

# 'Aluminium demand to double to 16 mtpa in 10 yrs'

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Hindalco Industries, an Aditya Birla Group company, expects aluminium consumption to double to 16 million tonnes per annum in the next 10 years on strong domestic demand.

The company had initiated its highest-ever capex of ₹18,000 crore last fiscal to tap the growing opportunities. Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman, Hindalco Industries, told shareholders at the company's annual general meeting that the momentum across transport, railways, energy and construction is fuelling demand for customised metal solutions. For Hindalco, he said this is the blueprint of nation-building in real time, where aluminium and copper form the backbone of infrastructure, mobility and clean energy.

India's aluminium con-

sumption, already at 5.5 million tonnes in FY25, is poised to double over the next decade, signalling unprecedented growth opportunities ahead. Copper demand is growing at an accelerated pace, powered by urbanisation, digitalisation, clean energy adoption and electric vehicles, he added.

Hindalco is expanding its aluminium smelter at Aditya by 0.18 million tonnes per annum and further expanding to 0.36 million 3.6 lakh tonnes at Mahan. In addition, the company is setting up a greenfield 0.85 million tonne alumina refinery.

Besides, the company's resource security has been further strengthened with the allocation of the 12-million-tonne Meenakshi coal mine.

In copper, a 0.3 million tonne smelter expansion is underway at Dahej which, once completed, will make it the largest copper smelting complex in the world, outside China.