## **CEAT's TQM Journey**

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### Introduction

One of India's leading tyre companies with over 60 yrs of presence

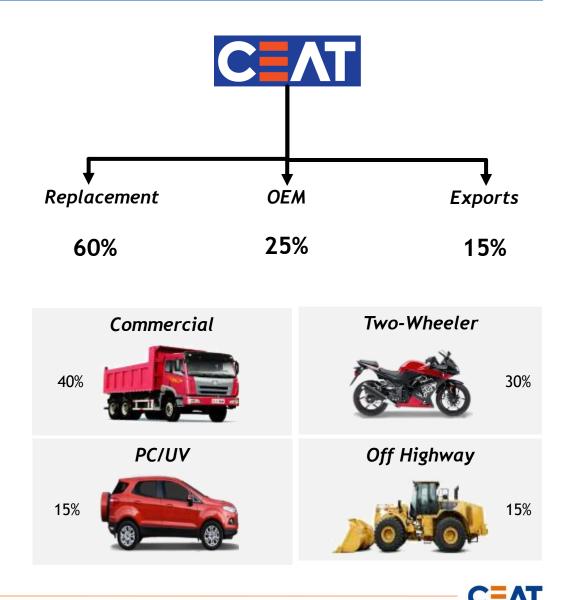
Network: **3400+** dealers, **300+** exclusive CEAT franchisees

