**THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013** 

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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956 (to the extent applicable)

# **CENTURY PLYBOARDS (INDIA) LIMITED**

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

AND

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

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### THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956 COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF

### **CENTURY PLYBOARDS (INDIA) LIMITED**

- I The name of the Company is CENTURY PLYBOARDS (INDIA) LIMITED.
- II The Registered Office of the Company will be situated in the State of West Bengal.
- III The Objects to be pursued by the Company on its incorporation are
- A. THE MAIN OBJECTS TO BE PURSUED BY THE COMPANY ON ITS INCORPORATION ARE
  - To carry on business as growers, manufacturers, processors, converters, exporters, importers, traders, distributors, stockiest, buyers, sellers, agents or merchants in all kinds and forms of timber, timber logs, wood, bamboos, canes, forest products, agro-forestry products, artificial wood, recomposed wood, reconstructed wood, and their products such as veneer, decorative veneer, plywood, plyboard, block board, particle board, oriental strand board, Low/ Medium/High Density Boards, Pre-laminated board, card board, chip board, hard board, planks, sleepers, battens, tea chests, furniture, doors, windows, and any item of whatever description.
  - To plant, cultivate, produce, garden and raise all kinds of crops including timber, bamboo, can, cash crops, food grains, beverages, oil seeds, flowers, flower seeds, spices, sugarcane, vegetable, timber, nuts, and other agricultural, forestry and agro-forestry products. To prepare, manufacture or otherwise render any such raised product marketable in any form.
  - 3. To carry on business as manufacturers, processors, converters, exporters, importers, traders, distributors, stockiest, buyers, sellers, agents or, merchants in all kinds and forms of laminate products such as paper/metal based decorative laminates, pre-laminated boards, laminated floorings, industrial laminated sheets and lamination of any kind.
  - 4. To own by purchase, lease, on profit sharing basis or otherwise ships, tugs, barges, boats, jetties, docks, ship building yards, ship repairing yards, ship breaking yards, warehouses, major/minor ports, containers, container depots, and to undertake and carry on all or any of the trades and business of shippers, ship owners, ship brokers, ship agents, ship underwriters, ship managers, tug owners, barge boat owners, dock owners, jetty owners, shipping agents, carriers, ship charterers, insurance brokers, loading brokers, freight brokers, freight forwarders, freight contractors, carriers of goods and passengers by land, air and water, transport haulage and general contractors, custom agents, clearing and forwarding agents, dock owners, take jetty on Lease for port services, jetty owners, jetty holders/operators, engineers, selvedores, warehousemen, packers, wharfingers, salvors, container freight stations, common carriers.
  - 5. To carry on business as manufacturers, processors, converters, exporters, importers, traders, distributors, packers, stockiest, buyers, sellers, agents or, merchants in all kinds and forms of chemicals, adhesives, glues, resins, pesticides, insecticides, fungicides, fertilizers, growth promoters, soil treatment chemicals, agriculture related chemicals, organic compounds, inorganic compounds, seeds. Clones, plants, nurseries, fruits, herbs, forestry and agro-forestry products.

