



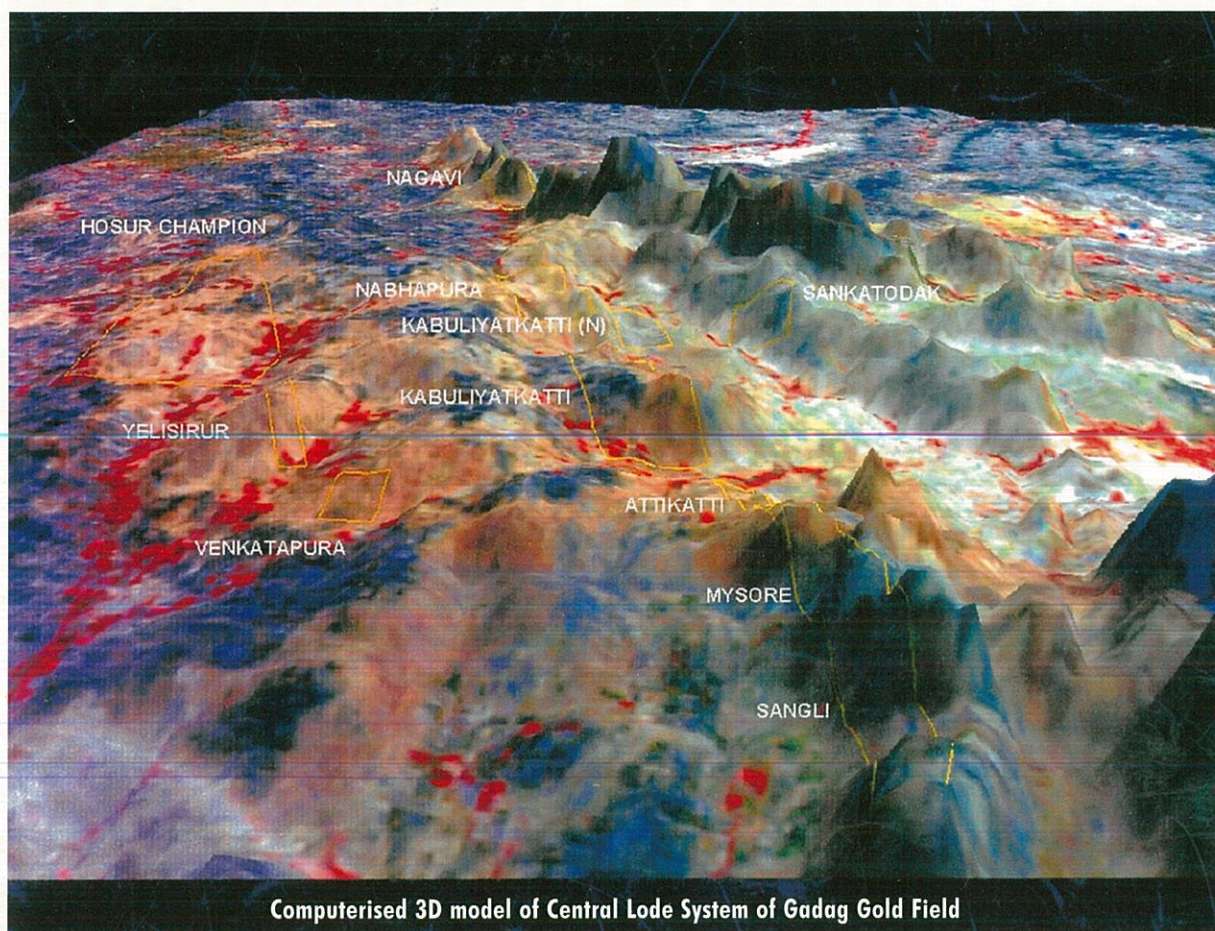
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IN SEARCH OF THE YELLOW METAL



The Baldota Group, having established its leadership in Iron Ore Mining, has diversified into Gold Exploration in Karnataka. The Govt. of Karnataka has sanctioned 1233.05 Sq. Km. of area as Reconnaissance Permit (RP) in Gadag Schist-Belt to RMMPL, a unit of the Baldota Group. RMMPL has developed an exploration team under the leadership of Mr. R.H.Sowcar, and Prof. R.P. Viljoen of South Africa, as a consultant. The team has identified three significant lode systems namely Central, Eastern and Western lode and 30 potential target areas classified as hotspots, green field and blue-sky area, based on their potentialities. The detailed exploration work in the identified target areas is in progress in the RP area, which has a number of old workings.