**7** Manufacturing facilities:

Mumbai, Nasik, Halol, Nagpur, Ambernath, Chennai & Sri Lanka

**100+** countries with strong brand recall

Ranked among **Top 35** Indian companies to work by GPTW institute



### Situation before FY11





#### **Old Plants**



#### Old plants with low reliability

#### Adverse IR relationship



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## **High Cost Focus**

- Long production cycle
- Full Truck Load dispatches

• Tonnage and Conversion Cost

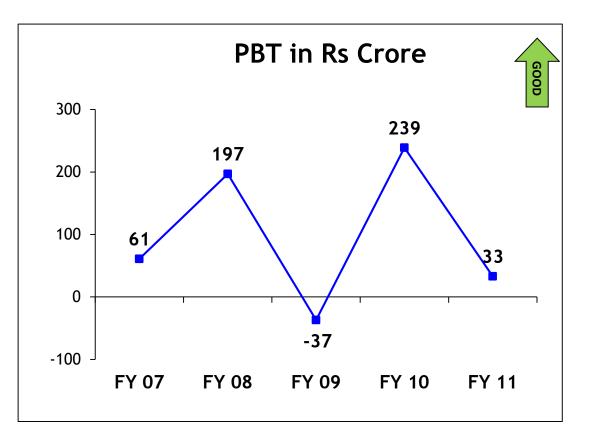


- Low customer satisfaction
- 30% Stock outs

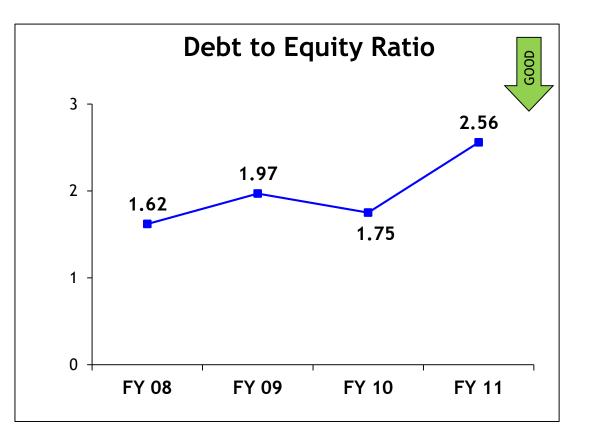
• Irregular maintenance

• Frequent Breakdowns





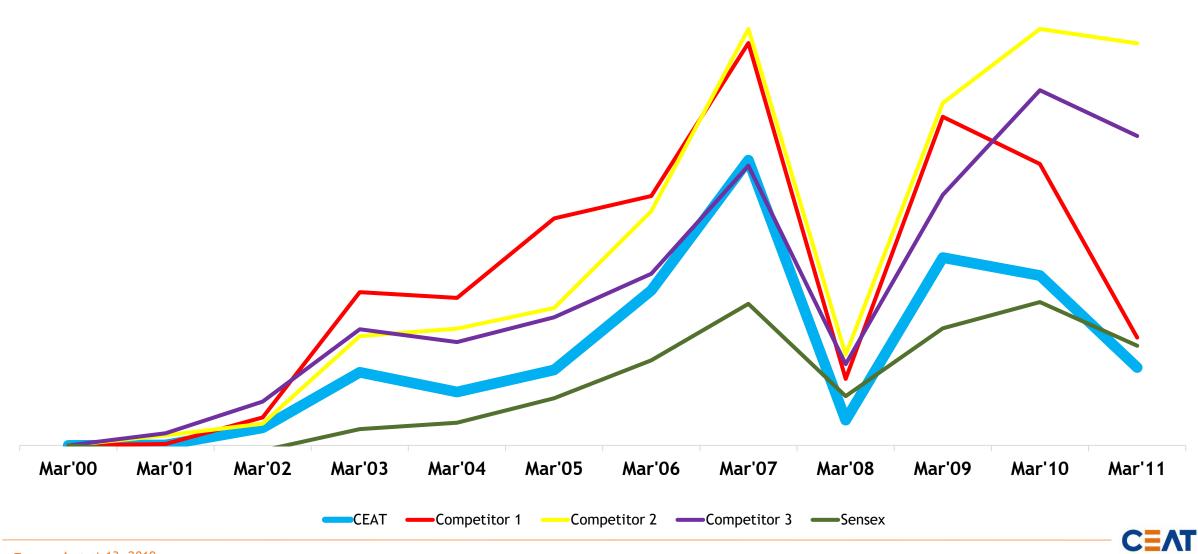
#### **Volatile Profits**



#### High Debt to Equity Ratio



### Lowest growth in Market Cap



## Our TQM Journey





## Why TQM?

- We were in a near crisis situation
- There was no CEAT's way: "flavour of the month" initiative
- Fire Fighting culture
- Silo based working
- Short term unsustainable
- No clear story low excitement

## Why TQM?

Indian automobile and component businesses were following TQM model

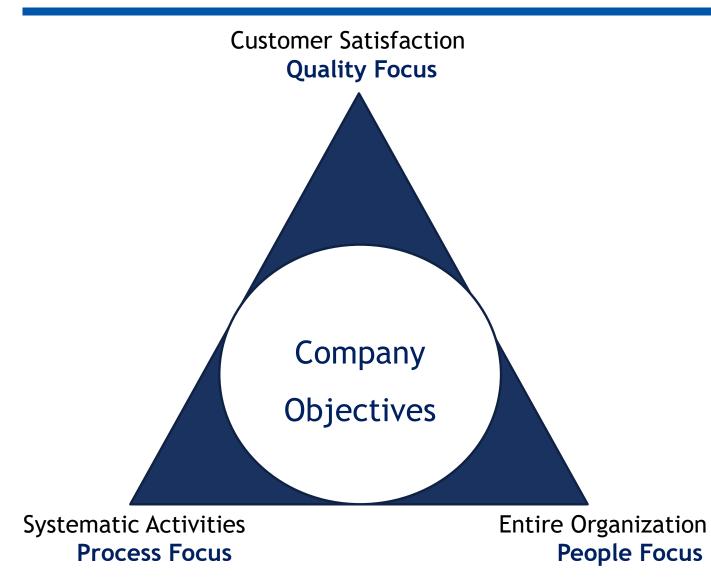
Could this be adopted by CEAT?

In 2006-07, 4 members of CEAT top management:

 a) Attended JUSE's TQM seminar
 b) Also made visits to Deming prize winning companies In 2008, TQM awareness workshop was conducted by Indian TQM expert.

