

Mumbai, 15th May 2020 – Onward Technologies Ltd. (BSE: 517536 | NSE: ONWARDTEC) announces its results for Financial Year 2019-20, ending 31st March 2020.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & HIGHLIGHTED RATIOS

- Revenue was Rs 272.60 crores, up 4% from FY 18-19
- EBITDA was Rs 24.43 crores, up 3.5% from FY 18-19
- PAT was Rs 6.23 crores
- Dividend of Rs 1.5/- per equity share has been recommended
- EPS was at Rs 3.90 per share

Commenting on the company performance, Managing Director, Mr. Jigar Mehta said, "I'm pleased to share the FY 19-20 annual performance of the company where we achieved out **top primary goal of Net Debt Zero** at a consolidated level. This was possible with the phenomenal effort of our entire team globally with high level focus on customer service & providing superior quality deliverables on time-every time.

We achieved the Zero Net Debt goal in early Q3 and since then had increased our investment in hiring large number of talented people to deliver growth in 2020 with our existing clients in North America & Europe. Covid-19 took us by complete surprise & we were not prepared for the total client shutdown in March and early Q1 of FY 20-21. Our teams took lot of bold BCP initiatives and have majority of the client projects up and running. This had a major impact on our Q4 performance along with the preplanned closure of loss-making initiatives. The impact is one time.

We have taken corrective steps of bringing down the operations and infrastructure costs & continue to collaborate with all our customers to support them in these critical times. Work from home (WFH) as engagement model is becoming new normal and our customers are accepting the change. We have successfully put entire ODCs under this model and are delivering with same effectiveness. This needed special focus on trainings, team and work management, data security aspects in terms of protecting customer IP, and necessary compliance agreements."

Key highlights:

- In an environment where customers are looking for reliable, strategic partners and not merely transactions, Onward Technologies continues to add to its portfolio of top global companies across industries. In FY 2019-20, we were selected as preferred supplier to 5 additional global 1000 companies. Most noteworthy is the fact that these partnerships are not only in our legacy engineering business, but also in our new-age digital transformation and Industry 4.0 capabilities
- Adoption of IND AS accounting standards
 Onward Technologies voluntarily adopted IND AS 116 accounting standards. The short term impact is a negative impact on profitability of Rs 1.19 crores, but this ensures the aim of becoming a global organisation is not diluted
- IT Refunds

An amount of approximately Rs 11+ crores remains due to the Company in the form of tax refunds. Our focus is to aggressively shore up these funds in the coming quarters, and further strengthen the overall cash position of the Company.

Employee satisfaction

As Onward Technologies enters the 30th year of operations, the organisation remains committed as ever to engage, retain and nurture top talent. Introduction of the ESOP 2019 scheme is one of the steps in this direction.

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About Onward Technologies Limited

For global manufacturers and OEMs, Onward Technologies is the services provider that translates your vision into reality with flawless execution and capabilities across digital transformation suite, embedded systems, engineering services, data analytics, AI and ML.

We are on a mission to help clients shape the imagination of a new world by leveraging our domain knowledge and delivery experience across connected systems, Engineering R&D and Digital transformations.

We strive to add value to every customer requirement with the right deployment of experts, capabilities and systems for perfect execution and nimble turnaround.

Established in 1991, Onward Technologies caters to customers who are leading players in their respective fields.

Onward Technologies is listed on Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE: 517536) and National Stock Exchange (NSE: ONWARDTEC).

Certifications:

- ISO 9001:2015 quality certified
- ISO 27001: 2005 information & data security certified

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