

IRELAND BLYTH LIMITED**FINANCIAL REVIEW OF THE COMPANY / GROUP (Rs'000)**

31 December	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996
BALANCE SHEET					
ASSETS EMPLOYED					
Fixed Assets	2,818,473	2,715,525	2,521,329	1,998,274	1,885,706
Current Assets	2,185,627	1,943,964	1,749,120	1,402,898	1,257,857
Current Liabilities	2,619,428	2,375,855	2,045,784	1,708,704	1,458,180
Net Current Assets	(433,801)	(431,891)	(296,664)	(305,806)	(200,323)
	2,384,672	2,283,634	2,224,665	1,692,468	1,685,383
FINANCED BY					
Share Capital	714,383	714,383	714,383	714,383	714,383
Share Premium	192,097	192,097	192,097	192,097	192,097
Capital Reserves	671,547	687,872	659,447	325,854	286,077
Revenue Reserves	445,497	343,305	238,595	208,423	196,712
Shareholders' Interest	2,023,524	1,937,657	1,804,522	1,440,757	1,389,269
Minority Interest	87,250	82,082	66,633	54,648	43,964
Long Term Loans	273,898	263,895	353,510	197,063	252,150
	2,384,672	2,283,634	2,224,665	1,692,468	1,685,383
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT					
Turnover	4,751,001	4,356,750	4,098,288	3,514,695	3,174,634
(Loss)/Profit from operations	152,000	89,754	26,606	6,193	(52,977)
Share of Profit of Associated Companies	158,476	158,151	132,075	94,900	73,098
Profit before Extraordinary Items and Taxation	310,746	247,905	158,681	101,093	20,121
Extraordinary Items			-	-	-
Profit/(Loss) before Taxation	310,746	247,905	158,681	101,093	20,121
Taxation	(39,015)	(26,563)	(30,496)	(18,676)	(11,379)
Profit after Taxation	271,731	221,342	128,185	82,417	8,742
Minority Interest	(21,629)	(19,585)	(7,501)	(10,137)	(7,353)
Profit for the year attributable to Shareholders	250,102	201,757	120,684	72,280	1,389
Dividends	(117,873)	(64,295)	(42,683)	(28,575)	(7,144)
Profits transferred to Reserves	132,229	137,462	77,821	43,705	(5,755)
STATISTICS					
Number of Shares used in Calculation	71,438,333	71,438,333	71,438,333	71,438,333	71,438,333
Earnings per share (Rs)	3.50	2.82	1.69	1.01	0.02
Dividend Per Share (Rs)	1.65	0.90	0.60	0.40	0.10
Net Asset Value per share (Rs)	28.33	27.12	25.26	20.17	19.45

NOTES

Share Capital

: 71,438,333 ordinary shares of Rs10.00 each as at 31 December 2000

Auditor

: Kemp Chatteris Deloitte & Touche, Chartered accountants

Bankers

: Development Bank of Mauritius, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd,
The Mauritius Commercial Bank Ltd, State Bank of Mauritius Ltd, South East Asian Bank It