We decided to take a leap of faith and adopted TQM

## **CEATs definition of TQM**



• TQM in CEAT is called QBM

(Quality Based Management)

- QBM has adopted principles from
  - Total Quality Management (TQM)
  - Toyota Production System (TPS)
  - Total Productive Maintenance (TPM)

#### **QBM** Initiatives

- QBM Piloted in Old Plants
  - Muri Elimination
  - Improving Trust levels with Workmen
- Initiated Cross-Functional Management
  - Delivery Control
  - Quality Assurance

#### QBM Early Success provided confidence for Company wide roll-out

- ~1000 Muri eliminated in plants
- Accidents in plants reduced by 20%
- Delivery metric improved from 59% to 72%
- Workmen trust level with management went up



Workmen Training - Overcoming boundaries



Recognition to Worker with his family

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### **Doubts in our mind**

Argumentative Indian

All lights green

Is this "flavor of the month"?

Too long term

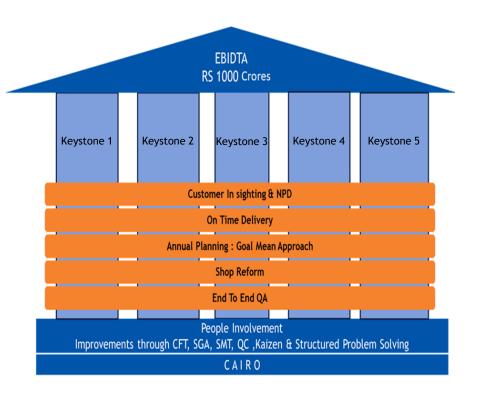
Different levels of belief, capability and alignment across functions

- 1. Top management belief- went "All- in"
- 2. Sensei to guide us
- 3. Set up Academies to learn and train
- 4. Bottom up buy in through small successes



#### **QBM** Initiatives

- Deployed company Vision and Strategy through Policy Management
- Initiated Customer Centric practices in all functions
- Strengthened adoption of PDCA and SDCA cycles through Daily Management
- Encouraged Total Employee Involvement in improvement activities



Vision 2012-2016



## Improvement in infrastructure of old plants

#### Challenges

- Frequent work stoppages
- High level of Muri, accidents and absenteeism
- Poor Infrastructure
- Low worker involvement and lack of trust

#### Initiatives

- Muri reduction & elimination of unsafe condition program
- Improving basic infrastructure of the plant
- Proactive collection of employee
  voices / irritants and resolving them



Before

#### Infrastructure development





## **Transformation in Neighbourhood Relationship**

#### Challenges

- High dissatisfaction in neighbourhood due to air and noise pollution
- Old plant buildings unwelcoming

#### Initiatives

- Dedicated welfare center
- Replaced fossil fuels with green fuels
- Improved plant appearance and infrastructure
- Community participation in plant celebrations



### Turnaround in Motorcycle strategy



### Improved Cross Functional Management

#### Challenges

#### Initiatives

• Working in functional silos	Area	Need
Time taken to resolve cross- functional issues was high Inadequate clarity of role and	Quality Assurance (QA)	Assure customer quality by developing end to end QA
	Delivery Control	Multi-layer 'Pull system' to deliver products on time to the customer from suppliers to channel partners
responsibility of functions in key business processes	Product Development	Develop and deliver products at targeted QCD

Created Cross Functional Councils Responsible for Systems and Policies

#### Cross-functional management has become a way of working at CEAT

### 2016-2017

#### Need for Development of Purpose

- Need a bigger aim than just the financials
- Gives us core reason to exist
- Motivates everyone towards the single goal at an organization level



#### Safer

- 2 deaths per minute in India due to road accidents
- 'Safety' identified as core consumer need

#### Smarter

 Reduce cost and time of travel and improve convenience through innovation in products and services

