

## Press release

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### ALTANA helps flood victims in South Asia

**Bad Homburg, December 29, 2004** – ALTANA AG (NYSE: AAA, FSE: ALT), Bad Homburg, and its operating divisions ALTANA Pharma AG, Constance, and ALTANA Chemie AG, Wesel, donate €750,000 to the flood victims in South Asia.

The money will be used to support the reconstruction of local medical care facilities.

"The flood disaster has destroyed vital infrastructures and still threatens the lives of thousands of people. As an international operating company we want to help fast and unbureaucratic. We will directly support local projects through our subsidiaries in Asia," says Dr. Nikolaus Schweickart, President and CEO of ALTANA AG.

Additionally, ALTANA has called upon its employees worldwide to donate to the "ALTANA Flood Aid Fund". All 10,000 employees of the ALTANA Group can help the flood victims by contributing to this fund. ALTANA will double the donated sum and forward it to the local relief projects.