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Q. What is the core business line of the HPL Electric & Power limited?

HPL is an established electric equipment manufacturing company in India, manufacturing a diverse portfolio of Electric equipment, including, meters solutions, switchgears, lighting equipment and wires and cables, catering to consumer and institutional customers in the electrical equipment industry. HPL had the largest market share in the market for electricity energy meters in India in fiscal 2015, with one of the widest portfolios of meters in India and the fifth largest market share for LED lamps during the corresponding period (Source: Frost & Sullivan Report, February 2016). HPL's manufacturing capabilities are supported by a large sales and distribution network with a pan-India presence. It currently manufactures and sells its products under the umbrella brand 'HPL', which has been registered in India since 1975.

The company supplies their products through a network of authorized dealers or distributors to institutional, non-institutional and corporate customers. They supply switchgears, lighting equipment and wires and cables, primarily through our pan-India authorized dealer network, which comprised of 2000+ dealers & distributors & 27000+ that are managed by the carrying and forwarding agents.

In addition, HPL supplies its products to Power Utilities, which primarily includes supply of meters under direct contractual arrangements to electricity boards and power distribution companies, as well as through project contractors. Further, HPL supplies the portfolio of products to developers of residential and commercial building projects, original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") and to industrial customers through a mix of direct sales and supply through our authorized dealer network. The sales and marketing activities are managed through over 90 branch offices and representative offices in India.

Q. How is HPL looking forward to the Eleccrama 2018?

Eleccrama provides an outstanding platform to showcase our latest product offerings and hands-on experience of products and technology in electrical equipment and manufacturing space. It is also a meeting place for the suppliers, consultants and industry experts. Our experience over the last few

years has motivated us in a big manner. What also amazes us is that the relevant people from different states and power utilities gather to witness the technological developments, as it is one of the best places to get to the end consumer. It provides a huge platform for showcasing the latest in Technology & Innovation to a huge audience. It layers the relevant audience for our products and it gives extra mileage to our products in the right segment at right place which is why exhibiting at Eleccrama has been especially beneficial for the company.

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Q. What are your latest products and technologies; can you throw some light on the LED and lighting section?

LED lighting is much more Eco-Friendly and are up to 80% more efficient than traditional lighting such as fluorescent and incandescent lights. What we are seeing is that people are realising these benefits and are moving towards LED lighting realising that. The market has witnessed a phenomenal growth over the past few years and the trend is expected to continue in the coming years. Further, there is an increased focus by the Government towards energy conservation and efficiency, boosting the demand for LED lights. The Government of India has expressed increased interest in converting existing street lights into LED and this is expected to increase demand for LEDs in coming years.

HPL stepping forward as leader in the category

HPL manufactures a wide range of LED lamps (including down-lighters), luminaries and LEDs at varied wattages and had a huge market share and a 5th largest LED manufacturer in fiscal 2015 in the market for LED lamps. The company provides its customers energy efficient indoor commercial and domestic luminaries with superior design. Their lighting products are suited for use as task lighting, which is intended to be functional and concentrated, HPL LED Glo bulb which not only

saves electricity but a revolutionary product in terms of design, longer life and best suitable for accent lighting, which is intended primarily for decorative purposes. The LED lamps have been certified to be in conformity with the Indian Standard Index by the BIS standards under compulsory registration order by MEITY- Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology.

HPL's Led Lighting range:

- Consumer Lighting
- Industrial Lighting
- Commercial Lighting
- Outdoor Lighting

Q. What are new in wires and cables section, what is the current market situation and new trends in Electrical Wiring Accessories?

The low tension electrical wires and cables market is expected to grow at CAGR of 4.4% and is expected to reach ₹156,000 million by 2020. The low tension electrical wires and cables market in India is primarily driven by growth of the end-user segments i.e. real estate including residential and commercial, industries, utilities, and 129 infrastructures. The low tension electrical wires and cables market has been witnessing a staggered growth over the last two years due to unfavourable market sentiments, muted investments, and weak macroeconomic environment. These trends have especially affected the growth of industry-driven power cables. Although residential and commercial sectors have witnessed flat growth, increased awareness for safety and reliability has prompted for a healthy demand for domestic electrical wires especially the copper wires.

A stable central Government, which looks determined to reinvigorate growth, attracts large dosage of investments across industries, and revives market sentiments. Therefore various reforms have been initiated such as Make in India, smart cities, increased infrastructure spending, etc. to boost the economy, but growth slowdown has been so pronounced that it may take some time for these measures to fructify. The market is expected to have moderate growth rate for next two years and after the year 2017, the growth is expected to kick-off with fresh investments and improved macroeconomic performance. ■



LED Lighting

HPL is one of the few manufacturers in the country that has pretty much backward integrated state-of-the-art manufacturing with two manufacturing facilities in Gurgaon & Jabli and one each in Kundli, Sonapat and Gharaunda. R&D centres in Gurgaon and Kundli, facilities are approved by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) & Ministry of Science and Technology.

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India is an attractive market for both domestic as well as international LED players. The reason for this is the benefit that they provide in terms of energy saving and conservation. The new applications which are coming are related to connectivity, better controls, and application of sensors and moving towards wireless technology. When it comes to an individual, what they are looking for is more convenience and comfort, apart from the cost. The efforts towards wireless technology and application of controls which help in controlling the light intensity are things which will benefit them. For a commercial outlet,

the aspects related to energy saving, conservation and cost benefits become supreme. Here as well, connectivity and control will help in providing customised Lighting solutions.

What is LED?

LED is a two-lead semiconductor light source which emits light when activated. This effect is called electroluminescence and the colour of the light is determined by the energy band gap of the semiconductor. LEDs find application in environmental and task lighting, with several advantages over incandescent light sources including lower energy consumption, longer lifetimes, improved physical robustness, smaller sizes, and faster switching.

LEDs may be broadly classified into three categories, (a) miniature LEDs, used as indicators, (b) mid-range LEDs, used in light panels, emergency lighting, auto tail lights and (c) high-power LEDs, used for lighting purposes. LEDs for lighting applications constitute the major market, although LEDs are also used in various forms across industries such as automotive lighting, railway signals, backlighting, displays and signage and medical appliances.

LEDs are now used in applications as diverse as aviation lighting, automotive headlamps, advertising, general lighting, traffic signals, camera flashes,

