

TATA MOTORS LTD/FI
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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Month of October 2006

Commission File Number: 001-32294

TATA MOTORS LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

Tata Motors Limited

By: /s/ Hoshang K Sethna

Name: Hoshang K Sethna

Title: Company Secretary

Dated: October 30, 2006

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Item 1

TATA MOTORS LIMITED

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News Release

October 30, 2006

Consolidated revenue growth of 42% @ Rs.7702.66 crores for the 2nd quarter

Consolidated profit of Rs.536.44 crores, up by 36%

2nd Quarter

Tata Motors today reported consolidated revenue (net of excise) at Rs.7702.66 crores recorded an increase of 42% as against Rs.5428.88 crores in the corresponding period of the previous year. The consolidated PAT for the current year quarter is Rs.536.44 crores as compared to Rs.393.31 crores for the previous year period, an increase of 36%.

The Company's revenue on a stand alone basis (net of excise) was Rs.6571.79 crores for the quarter ended September 30, 2006, an increase of 37%, compared to Rs.4788.18 crores in the corresponding period of 2005-06. Profit Before Tax was Rs.586.39 crores, an increase of 29% over Rs.454 crores in the previous year period while the net profit was Rs.441.72 crores, an increase of 31% over Rs.337.87 crores for the corresponding period.

The total sales volume on a stand alone basis for the quarter was 139,704 units as compared to 107,066 units during the previous year period, an increase of 30%.

During the quarter, the Company continued to witness increases in input costs, interest rates and general inflationary pressures which are expected to continue during the rest of the year.

Half Year

Consolidated revenue in the first half (net of excise) at Rs.14473.60 crores recorded an increase of 46% as against Rs.9906.90 crores in the previous year period. The consolidated PAT at Rs.918.11 crores compared to Rs.654.82 crores, recorded a growth of 40%.

The Company's revenue on a stand alone basis (net of excise) was Rs.12355.20 crores in the first half of 2006-07, an increase of 42% against revenue of Rs.8681.18 crores, recorded for the corresponding period of the previous year. Profit Before Tax was Rs.1084.64 crores, as against Rs.814 crores for the previous year period, an increase of 33%. The net Profit for the first half of the current year was Rs.823.57 crores as against Rs.610.54 crores for the corresponding period, an increase of 35%.

Sales volume, on a stand alone basis, in the first half at 266,098 units grew by 37% against 194,558 units in the previous year period. The Company exported 27,224 vehicles during this period as against 23,067 vehicles during the previous year period, a growth of 18%.

During the first half, the Company launched a new range of Tata Safari, a face-lifted Indigo Sedan and Indigo Marina range of vehicles which have met with an enthusiastic response. Tata Ace, the new mini-truck continues to post strong growth with its gradual extension across the country as well as with its launch in Sri Lanka.

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During this period the Company improved its market share position across all its product range. The market share in the commercial vehicle segment increased to 65.2% as compared to 58.0% in the previous year, and in the passenger vehicle segment, the Company's market share increased to 16.3% as compared to 15.8% in the previous year.

The audited financial results for the quarter and half year, ended September 30, 2006, are enclosed.

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	Particulars	Quarter ended September 30,		Six months ended September 30,		Year ended March 31, 2006
		2006	2005	2006	2005	
(A)						
1	Vehicle Sales:(in Nos.) (includes traded vehicles)					
	Commercial vehicles	70811	50115	133893	87343	214836
	Passenger cars and Utility vehicles	54830	42957	104981	84148	189070
	Exports	14063	13994	27224	23067	50223
		139704	107066	266098	194558	454129
2	Vehicle Production:(in Nos.)					
	Commercial vehicles	82631	59687	157392	104795	246363
	Passenger cars and Utility vehicles	57665	48166	114750	95053	209959
		140296	107853	272142	199848	456322
(B)						
				(Rupees Crores)		
1	Sales / Income from operations	7,589.29	5,568.07	14,297.94	10,121.28	24,004.12
	Less: Excise Duty	1,017.50	779.89	1,942.74	1,440.10	3,347.95
	Net Sales/Income from operations	6,571.79	4,788.18	12,355.20	8,681.18	20,656.17
2	Total Expenditure					
	(a) Increase in stock in trade and work in progress	(122.44)	(116.54)	(507.77)	(485.95)	(256.91)
	(b) Consumption of raw materials & components and Purchase of product for sale	4,650.50	3,377.62	8,915.55	6,259.28	14,263.86
	(c) Staff cost	342.66	275.24	645.09	552.19	1,147.17
	(d) Other expenditure	942.75	676.83	1,907.37	1,293.89	2,926.40
	(e) Sub total 2(a) to 2(d)	5,813.47	4,213.15	10,960.24	7,619.41	18,080.52
3	Operating profit [1-2]	758.32	575.03	1,394.96	1,061.77	2,575.65
4	Other income	84.83	58.04	170.74	116.33	289.11
5	Interest					
	(a) Gross interest	111.75	68.27	197.20	138.90	296.49
	(b) Interest income / Interest capitalised	(16.17)	(22.21)	(29.07)	(41.83)	(70.14)
	(c) Net interest	95.58	46.06	168.13	97.07	226.35
6	Product development expenditure	17.52	5.81	27.84	13.17	73.78
7	Depreciation and Amortisation	143.49	127.20	284.54	253.86	520.94
8	Profit after interest and depreciation [3+4-5-6-7]	586.56	454.00	1,085.19	814.00	2,043.69
9	Provision/(reversal) for diminution in value of investments(net)	0.03		0.41		(9.69)
	(b) Employee Separation Cost	0.14		0.14		
	(c) Sub total 9(a) and 9(b)	0.17		0.55		(9.69)