- 6. To carry on business as manufacturers, producers, processors, repairers, cleaners, assemblers, importers, exporters, traders, buyers, sellers, retailers, wholesalers, suppliers, indenters, packers, movers, stockiest, agents, sub-agents, merchants, distributors, consignors, jobbers, brokers, interior decorators or otherwise deal in all kinds of furniture made from wood, brass, fiber glass, plastic, iron, aluminium or any other material, handicrafts, upholstery, carpets, rugs, fittings, flooring items made from any material natural or artificial, curtains, blinds and other home furnishings and household requisites of all kinds.
- 7. To carry on business as manufacturers, processors, re-rollers, refiners, smelters, converters, producers, exporters, importers, traders, distributors, stockiest, buyers, sellers, agents or, merchants in all kinds and forms of ferrous and nonferrous metals, ferro alloys, ferro silicon, ferro manganese, ferro chrome, silico manganese, charge chrome, Iron & Steel including mild carbon steel, high carbon, spring, high speed tool, alloys, stainless steels, iron metals and alloys, ingots, billets, bars, joists, rods, structurals, tubes, poles, pipes, sheets, casting, wires, rails, rolling materials, rollers, semi-manufactured and other materials made wholly or partly of iron, steel, alloys and metals required in or used for industrial, defence, agricultural, transport, commercial, domestic, building, power transmission and/or construction purposes, fabricators and/or any of the by-products, which will be obtained in the process of manufacturing these products.
- 8. To carry on in India or elsewhere the business to generate, receive, produce, improve, buy, sell, resell, acquire, use, transmit, accumulate, employ, distribute, develop, handle, protect, supply and to act as agent, broker, representative, consultant, collaborator or otherwise to deal in electric power in all its branches of such place or places as may be permitted by appropriate authorities by establishments of thermal power plants, hydraulic power plants, atomic power plants, wind power plants, solar power plants and other power plants based on any source of energy as may be developed or invented in future. To construct lay down, establish, promote, erect, build, install, commission, carry out and run all necessary power substations, workshops, repair shops, wires, cables, transmission lines, accumulators, street lights, for the purpose of conservation, distribution, and supply of electricity to participating industries, state electricity boards and other boards for industrial, commercial, domestic, public and other purposes and also to provide regular services for repairing and maintenance of all distribution and supply lines. To acquire concessions, facilities or licenses from electricity boards, government, semi governments or local authorities for generation, distribution, production, transmission or use of electric power and to take over along with all movable and immovable properties, the existing facilities on mutually agreed terms from aforesaid authorities.
- 9. To produce, manufacture, treat, process, prepare, refine, import, export, purchase, sell and generally to deal in either as principals or as agents either solely or in partnership with other, all types and kinds of lime, plasters, whiting, clay, gravel, sand, minerals, earth, coke, fuel, gypsum, coal, artificial stone, any builders requisite, all varieties of cement lime and limestone, clinker and/or bye-products thereof, as also products of any or all descriptions such as pipes, poles, slabs, asbestos sheets, blocks, tiles, plaster of Paris, lime pipes, building materials and otherwise and articles, things, compounds and preparations connected with the aforesaid products and in connection therewith to take on lease or otherwise acquire, erect, construct, establish, work operate and maintain factories, quarries, mines and workshop.
- 10. To carry on the business as traders, agents, suppliers, commission agents, service agents, holding agents, brokers, importers and exporters of chemicals, coal, oils, minerals, cotton, plastic, rubber, tea, iron & steel, wine, liquor, leather, building materials, timber, marbles, stones, papers, yarn machinery plant and equipments and all other industrial commercial and household items.
- 11. To act as financiers of industrial, commercial and other enterprises, general financiers, film financiers, lenders, sahukars, trustees, underwriters, guarantors, share brokers and commission agents for arranging deposits and finance for Govt. Company, bodies corporate, persons and to do such other business and acts required in connection therewith provided that the company shall not carry on the business of banking as defined under the Banking Regulation/Act, 1949.
- 12. To carry on and undertake the business in shares, securities, Mutual funds and finance, loan syndication, facilitating amalgamation and mergers, to act as brokers, sub-brokers to carry on inter market arbitrage/line transactions and to acquire by way of purchase or otherwise stock exchange membership card or cards including membership of OTCEI and National Stock Exchange subscribing to new issues of shares, debentures and Mutual Funds.