"Build the gap between possibility and reality"

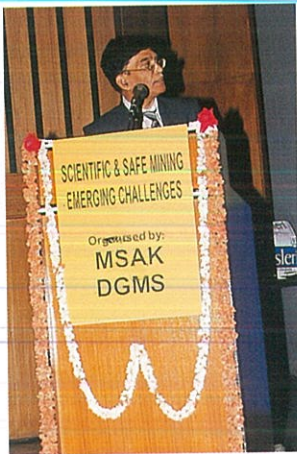
CONTINUOUS LEARNING

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON SCIENTIFIC AND SAFE MINING – EMERGING CHALLENGES



Inaugural Function of the seminar, From L to R: Mr. Ashok Dalawai, Secretary, Department of Commerce and Industries, Karnataka, Mr. V. Muniyappa, Minister of Mines and Geology, Govt. of Karnataka, Mr. A.K. Rudra, Director General of Mines Safety, Mr. Narendra A. Baldota, Chairman, Mines Safety Association Karnataka

MSPL co-sponsored the National Seminar on **“Scientific & Safe Mining – Emerging Challenges”**, held on 2nd & 3rd of July 2002, at Bangalore. The seminar was organized by the Mine Safety Association Karnataka (MSAK) under the aegis of DGMS. About 350 delegates from all over India participated in the two-day deliberations.



Mr. Meda Venkataiah, GM (Mines), MSPL, presenting his paper

The topics of the seminar were: Adopting scientific mining by deploying advanced techniques in exploration, drilling & blasting, excavation, and transportation. Mr. Meda Venkataiah, General Manager (Mines), MSPL, presented a technical paper on **“Need for Modernization in Mining in Bellary-Hospet Sector”**.

MSPL's Gas Division exhibited their environment-friendly, economic and safe Liquid Oxygen Explosive – VILOX. Mr. K. Prabhudevappa, General Manager (Marketing), presented a paper on usage and advantages of VILOX. MSPL sponsored a cultural programme of Fusion Music and Dance on the first day of the seminar.



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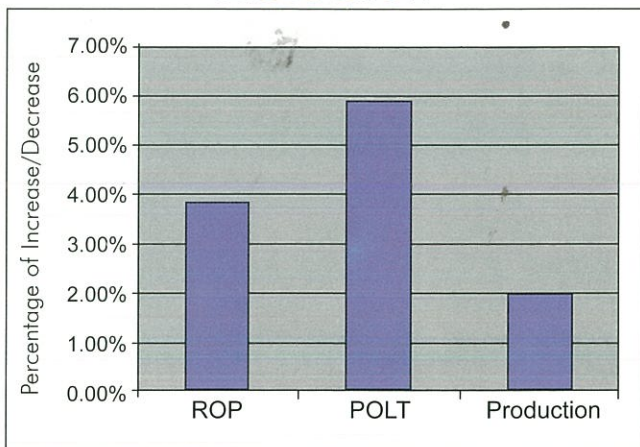
“You must be the change, for you want the world to change”

NEWS FROM GAS DIVISION

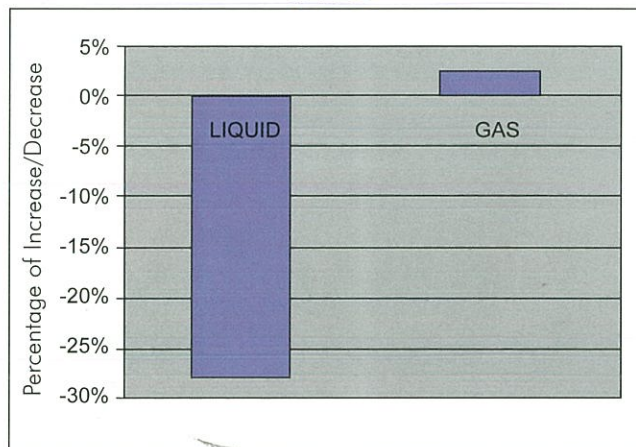
II-QUARTER PERFORMANCE

In comparison to the second quarter of the previous year, there was an increase of 2% in Production, 3.6% increase in the Rate of Production (ROP) and 5.8% in plant on line time (POLT). **Kudos to the Production team.** The sales showed a growth of 2% in gas and – 28% in liquid business.

