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April 09, 2003

1934 Act Registration No. 1-14700

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of April 2003

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.
(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

No.121 Park Avenue III
Science-Based Industrial Park
Hsin-chu, Taiwan
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes

No X

(If "Yes" is marked, indicated below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82: _____.)

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.

Date: April 9, 2003

By /s/ Harvey Chang

Harvey Chang

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Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

TSMC Monthly Sales Report March 2003

Hsinchu, Taiwan, April 9, 2003-Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. ("TSMC" or "the Company") (TAIEX: 2330, NYSE: TSM), today announced that net sales for March 2003 totaled NT\$13,851 million, representing a 12.2 percent increase over February 2003. On a year-over-year basis, net sales for March 2003 increased 12.8 percent. Revenues for January through March 2003 totaled NT\$39,325 million, an increase of 9.9 percent over the same period in 2002.

Mr. Harvey Chang, TSMC spokesperson and senior vice president, said TSMC's revenue has clearly touched bottom in the first quarter of 2003. The revenue growth for March 2003 was mainly due to increased wafer shipments and increased demand for advanced technologies, including the Company's 0.13-micron process technology. Mr. Chang added that the monthly sales for the second quarter of 2003 are expected to increase sequentially.

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Sales Report: (Unit: NT\$ million)

Net Sales	2003(1)	2002	Growth
March	13,851	12,277	12.8%
January through March	39,325	35,790	9.9%

(1): Year 2003 figures have not been audited.

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