- B Objects incidental or ancillary to the attainment of the main objects
  - 1. To manufacture and deal in all forest or agricultural products such as paper products, straw board, wood wool, saw dust, particle board, card board, chip board, decorative papers, laminates and other goods which can be made of forest products or agricultural products.
  - To carry on any other business which may seem to the Company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with any of the above or calculated to directly or indirectly enhance the value of or render profitable any of the company's property or rights.
  - 3. To acquire for the purposes of the Company by purchase, lease, exchange, or otherwise any estate, lands, buildings and hereditaments of any tenure or description and any estate or interest therein and any rights over or connected with land and either to retain the same for the purpose of the company's business or to turn the same to account as may seem expedient.
  - 4. To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, funds, trusts and conveniences calculated to benefit of employees or ex-employees of the company, or its predecessors in business or the dependents or connection of such persons and to grant persons and allowances and to make payments towards insurance and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects, or for any exhibition or for any public in general or useful objects.
  - 5. To acquire and undertake all or any part of the business property and liabilities of any person or company, carrying on any business, which this company is authorised to carry on, possessed of property suitable for the purpose of the company.
  - 6. To enter into arrangement with any government or authority, supreme municipal, local or otherwise that may seem conducive to the company's authority all rights, concessions and privileges, which the company may think desirable to obtain and to carry out, exercise and comply with such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions.
  - 7. To acquire and undertake all or any or part of the business property and liabilities of any person or Company carrying on or proposing to carry on any business which this Company is authorized to carry on or possessed of property, suitable for the purposes of the Company or which can be carried on in conjunction therewith or which is capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to the benefit of the Company in India or outside.
  - 8. To procure the registration or recognition of the Company in or under the laws of any place outside India and to open branches of the Company at any place whether in India or outside India.
  - 9. Subject to Provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 or any re-enactment thereof for the time being in force, to amalgamate with Company(s) or to enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, co-operation, joint venture or reciprocal concession with any person or persons, Company or Companies, carrying on or engaged, in or about to carry on or engage, in or being authorized to carry on or engage in any business transaction which the company is authorized carry on or engaged in or which can be carried on or in conjunction therewith or which is capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to the benefit of the Company.
  - 10. To establish, provide, maintain and conduct research and other laboratories, training colleges, schools and other institutions for the training education and instruction to students and others who may desire to avail themselves of the same and to provide for the deliver and holding of lectures, demonstrations, exhibitions, classes, meetings and conferences in connection therewith.
  - 11. To undertake, carry out, promote and sponsor rural development including programme for promoting the social and economic welfare of or the uplift of the people in any rural area and to include any expenditure or any programme or rural development and to assist execution and promotion thereof either directly or through an independent agency or in any other manner.
  - 12. To undertake, carry out, promote and sponsor or assist any activity for the promotion and growth of the national economy and for discharging what Directors consider to be social and moral responsibilities of the Company .

- 13. Generally to purchase, take a lease, or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any movable or immovable property and any rights or privileges which the company may think necessary or convenient with reference to these objects and capable of being profitably dealt with in connection with any of the company's property or rights for the time being.
- 14. To carry on all kinds of agency business and in particular to act as manufactures' representative and/or agents and to appoint agent, sub-agents and trade representative.
- 15. To carry on the business of general merchants, traders, commission agents, insurance agents and brokers, suppliers, importers and exporters, producers, growers, planters house men wharfingers, forwarding agents, clearing agents, contractors, electricians, and civil electrical and mechanical engineers and carriers in relation to the business of the Company.
- 16. To sell or dispose of the undertaking of the Company, or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company, may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company.
- 17. To promote any company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property, rights and liabilities of this company or for any other purpose which may seem directly or indirectly calculated to benefit this Company.
- 18. To invest and deal with the moneys of the company not immediately required, upon such securities and in such manner as may from time to time be determined.
- 19. Subject to the provision of section 292 of the companies Act, 1956 to borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debenture or debenture stock, perpetual or otherwise, charged upon all or any of the company's property, (both present and future) including its uncalled capital and to purchase, redeem and payoff any such securities.
- 20. To take or otherwise acquire and held shares in any other company having objects altogether or part similar to those of this company, or carry on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this company.
- 21. To draw, make, accept discount, execute and issued bills of exchange, promissory notes, bills of lading, debenture and other negotiable or transferable instrument or securities.
- 22. To remunerate any person or company for services rendered, or to be rendered in or about the formation or promotion of the company or the acquisition of property by the company or the conduct of its business.
- 23. To distribute all or any of the property of the Company in kind or in specie among the members so that no distribution which amounts to a reduction of capital be made except with the sanction (if any) for time being required by law.
- 24. To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, mortgage, dispose off, turn to account, or otherwise deal with all or any of the property and rights of the Company.
- 25. To establish or open at any places any branches, agencies or other offices of the Company to transact and manage the affairs of the company and to appoint Managing Directors, Managers, or such other officers and administrators etc., as may be necessary for the efficient and able management of the affairs of the company.
- 26. To lend money with or without security to such persons companies and on such terms and conditions as may seem expedient and beneficial and in particular to customers or any other persons having dealings with the company and to guarantee the performances of contract and agreement by members or persons having dealings with the company provided the company shall not carry on the business of Banking.
- 27. Subject to the provisions of Section 293A of the Act, to make donations, contributions and give subscription to charitable institutions for public or other useful objects and funds to establish, maintain and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, hospitals, Schools, Colleges, provident funds, pension funds, loans or other funds for the benefit of the public in general and staff members employees, ex-employees and their families, directors and ex-directors of the company and their wives, widows and children.