PRODUCTION



SALES



ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT BEYOND BOUNDARIES



Mr. Murali Manohar, General Manager, Donimalai Iron Ore Mines, NMDC, receiving the "Abheraj Baldota Environment Award" from Sadhvi Uma Bharathi, Cabinet Minister, Coal & Mines, Government of India

To nurture awareness about the need for Environment Conservation in the mining industry in India, MSPL has instituted the "Abheraj Baldota Environmental Award" through Federation of Indian Mining Industry (FIMI), in the year 1990-91. This year, the award was won by Donimalai Iron Ore Mine of M/s NMDC.

The following are the proud recipients of this award, for the last five years.

2001 – 02	–	Donimalai Iron Ore Mine, M/s NMDC
2000 – 01	–	Vyasanakere Iron Ore Mine, M/s MSPL LIMITED
1999 – 00	–	Gujarat Ambuja Limestone Mine, M/s GACL
1998 – 99	–	Codli Iron Ore Mine, M/s Sesa Goa
1997 – 98	–	Bailadila Iron Ore Project, M/s NMDC

"Wake up every morning knowing that someone is doing better than what you are doing"

WINDOW TO THE WORLD MARKET-MINERALS, METALS, METALLURGY & MATERIALS TRADE FAIR



Mr. Rahul N. Baldota, Executive Director, MSPL (third from left) explaining the product profile to Sadhvi Uma Bharathi, Cabinet Minister, Coal & Mines, Government of India, also seen first from left: Mr. Narendra Kumar Baldota, Joint Managing Director, MSPL

MSPL participated in the fifth Minerals, Metals, Metallurgy & Materials Trade Fair held from September 12th-15th, 2002. The MSPL stall was inaugurated by Sadhvi Uma Bharathi, Cabinet Minister, Coal & Mines, Government of India. The Trade Fair provided an excellent platform for displaying to the world, MSPL's world-class products, state-of-the-art technology, services and capabilities.

The Trade Fair also provided an avenue for MSPL to interact with heads of Industry, Consultants, Central & State Government Officials, Financial Institutions, and Chief Executives of various companies.



Distinguished Guest to MSPL Pavilion (third from left): Smt. Uma Madhava Reddy, Minister of Mines and Industries, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, to her left is Mr. Narendra Kumar Baldota, Joint Managing Director, MSPL and Mr. Rahul N. Baldota, Executive Director, MSPL, with officials and delegates

GANESH POOJA



Mr. & Mrs. Meda Venkataiah paying obeisance during Ganesh Homa

Tradition, Culture and Festivals find a special place at MSPL. This year, Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated grandly, on 10.09.2002. On this auspicious day, a special Pooja with Homa was conducted in the Ganesh Temple at Vysanakere Mines.

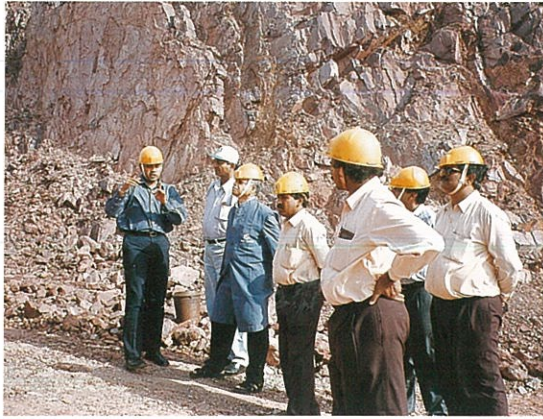
Employees of MSPL and people from nearby villages gathered at the temple to seek the blessings of Lord Ganesha. A large-scale feeding was organized, in which, over 5000 people participated.



A view of Mass Feeding

"Challenge your own performance and limits"

DELEGATES' VISIT



From L to R: Mr. Shrenik N. Baldota, Executive Director, MSPL, Capt. Raja Rao, Technical Advisor, Environment, Mr. Padmanabhan, Secretary, Tungabhadra Board, Mr. E. Shivraj, Manager-Quality Control, MSPL and Mr. P.N. Krishnamurthy, Mines Manager, MSPL, with other officials of MSPL



Dr. U.V. Singh, Conservator of Forests (Conservation), Forest Department, Govt. of Karnataka, in discussion with the officials of MSPL

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Independence Day celebrations were held in the Head Office premises, Shri Rahul N. Baldota, Executive Director hoisted the flag and paid respect to Mother India. The employees of MSPL gathered at the lawns of the office and paid their respect to the martyrs who laid their lives for the independence of our beloved country.



