626,110	26.8	2,182,334	1,610,268	35.5	
Other Comprehensive Income							
(net of tax)	(2,367)	(1,401)	69.0	(3,727)	(2,690)	38.6	
Total Comprehensive							
Income Attributable to							
Minority Interest	(130,838)	(190,969)	-31.5	(333,764)	(398,399)	-16.2	
Owners of the Company	660,793	433,740	52.3	1,844,843	1,209,179	52.6	

1(a) (ii) The net profit attributable to the shareholders includes the following (charges) / credits:

		Group			Group	
	3 month	s ended	%	9 mont	%	
	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	Increase	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	Increase
			(Decrease)			(Decrease)
	Rs '000	Rs '000		Rs '000	Rs '000	
Bad trade receivables written						
off /recovered	(8,294)	(3,948)	110.1	(58,691)	(91,623)	-35.9
Foreign currency exchange						
adjustment loss/ gain	(35,846)	19.840	n.m.	147,499	103,076	43.1
Research and development						
expenditure	(3,366)	(4,732)	-28.9	(11,781)	(13,207)	-10.8
(Loss)/Profit on sales of						
property, plant	(14,475)	6,708	n.m.	(36,409)	8,335	n.m.

Note: n.m. means not meaningful.

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	As at	As at	As at	As at
	31.12.2018	31.03.2018	31.12.2018	31.03.2018
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash & bank balances	133,026	115,102	29,033	10,751
Available for sale investments	1,177,614	714,181	-	-
Trade receivables	4,155,970	3,745,016	3,332,461	3,028,366
Other receivables and prepayments	1,657,384	1,734,500	840,751	1,223,606
Inventories	3,875,588	2,677,392	3,402,611	2,326,525
Income tax recoverable	109,785	410,240	(100,534)	508
Total current assets	11,109,367	9,396,431	7,504,322	6,589,756
Non – current assets				
Property, plant and equipments	10,812,388	8,983,024	4,882,465	4,728,818
Interest in subsidiaries	-	-	4,041,745	2,331,477
Available for sale investments	5,741	5,741	5,741	5,741
Total non – current assets	10,818,129	8,988,765	8,929,951	7,066,036
Total assets	21,927,496	18,385,196	16,434,273	13,655,792
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Current liabilities				
Bank borrowings	3,206,075	1,670,382	2,896,969	936,577
Loan from Corporate	-	-	-	1,098,554
Trade payables	2,964,235	1,802,293	2,514,628	1,639,721
Other payables	1,035,567	933,565	497,903	419,190
Total current liabilities	7,205,877	4,406,240	5,909,500	4,094,042
Non – current liabilities				
Long Term Loan	3,037,080	2,181,226	1,851,780	2,172,226
Deferred tax liabilities	764,517	876,480	433,784	410,332
Total non – current liabilities	3,801,597	3,057,706	2,285,564	2,582,558
Capital & reserves				
Issued capital	254,314	254,314	254,314	254,314
Share premium	1,565,048	1,565,048	1,565,048	1,565,048
General reserve	975,161	975,558	976,718	976,718
Capital reserve	3,518	3,518	3,122	3,122
Capital redemption reserve	18,433	18,433	18,433	18,433
Dividend reserve	3,137	2,210	3,137	2,210
Currency translation reserve	(2,236)	(6,077)	-	-
Other Comprehennsive Income	(7,061)	(1,160)	(4,349)	(494)
Accumulated profits	6,723,541	5,895,731	5,422,786	4,159,841
Minority interest	1,386,167	2,213,675	-	-
Total equity	10,920,022	10,921,250	8,239,209	6,979,192
Total liabilities and equity	21,927,496	18,385,196	16,434,273	13,655,792

1(b)(i) A balance sheet of the Group and the Company together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.

1(b)(ii) Aggregate amount of Group's borrowings and debt securities.

As at 31 De	cember 2018	As at 31 March 2018		
Secu	ured	Secured		
Group	Company	Group	Company	
Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	
3,206,075	2,896,969	1,670,382	936,577	

Amount repayable in one year or less, or on demand

Amount repayable after one year

As at 31 Dec	cember 2018	As at 31 M	arch 2018
Secu	ıred	Secured	
Group	Company	Group	Company
3,037,080	1,851,780	2,181,226	2,172,226

The details of bank borrowings from various banks and securities are shown below:

Bank borrowings from a consortium of banks (Group and Company) (SBI, HDFC and ICICI)

As at December 31, 2018 bank borrowings amounting to Group <u>Rs 1,489,752,000</u> & Company <u>Rs.</u> <u>1,400,646,000</u> are secured by:

- (a) first ranking pari passu charge in favour of a consortium of banks by way of hypothecation on the Company's trade receivables and inventories ; and
- (b) first ranking pari passu charge in favour of a consortium of banks by way of hypothecation and/or legal mortgage over certain of Company's present and future properties, plant and equipment.

Bank borrowings from a consortium of banks (Group and Company) (SBI, HDFC and ICICI)

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to Group <u>Rs. 800,403,000</u> & Company <u>Rs. 466,872,000</u> are secured by:

- (a) first ranking pari passu charge in favour of a consortium of banks by way of hypothecation on the Company's trade receivables and inventories ; and
- (b) first ranking pari passu charge in favour of a consortium of banks by way of hypothecation and/or legal mortgage over certain of Company's present and future properties, plant and equipment.

Bank A (HDFC Bank Limited)

As at December 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to Rs. 515,490,000 are secured

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **Rs.7,205,000** are secured.