- 28. To carry on the business of public carrier, transporting, clearing, forwarding, agents etc. in all its forms.
- 29. To acquire, hold, buy, sell shares, stocks, debentures, stocks bonds obligations and securities issued or guaranteed by any Company constituted or carrying on business in the Union of India or elsewhere and debenture stocks, bonds, obligations and securities issued or guaranteed by any authorities, municipal, local or otherwise at home or abroad.
- 30. To issue preference shares, debentures, debenture stocks, bonds, obligations and securities of all kinds and to frame, constitute and secure the same as may seem expedient in the interest of the company and make them either redeemable or otherwise.
- 31 To take part in the formation, management supervision or control of the business or operation of any company or undertaking and for that purpose appoint and remunerate any Directors, Secretaries, Managers, Accountants or other experts, agents or persons.
- 32. To purchase or otherwise acquire any interest in any patents, brevets, deventions, licences, concession monopolies, inventions and the like conferring any exclusive or limited right to any invention or secret or other information as to any invention which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the Company or the acquisition of which may seem directly or indirectly for the benefit of the company.
- 33. To do all or any of the above things in any part of the world as principals, agents, contractors, trustees or otherwise, and by or through trustees, agents or otherwise and either alone or in conjunction with other and severally to all such other things as may appear to be incidental or conductive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.
- C. OTHER OBJECTS
  - 1. To set out steel furnaces and continuous casting and rolling mill plant for producing steel and alloy steel ingots, steel and alloy steel billets and all kinds or sizes of re-rolled section i.e. flats, angles, rounds T iron squares, hexagons, octagons, rails, joint, channels, steel strip, sheets, plates deformed bars, plain cold twisted bars, bright bars, shifting and steel structurals.
  - 2. To acquire by lease, grant, assignment, transfer or otherwise any lands or estates on which tea or other produce has been plated or which are suitable for the cultivation of tea or other produce and to carry on the business of planting and cultivating the tea plant and the manufacture and sale of tea and tea seed.
  - 3. To manufacture, import, export, buy, sell, exchange, alter improve manipulate, prepare for market and otherwise deal in all kinds of plant, machinery, apparatus, tools, utensils, substances materials and things necessary or convenient for carrying on any of the above specified business of proceedings or usually dealt in by persons engaged in the like business.
  - 4. To carry on the work of business cultivators, planters and buyers of every kind of vegetable, mineral or other produce of the soil, to prepare, manufacture and render marketable any such produce and to sell dispose off and deal in any such produce either in its prepared, manufactured or raw state and either wholesale or retail and any business or operation commonly carried on or undertaken by promoters of companies, concessionaries financiers, contractors for public and other works, merchants and traders.
  - 5. To acquire, construct and maintain factories, establishment works, buildings and erections for all or any of the purposes aforesaid and to acquire or make machinery, implements and article required to be used for any such purposes and to carry on as principles or agents any branch of agricultural manufacturing or mercantile business for which the company's lands tea gardens, establishments, property and servants may be conveniently applied.

And it is hereby declared that the word 'Company' above when used in reference to this company, in this clause shall be deemed to include any partnership or other body or other persons, whether incorporated or not incorporated and the intention is that the object specified in any paragraph be in no way limited or restricted by reference to or inference for the terms of any other paragraph.

