

# STRATEGY

# Our strategy for better tomorrow

Our strategic priorities are directed towards delivering strong returns to shareholders, driving consistent value-creation and creating a stronger and more sustainable organisation with enhanced competitiveness.

#### **Our strategies**

# Strategic Focus Area 1: Expand Capacities

#### Progress made during the year

- Commissioned capacity installation at Spent Sulfuric Acid Concentration (SAC) plant for captive power consumption as well as reduced procurement from open market
- Undertook debottlenecking and commissioning of capacity of Phenol plant
- Greenfield project for acetone derivatives MIBK and MIBC is underway and expected to be commissioned in FY 2024-25
- Backward integration projects in key raw materials, fluorination and photochlorination are ongoing and will be commissioning in FY 2023-24
- Acid Plant is under implementation and commissioning is expected in Q4 of FY 2023-24

- Approved project for Polycarbonate compounding in line with our commitment to enter Polymer compounding business to participate in India's large and niche requirements in 5G, electronics, EVs, defence and medical devices
- Approved project for manufacturing Sodium Nitrite in Oman plant
- Elevated capacity utilisation on a sustained basis

#### **KPIs**

- Optimum capacity utilisation
- · Cost optimisation
- Operational efficiency

#### FY 2023-24 priorities

 Commissioning of various brownfield and greenfield projects in a phased manner • Planned capacity expansion is expected to add further volume growth and strengthen market share

# Material issues addressed / impacted

- Supply chain efficiency and logistics management
- Growth and profitability
- Customer and supplier relationships

## **Capitals Impacted**



# **Strategic Focus Area 2: Enhance Margins**

# Progress made during the year

- Optimise product mix with
  high-margin, value-added products
- Continued process optimisation, productivity improvements and energy conservation to reduce costs
- Improve asset fungibility in line with customer's schedule for key intermediates

#### KPIs

- Optimum operating margin
- Cost of goods sold
- Earnings Per Share
- Profit Before Tax

#### FY 2023-24 priorities

- Improve operational efficiency of manufacturing and logistics network
- Continue to focus on growing product segment to achieve better margins

# Material issues addressed / impacted

Growth and profitability

# **Capitals Impacted**



## Strategic Focus Area 3: Operational excellence and safety

#### **Progress made during the year**

- Asset integrity study & OEE across all locations to improve productivity and reduce effluents in existing plants
- Enhance use of narrow band technologies for manufacturing and automation
- Ensuring better capacity utilisation and better process towards cost leadership
- Adequate steps undertaken to ensure safety like process automation to eliminate human error, enhanced training and frequent audits, stringent measures and protocols

#### **KPIs**

- Optimum plant utilisation
- Improve SHE aspects

#### FY 2023-24 priorities

- Continue to operate at optimum capacity
- Efforts to enhance safety and operational efficiencies

# Material issues addressed / impacted

- Health and safety
- Digitisation

# **Capitals Impacted**



## Strategic Focus Area 4: Widen product portfolio

## Progress made during the year

- Meaningfully enhance core technology platforms including nitration, reduction and diazotisation; and build platforms including fluorination and photochlorination
- Investment in manufacturing products that utilise core technology platforms for new agrochemical and pharmaceutical intermediates
- Setting up facilities for downstream or value accretive products

#### KPIs

New products launched during the year

#### FY 2023-24 priorities

- Focus on new product development to drive growth
- Improve operational efficiency across the manufacturing network
- Logistics excellence

# Material issues addressed / impacted

- Product innovation
- Sustainable chemistry

#### **Capitals Impacted**



#### **Strategic Focus Area 5: Sustainable growth**

#### **Progress made during the year**

- Sustained alignment to Responsible Care, Together for Sustainability (TfS) and Nicer Globe affiliation
- Focus on value from waste initiatives
- Conduct regular energy audits for all locations
- Promote a positive HSE culture and maintain safe operations
- Proactive compliance with all local and national regulatory requirements

#### **KPIs**

- Reduction of specific
  freshwater consumption
- CSR spends, beneficiaries and impact
- Energy conservation efficiency

#### FY 2023-24 priorities

• To achieve 90+ TfS score across all our plants

# Material issues addressed / impacted

- Climate change
- Health and safety
- Customer relationships
- Community development

#### **Capitals Impacted**

