

HeidelbergCement India to sell its cement grinding unit at Raigad to JSW Group

Tuesday, 21st May 2013: HeidelbergCement India Limited (HCIL) today announced that its Board of Directors has approved the sale of its cement grinding facility in Raigad, Maharashtra, to JSW Group, as a going concern on slump sale basis.

The Company had been exploring possible ways of improving margins of this grinding unit including the possibility to scale up operations but the same was not feasible due to infrastructural bottlenecks. The company has therefore decided to divest its interest in the unit.

The parties are currently negotiating and finalizing the terms of the Business Transfer Agreement. The transaction will be finalized only after obtaining all relevant approvals including that of shareholders.

“The disposal is in line with HeidelbergCement’s philosophy of divesting less strategic assets with lower margins to focus on more strategic and key operations in Central India where the company had recently expanded its cement capacity from 2 to 5 million tpa,” said Mr. Ashish Guha - CEO and MD Heidelberg Cement India.

India continues to be a high growth market and the HeidelbergCement Group remains committed towards its growth plans for the country and will look at all organic and inorganic paths of growth.

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