- 6. To carry on the business of producers, manufacturers, refiners, processors, traders, stockiest, exporters, importers or generally to deal in bricks, sand, stone, marble, files, refractories, china wares, sanitary materials, pipes, tubes, tubular structures, paints, adhesives, sheets, roofing, glass, furniture, fittings, electrical goods, water supply or storage equipments, floor polish, doors, concrete mixers, elevators and any other building or decorative materials made of cement, stone, clay, timber, teak, board, fibre, paper, glass, rubber, plastic or other natural or synthetic or chemicals.
- 7. To carry on all or any of the business as manufacturers, producers, converters, importers, exporters, buyers, sellers, distributors, agents, brokers, factors, stockiest, commission agents, indenters, packers, shipping agents, and dealers of all kind of pulp, paper and paper products.
- 8. To carry on all or any of the business as manufacturers, producers, converters, importers, exporters, buyers, sellers, distributors, agents, brokers, factors, stockiest, commission agents, indenters, packers, shipping agents, and dealers of all kind of glass, mirrors and glass related products.
- 9. To do and be in Real Estate business and for the purpose, buy, sell, take on lease or on rent or on tenancy or otherwise, give on lease or on rent or on tenancy or on license or otherwise maintain, develop, demolish, alter, construct, build and turn to account any land or buildings owned or acquired or leased by the Company or in which the Company may be interested as owners, lessors, lessees, licensors, licensees, architects, builders, interior decorators and designers, vendors, constructors, property developers and Real Estate owners and agents whether such land or buildings or the development thereof be for in respect of residential or commercial purposes such as multistoried buildings, complexes, houses, flats, offices, shops, garages, cinemas, theaters, multiplexes, hotels, restaurants, motels or other structures of whatsoever description and to enter into contracts, subcontracts and arrangements including the raising of finances from whatever sources and giving of loans and advances to give effect and implement the said objects.
- 10. To carry on in India or elsewhere the business of builders, contractors, designers, architects, decorators, furniture, consultants, constructors, financiers & brokers of all types of buildings and structures including houses, flats, apartments, offices, godowns, warehouses, shops, factories, sheds, hospitals, clubs, hotels, holiday resorts, swimming pools, play grounds, shopping/residential complexes and to develop, erect, install, alter, improve, add, establish, renovate, recondition, protect, participate, enlarge, repair, demolish, remove, replace, maintain, manage, buy, sell, lease, let on hire, commercialise, turn to account, fabricate, handle and control all such buildings and structures, and to purchase, sell, deal in all types of movable or immovable properties for development, investment or for resale and to act as buyer, seller, importer, exporter, agent, distributor, stockiest, or otherwise to deal in all types of raw materials, goods, fittings, parts, accessories, knowhow, consumables, plants and tackles used for the foregoing purposes.
- IV. The liability of the members is limited.
- V. The Authorized Share Capital of the Company is Rs. 67,05,00,000 (Rupees Sixty seven crore five lacs only) divided into 65,05,00,000 (Sixty five crore five lacs) equity shares of Re.1 (One) each, 15,00,000 (Fifteen lacs) Preference Shares of Rs.10 (Ten) each and 50,000 Preference Shares of Rs. 100 (One hundred) each with the rights, privileges and conditions attaching thereto as provided by the Articles of Association of the Company for the time being, with power to divide the share capital into several classes and to attach thereto respectively such preferential, qualified or special rights, privileges or conditions as may be determined by or in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company for the time being and to vary, modify or abrogate any such rights, privileges or conditions in such manner as may be permitted by the Companies Act, 1956, provided by the Articles of Association of the Company for the time being.

We, the several persons whose names, addresses and descriptions are given below are desirous of being formed into a company in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association, and we respectively, agree to take the number of shares in the Company as set opposite to our respective names.

Name, Addresses & Description of subscribers	Number of shares taken by each subscriber	Name & Address of witness to the signature
Sanjay Agarwal S/o. B. L. Agarwal Kaziranga Udyog 6, Lyons Range, Calcutta - 1	10 (Ten) Equity Shares	
Occupation : Business Hari Prasad Agarwal S/o. Gordhan Das Agarwal C/o Kaziranga Udyog	10 (Ten) Equity Shares	Swaraj Bhattacharjee, Service C/o Shah & Agarwal Chartered Accountants Flat - 4C 3, Hungerford Street, Calcutta - 700 017
6, Lyons Range, Calcutta - 1 Occupation : Business		S C C C C C C
	20 (Twenty) Equity Shares	

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1981.

## THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF

### **CENTURY PLYBOARDS (INDIA) LIMITED**

The regulations contained in table "F" of the first Schedule to the Companies Act, 2013 shall not apply to the Company, except in so far as they are embodied in the following Articles, which shall be regulations for the management of the Company.

1. In the interpretation of these Articles, unless repugnant to the subject or context:

Interpretation clause

"Act" means "The Companies Act, 2013" or any other statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force. In respect of the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 which are still not in force, "Act" shall mean "The Companies Act, 1956" until the corresponding provisions of Companies Act, 2013 are brought in force.