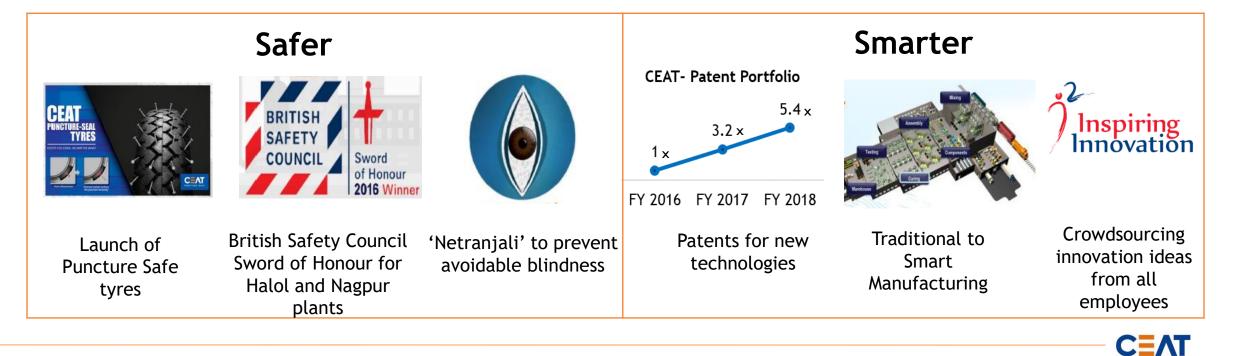
#### Everyday

 Continuous Improvement in our way of working



### Living our Purpose



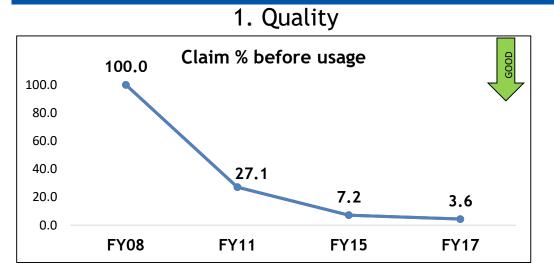


### **Overall Effects**



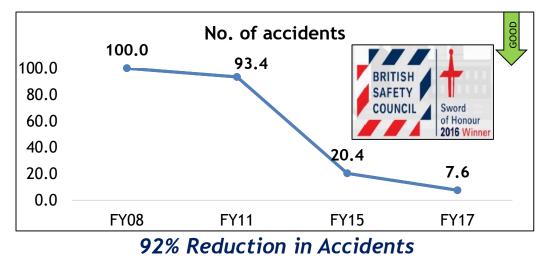


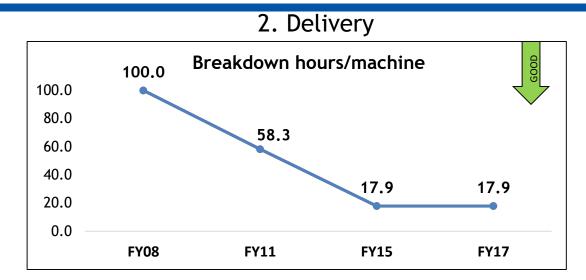
## Overall Effects: Quality, Delivery, Safety and Morale



96% Reduction in product claims (before first use)