Bank B (HDFC Bank Limited – Term Loan)

As at December 31, 2018, HDFC Term Loan Dahej – SEZ of <u>**Rs. 75,000,000**</u> which is secured and repayable after one year and <u>**Rs. 60,000,000**</u> repayable within one year.

As at March 31, 2018, HDFC Term Loan Dahej – SEZ of <u>**Rs.**</u> 120,000,000 which is secured and repayable after one year and <u>**Rs.**</u> 60,000,000 repayable within one year.

Bank C (SBI – Term Loan)

As at December 31, 2018, SBI Term Loan of **<u>Rs. 227,405,000</u>** which is secured and repayable after one year and **<u>Rs. 205,000,000</u>** repayable within one year.

As at March 31, 2018, SBI Term Loan of <u>Rs. 379,726,000</u> which is secured and repayable after one year and <u>Rs. 205,000,000</u> repayable within one year.

Bank D (State Bank Limited)

As at December 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **Rs. 250,000,000** are secured.

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **<u>Rs. Nil</u>** are secured.

Bank E (ICICI – Term Loan)

As at December 31, 2018, ICICI Term Loan of **Rs. 859,375,000** which is secured and repayable after one year and **Rs. 312,500,000** repayable within one year.

As at March 31, 2018, ICICI Term Loan of **Rs.** <u>875,000,000</u> which is secured and repayable after one year and <u>Rs. 125,000,000</u> repayable within one year.

Bank F (AXIS Bank – Term Loan)

As at December 31, 2018, Axis Bank Term Loan of **Rs. 690,000,000** which is secured and repayable after one year and **Rs. 153,333,000** repayable within one year.

As at March 31, 2018, Axis Bank Term Loan of **Rs.** <u>797,500,000</u> which is secured and repayable after one year and <u>**Rs.** 72,500,000</u> repayable within one year.

Bank G (ICICI Bank Limited – Meghmani Finechem Limited (MFL)

As at December 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **<u>Rs. Nil</u>** (repayable after one year) and **<u>Rs. Nil</u>** (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **<u>Rs. Nil</u>** (repayable after one year) and **<u>Rs. 399,274,000</u>** (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

Bank H (HDFC Bank Limited – MFL)

As at December 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **<u>Rs. 880,000,000</u>** (repayable after one year) and **<u>Rs. 220,000,000</u>** (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to **<u>Rs. 9.000.000</u>** (repayable after one year) and **<u>Rs. 1,000,000</u>** (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

Bank I (Federal Bank – MFL)

As at December 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to <u>**Rs.305,300,000**</u> (repayable after one year) and <u>**Rs. Nil**</u> (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

As at March 31, 2018, bank borrowings amounting to <u>**Rs. Nil**</u> (repayable after one year) and <u>**Rs. Nil**</u> (repayable within one year) are secured by Mortgage/hypothecation of assets.

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1(c) A cash flow statement of the Group together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

	Gr	oup	Company		
Particulars		ths ended	Nine Months ended		
	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Profit from operations	3,458,575	2,579,852	2,164,922	1,297,172	
Adjustments for :					
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	733,102	710,124	348,421	316,257	
Unrealised foreign exchange gain (loss)	(109,869)	49,811	(117,262)	50,155	
Interest Received	(29,048)	(26,859)	(22,603)	(25,024)	
Actuarial Valuation of Gratuity	(9,570)	(3,875)	(5,925)	(2,254)	
Provision for Diminution in Investment	-	-	-	12,330	
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	36,409	(8,335)	36,405	(8,486)	
Operating cash flows before movement in working					
capital	4,079,599	3,300,718	2,403,958	1,640,150	
Trade receivables	(410,954)	(899,131)	(304,094)	(632,728)	
Other receivables and prepayments	190,826	(417,236)	500,117	(345,932)	
Inventories	(1,198,196)	(39,442)	(1,076,086)	(34,491)	
Trade payables	1,161,942	437,116	874,908	314,830	
Bills payables	-	(198,220)	-	(198,220)	
Other payables	102,000	288,867	78,712	91,480	
Cash generated from operations	3,925,217	2,472,672	2,477,515	835,089	
Income taxes paid/refund received	(725,535)	(363,657)	(316,281)	(173,574)	
Interest and finance charges paid	(359,468)	(319,207)	(335,650)	(247,528)	
Net cash from operating activities	2,840,214	1,789,808	1,825,584	413,987	
Cash flows from investing activities:	, ,	, ,	, ,	,	
Purchase of property, plant & equipments	(2,616,798)	(1,178,663)	(556,396)	(885,916)	
(Purchase) / Sale of Investment	(2,212,169)	10	(1,710,267)	(1,099,264)	
Proceeds on disposal of property, plant & equipments	17,924	31,220	17,924	30,983	
Interest received	29,048	24,776	22,603	22,942	
Investment income received`	336	154	28	-	
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,781,659)	(1,122,503)	(2,226,108)	(1,931,255)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Dividend paid	(101,676)	(102,199)	(101,676)	(102,199)	
Tax on dividend paid	(20,910)	(20,709)	(20,910)	(20,709)	
Decrease in Hedge Reserve	-	1,894	-	-	
Minority Interest (Net)	150,000	-	-	-	
Proceeds from bank borrowings, net of repayments	2,383,262	(94,812)	1,631,661	447,033	
Proceeds from other borrowings, net of repayments	8,285	85,239	(1,090,269)	1,183,793	
Net cash from financing activities	2,418,961	(130,587)	418,806	1,507,918	
Net effect of exchange rate change in consolidation	3,841	(238)	-	-	
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	481,357	536,480	18,282	(9,350)	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	829,283	410,353	10,751	92,274	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	1,310,640	946,833	29,033	82,924	