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10	Profit before tax [8-9]		586.39	454.00	1,084.64	814.00	2,053.38
11	Less: Tax expense		144.67	116.13	261.07	203.46	524.50
12	Profit after tax [10-11]		441.72	337.87	823.57	610.54	1,528.88
13	Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face value of Rs. 10 each)		385.21	376.30	385.21	376.30	382.87
14	Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve						5,127.81
15	Basic EPS (not annualised)	Rupees	11.48	8.98	21.46	16.23	40.57
	Diluted EPS (not annualised)	Rupees	10.91	8.46	20.35	15.29	38.20
16	Aggregate of Public Shareholding						
	- Number of Shares		221714831	220634817	221714831	220634817	223279749
	- Percentage of shareholding		57.56%	58.64%	57.56%	58.64%	58.33%

Notes:-

- 1) Figures for the previous period have been regrouped/reclassified wherever necessary.
- 2) Other expenditure is net of foreign exchange gain of Rs. 25.39 crores for the quarter ended September 30, 2006 as against loss of Rs. 19.60 crores included for the quarter ended September 30, 2005. The corresponding figures for six months ended September 30, 2006 and September 30, 2005 and for the year ended March 31, 2006 are losses of Rs. 52.91 crores, Rs. 5.10 crores and Rs. 20.35 crores, respectively.
- 3) During the quarter ended September 30, 2006, the Company has invested Rs. 345 crores towards equity capital in its subsidiary company TML Financial Services Ltd.
- 4) During the quarter ended September 30, 2006, 8,800 1% Foreign Currency Convertible Notes (2008) and 6,175 Zero coupon Foreign Currency Convertible Notes (2009) have been converted into 16,20,003 and 4,72,465 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each at a premium as per the terms of issue.
- 5) The Company is engaged mainly in the business of automobile products consisting of all types of commercial and passenger vehicles including financing of the vehicles sold by the Company. These, in the context of Accounting Standard 17 on Segment Reporting, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, are considered to constitute one single primary segment.
- 6) As on July 1, 2006, 3 Investor complaints were outstanding. The Company received 62 complaints during the second quarter and resolved 18 complaints by September 30, 2006. There are 47 complaints unresolved as on September 30, 2006, out of which 44 complaints pertain to non-receipt of dividend.
- 7) The Statutory Auditors have carried out an audit of the results stated in (B) above for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2006. The above Results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and were approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on October 30, 2006.

