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# NOVOLIPETSK STEEL SWOT & PESTLE ANALYSIS

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#### Company Name : Novolipetsk Steel

#### Company Sector : Steel

### Operating Geography: Russia, Europe, Global

About the Company : Novolipetsk Steel or NLMK is one of Russia's four largest steel firms. NLMK accounts for about 21% of domestic crude steel output and is headquartered in Lipetsk, Russia. In 1931, Novolipetsk Iron and Steel started building a plant on the site of the iron ore mine and eventually, it became a joint-stock company in 1992. Its main products include flat steel, semi-finished steel, and electrical steels. NLMK also manufactures high-ductility and micro-alloyed steels, as well as speciality coated steels. Pre-painted, galvanised, and electrical steel, as well as a range of long steel products, are among the company's high-value-added products. NLMK is at the cutting edge of modern steel manufacturing, with state-of-the-art production facilities. The Company's distribution markets are extremely geographically diverse, with product exports to over 60 countries around the world. Among global steelmakers, the Company has one of the most attractive production costs. In March 2021, NLMK Group joined forces with K1-MET, a leading European Competence Centre for the production of advanced metallurgical and environmental processes based in Austria. NLMK will undertake programmes aimed at ensuring the efficient use and processing of recyclables in steelmaking operations. In April 2021, NLMK Group won the 'Sustainability Champion' by World Steel Association (worldsteel).

Novolipetsk Steel's Unique Selling Point or USP lies in it being the leading international steel company with over 17 million tonnes of steelmaking capacity and being one of the world's foremost suppliers of slabs and transformer steel. NLMK's mission statement reads, "The Company offers the best solutions to the client's problems, using its experience, best practices and all the necessary resources based on long-term partnerships. We strive to be objectively the best design organization for NLMK Group and the entire steel industry in Russia".

#### **Revenue :**

USD 9,245 million - FY ending 31st December 2020 (y-o-y decline 13.2%) USD 10,554 million - FY ending 31st December 2019



# SWOT Analysis :

The SWOT Analysis for Novolipetsk Steel is given below:

Strengths	Weaknesses
1.Vertically integrated steel manufacturer with	1.Poor financial performance gauged from
a well-balanced value chain	declining profits and revenues since 2018
2.Well established R&D labs for product	2.Vulnerable to disruptions of operations from
innovation and for maintaining diversified	situations like COVID
product portfolio	3.The group has liquidity risk due to relatively
3.Novolipetsk is self-sufficient in terms of	high and increasing levels of borrowings
resources for its production	
4.Digitalizing the production system giving it a	
competitive advantage	
5.Novolipetsk Steel has a diversified product	
mix from flat to long products in its offering	
Opportunities	Threats
1.Improving international presence to garner	1.Steep competition with numerous other steel
more revenues and boost profits	manufacturers in Russia
2.Increasing urbanization leads to increased	2.Environmental regulations for use of green
demand for steel	energy may increase production cost



## **PESTLE Analysis :**

The PESTLE Analysis for Novolipetsk Steel is given below:

Political	Economical
1.Russia is prone to receiving international	1.Production costs are susceptible to oil and
sanctions which has negative impact on the	gas prices in the country
growth of the companies	2.GDP growth of Russia to fuel up demand for
2.Infrastructure modernization plans	steel and other goods
undertaken by the Russian government will	3.Price volatility of raw materials affect
promote steel production	production costs
3.Impact of Brexit on the steel industry	
Social	Technological
Social 1.Rising urbanisation may push up consumer	Technological 1.Move to industry 4.0 in the steel industry
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1.Rising urbanisation may push up consumer	1.Move to industry 4.0 in the steel industry
1.Rising urbanisation may push up consumer demand for steel in the country	1.Move to industry 4.0 in the steel industry leading to modernization of processes
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