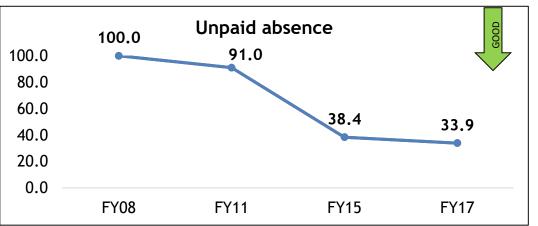
3. Safety





#### 82% Reduction in plant breakdown hours

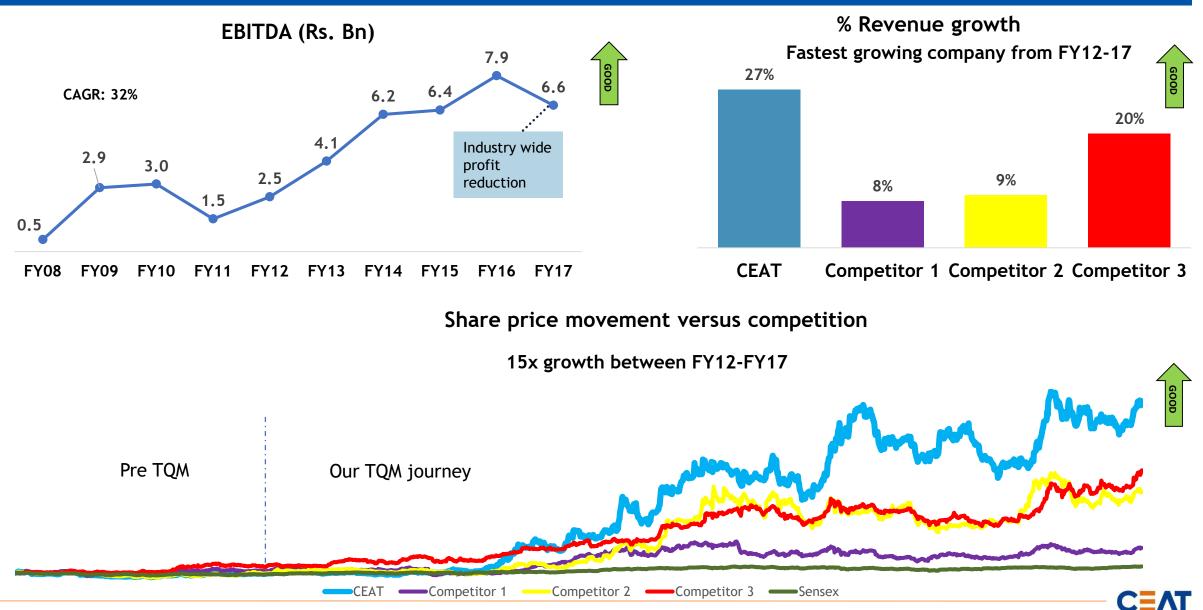
4. Morale



#### 66% Reduction in Unpaid Absence



### **Overall Effects: Financial**



### **Overall Effects: Customer**

No. 1 in J. D. Power Survey (2017) in Passenger car segment



#### No. 1 across all parameters

- > Appearance
- Durability
- ➢ Ride
- Traction Handling



### Recipient of Deming Prize in 2017



First Tyre Company outside Japan to win the Deming Prize



## Shift in Paradigm: from beginning to end of Deming Journey

#### From То Silo working 1. Cross functional working 1. 2. One way of working 2. Fire fighting Short term unsustainable 3. Long term planning linked to Vision 3 4. Experienced based improvement 4. Systematic problem solving (QIP)

