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Zee Learn Limited announces first ever dividend and 7 fold growth in PAT for Q2 FY17

Declares first time Dividend of 5% to Equity Shareholders PAT at Rs. 759 lakhs for Q2 FY17; increases 7 fold over Q2 FY16

Mumbai, 21st October, 2016: Zee Learn Limited (ZLL), India's leading Education company and India's Most Trusted Diversified Education Brand, today reported its Q2 FY17 unaudited results which continues to surpass all the previous financial results of the Company for the quarter. The company's PAT at 759 Lakhs for Q2 FY17 became 7 fold over the Q2 FY16. The company's PAT at 1560 Lakhs in H1 FY17 became 3 fold over H1 FY16 and in fact exceeds the PAT for the full FY16. The Company's reported EBITDA in Q2 FY17 doubled to around 40 % from around 20 % in Q2 FY16.

On the backdrop of its sterling performance, the Board of Directors declared a first ever Interim Dividend of 5% to the Equity Shareholders of the Company.

Financial Highlights:

Rs in Lakhs

Particulars	Q2 FY 17	Q1 FY 17	Q2 FY 16	H1 FY 17	H1 FY 16	FY 16
Revenue from Operation	3355.7	4206.4	3069.8	7562.1	6649.0	13900.9
Operating EBITDA	1169.9	1296.8	566.9	2466.7	1387.0	3175.9
Operating EBITDA (%)	35%	31%	18%	33%	21%	23%
Other Income	165.9	168.3	50.9	334.3	109.4	337.7
Reported EBITDA	1335.8	1465.1	617.8	2801.0	1496.4	3513.6
Reporting EBITDA (%)	40%	35%	20%	37%	23%	25%
Finance Cost	361.0	379.8	369.8	740.9	698.2	1438.5
Depreciation	105.7	172.2	140.4	277.9	294.8	568.2
РВТ	869.1	913.1	107.6	1782.2	503.4	1506.9
PBT (%)	26%	22%	4%	24%	8%	11%
Tax Provision	109.9	111.3	i i i	221.3	-	-
PAT	759.2	801.8	107.6	1560.9	503.4	1506.9
PAT (%)	23%	19%	4%	21%	8%	11%



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"Mr. Debshankar Mukhopadhyay, Chief Executive Officer, said that we are pleased to announce an Interim Dividend for the first time at Zee Learn Limited. This shows our commitment to the shareholders who believed in us and continued to invest in the Company. Speaking on the results, he said that Q2 & H1 FY17 were remarkable for us and our strategy to focus on our strengths has resulted in delivering the profits which are multiple times more than the profits delivered during the last financial year. ZLL through its varied forays including Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE), K-12 School Education, Youth and Vocational education is playing a strong and transformational role in India's education system. I am confident that ZLL will continue to grow its business and is committed to create long-term value for its franchisees, parents and students, shareholders, employees and all the stakeholders."

Zee Learn Limited:

Zee Learn Limited is an Essel Group Company listed on National Stock Exchange (NSE), Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) and on Luxemburg Stock Exchange, and is India's leading company in education segment with the fastest growing chain of K-12 schools and Asia's No 1 chain of pre-schools in its portfolio. The Company through its brand 'Zee Institute of Media Arts' (ZIMA), a TV and Film training institute, offers Certificate courses in Direction, Acting, Sound, Editing, Production and Cinematography. Another offering from the company, 'Zee Institute of Creative Art' (ZICA) is the nation's first full-fledged Classical and Digital Animation Training Academy that trains youth in classical 2D and modern 3D animation.

Recent Recognitions for Zee Learn:

- 1. Zee Learn Ltd is India's "Most Trusted organization in Diversified Education" according to Trust Research Advisory (TRA) for two consecutive years.
- 2. Zee Learn Ltd has been award with National Award for Marketing Excellence in Education Sector
- 3. **Kidzee** has been rated the **Most Trusted Preschool brand** by Trust Research Advisory as also the **"Most Attractive Brand"** in the **Preschool category** by same organization.
- 4. **Kidzee** was recently Awarded **"Early Childhood Playschool Chain of the Year National, 2016"** at the recent Indian Education Awards.
- 5. Mount Litera Zee School Awarded "K-12 School Chain of the year" at India Education Conclave 2015
- 6. Kidzee Ranked among India's Top 100 Business Opportunities by Franchise India in 2015
- 7. In 2015, Zee Learn Ltd was also conferred with "Make In India Award for Excellence"

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