1(d)(i) A statement (Group and Company) showing either (i) all changes in equity or (ii) changes in equity other than those arising from capitalization issues and distributions to shareholders, together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

Group	Issued capital	Share premium	General reserve	Capital reserve	Capital redemptio n reserve	Hedge Reserv e	Divide nd reserv e	Curre ncy Transl ation Reserv e	Accumula ted Profits	Other Compreh ensive Income	Minority Interest	Rs '000 Total
Balance as at 30 September, 2017	254,314	1,565,048	895,558	3,518	18,433	(1,788)	2,558	(5,801)	5,039,118	(3,844)	1,754,832	9,521,946
Net profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	433,740		-	433,740
Addition during the year	-	-	-	-	-	1,516	-	-	693	(693)	190,968	192,484
Dividend Paid during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(345)	-	-	-	-	(345)
Currency Translation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-		-	(850)	-		-	(850)
Balance as at 31 December, 2017	254,314	1,565,048	895,558	3,518	18,433	(272)	2,213	(6,651)	5,473,551	(4,537)	1,945,800	10,146,975
Balance as at 30 September, 2018	254,314	1,565,048	975,161	3,518	18,433	-	2,933	(1,786)	6,060,857	(5,170)	1,255,329	10,128,637
Net profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	660,793		-	660,793
Addition during the year	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	1,891	(1,891)	130,838	130,838
Dividend Paid during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	204	-	-	-	-	204
Currency Translation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-		-	(450)	-	-	-	(450)
Balance as at 31 December, 2018	254,314	1,565,048	975,161	3,518	18,433	-	3,137	(2,236)	6,723,541	(7,061)	1,386,167	10,920,022

									Rs 000
	Issued	Share	General	Capital	Capital	Dividend	Other	Accumulated	Total
Company	capital	premium	reserve	Reserve	redemption	reserve	Comprehensiv	Profits	
					reserve		e Income		
Balance as at 30 September, 2017	254,314	1,565,048	896,718	3,122	18,433	2,558	(2,479)	3,949,963	6,687,677
Net profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170,857	170,857
Addition during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(492)	492	-
Dividend Paid during the year	-	-	-	-	-	(345)	-	-	(345)
Balance as at 31 December, 2017	254,314	1,565,048	896,718	3,122	18,433	2,213	(2,971)	4,121,312	6,858,189
Balance as at 30 September, 2018	254,314	1,565,048	976,718	3,122	18,433	2,933	(3,064)	5,200,505	8,018,009
Net profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-			220,996	220,996
Addition during the year	-	-	-	-	-		(1,285)	1,285	-
Dividend Paid during the year	-	-	-	-	-	204			204
Balance as at 31 December, 2018	254,314	1,565,048	976,718	3,122	18,433	3,137	(4,349)	5,422,786	8,239,209

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1(d)(ii) Details of any changes in the Group's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities , issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported on. State also the number of shares that may be issued on conversion of all the outstanding convertibles as at the end of the current financial period reported on and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

There is no change in the Company's share capital.

1(d)(iii) To show the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the immediate preceding year.

	31 December 2018	31 March 2018
Total number of issued ordinary shares	12,892,190	12,977,040

1(d)(iv) A statement showing all sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

Not applicable. The Company does not have any treasury shares.

2. Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

These figures have not been audited or reviewed.

3. Where the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of a matter).

Not applicable.

4. Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual Financial Statements have been applied.

The Group has adopted the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the financial statements for the current reporting year compared with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March, 2017 under Indian GAAP.

5. If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for and the effect of, the change.

There is no change in accounting policy.

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6. Earning per ordinary share of the Group and the Company for the current financial period reported on and the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year, after deducting and provision for preference dividends.

	Group		Company		
Earnings per Ordinary	9 month	s ended	9 months ended		
shares					
	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	
(a) Based on weighted average number of ordinary shares in	7.27	4.75	5.45	2.56	
issue (Rs)					
Earning per SDS (Rs)	3.64	2.38	2.73	1.28	
(b) On a fully diluted basis (detailing any adjustments made to the earnings) (Rs)	7.27	4.75	5.45	2.56	
Earning per SDS (Rs.)	3.64	2.38	2.73	1.28	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (Nos.)	254,314,211	254,314,211	254,314,211	254,314,211	

- 7. Net asset value (for the issuer and Company) per ordinary share based on issued share capital of the issuer at the end of the :-
 - (a) current financial period reported on; and
 - (b) immediately preceding financial year.

	Gre	oup	Company		
	As at 31.12.2018	As at 31.03.2018	As at 31.12.2018	As at 31.03.2018	
Net assets value per ordinary share based on issued share capital at the end of the period / year reported in Rs.	42.94	42.94	32.40	27.44	

- 8 A review of the performance of the Group, to the extent necessary for a reasonable understanding of the Group's business. It must include a discussion of the following:-
 - (a) any significant factors that affected the turnover, costs, and earnings of the Group for the current financial period reported on, including (where applicable) seasonal or cyclical factors; and
 - (b) any material factors that affected the cash flow, working capital, assets or liabilities of the Group during the current financial period reported on.

Revenue – Group

The principal activities of the Group are (i) manufacturing of Pigments, Agrochemicals, Basic Chemicals (Caustic Chlorine & Caustic Potash) (ii) trading of Pigments and its intermediates (iii) trading of Agrochemicals, Technical, Intermediates products and Small Packing.

