

NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD

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UNITED STATES  
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

December 12, 2011

Commission File No.: 000-30688

NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD.  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Building 22 Weizmann Science Park, Rehovot  
P.O.B 266  
Israel  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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

Yes  £    No  S

Attached hereto and incorporated by way of reference herein is a press release issued by the Registrant and entitled: "Nova Receives over \$7 Million Orders from a Leading Foundry in Asia".

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.

NOVA MEASURING INSTRUMENTS LTD.  
(Registrant)

Date: December 12, 2011

By: /s/ Dror David

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Nova Receives over \$7 Million Orders from a Leading Foundry in Asia

Company sees increase in overall bookings during the 4th quarter

REHOVOT, Israel, December 12, 2011 - Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. (NASDAQ: NVMI) provider of leading edge stand-alone metrology and the market leader of integrated metrology solutions to the semiconductor process control market, today announced that a leading foundry in Asia recently placed over \$7 million orders for its integrated and standalone metrology tools combined with its NovaMARS modeling platform. The tools will support manufacturing ramp up in 28nm technology node and development efforts for both 20nm and 14nm technology nodes. The company expects to ship the ordered tools during the current and next quarter.

“We are delighted with this large order from one of our most strategic customers and see it as a testament for our long term technological partnership. Our ability to provide leading edge metrology tools with superior performance and reliability for advanced 2X and 1X technology nodes, make Nova metrology platforms the solution of choice for foundry customers. This recent booking stream is part of a general trend of increased bookings during the fourth quarter, after a period of weaker demand in previous quarters“, said Gabi Seligsohn, President and CEO of Nova.

About Nova: Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. develops, produces and markets advanced integrated and stand alone metrology solutions for the semiconductor manufacturing industry. Nova is traded on the NASDAQ & TASE under the symbol NVMI. The Company's website is [www.nova.co.il](http://www.nova.co.il).

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 relating to future events or our future performance, such as statements regarding trends, demand for our products, expected deliveries, transaction, expected revenues, operating results, earnings and profitability. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied in those forward looking statements. These risks and other factors include but are not limited to: our dependency on two product lines; the highly cyclical nature of the markets we target; our inability to reduce spending during a slowdown in the semiconductor industry; our ability to respond effectively on a timely basis to rapid technological changes; our dependency on OEM suppliers; our ability to retain our competitive position despite the ongoing consolidation in our industry; risks associated with our dependence on a single manufacturing facility; our ability to expand our manufacturing capacity or marketing efforts to support our future growth; our dependency on a small number of large customers and small number of suppliers; our dependency on our key employees; risks related to changes in our order backlog; risks related to the financial, political and environmental instabilities that may affect our sales in Asia; risks related to our intellectual property; changes in customer demands for our products; new product offerings from our competitors; changes in or an inability to execute our business strategy; unanticipated manufacturing or supply problems; changes in tax requirements; changes in customer demand for our products; risks related to currency fluctuations; and risks related to our operations in Israel. We cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. The matters discussed in this press release also involve risks and uncertainties

summarized under the heading “Risk Factors” in Nova’s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31,2010 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2011. These factors are updated from time to time through the filing of reports and registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Nova Measuring Instruments Ltd. does not assume any obligation to update the forward-looking information contained in this press release.

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