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Particulars	Quarter ended Sept 30,		Six months ended Sept 30,		Year ended March 31,
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
1 Sales/Income from operations	8767.23	6243.74	16505.47	11412.54	27266.41
Less: Excise Duty	1064.57	814.86	2031.87	1505.64	3494.20
Net Sales/Income from operations	7702.66	5428.88	14473.60	9906.90	23772.21
2 Total Expenditure					
(a) (Increase) in stock in trade and work in progress	(142.49)	(136.60)	(574.02)	(537.85)	(238.30)
(b) Consumption of raw materials & components and purchase of products for sale	5348.18	3832.68	10251.27	7156.66	16259.20
(c) Staff Cost	613.59	394.45	1157.44	782.26	1783.11
(d) Other expenditure	961.19	657.74	1942.71	1267.12	2919.96
(e) Sub Total 2(a) to 2(d)	6780.47	4748.27	12777.40	8668.19	20723.97
3 Operating Profit [1-2]	922.19	680.61	1696.20	1238.71	3048.24
4 Other Income	95.05	59.25	112.36	69.54	243.55
5 Interest (Net)	100.87	49.52	179.31	103.33	246.01
6 Product development expenditure	17.52	5.81	27.84	13.17	71.77
7 Depreciation	169.30	148.96	334.78	297.09	623.31
8 Amortisation of Deferred Revenue Expenditure in Subsidiaries	0.06	—	0.12	—	0.02
9 Profit after depreciation and interest [3+4-5-6-7-8]	729.49	535.57	1266.51	894.66	2350.68
10 Exceptional Items					
a) Provision for diminution in value of investments (net)	0.03	—	0.50	—	1.70
b) Employee Separation Cost	0.14	—	0.14	—	—
c) Sub Total 10 (a) and 10(b)	0.17	—	0.64	—	1.70
11 Profit Before Tax [9-10]	729.32	535.57	1265.87	894.66	2348.98
12 Less: Tax Expense	187.32	142.95	343.72	246.17	640.00
13 Profit After Tax [11-12]	542.00	392.62	922.15	648.49	1708.98
14 Adjustment of Miscellaneous Expenditure in Subsidiaries	(0.03)	(1.56)	(0.07)	(1.56)	(2.53)
15 Share of Minority Interest	(15.31)	(3.79)	(27.89)	(5.85)	(22.29)
16 Profit in respect of investments in Associate Companies	9.78	6.04	23.92	13.74	43.93
17 Profit for the period	536.44	393.31	918.11	654.82	1728.09
18 Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face value of Rs.10 each)	385.21	376.30	385.21	376.30	382.87
19 Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve					5722.21

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20 Basic EPS (not annualised)	Rupees	13.95	10.45	23.92	17.40	45.86
21 Diluted EPS (not annualised)	Rupees	13.24	9.84	22.68	16.39	43.15

Notes:-

1) Figures for previous year have been regrouped / reclassified wherever necessary, to make them comparable. As per the Listing agreement, the Company is required to publish consolidated financial results on an annualised basis. The Company has decided to voluntarily make available the financial results on a consolidated basis so as to enable an investor facilitate a comparison of the financial performance between stand alone and consolidated basis.

2) Reportable operating segment of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries consists of Automotive and Others. Automotive segment consists of business of automobile products consisting of all types of commercial and passenger vehicles including financing of the vehicles sold by the Company. Others primarily include construction equipment, engineering solutions, and software operations.

(Rs in Crores)

	Quarter ended Sept 30, 2006	Quarter ended Sept 30, 2005	Six months ended Sept 30, 2006	Six months ended Sept 30, 2005	Year ended March 31, 2006
A Segment Revenues					
Net sales/Income from Operations					
- Automotive and related activity	7135.25	5118.03	13387.76	9343.90	22195.16
- Others	613.78	361.63	1204.91	651.40	1806.87
Total segment revenue	7749.03	5479.66	14592.67	9995.30	24002.03
Add/(Less):- Inter segment revenue	(46.37)	(50.78)	(119.07)	(88.40)	(229.82)
Net segment revenue	7702.66	5428.88	14473.60	9906.90	23772.21
B Segment Results before Interest exceptional items and tax					
- Automotive and related activity	672.91	498.15	1215.58	876.37	2189.40
- Others	68.16	34.34	122.18	53.65	170.13
Total segment results	741.07	532.49	1337.76	930.02	2359.53
Add/(Less):-Inter segment eliminations	(5.76)	(6.65)	(4.30)	(1.57)	(0.71)
Net segment results	735.31	525.84	1333.46	928.45	2358.82
Add/(Less):-Unallocable income	95.05	59.25	112.36	69.54	243.55
Add/(Less):-Interest expense	(100.87)	(49.52)	(179.31)	(103.33)	(246.01)
Add/(Less):-Exceptional Items	(0.17)	-	(0.64)	-	(7.38)
Total Profit before Tax	729.32	535.57	1265.87	894.66	2348.98
C Capital employed (segment assets less segment liabilities)			As at September 30, 2006	As at September 30, 2005	As at March 31, 2006
- Automotive and related activity			10726.61	7154.31	8447.17
- Others			682.67	950.04	697.51
Total Capital employed			11409.28	8104.35	9144.68

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Add/(less):- Inter segment	(142.79)	(579.06)	(158.12)
Capital employed	11266.49	7525.29	8986.56

3) The share of profit (net) in respect of investments in associate companies include profit of Rs. 25.18 crores and loss of Rs. 0.53 crore, considered on the basis of Unaudited Financial Statements for the half year ended September 30, 2006.

4) The Consolidated financial statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the individual financial results for the quarter/ half year ended September 30, 2006.

5) The Statutory Auditors have carried out an audit of the results above for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2006. The above Results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and were approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on October 30, 2006.

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