Quarter to Quarter:-

Breakdown of Revenue by Product

			(Rs.)	in Millions)
Products	Q3	Q3	Increase/	%
	FY 2018-19	FY 2017-18	Decrease	
Pigments	1412.50	1362.51	49.99	3.7
Agrochemicals	1988.41	1514.86	473.55	31.3
Basic Chemicals	1797.60	1450.36	347.24	23.9
Trading	227.13	151.29	75.84	50.1
Total	5425.64	4479.02	946.62	21.1

Breakdown of Domestic Sales by Product

	J		(Rs. in Millions		
Domestic Sales	Q3	Q3	Increase/	%	
	FY 2018-19	FY 2017-18	Decrease		
Pigments	203.58	181.75	21.83	12.0	
Agrochemicals	372.37	474.27	-101.90	-21.5	
Basic Chemicals	1699.75	1340.61	359.14	26.8	
Trading	0.28	0.04	0.24	600.0	
Total	2275.98	1996.67	279.31	14.0	

Breakdown of Exports Sales by Product

FFF	5		(Rs. in Million		
Export Sales	Q3	Q3	Increase/	%	
	FY 2018-19	FY 2017-18	Decrease		
Pigments	1208.92	1180.76	28.16	2.4	
Agrochemicals	1616.04	1040.59	575.45	55.3	
Basic Chemicals	97.85	109.75	-11.90	-10.8	
Trading	226.85	151.25	75.60	50.0	
Total	3149.66	2482.35	667.31	26.9	

Group revenue increased by **Rs. 946.62 million (i.e.21.1%)** from **Rs.4479.02 million** in Q3 FY 2018 to **Rs.5425.64** million in Q3 FY 2019. This is on account of increase in Sales of Agro Chemicals and Basic Chemicals.

Inecrease in domestic sales

Group revenue from domestic sales increased by **Rs. 279.31 million (i.e.14.0%)** from **Rs. 1996.67 million** in Q3 FY 2018 to **Rs. 2275.98 million** in Q3 FY 2019. This is on account of increase in Sales of Caustic Chlorine.

Increase in export sales

Group revenue derived from export sales increased by **Rs. 667.31 million (i.e.26.9%)** from Rs. **Rs. 2482.35 million** in Q3 FY 2018 to **Rs.3149.66 million** in Q3 FY 2019. This is on account of increase in Sales of Agro Chemicals and Trading.

Gross profit Analysis – Group - Quarter to Quarter:-

					(Rs. in M	(illions)
Division	Q3 FY 2018	GP Margin Q3 FY 2018 (%)	Q3 FY 2018	GP Margin Q3 FY 2018 (%)	Variance	%
Pigments	237.87	16.8	258.19	18.9	-20.32	-7.9
Agrochemicals	493.46	24.8	314.41	20.8	179.05	56.9
Basic	932.92	51.9	644.86	44.5	288.06	44.7
Chemicals						
Trading	13.88	6.1	18.32	12.1	-4.44	-24.2
Total	1678.13	30.9	1235.78	27.6	442.35	35.8

Breakdown of Gross Profit by Division

Overall, gross profit of the Group increased by **Rs. 442.35 million** (i.e. 35.8%) from **Rs 1235.78 million** in Q3 FY 2018 to **Rs 1678.13 million** in Q3 FY 2019. The gross profit percentage increased from to **27.6** % in Q3 FY 2018 to **30.9** % in Q3 FY 2019. The gross profit margin of Pigment decreased from **18.9% to 16.8%**, mainly due to increase in Raw Material cost. of CPC Blue, Alpha Blue and PG7. While Agrochemical increased from to **20.8% to 24.8%** mainly due to higher realization of Peremethrin, 2 4 Dichlorophenoxy, Zeta Cypermethrin and Bifenthrine. The gross profit margin of Caustic Chlorine increased from to **44.5% to 51.9%** due to increase in ECU.

Other Operating Income

Other operating income of the Group consists mainly of new incentive Scheme MEIS introduced by the government, Duty Draw Back Scheme, etc, which increased by **Rs. 27.17 million** to **Rs. 116.74 million** in Q3 FY 2019. The other income increased due to increase in export incentive under MEIS.

Distribution, Administrative and Other Operating Expenses

Distributions costs of the Group decreased by **6.7%** to **Rs 261.63 million** in Q3 FY 2019, due to decrease in Travelling expenses, cash discount, special discount and Quantity Rebate to customers.

Administrative costs of the Group increased by **63.3** % to **Rs 186.28 million** in Q3 FY 2019, on account of increase in provision of Directors Performance Bonus.

Other operating expenses increased by **Rs.81.22 million** in Q3 FY 2018 mainly due to foreign exchange fluctuations.

Finance costs

Finance costs in Q3 FY 2019 increased by **Rs. 10.00 million (i.e. 9.2%)** on account of Increase in working capital loan and term loan facilities at group level.

Income from Investments :-

During the quarter Income from investments is Rs. 0.34 millon.

Taxation

Income tax increased by **Rs. 157.49 million** i.e. from **Rs. 217.92 million** in Q3 FY 2018 to **Rs. 375.41 million** in Q3 FY 2019, due to increase in profit of Meghmani Organics Limited and Meghmani Finechem Limited.

Interest in Subsidiaries

- 1. Meghmani Organics USA Inc., is a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company is in the trading business.
- 2. Meghmani Finechem Limited (MFL) is a 57% Subsidiary formed to set up Basic Chemicals project.
- 3. P T Meghmani Indonesia is a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of the Company set up for the trading purpose.
- 4. Meghmani Overseas FZE, Sharjah is a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. The Company is in the trading business.
- 5. Meghmani Agrochemicals Private Limited is a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

SGX Rule 716

As per Rule 716, we declare that no one of the above Subsidiaries are listed on any of the Stock Exchanges

Other Comprehensive income.

