Where Theory Meets Reality: Our Industrial Visit to Silvassa

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Place: Silvassa, Dadra and Nagar Haveli

Companies Visited: Dabur and Filatex Textile

On **11 August**, we had the opportunity to visit **Silvassa** as a part of our industrial visit, where we explored two different organisations, **Dabur India Ltd.** and **Filatex Textile**. The main purpose of the visit was to give us a practical understanding of how organisations function beyond what we learn in our classrooms. As management students, we often study concepts related to production, operations, finance, resources and business management through textbooks and lectures, but seeing these concepts being applied in a real working environment gave us a much clearer perspective.

The visit was especially interesting because we got to experience two very different manufacturing industries. At Dabur, we were introduced to the company and got to observe the manufacturing and production of toothpaste, while at Filatex textile we got to see how raw materials are processed and transformed into threads and textile products. As finance students, the visit also helped us look at these operations from a different perspective and understand how factors such as resource utilization, cost efficiency, inventory, investment in machinery and productivity are connected to the overall financial performance of a business.

More than just observing machines and production processes, the visit gave us a chance to understand the amount of planning, coordination and teamwork that goes into producing something that eventually reaches the customer. With this perspective, we began our visit at Dabur India Ltd., Silvassa, where we got an insight into the company's journey, operations and manufacturing processes.

Our Experience at Dabur India Ltd.

Our first stop was **Dabur India Ltd., Silvassa**. Before we entered the production area, the companies HR Headd & representatives gave us a brief introduction to Dabur and took us through its history and growth over the years.

It was interesting to hear about the journey of a company that has been around for around 140 years and has grown into one of India's leading FMCG companies. We were introduced to the wide range of products and categories that Dabur operates in, including oral care, hair care, health care, skin care, home care, food and beverages. We were also told about its portfolio of more than 250 herbal and Ayurvedic products and some of its well-known brands such as Dabur Chyawanprash, Dabur Honey, Dabur Amla, Dabur Red Paste, Vatika and Real.

The introduction gave us an idea of how large the organisation is, but what made the visit more interesting was getting to see what actually happens behind the products we see on store shelves every day.

Understanding the Manufacturing Process

After the introduction, we were taken inside the manufacturing area, where we got to see the production of toothpaste. The large stainless-steel mixers, processing vessels, pipelines and automated machinery gave us a much better idea of how a product goes through different stages before reaching the consumer. We also noticed the importance given to hygiene and safety, with protective clothing, sanitation labels and safety instructions throughout the facility.

Seeing the process in front of us made the concepts of production and quality control much easier to understand. What we normally study as a process in our textbooks suddenly became something we could actually see and relate to.

A finance Students perspective

As a finance student, I also found myself looking beyond the production process. The machinery and infrastructure made me think about capital investment, cost management and capacity utilisation, while the need for continuous raw materials highlighted the importance of inventory and working capital management.

The visit helped me understand that financial performance is closely connected to operational efficiency. Efficient use of resources, minimising wastage and maintaining consistent quality can ultimately have an impact on a company's costs and profitability.

From Machinery to Management

One of my biggest takeaways was that manufacturing is not only about machines. There is a lot of coordination between production, quality, maintenance, procurement, supply chain and finance. Each function has its own role, but all of them have to work together for the overall process to run smoothly.

This made me realise that the concepts we study as management students are interconnected, and seeing them come together in an actual workplace was one of the most valuable parts of the visit.

Our Experience at Filatex Textile Company

Our visit to **Filatex Textile Company** gave us a completely different experience from what we had seen at Dabur. As students, we usually study production processes through textbooks and diagrams, but seeing the actual machines working in front of us made the process much easier to understand. The factory had a very different environment, with machines running continuously and threads moving through different stages of production.

