

Hindustan Prefab Limited (HPL)

Prototype Interactive Public Questions & Answers

INTRODUCTION

Q. 1 What is Hindustan Prefab Limited?

Ans. Government of India had set up Hindustan Housing Factory in 1950 at Jangpura, New Delhi-110014 primarily to manufacture prefabricated houses for the displaced persons from West Pakistan (now Pakistan). In 1978, the name of the Company was changed from Hindustan Housing Factory to Hindustan Prefab Limited. Now the Company is engaged primarily in construction projects.

Q. 2 Whether the Factory of the Company is located in its own land? What is the address?

Ans. Yes. Hindustan Prefab Limited is located in its own plot of land measuring 28.639 acres.

Address of Factory: Hindustan Prefab Limited
Jangpura, New Delhi-110014
Fax: 011 - 26340365

Q. 3 Where is the Corporate Office of the Company?

Ans. The Corporate Office of the Company is located in the same complex at Jangpura, New Delhi-110014.

Phone No. 011-26340225 / 011-26340254 / 011-26340489. Fax No. 011-26340365.

Q.4 Whether the Company is a Public Sector Undertaking and if so, under whose administrative control it functions?

Ans. Hindustan Prefab Limited is a Central Public Sector Undertaking. Its 100% shares are owned by the President of India and it functions under the administrative control of Govt. of India, Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation.

Q.5 Whether the Company has ISO Certification?

Ans. Yes. The Company has ISO 9001: 2000 Certification.

Q.6 Who manages the business of the Company?

Ans. The business of the Company is managed by the Board of Directors consisting of full time Chairman & Managing Director and two part-time official directors.

Q. 7 What are the names of Members of the Board?

Ans. (i) Sh. Jaiveer Srivastavaa, Chairman & Managing Director,
(ii) Sh. S.K. Singh, IAS, Part-time official Director,
(iii) Dr. R.K. Vats, IAS, Part-time official Director.

Q.8 What is the mission of the Company?

Ans. “To enhance prefabrication methods and augmenting innovative technology for the quality and fast construction techniques at economical costs”.

Q. 9 What are the objectives of the Company?

Ans. The main objectives of the Company are given below:-

- i) To introduce innovative technology in the civil construction industry;
- ii) To enter into collaborations with other Organizations for development of their land on mutual agreed terms;
- iii) To give civil engineering solutions under one roof from concept to completion on turnkey basis;
- iv) To develop land and property as real estate ventures.

ACTIVITIES

Q. 10 What are the main areas of activities of Hindustan Prefab Limited?

Ans. (i) Manufacturing
(ii) Construction Projects
(iii) Project Management
(iv) Real Estate Works etc.

Q.11 What are the manufacturing activities of HPL?

Ans. Manufacturing activities in the factory are at stand still since Sept., 2004.

Q.12. When the manufacturing activities are likely to be restarted?

Ans. There is no likelihood of restarting the manufacturing activities in the factory in near future, since it requires lot of investment for the modernization of the Plant.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Q. 13 What type of Construction Projects are undertaken by the Company?

Ans. Hindustan prefab Limited deals in the following types of construction projects. It provides projects management consultancy services in addition to executing projects on turnkey basis. It deals with the following types of projects:-

- a) Mass Housing
- b) Residential quarters
- c) Institutional buildings
- d) Corporate offices
- e) Multi-storey buildings
- f) Subways
- g) Food godowns
- h) Foot over bridges
- i) Real estate works
- j) Factory Construction etc.

Q.14 Whether company also undertakes maintenance of building works?

Ans. Yes. The Company also undertakes maintenance works on cost plus %age basis.