Other comprehensive income (OCI) is defined as comprising **'items of income and expense**" (including reclassification adjustments) that are not recognized in profit or loss

Group Revenue Analysis :- Nine Months to Nine Months:-

Breakdown of Revenue by Product

			(Rs .	in Millions)
Division	9 months 9 n FY 2018-19 FY 2 Actual A		Variance	%
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Pigments	4077.23	3979.25	97.98	2.5
Agrochemicals	5417.76	4984.81	432.95	8.7
Basic Chemicals	4755.11	3836.82	918.29	23.9
Trading	670.19	469.86	200.33	42.6
Total	14920.29	13270.74	1649.55	12.4

Division wise Domestic Sales

			(Re	s. in Millions)
Particulars	9 months FY 2018-19 Actual	9 months FY 2017-18 Actual	Variance	%
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Pigment	618.87	791.53	-172.66	-21.8
Agrochemicals	1544.41	1825.47	-281.06	-15.4
Basic Chemicals	4509.56	3616.97	892.59	24.7
Trading	19.45	0.33	19.12	5793.9
Total	6692.29	6234.30	457.99	7.3

Division wise Export Sales

			(K)	s. in Millions)
Particulars	9 months9 monthsFY 2018-19FY 2017-18ActualActual		Variance	%
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Pigment	3458.36	3187.72	270.64	8.5
Agrochemicals	3873.35	3159.34	714.01	22.6
Basic Chemicals	245.55	219.85	25.70	11.7
Trading	650.74	469.53	181.21	38.6
Total	8228.00	7036.44	1191.56	16.9

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Group revenue for 9 months FY 2019 increased by **Rs.1649.55 million** (i.e. 12.4%) i.e. Rs. 13270.74 million in 9 Months FY 2018 to Rs. 14920.29 million in 9 Months FY 2019 on account of increase in sales of Agro Chemicals and Basic Chemicals.

Increase in domestic sales

Group revenue of domestic sales has increased by **Rs.457.99 million** (i.e. 7.3%) i.e. from **Rs** 6234.30 million in 9 Months FY 2018 to **Rs 6692.29 million** in 9 Months FY 2019. This is due to increase in sales of Basic Chemicals.

Increase in export sales

Group revenue derived from export sales increased by **Rs.1191.56 million** (i.e. 16.9%) from **Rs. 7036.44 million** in 9 Months FY 2018 to Rs. 8228.00 million in 9 Months FY 2019. This is due to increase in sales of Pigment and Agrochemicals.

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Group Gross Profit Analysis :- Nine Months to Nine Months:-

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Division	9 months FY 2017-18	GP Margin 9 months FY 2017-18 (%)	9 months FY 2017-18	GP Margin 9 months FY 2017-18 (%)	Increase/ Decrease	%
Pigments	714.83	17.5	751.84	18.9	-37.01	-4.9
Agrochemicals	1454.65	26.8	1252.17	25.1	202.48	16.2
Basic						
Chemicals	2281.22	48.0	1544.36	40.3	736.86	47.7
Trading	33.17	4.9	34.98	7.4	-1.81	-5.2
Total	4483.87	30.1	3583.35	27.0	900.52	25.1

Breakdown of Gross Profit by Division

Group gross profit for 9 Months FY 2019 increased by **Rs. 900.52 million (i.e. 25.1%)** from **Rs 3583.35 million** in 9 Months FY 2018 to **Rs 4483.87 million** in 9 Months FY 2018. The main Contributories are Agrochemicals and Basic Chemicals.

The gross profit margin of Pigment decreased from **18.9% to 17.5%**, mainly due to increase in Raw Material cost. of CPC Blue Alpha Blue, and PG7. While Agrochemical increased marginally from **25.1% to 26.8%** mainly due to higher realization of Peremethrin, 2.4 Dichlorophenoxy, Zeta Cypermethrin and Bifenthrine. The gross profit margin of Basic Chemicals increased from **40.3%**, to **48.0%** due to increase in ECU.

Other Operating Income

Other operating income of the Group consists mainly of new incentive Scheme MEIS introduced by the government and duty drawback etc. has increased by **33.7% to Rs. 317.54 million** in 9 Months FY 2019. The other income increased due to increase in export incentive under MEIS.

Distribution, Administrative and Other Operating Expenses

Distribution expenses of the Group for 9 Months FY 2019 decreased by **24.8%** i.e. to **Rs. 684.05 million**, due to decrease in Packing material consumption, special discount and Quantity Rebate to customers.

Administrative expenses for 9 Months FY 2019 increased by **Rs. 360.56 million** from **Rs.350.63 million** in 9 Months FY 2018 to **Rs.711.19 million** in 9 Months FY 2019, due to on account of increase in Provision of Directors performance bonus and legal and professional fees.

Other operating expenses of the Group for 9 Months FY 2019 decreased by **Rs. 32.61 million** mainly due to foreign currency exchange adjustment.

Finance costs

Finance costs of the Group for 9 Months FY 2019 increased by **Rs..40.26 million (or 12.6.%).** mainly due to increase in working capital loan and increase in Term loan of Meghmani Finechem Limited.

Balance sheet

Trade receivables

Trade receivables of Group increased by **Rs. 410.95 million from Rs. 3745.02** million in FY 2018 to **Rs. 4155.97 million** in 9 Months FY 2019 due to increase in sales.

