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Dear Colleagues,

Like many of us, I too have been feeling the necessity for the PSL newsletter. When Mr. Noel Gama (NG) volunteered to take on the responsibility, I gave him the go-ahead.

I am pleased to release this inaugural issue of our very own quarterly newsletter, ***“IN THE PIPELINE”*** this Republic Day, January 26, 2007. This first issue has been put together within last few weeks. I must compliment NG and his team in bringing this to a reasonably good shape within such a short time.

As of now, the newsletter will be printed in-house and duration shall be quarterly for internal circulation amongst PSL employees only. One copy will be sent to each office, factory & division. Depending on the response, we might consider printing it outside and at that time we will also consider sending the Newsletter to important clients & suppliers.

The purpose of the newsletter is not only to inform, but also to promote a uniform corporate identity and to build general credibility through transparency.

Besides the editorial team proposed on the left, I also look forward to contributions from all employees and most importantly, invite your feedback not only for this issue but suggestions for forthcoming issues.

Wishing you all a Happy Republic Day.

A handwritten signature in black ink on a white background, appearing to read 'G. S. Sauhta'.

G. S. Sauhta



New Beginnings



PSL Corporate Office,
Mumbai

I like new beginnings because they are filled with infinite possibilities like the challenge of a new year, the start of a project, new To-Do lists and yes, launch of a newsletter like the one you are holding in your hands.

Since I've always been at my most creative when faced with uncharted territory, the thought of picking up this assignment from 'idea' and bringing it to fruition made me quite excited when GS gave me his trademark "Go-ahead" which came attached with a lot of support.

What better time than a brand-new year to launch a quarterly newsletter? Its that time of year when one has just completed the annual stock-taking exercise – both personal and professional – and is ready to set new goals.

I have learnt from experience three things about projects of any kind:

- Any project that seems daunting becomes manageable if done in little bits
- Having more than one project (in fact a number of projects) on the go at the same time, is more time-saving than going the linear route
- Passion is not only infectious but is often the defining factor between success and failure

Here's to starting off your year in the right frame of mind – doing what you are passionate about!



L2R: GG, PVA, ASP, ALP
EGM – Daman, 25.01.07

Noël Gama



PSL North America LLC – USA

The following plants are being fabricated by our Project Division in Daman and will be ready for shipping from June'07:-

- Helical Two Step Submerged Arc Welding (HTS–SAW) Pipe Mill
- Internal Liquid Epoxy Coating Plant
- External FBE Coating Plant
- Concrete Weight Coating Plant

Mr. Alex Lowe, JV partner in PSL NA, accompanied by ASP, TVP & GS visited PSL Daman on 16th January and Varsana the next day on 17th January'07, to take stock of the progress of the project.



L2R: GS, TVP, Jerry Charlton (USA), ASP, Alex Lowe (USA), DCS - Daman, 16.01.07

Biodiesel Project – CCS, Daman

American country music star Willie Nelson, travels from concert to concert in a bus powered by biodiesel.

All around the world, consumption of renewable fuel, also called biofuel is rising.

This eco-friendly fuel reduces emissions of CO by about 50% and CO₂ by 78% when compared to petroleum fuels. Besides, biodiesel is biodegradable and non toxic, with high lubrication properties.

The project, a greenfield implementation led by Mr. Arjun Punj, was successfully commissioned on 1.10.06.



Biodiesel Plant – CCS, Daman

EPL makes its foray into the corporate sector

Primarily catering to the government / public sector, Eurocoustic Products (Daman) has bagged orders from Reliance (Jamnagar), TTSL (Nationwide), BoB (All India), TCS (Mumbai) & HLL (Mumbai) for office furniture.

Says Mr. A. N Rao, DGM *“The new CNC router imported from Germany, will increase productivity as well as quality.”*



CNC Router – EPL, Daman



Canvas v/s Rubber

CCS Benchmark

CCS-Rebar Division achieved their highest production ever in a single shift on 13.01.07 of 186.5 MT of Rebar.