Independence Day celebrations at Head Office

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – MSPL

JULY 2002



Sri Y. Rayappa

Sri Y. Rayappa merits recognition for his sincerity shown in spotting the damage of Side bearing of 160KVA DG set and for his proactive action which prevented the possible damage to the conveyor system in the processing plant.

AUG 2002



Sri B. Narayana

Sri B. Narayana and Sri P. Rajasab merit recognition for their efficient monitoring of issue and consumption of HSD and Lubricants, that resulted in reduction of consumption of HSD and Lubricants by 10%.



Sri P. Rajasab

SEP 2002



Sri M. Srinivasulu

Sri M. Srinivasulu merits recognition for his skills shown in managing the loading and hauling machine combination which resulted in increasing the productivity.

“Reward results not ideas”

SEMINAR ON AYURVEDIC TREATMENT



A section of the Doctors who participated in the seminar on Ayurveda

"The Magic of Ayurveda" is what the westerners have termed this age-old medical treatment, which has its roots in India. This age-old medical treatment has witnessed enormous development in the recent times. To create awareness in the latest development, MSPL sponsored a seminar on Ayurveda. This seminar was conducted by The Ayurvedic Medical Association of India (AMAI), on 4.8.2002, at Hotel Malligi, Hospet, which saw about 150 Ayurvedic Doctors from all over Karnataka participating.

NEWS FROM BLOOD BANK



Smt. Vasanti Devi Baldota Blood Bank

Smt. Vasanti Devi Baldota Blood Bank's yeomen services have grown to the areas in and around Hospet. In the second quarter, it issued 242 units. The service provided is round-the-clock and it attends to all emergency cases. In this quarter, it attended to eight emergency cases. The Blood Bank's timely service saved the life of all the eight patients.

SPONSORSHIP OF INTER TALUK SPORTS



Seen in the Taluk Level Sports Function, from L to R: Mr. Kumaraswamy, President, P.E. Teacher Association, Hospet, Mr. Halappa, Education & Health Committee Member, Zilla Panchayat, Bellary, Mr. B.S.K.Prasad, Block Education Officer, Hospet

Sports has a special place in MSPL. In line with the same, MSPL sponsored the 65th Taluk Level High School Sports for the year 2002-03, that was held from 02.09.02 to 04.09.02 at Hospet. School children from Hospet, Kamalapur, Kampli and Maranmanahalli participated in this meet.

"Charity sees the need not the cause"

BLOOD DONATION CAMP



Blood donation in progress

A Blood Donation Camp of Sandur Educational Society, Sandur, was held at Smt. Vasanti Devi Baldota Blood Bank on 28.09.02. 18 students participated in this Blood Donation Camp.

LIONS CHILDREN PARK



Children enjoying the new facilities at Lions Children Park

Lions Children Park, maintained by MSPL got a facelift with the addition of Swing, See Saw, and Small Wheel. The facilities were dedicated to public on 23.09.02.



The merry-go-round for the Children at Lions Children Park

FIGHTING THE DREADED DISEASE

Cancer Research Institute, Hubli, renders yeomen service in fighting the dreaded disease of Cancer. MSPL Limited, in continuation of its Corporate Citizenship has donated Rs. 1 lakh to Cancer Research Institute, Hubli.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – RMMPL

JULY 2002



Sri M. Akbar

Sri M.Akbar merits recognition for his excellence shown in maintaining the drill compressor that resulted in enhanced productivity.

AUG 2002



Sri Basavaraj Itagi

Sri Basavaraj Itagi merits recognition for his efficient matching of loading and hauling machines, that resulted in optimum utilization of the machinery and enhanced productivity.

SEP 2002



Sri R. Venkatesh

Sri R.Venkatesh merits recognition for his skills shown in overhauling and maintenance of engines, that resulted in reduction of cost and increased machine available time.

REPORT FROM OUR WEATHER STATION

MONTH	AVERAGE WIND SPEED – Km/hr	Min. Temp. Degree Celsius	Max. Temp. Degree Celsius	Total Rainfall mm
JULY – 2002	4.68	16.5	31.5	82.30
AUG – 2002	4.79	22.5	34.0	56.75
SEP – 2002	4.53	21.5	35.5	21.00

**“If you don't grow it or hunt it,
you have to mine it.”**



*Everything that's not plant or animal
is a mineral
and mining is at the very core of
development*

*Leading mankind from micro to macro
metal to machinery, ores to buildings, stone
to jewellery
even minerals to life-saving drugs...*

***MSPL... Reinforcing the
importance of the mining industry
through sustainable development.***



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