Trade receivables at Company level increased by Rs. 304.09 million from **Rs. 3028.37 million** in FY 2018 to **Rs. 3332.46 million** in 9 Months FY 2019 due to increase in sales.

Other receivables & Prepayments

During 9 Months period FY 2019, other receivables & prepayments at Group level decreased by **Rs. 77.12 million (or -4.4%)**, and Company level decreased by Rs. 382.86 million (or -31.3%) .This is due to Refund received in GST (Goods and Service Tax) in India and VAT Refund received in this year.

Inventories

The Inventories at Group level increased by **Rs. 1198.20 million** i.e. from **Rs. 2677.39 million** in at FY 2018 to **Rs. 3875.59 million** in at 9 Months FY 2019 and Inventories at Company level increased by **Rs. 1076.08 million** from **Rs. 2326.53 million** in FY 2017 to **Rs. 3402.61 million** in at 9 Months FY 2019.

Property, plant and equipment

Fixed assets at 9 Months FY 2019 at Group level increased by **Rs. 1829.36 million** and at Company level increased by **Rs. 153.65 million** respectively. The Company installed Wind Mill Power Projecte in Vatva and expansion at Group level is in process for Caustic Chlorine, Captive Power, CMS, Hydrogen Peroxide project in MFL.

Bank Borrowings and Long Term Loan

Bank borrowings at 9 Months FY 2019 at Group level increased by **Rs.2391.55 million** on account of increase in Term Loan and at Company level increased by **Rs.1639.95 million** due to higher utilization on account of increase in operation.

Trade payables

Trade payables at 9 Months FY 2019 at Group and Company level increased by **Rs.1161.94** million and **Rs. 874.91** million respectively.

Other payable

Other payable at 9 Months FY 2019 at Group and Company level increased by **Rs. 102.00** million and **Rs. 78.71 million** respectively.

Cash flow statement

At 9 Months FY 2019 period, the Group has generated a positive net cash flow of **Rs. 2840.21** million

Financial Analysis

Rs. in millions

Group Key Financial	As at	As at	Variance	Variance
Highlights	31.12.2018	31.12.2017		(%)
Profitability				
Sales	14920.29	13270.74	1649.55	12.4
Gross Profit	4483.87	3583.35	900.52	25.1
Gross Profit Margin (%)	30.1	27.0	3.1	
Profit before tax	3099.44	2260.80	838.64	37.1
Profit before tax Margin (%)	20.8	17.0	3.8	
Net profit	1844.84	1209.18	635.66	52.6
Net profit Margin (%)	12.4	9.1	3.3	
Earning per Share (EPS in Rs.)	7.27	4.75	2.52	53.1
Financial position				
Net tangible assets	10920.02	10146.98	773.04	7.6
Debt (short term +long term)	6243.16	4416.13	1827.03	41.4
Capital Gearing ratio	0.57	0.44	0.13	29.5
Net tangible assets per share	37.49	32.25	5.24	16.2
Stock turnover (days)	102	70	32	45.7
Trade debts turnover (days)	77	86	-9	-10.5

9. Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results.

Not applicable.

10. A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the Group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the Group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months.

INDUSTRY STRUCTURE: -

Pigments:-

Pigments are classified as either organic or inorganic. Organic pigments include azo pigments, which contain a nitrogen group; they account for most of the organic red, orange, and yellow pigments. Copper phthalocyanines provide brilliant, strong blues and greens that are unusually colourfast for organic colours.

Traditionally organic pigments are popular in plastics, synthetic fibres and as surface coatingspaints and inks. In recent years, the organic pigments are used for hi-tech applications that include photo-reprographics, opto-electronic displays and optical data storage.

Organic Pigments Market Dynamics :-

Major factors driving growth of the organic pigments market include their increasing use in plastic, paint, coatings and textile industries. Manufacture of organic pigments with good light fastness property is gaining traction among global manufacturers. Besides, developing countries such as China & India are shifting towards becoming the center of global organic pigments market, both from the demand and supply side. Organic pigments are expected to substitute inorganic pigments for some specific applications over the coming years.

Organic Pigments Market: Segmentation :-

Global organic pigments market is segmented on the basis of source of production and application.

- ⇒ On the basis of production source, global organic pigments market is categorized into natural and synthetic segments.
- ⇒ On the basis of application, global organic pigments market is segmented into paints and coatings, plastics, printing inks, textiles, cosmetics, food, chemical, and others.

Overview of the global organic pigments market :-

Organic pigments have peculiarly unique properties that ensure hues that other kinds of pigments fail to produce. They provide metallic finishes and elastic properties. Organic pigments are highly preferred in specialized applications in the original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), refinished, and high-end automobile industries. Organic pigments are also being used to improve aesthetics and the functional values in both paints and plastics segments. These pigments are used in paints that can protect against harsh weather, dampness, corrosion, fungi, and other destructive influences on the building. Moreover, some of them are also used as a plasticizer dampened powders that allow functional advantages such as light reflection, heat reflection, opacity, and gas and vapour barrier. With paints and coatings with low VOC content gaining prominence, the market for organic pigments is expected to witness massive growth during the forecast period.

Overview of the Asia pacific :-

In terms of geography, Asia Pacific (APAC) is the largest and dominating region in the global market due to the presence of several manufacturers who offer pigments at lower costs in comparison with other regions. APAC is anticipated to lead the market in terms of consumption over the next four years due to increase in infrastructural activities that require paints and coatings with functional benefits. Moreover, the sustainability factor of organic pigments is expected to drive the overall market globally throughout the predicted period.