"Articles" means these Articles of Association as may, from time to time, be altered by special resolution.

"Annual General Meeting" means a general meeting of the members held in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of the Act or any adjourned meeting thereof.

"Auditors" means and include those persons appointed as such for the time being by the Company or, where so permitted by Applicable Law, by its Board.

"Applicable Law" means the Act, and as appropriate, includes any statute, law, listing agreement, regulation, ordinance, rule, judgment, order, decree, bye-law, clearance, directive, guideline, policy, requirement, notifications and clarifications or other governmental instruction or any similar form of decision of, or determination by, or any interpretation or administration having the force of law of any of the foregoing, by any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the matter in question, or mandatory standards as may be applicable from time to time.

"Beneficial Owner" means and include beneficial owner as defined in clause (a) sub-Section (1) of Section 2 of the Depositories Act, 1996 or such other Act as may be applicable.

"Board Meeting" means a meeting of the Directors or a committee thereof duly called and constituted.

"Board" or "Board of Directors" means the means the collective body of the directors for the time being of the Company.

"Capital" means the share capital for the time being raised or authorised to be raised, for the purpose of the Company.

"Committee" means any committee of the Board of Directors of the Company formed as per the requirements of Act or for any other purpose as the Board may deem fit.

"Company" or "This Company" means CENTURY PLYBOARDS (INDIA) LIMITED.

"Chief Executive Officer" means an officer of a Company, who has been designated as such by the Company.

"Chief Financial Officer" means a person appointed as the Chief Financial Officer of a Company.

"Company Secretary" or "Secretary" means a company secretary as defined in clause (c) of sub-Section (1) of section 2 of the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 (56 of 1980) who is appointed by the Company to perform the functions of a company secretary under the Act.

"Debenture" means and includes debenture-stock, bonds and any other debt securities of the Company, whether constituting a charge on the assets of the Company or not.

"Depositories Act" means the Depositories Act, 1996 and includes any statutory modification or enactment thereof.

"Depository" means a Depository as defined in clause (e) sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Depositories Act, 1996 and includes a company formed and registered under the Companies Act, 1956 which has been granted a certificate of registration under sub Section (1A) of section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.

"Director" means a director appointed to the Board of the Company.

"Dividend" includes interim Dividend.

"Extraordinary General Meeting" means an extraordinary general meeting of the Members duly called and constituted and any adjourned meeting thereof.

"Electronic Mode" means carrying out electronically based, whether main server is installed in India or not, including, but not limited to:

- i. business to business and business to consumer transactions, data interchange and other digital supply transactions;
- ii. offering to accept deposits or inviting deposits or accepting deposits or subscriptions in securities, in India or from citizens of India;
- iii. financial settlements, web based marketing, advisory and transactional services, database services and products, supply chain management;
- iv. online services such as telemarketing, telecommuting, telemedicine, education and information research; and all related data communication services;
- v. facsimile telecommunication when directed to the facsimile number or electronic mail directed to electronic mail address, using any electronic communication mechanism that the message so sent, received or forwarded is storable and retrievable;
- vi. posting of an electronic message board or network that the company or the officer has designated for such communications, and which transmission shall be validly delivered upon the posting; or
- vii. other means of electronic communication, in respect of which the company or the officer has put in place reasonable systems to verify that the sender is the person purporting to send the transmission; and
- viii. video conferencing, audio- visual mode, net conferencing and/or any other electronic communication facility.

"Financial Year" means the period ending on the 31st day of March every year.

"Free Reserves" means such reserves which, as per the latest audited balance sheet of a company, are available for distribution as Dividend:

Provided that—

(i) any amount representing unrealised gains, notional gains or revaluation of assets, whether shown as a reserve or otherwise, or

 (ii) any change in carrying amount of an asset or of a liability recognized in equity, including surplus in profit and loss account on measurement of the asset or the liability at fair value, shall not be treated as free reserves.

"In writing" or "written" means and include printing, typing, lithographing, computer mode and other modes of reproducing words in visible form.

"Independent Director" means a Director fulfilling the criteria of independence and duly appointed as per Applicable Law.