Q. 15 From whom the company secures orders for the construction of projects?

Ans. HPL secures orders for construction of projects from Govt. of India, State Governments, Public Sector Undertakings, Autonomous Bodies and other Organizations under various governments. The company has already executed/ executing a lot of prestigious projects for various clients. Some of them are:-

- Delhi Development Authority
- Airports Authority of India
- Delhi Institute of Technology
- National Fertilizers Limited
- National Thermal Power Corporation
- Indian Oil Corporation
- Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
- Bharat Cooking Coal Limited
- Pyrites Phostes Chemical Limited
- East Coal India Limited
- Housing & Urban Development Corporation
- Indraprashtha Power Grid Corporation Limited
- State Bank of India
- Union Bank of India
- Employees Provident Fund Organization
- Bhartiya Note Mudran Corporation
- Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation
- All India Institute of Medical Sciences
- Food Corporation of India
- Hindustan Aeronautic Limited
- Delhi Police
- Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation.
- Railways
- Chhattisgarh Govt.
- Bihar Government
- Meghalaya Government
- Employees State Insurance Corporation etc.

Q.16 In what capacity HPL secures the projects?

Ans. During last 2-3 years, it secured orders for projects as “Executing Agency” on turnkey basis on nomination basis from different State Governments and Govt. Organizations.

Q.17 What is the financial status of Hindustan Prefab Ltd.?

Ans. The financial status of the company for the last 4 years is given below:-

(Rs. in Crores)

	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08 (Provisional)
Authorized share capital	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Paid up capital	6.97	6.97	6.97	6.97
Govt. loan	37.68	43.29	48.62	53.95
Accumulated interest on Govt. loan	49.17	56.55	64.55	73.45
Turnover	9.83	8.73	23.20	35.39
Profit (+)(-) before interest on Govt. loan, depreciation and provision	(-) 5.90	(-)5.69	(-) 5.77	(-) 4.11
Net Loss	- 13.40	- 13.83	- 14.64	- 13.13
Operations:				
Factory	0.21	0.13	--	--
Value of work done at construction sites	7.89	8.03	23.19	35.39

Q. 18. Does HPL has its Regional/ Branch/ Project offices?

Ans. Company has its offices in Shillong, Aizwal, Itanagar, Patna, Lucknow, Mumbai, Trivendrum, Calicut, Chennai, Raipur & Bilaspur.

Q. 19. Has Hindustan Prefab Limited entered into Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with its administrative Ministry?

Ans. Yes. HPL has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation on 28.3. 2008. As per MOU, the Company has to achieve a turnover of Rs.335 Crore and gross profit of Rs.7.78 Crore to secure ‘**Excellent**’ rating.

Q.20 Has joining of full time CMD improved the working of the Company?

Ans. Yes. After taking over the charge by full time CMD on 1.08.2006, following are the improvements brought about in the Company:-

1. The turnover of the company for the year 2004-05 was Rs.9.83 Crore, which has reached to Rs.35.39 Crore during the year 2007-08 (tentative).
2. The loss before interest on government loans, depreciation, provisions and tax which was Rs.5.90 Crore in 2004-05 has been marginally reduced during the subsequent years.
3. Order book position of the company during the year 2004-05 was Rs.121.35 Crore. It has now reached to Rs.1065 Crore as on 31.03.2008, a growth of 8.77 times.

Q. 21 What is the manpower strength of Hindustan prefab Limited?

Ans. The total strength of employees in Hindustan Prefab Limited is 382 as on 31.3.2008. The break-up is given below:-

Engineers	:	54
Other Officers & Staff	:	58
Labour Force	:	213
Compassionate/Contract employees	:	61
Total	:	<u>386</u>

Q.22 Does the Company have direct recruitment open?

Ans. No. Direct recruitment is presently banned in HPL.

FUTURE PLANS

Q. 23 Does Company propose to restructure its Balance Sheet/ operations?

Ans. Yes. HPL has engaged Techno-commercial Consultants i.e. M/s Ernst & Young to study and recommend ways and means to restructure the operations and finance of the Company.

Q24 Does the Company want to develop its land as real estate venture?

Ans. Yes. The Company intends to develop its land as real estate venture because the land use of the factory land has been changed to 60% as commercial and 40% as residential as per Master Plan of Delhi 2021.

Q. 25 What are the future plans of the Company?

Ans. The Company wishes to enter into the areas of construction with better margins and by introduction of innovative technologies.