Market Forecast:-

Based on in-depth research, TMR projects the global pigments market to exhibit a moderate CAGR of 3.8% between 2015 and 2023. If the projection holds true, the global pigments market will reach US\$31.98 bn by 2023, from a valuation of US\$22.86 bn in 2014.

Volume-wise the market is expected to report a CAGR of 2.9% during the forecast period (Source: - Transparency Market Research)

The main factors that are contributing to the growth in the industry are increase in demand for high performance pigments (HPP), growth in end-user industries and increasing preference for environmentally-friendly products.

Asia Pacific Region To Remain Fastest Growing

The report confirmed that the Asia Pacific region is anticipated to witness highest regional gains at over 5% CAGR. Pigment market growth in Asia Pacific is primarily driven by the automotive and construction industries, as well as increasing manufacturing and infrastructure development (specifically in China and India). Eastern Europe, the Middle East and South America will see demand rise by more than 3% p.a. each as well and thus contribute to the positive development of the pigment industry. The rather saturated markets in Western Europe and North America will slowly return onto a growth path after they suffered losses in the past couple of years. (Source: Crersana.)

THREAT:-

The volatility of Rupee versus Dollar is a major concern. Another major concern is time required for acceptance of the product by overseas customer, sometimes it takes considerable period. Sometimes proposals do not get converted in to order.

Unstable prices, various environmental regulations and limited availability of raw materials are some of the factors expected to impede the growth of global organic pigments market. Manufacture of organic pigments with good light fastness property is gaining traction among global manufacturers. Besides, developing countries such as China & India are shifting towards becoming the center of global organic pigments market, both from the demand and supply side. Regulatory environment, labor laws and wages in Asia Pacific are expected to remain major factors impacting this global market shift (Source :Future Market insight).

AGROCHEMICALS - INDUSTRY STRUCTURE:-

There are broadly 5 categories of crop protection products:

- 1. Insecticides: Manage the pest population below the economic threshold level
- 2. Fungicides: Prevent the economic damage due to fungal attack on crops
- 3. Herbicides: Prevent/ inhibit/ destroy the growth of unwanted plants in a crop field
- 4. Bio pesticides: These are derived from natural substances like plants, animals, bacteria & certain minerals. These are non-toxic & environmental friendly
- 5. Plant growth regulatorsIndia's agrochemical industry can be divided into producers of technical agrochemicals the bulk actives and formulators who compound actives in forms that enable use.

1) GLOBAL AGROCHEMICALS MARKET:-

The global agrochemicals market is estimated to reach USD 265.04 Billion by 2022 at a CAGR of 4.51%. Factors like growing demand for food and consumer awareness, changing agrochemicals usage patterns, advantages of fertilizers and pesticides in crop production, increasing horticulture industries are the drivers for the market.

Development in technology to boost farm production with increasing government investments in agriculture to increase crop yields provides huge opportunities to this market.

Lucintel's research indicates that developing countries such as China and India are demanding higher volumes of nutritious food, which will increase demand for agrochemicals. Agrochemicals have significantly increased farm productivity in both developed and developing countries.

Presently, the cost of innovation and registration of an active ingredient is higher. Companies spend extensively on the research and development of new chemicals and improving the performance of the existing ones.

The pressure, therefore, is for the agriculture industry to increase yields per acre, which can be achieved through increased usage of agrochemical products.

As the study indicates, a large untapped market, shrinking of arable land in recent years, increasing demand for food grain production, and increasing population are anticipated to drive the global agrochemicals industry.

The global market has been witnessing lot of technological advancements and developments over the past few years. The changing buyers' preferences, stringent environmental regulations, changing weather conditions, increased agricultural trade and improved farming practices are triggering the innovations and research efforts of the industry. New product development and innovation at competitive prices are anticipated to drive the agrochemicals industry.

2) <u>INDIAN MARKET:-</u>

Insecticides are largest sub-segment of agrochemicals with 60% market share whereas herbicides with 16% market share are the fastest growing segment in India. Other segments are rodenticides/ nematocides with 15% and 4%, respectively.

India is fourth largest producer of agrochemicals worldwide, after United States, Japan and China. Indian Agrochemical industry is valued at USD 4.76 billion in FY15 and is estimated to grow at a CAGR of 12% to reach USD 8.38 billion by FY19.

On the other hand, domestic market will grow at ~8% CAGR to reach USD 3.57 billion by FY19. Indian Agrochemical consumption is one of the lowest in the world (0.6kg/ha). Compared to agrochemical usage, India's fertilizer consumption (~144 kg/ha) is much higher than the global average (~122 kg/ha). This reflects a large potential for agrochemical usage in India.

Indian population is expected to be 1.4 billion by 2020. The increasing population, coupled with growing income will generate increased demand for food grains and non-food grain crops. Therefore, Indian agriculture has to achieve and maintain a consistent and higher growth rate of 4 per cent per annum.

The sector is also driven by huge opportunity for contract manufacturing and research for Indian players due to large availability of technically skilled labour.

Agrochemicals play a critical role in ensuring food and nutrition security of the nation. With estimated 355 MMTPA (million metric tonne per annum) food grain requirement by 2030 from current 253 MMTPA, efficient usage of crop protection products and solutions for Indian agriculture are the need of the hour. In order to realise the true potential, industry, government and regulatory bodies need to work in tandem and embrace digital technologies to further improve farmer connect," (Source :- National Conference on Agrochemicals 2016 in New Delhi.)

3) Challenges:-

The industry is expected to face certain challenges such as regulatory standards to reduce toxicity, high inventory, low profit margins, and patent expirations.