“We have replaced canvas elevator belt with super heat-resistant belt and rubberized pulley fitted in 60 HP shot Blaster. By doing so, we have doubled the life of the belt!”

- P. L. Pal, Sr. GM,
Corrosion Control
Services, Daman



Rubber belt installed

Problems with canvas: de-lamination of layers at temperatures above 50⁰ C, short life of 6 months & costly.

Benefits of rubber belt: can withstand heat up to 150⁰ C, 1-year life, cheaper and locally available.



PSL FZE-Sharjah Project

As on date, 75% of despatches from our Project Division in Daman have been completed.

The balance is ready for despatch but pending readiness of site, which is expected by mid-February'07.

The project comprises supply of:

- A Pipe Mill
- An Internal Coating Plant
- A 3-LPE Coating Plant
- A Concrete Weight Coating Plant



A container in Daman being loaded for PSL FZE (Sharjah)

“Green the earth and the world will grin 😊”

- Noël Gama

Three more units get ISO Certification

The IMS System of PSL Daman was certified as complying with ISO 9001, ISO 14001 & OHSAS 18001 on 29.09.2006 by ICS.

Similarly, the IMS system of PSL – Mahudi was certified by ICS on 08.12.06.

PSL – Vizag was certified as complying with ISO – 14001 & OHSAS 18001 by DNV on 11.12.06.



Belgium Tower

The first-ever labour quarters of this kind is nearing completion in Daman.

This G + 3 building made of steel pipes and prefabricated cement slabs, houses 45 Nos. 1-BKT units.



Belgium Tower, Kachigam – Daman

As the name suggests, this tower-like dwelling is a Belgian concept.

The building is made of an outer circle of 12 steel pipes and an inner circle of another 12 with a huge pipe in the centre around which a spiral steel stairway connects the floors.

Interestingly, there is sufficient space within the central pipe to run a lift!

With features like Quick-Erection/Easy-Dismantling, low-cost and quake-resistance, it is a great solution to housing problems of industrial zones and slums.

Varsana



Helical Two Step Technology Pipe Mill – Varsana - 2



Punj Charitable Trust

This philanthropic endeavour for providing care to the aged, medical aid to the poor and quality education, began with a home for the aged -“NAVJIVAN”- in the residential campus in PSL – Daman.

However, to begin work on the other 8 phases of the project, a 14-acre plot of land in Kalgam (Gujarat) has been finalized for purchase.



Trust Land Kalgam (Gujarat)

The plot accessible by good roads, is just 15 kms from the factory complex and is located along the periphery of a big natural pond.

Shri Y P Punj Scholarship for Academic Excellence - 2006

Launched on Sh. YP's Birthday on 27.11.2002, the recipients of 2006 are:-



M. Girisha
D/o M. Sankar Rao
(W3) - Vizag
94.5% in HSC



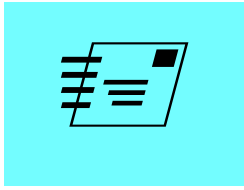
Tarang Bulchandani
S/o. K.V. Bulchandani
(M8) – Daman
85% in HSC



Dinesh Bhardwaj
S/o. Vijay Sharma
(W3) – Kandla
91.57% in SSC

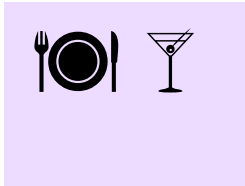


Akash Pandey
S/o. P. S. Pandey
(M9) – Kandla
89.4% in SSC



Netiquette

Netiquette is a term for the conventions of politeness on the internet and when using the email for communication. e.g., using ALL CAPS in an email message is the equivalent of shouting!



To your health!

The secret of the much hyped Mediterranean diet is in the red wine!



Laughing Guess...

Optimist: *"All roads lead to Rome."*

Pessimist: *"If Rome does not roam."*

- Noël Gama



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"The Tipping Point" by Malcolm Gladwell

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