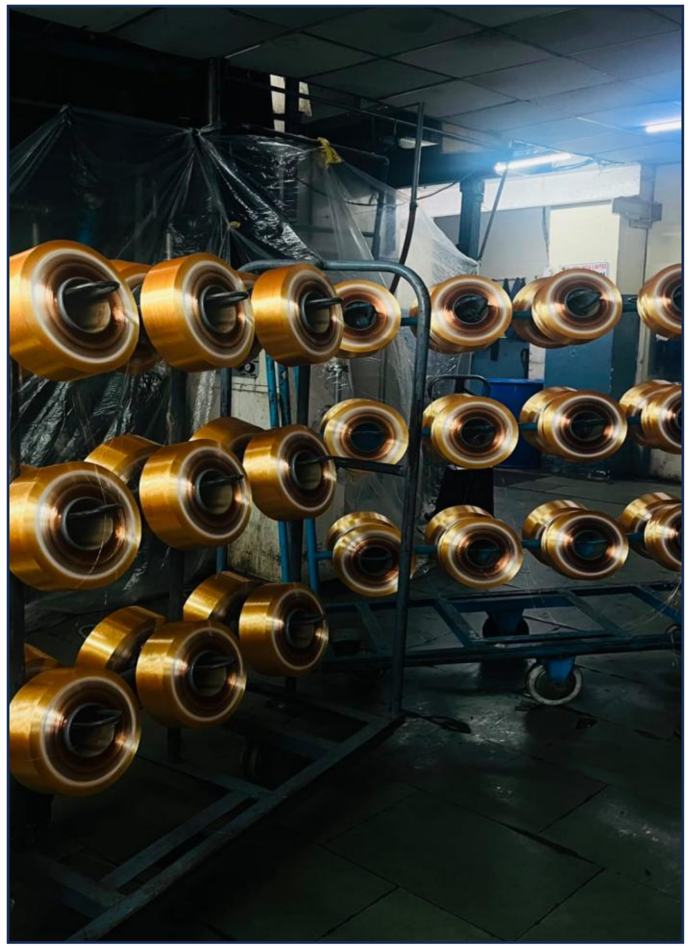
One of the most interesting parts of the visit was seeing how threads are converted into different patterns and textile materials. We got an opportunity to observe the machinery closely and also saw different samples and designs produced by the company. We were even able to touch and understand the raw threads ourselves, which made the process feel much more practical and real.

Understanding the Manufacturing Process

We got to see how the process starts with threads as the basic raw material and gradually moves through different machines to create the final textile product. The machines work together to maintain the required pattern, quality and consistency. Seeing the process helped us understand how much precision and coordination is involved in textile manufacturing.

A Finance Student's Perspective

From a finance student's point of view, the visit made us realise that manufacturing is not only about producing goods. Raw material, machinery, labour, electricity, maintenance and wastage all have a cost attached to them. Even small improvements in efficiency can make a difference to the overall cost and profitability of a company.



Key Takeaways

- Got a practical understanding of how large-scale manufacturing companies operate beyond what we learn in classrooms.
- At Dabur India Ltd., we learned how production and quality control play an important role in maintaining consistency in FMCG products.
- At Filatex Textile Company, we got to see how threads and raw materials are processed through different stages to create the final textile products.
- As finance students, we realised that financial performance is closely connected with efficient use of resources, production and overall management.
- Most Importantly the visit helped us connect our theoretical knowledge with real-life business operations.

Conclusion

The industrial visit to **Dabur India Ltd. and Filatex Textile Company** was a really valuable experience for us. It gave us an opportunity to step outside the classroom and see how the concepts we study are actually applied in real businesses. At Dabur, we got to understand how a well-known FMCG company manages its production and maintains quality, while at Filantch, we got a closer look at the textile manufacturing process, from threads and machinery to the final products.

As finance students, the visit also helped us realise that there is much more to running a successful business than just numbers. Planning, production, quality, resource utilisation, teamwork and management all work together to keep an organisation running smoothly. Seeing these processes in person made our classroom learning more practical and meaningful.

Most importantly, the visit was not just about learning. We finally ended our day with a lot of new knowledge, interesting experiences and great memories with our fellow friends. It was a perfect mix of learning and enjoyment, and overall, both visits made the industrial visit a memorable and worthwhile experience for all of us.

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