Low farm output is a major challenge faced by most farmers across India. The chief reasons for the poor yield are fragmented land holdings, inadequate use of technology and modern methods of farming, poor soil health, and lack of access to irrigation facilities.

Increase in investment in the field of research and development of agrochemicals which in turn will spur the exports increasing competitiveness in the global scenario.

Development and registration of a pesticide active ingredient is one of the biggest components of cost for a pesticide company.

The demand is also seasonal. Low literacy rate translates into low efficiency and low agriculture productivity. Low awareness amongst farmers regarding agrochemical products and its usage.

Outlook for FY 2019

The Group and Company revenue of Pigment and Agrochemical Segment for FY 2018 has increased due to higher production. We expect to see the improvements in revenue in Agrochemical Products as Market Dynamics are changing rapidly.

While Net Profit after tax at Group and Company level has increased in FY 2018. This is due to increase in production, higher quantity sale and better price/ ECU in Agrochemicals and Basic Chemicals.

The Group Profitability may be affected due to unpredictable market trends, rupee/dollar exchange rate and crude oil prices Fluctuation and changes in ECU prices of Caustic Chlorine in 4Q FY 2019

11. **Dividend**

- (a) Current financial period reported on 31.12.2018 Any dividend for the current financial period reported on? No
- (b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year: No
- (c) **Date payable:** Not applicable
- (d) **Books closure date:** Not applicable

12. If no dividend has been declared/recommended, a statement to that effect.

No dividend for the period 31.12.2018 has been declared/ recommended.

13. The aggregate value of IPTs as per Rule 920(1)(a)(ii) if a general mandate from shareholders for IPTs had been obtained. If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect. In this regard, please make the requisite disclosure to comply with the requirements of Appendix 7.2(13) of the Listing Manual.

Name of Interested Person	Aggregate v	value of all	Aggregate va	alue of all
	interested	person	interested	person
	transactions	during the	transactions	conducted
	financial year	under review	under	shareholders'
	(excluding	transactions	mandate purs	uant to Rule
	less than	S\$100,000	920 of the List	ing Manual)
	(equivalent	to	(excluding tran	nsactions less
	approximatel	y Rs	than S\$100,00	0 (equivalent
	5,127,000)	and	to approxi	mately Rs
	transactions	conducted	4,798,000)	-
	under	shareholders'		
	mandate purs	suant to Rule		
	920 of the Lis	sting Manual)		
	Amount in	Amount in	Amount in	Amount in
	Rs.	S\$,000	Rs.	S\$,000
Purchases				
Meghmani Pigments ⁽¹⁾	116,687,700	2276	-	-
Meghmani LLP ⁽⁵⁾	60,291,520	1176	-	-
Panchratna Corporation ⁽⁸⁾	12,106,800	236		
Sales				
Ashish Chemicals (EOU) ⁽⁴⁾	21,080,700	411	-	-
Meghmani Dyes & Intermediate	6,324,800	123	-	-
LLP ⁽⁹⁾				

Particulars of interested person transactions for the month ended 31 December 2018 are as under:

Note – Rs. 51.27 = \$1 (Average Rate of 31.12.2018)

- ⁽¹⁾ Meghmani Pigments is a partnership firm owned by Mr Jayanti Patel (Executive Chairman) and Mr Ashish Soparkar (Managing Director) and their immediate family.
- ⁽⁴⁾ Ashish Chemicals (EOU) is a partnership firm owned by Mr Jayanti Patel (Executive Chairman) and Mr Ashish Soparkar (Managing Director).
- ⁽⁵⁾ Meghmani LLP is a partnership firm owned by Mr Jayanti Patel (Executive Chairman) and Mr Ashish Soparkar (Managing Director) and their immediate family.
- ⁽⁷⁾ Meghmani Industries Limited is a limited company with 48% of Equity Shares of are held directly by Mr Natwarlal Patel (Managing Director), and Mr Ramesh Patel (Executive Director).

- ⁽⁸⁾ PanchratnaCorporation is a partnership firm owned by immediate family of Mr Jayanti Patel (Executive Chairman) and Mr Ashish Soparkar and Mr. Natwarlal Patel (Managing Directors), Mr. Ramesh Patel and Mr.Anand Patel Executive Directors of the Company.
- ⁽⁹⁾ Meghmani Dyes and Intermediates LLP. is a Partnership Firm with 44.33% owned by Mr. Natwarlal Patel (Managing Director), Mr Ramesh Patel and Mr.Anand Patel (Executive Directors) of the Company.

The above interested person transactions conducted fall within the related party transactions shareholders' mandate obtained for a period of three year at the Annual General Meeting held on 16 July 2018

14. Confirmation by Directors pursuant to Rule 705(5) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company, I the undersigned, hereby confirm that, to the best of our knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Company which may render the financial statements for the Third quarter ended <u>31 December</u>, <u>2018</u> to be false or misleading.

15. Undertaking from Directors and officers of the Company stating that they are responsible for ensuring that the Company complies with its obligations under the Listing Rules

The Company confirms that undertaking under Rule 720 (1) have been obtained from all its Directors and Executive officers in the Format set out in Appendix 7.7.

16. Reconciliation between INDAS and IFRS

Ernst & Young – Singapore has been appointed as Joint Auditor for Financial Year 2018-19 to comply with the requirements of SGX Listing rules. The Company has not considered the variance in the profit reported under the quarter ended 31^{st} December, 2019.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD MEGHMANI ORGANICS LIMITED K D Mehta Company Secretary Date: 14/02/2019

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