Strong relations with OEMs and Suppliers

Higher Brand Recall

Improved problem solving capability

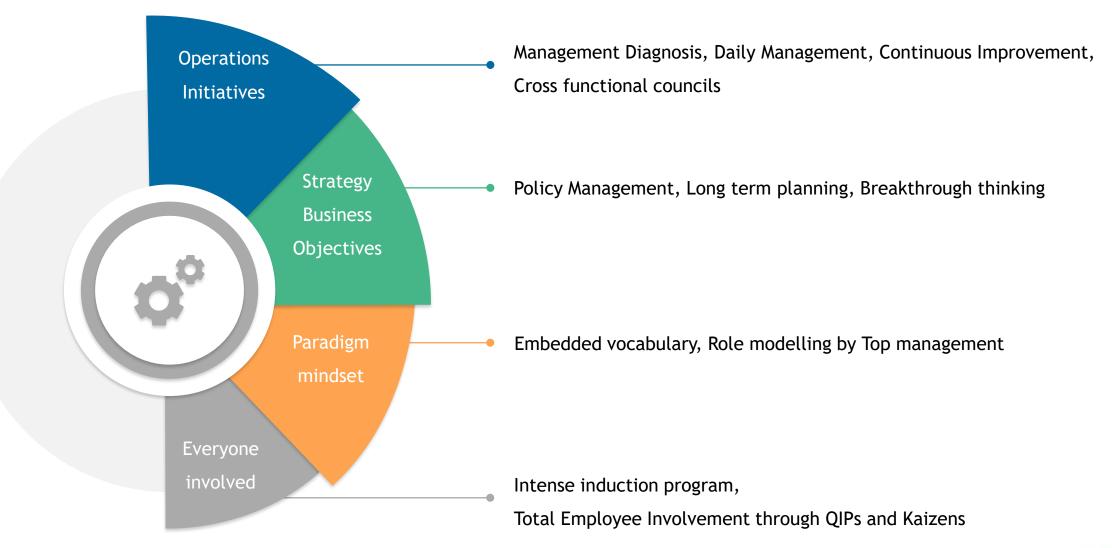
Happy and proud employees

Better team work and collaboration

Long term orientation in Capacity Planning, Technology & Product roadmap

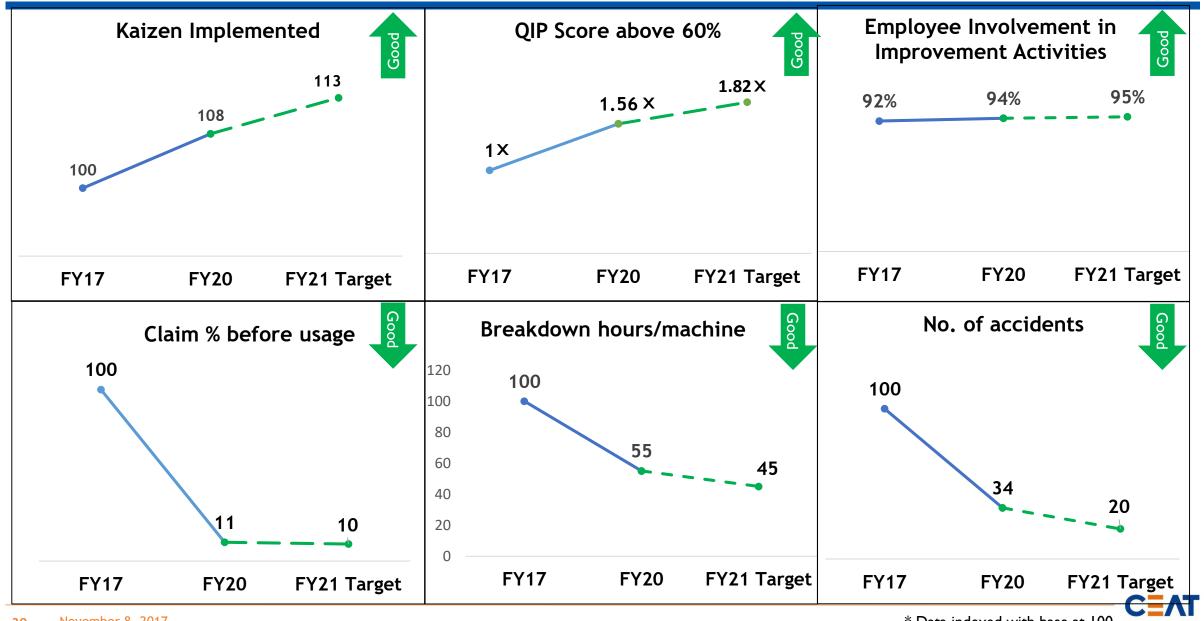


### 2018-2020 TQM Methodology for sustenance





### **Overall Effects: Sustenance post Deming**



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- 1. Take a leap of faith
- 2. Pilot and scale up
- 3. Constancy of purpose
- 4. Primary focus of business is quality and not quantity
- 5. Focus on means and not end
- 6. Do the right things (strategy). And do them in the right way (TQM).
- 7. Develop a culture of Gemba

# Thank You