"Key Managerial Personnel" means such persons as defined in Section 2(51) of Act.

"Managing Director" means a Director who, by virtue of the articles of the Company or an agreement with the company or a resolution passed in its General Meeting, or by its Board of Directors, is entrusted with substantial powers of management of the affairs of the company and includes a Director occupying the position of managing Director, by whatever name called.

"Meeting" or "General Meeting" means a meeting of Members.

"Members" in relation to a company, means- (a) the subscribers to the Memorandum of Association of the Company who shall be deemed to have agreed to become members of the company, and on its registration, shall be entered as member in its register of members, (b) every other person who agrees in writing to become a member of the company and whose name is entered in the register of members of the company; (c)every person holding shares in the company and whose name is entered in Register of Beneficial Owners as Beneficial Owner.

"Month" means a calendar month.

"Office", in relation to the Company, means the Registered office of the Company.

"Officer" includes any director, manager, Key Managerial Personnel or any person in accordance with whose instructions or directions the Board of Directors or any one or more of the Directors of the company is or are accustomed to act.

"Ordinary Resolution" means a resolution referred to in Section 114 of the Act.

"Paid up" means the Capital which is paid up presently.

"Persons" includes any artificial juridical person, corporations or such other entities as are entitled to hold property in their own name.

"Postal Ballot" means voting by post through any electronic mode as permitted under Applicable Law.

"Register of Beneficial Owners" means the register of members in case of shares held with a Depository in any media as may be permitted by law, including in any form of Electronic Mode.

"Register of Members" means the register of Members, including any foreign register which the Company may maintain pursuant to the Act and includes Register of Beneficial Owners.

"Registrar" means the Registrar of Companies of the state in which the Registered Office of the Company is for the time being situated.

"Seal" means the common seal of the Company.

"Security" means shares, Debentures and/or such other securities as defined in clause (h) of section 2 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956.

"Shares" means the shares into which the Capital of the Company is divided whether held in tangible or fungible form.

"Small Shareholder" means a shareholder holding shares of the nominal value of not more than twenty thousand rupees or such other sum as may be prescribed under Applicable Law.

		"Special Resolution" means a resolution referred to in Section 114 of the Act.	
		"These Presents" means the Memorandum of Association and the Articles of Association of the Company.	
		"whole-time director" includes a director in the whole-time employment of the Company.	
		Term(s) and phrases not specifically defined in these Articles shall bear the same meaning as assigned to the same in the Act.	
		Reference to the singular includes reference to the plural and vice versa.	
		Reference to any gender includes a reference to all genders.	
		ARTICLES TO BE CONTEMPORARY IN NATURE	
	2.	The intention of these Articles is to be in consonance with the contemporary rules and regulations prevailing in India. If there is an amendment in any Act, rules and regulations allowing what were not previously allowed under the statute, the Articles herein shall be deemed to have been amended to the extent that Articles will not be capable of restricting what has been allowed by the Act by virtue of an amendment subsequent to registration of the Articles.	
		SHARE CAPITAL, INCREASE AND REDUCTION OF CAPITAL	
Amount of Capital	3.	The Authorised Share Capital of the company shall be the capital as specified in the Memorandum of Association, with power to increase and reduce the Share Capital of the company and to divide the shares in the Capital for the time being into several classes as permissible in law and to attach thereto respectively such preferential, deferred, qualified or special rights, privileges or conditions as may be determined by or in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company to vary, modify, amalgamate or abrogate any such rights, privileges or conditions in such manner as may for time being be provided in the Articles of Association.	
Increase of Capital by the Company and how carried in to effect	4.	The Company in General Meeting may, from time to time, increase the Capital by the creation of new Shares. Subject to the provisions of the Act, any Shares of the original or increased Capital shall be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such rights and privileges annexed thereto, as the Board shall determine, and in particular, such shares may be issued with a preferential or qualified right to Dividends, or otherwise, or with a right to participate in some profits or assets of the Company, or with such differential or qualified right of voting at General Meetings of the Company, as permitted in terms of Section 47 of the Act. Whenever the Capital of the Company has been increased under the provisions of this Article, the Directors shall comply with the provisions of Section 64 of the Act or any such compliance as may be required by the Act for the time being in force.	
New Capital part of the existing Capital	5.	Except in so far as otherwise provided in the conditions of issue of Shares, any Capit raised by the creation of new Shares shall be considered as part of the existing Capital, ar shall be subject to provisions herein contained, with reference to the payment of calls ar installments, forfeiture, lien, surrender, transfer and transmission, voting and otherwise.	
Issue of redeemable preference shares	6.	Subject to the provisions of Section 55 of the Act and other Applicable Law, any preference shares may be issued from time to time, on the terms that they are redeemable within 20 years (except for infrastructure projects) on such terms and in such manner as the Company by the terms of the issue of the said shares may determine.	
Provision applicable on the issue of redeemable preference shares	7.	On the issue of redeemable preference shares under the provisions of Article 6 hereof, the following provisions shall take effect:	
		i. No such shares shall be redeemed except out of the profits of the Company, which would otherwise be available for Dividend, or out of the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for the purpose of the redemption.	

