



# POKARNA LIMITED

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29<sup>th</sup> June, 2006

Pokarna began over a decade ago with a single-minded objective to produce the finest granite in the world and achieve a pre-eminent position in the global arena. It has done this successfully and consistently year after year, expanding sales and winning the most prestigious awards. Today, Pokarna Limited is a well-known and leading name in the export of processed granite slabs and tiles from the Country.

‘Reach for the skies with feet firmly on the earth’, has been the cornerstone of Pokarna Limited’s corporate philosophy. It is reflected in its continuous search for new quarries and new raw materials, its judicious and timely investments in the latest equipment and facilities, its belief in training and in employee welfare.

By constantly upgrading its equipment both at its quarries and in its manufacturing complex, Pokarna is able to optimize its raw material utilization, ensuring the highest quality with minimal wastage. By continuously diversifying its raw material resources, it is able to maintain supplies of its premium varieties and to introduce exotic new varieties.

From being India’s largest exporter of the legendary Black Galaxy, Pokarna has now introduced the world Pokarna Green and Acacia to name a few.

Pokarna Limited has diversified into apparel manufacturing with a gleaming new factory at the Apparels Export Park near Hyderabad. Besides launching ‘STANZA®’, a powerful new premium brand in India, Pokarna’s apparels division is in the process of making major forays overseas as well.

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The brand 'STANZA®' is available at 150 Stores across the country including High end Malls and Shopping Centers apart from exclusive outlet at Liberty Circle, Himayat Nagar, Hyderabad. The Company would be shortly starting a chain of exclusive 'STANZA®' outlets across the country.

The Board of Directors of Pokarna Limited met on Thursday, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, and approved the audited financial results for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2006.

The performance highlights of Pokarna Limited year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2006 are:

- Net Sales for the full year were Rs. 15013.03 Lacs recording a growth of 11.48 % over the previous year (31.03.2005), which was at Rs. 13467.40 Lacs.
- Cash Profit (before depreciation, and Tax) stood at Rs. 1862.70 Lacs, recording a decline of 7.14 % over the previous year (31.03.2005), which stood at Rs. 2005.95 Lacs.
- Profit Before Interest and Tax (PBIT) stood at Rs.2017.60 Lacs, recording a decline of 6.56 % over the previous year (31.03.2005), which stood at Rs. 2159.20 Lacs.
- Profit Before Tax (PBT) stood at Rs. 1292.04Lacs, recording a decline of 15.52 % over the previous year (31.03.2005), which stood at Rs.1529.40 Lacs.
- Profit After tax (PAT) stood at Rs. 1070.35 Lacs, recording a decline of 23.69 % over the previous year (31.03.2005), which stood at Rs.1402.74 Lacs.

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- EPS for the year stood at Rs. 17.26, recording a decline of 23.69% over the previous year (31.03.2005), which stood at Rs. 22.62
- The Stand alone EPS of Granite Division of the Company stood at Rs. 35.52 increasing by 12.94% as against Rs. 31.45 of the previous year.
- The Board of directors has recommended a final dividend of 35% subject to approval of the Members' in the ensuing Annual General Meeting of the Company. The Company had paid dividend of 35% during the financial year 2004-2005.

Copy of the Results is enclosed herewith for your reference and analysis.

May I request you to kindly disseminate the aforesaid performance of the Company through your valuable newspaper.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

**Gautam Chand Jain**  
**Chairman & Managing Director**

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