

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

[Pursuant to the provisions of Schedule IV to the Companies Act, 2013]

The Board of director's terms and conditions of Independent Directors are reproduced hereunder:

1. Appointment

The term of appointment of an Independent Director (ID) of the Company is for a period of 5 consecutive years from the date of his/ her appointment.

Appointment of every independent director shall be approved by members' of the Company.

Independent Director is not liable to retire by rotation.

Independent Directors will be eligible for re-appointment for another term of 5 consecutive years, after the completion of their tenure of first 5 years, subject to Board approval, and the passing of a Special Resolution by Members.

2. Roles, Duties and Responsibilities

The roles and duties of the Independent Director will be those normally required of a Non-Executive Independent Director under the Companies Act, 2013. There are certain duties prescribed for all Directors, both Executive and Non-Executive, which are fiduciary in nature and are inter-alia as under:

- 2.1 He/ she shall act in accordance with the Company's Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association.
- 2.2 He/ she shall act in good faith in order to promote the objects of the Company for the benefit of the members of the Company as a whole, and in the best interest of the Company.
- 2.3 He/ she shall discharge duties with due and reasonable care, skill and diligence.
- 2.4 He/ She shall not involve in a situation in which he/ she may have a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interest of the Company.
- 2.5 He/ She shall not achieve or attempt to achieve any undue gain or advantage either to himself/ herself or his/ her relatives, partners or associates.
- 2.6 He/ She shall not assign office of Director and any assignments so made shall be void.



2.7 He/ She Shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of all the relevant regulatory and other authorities as may be applicable to such Directors in their individual capacities.

Independent Directors shall also be taking sufficient care to perform duties specified in the Code for Independent Directors under Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013 (including any modification or re-enactment of the same) that come with such an appointment along-with accompanying liabilities.

In addition to their role as Directors, the Board may nominate Independent Director as the Chairman/ Member of other Board Committees, as it may deem fit from time to time.

3. <u>Expectation of the Board from the appointed Director</u>

An Independent Director is expected to bring objectivity and independence of view to the Board's discussions and to help provide the Board with effective leadership in relation to the Company's strategy, performance, and risk management as well as ensuring high standards of financial probity and corporate governance.

The Board meets at least four times in a year and other committee meetings like Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee, which are ordinarily convened once/twice in a year.

They will be expected to attend meetings of Board and Board Committees in which ID is a member and Members meetings and to devote such time as appropriate to discharge their duties effectively. Ordinarily, all meetings are held at the Corporate Office in Teynampet except Annual General Meeting.

By accepting the appointment, the Directors confirm that they are able to allocate sufficient time to meet the expectations from their role to the satisfaction of the Board

4. Fees/ Commission

A sitting fee will be paid for attending each meeting of the board as well as the Audit committee meeting attended, as per the provisions of Section 197 of the Act 2013 and the Articles of Association of the Company, as fixed by the board from time to time;

The ID will be entitled to claim reimbursement of all his/ her travelling, hotel and other incidental expenses incurred by him/ her in performance of duties as director of the Company, as per the provisions of the Act 2013.



The ID will also be eligible to commission of an amount as may be determined by the Board from time to time, as per the provisions of the Companies Act 2013 and as applicable to non-executive directors.

5. <u>Conflict of Interest</u>

It is accepted and acknowledged that the appointed IDs may have business interests other than those of the Company. Considering the same, they are required to declare any such directorships, appointments and interests to the Board in writing in the prescribed form at the time of their appointment.

In the event that circumstances seem likely to change and might give rise to a conflict of interest or, when applicable, circumstances that might lead the Board to revise its judgments that they are independent, this should be disclosed to both the Chairman and the Secretary.

6. <u>Confidentiality</u>

All information acquired during the appointment is confidential to the Company and should not be released, either during the appointment or following termination (by whatever means) to third parties without prior clearance from the Chairman unless required by law. On reasonable request, Director shall surrender any documents and other materials made available to them by the Company.

Unless specifically authorized by the Company, the Independent Director shall not disclose Company and business information to public constituencies such as the media, the financial community, employees, members, agents, franchises, dealers, distributors and importers.

7. <u>Termination</u>

Independent Directors may resign from their position at any time and if they wish to do so, they are requested to serve a reasonable written notice on the Board.

Continuation of their appointment is contingent on getting re-elected by the members in accordance with provisions of Companies Act, 2013, the Rules framed thereunder and the Articles of Association of the Company, from time to time in force. They will not be entitled to compensation if the members do not re-elect them at any time.

Their appointment may also be terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company from time to time in force.



8. Performance evaluation of Independent Director

The performance evaluation of independent directors shall be done by the entire Board of Directors, excluding the director being evaluated.

The re-appointment of independent director shall be on the basis of report of performance evaluation.

9. Insurance

The company will, upon appointment of an independent director, arrange for a Directors' and Officers' liability insurance in his name and pay such premium at regular intervals to keep the insurance policy active during the tenure of such independent director. A copy of the premium receipts and insurance policy will be provided to the independent directors after successful payment is made in that regard.

10. <u>Miscellaneous</u>

- 10.1 Independent Directors shall give an annual declaration as required under the provision of section 149(7) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder.
- 10.2 An Independent Director shall not serve as an Independent director in more than seven listed companies as may be stipulated by the Listing Agreement or any other law of the land, for the time being in force.
- 10.3 Further, an Independent Director who is serving as a whole time director in any listed company shall not serve as an Independent director in more than three listed companies or such number of listed companies as may be stipulated by the Listing Agreement or any other law of the land, for the time being in force.
- 10.4 The Independent Directors are supposed to engage in a meeting to discuss matters pertaining to the company's affairs at least once in a year without the presence of any managerial personnel and such meetings are conducted informally.



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