ii. No such shares shall be redeemed unless they are fully paid.

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- iii. Such shares shall be redeemed as per their terms.
- iv. The premium, if any, payable on redemption shall have been provided for out of the profits of the Company or out of the Company's securities premium account, before such shares are redeemed.
- v. Where any such shares are redeemed our of profits of the Company, there shall, out of the profits which would otherwise have been available for Dividend, be transferred to a reserve fund, to be called the "Capital Redemption Reserve Account" a sum equal to the nominal amount of the shares redeemed and the provisions of the Act relating to the reduction of the Share Capital of the Company shall, excepts as provided in Section 55 of the Act, apply as if the Capital Redemption Reserve Account were paid up Share Capital of the Company.
- 8. The Board shall be entitled to issue, from time to time, subject to the provisions of the Act, any other Securities, including Share Warrants, Securities convertible into Shares, exchangeable into Shares, or carrying a warrant, with or without any attached Securities, carrying such terms as to coupon, returns, repayment, servicing, as may be decided by the terms of such issue. Such Securities may be issued at premium or discount, and redeemed at premium or discount, as may be determined by the terms of the issuance: Provided that the Company shall not issue any Shares or Securities convertible into Shares at a discount.
- 9. The Company may (subject to the Provisions of Section 52, 55, 66, of the Act or any other applicable provisions of law for the time being in force) from time to time by way of Special Resolution reduce its Share Capital, any Capital Redemption Reserve Account or Share premium account in any manner for the time being authorized by law.
- 10. Subject to the provisions of Section 61 of the Act, the Company in General Meeting may from time to time (a) consolidate its Shares into shares of a larger amount than the existing Shares, or any class of them, and (b) sub-divide its existing shares or any of them into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the memorandum and the resolution whereby any Share is sub-divided, or classified, may determine that, as between the holders of the Shares resulting from such sub-division or classification, one or more of such Shares shall have some preference or special advantage as regards Dividend, Capital or otherwise over or as compared with the other; provided, however, that no sub-division of shares held in physical form, which shall result in the shareholder getting a Share Certificate of a denomination of lesser than 10 shares, shall be permitted.

Subject as aforesaid, the Company in General Meeting may also cancel Shares which have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person and diminish the amount of its Share Capital by the amount of the Shares so cancelled.

11. Whenever the Share Capital is divided into different types or classes of shares, all or any of the rights and privileges attached to each type or class may, subject to the provisions of Sections 48 of the Act, be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of at least three-fourths of the issued Shares of the class or by means of a Special Resolution passed at a separate Meeting of the holders of the issued shares of that class and all the provisions hereinafter contained as to General Meetings shall mutatis mutandis apply to every such class Meeting.

Provided that if variation by one class of shareholders affects the rights of any other class of shareholders, the consent of three-fourths of such other class of shareholders shall also be obtained.

12. Where at any time it is proposed to increase the subscribed Capital of the Company by allotment of further shares, such shares shall be offered to persons, who on the date of the offer are holders of the equity shares of the Company, in proportion as nearly as circumstances admit, to the paid-up share capital on those shares by sending a letter of offer subject to the following conditions, namely:

Provisions applicable to any other Securities:

**Reduction of Capital** 

Sub-division consolidation and cancellation of Shares

Variation of rights

Further issue of Capital

- the offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares offered and limiting i. a time not being less than 15 days and not exceeding 30 days from the date of the offer within which the offer, if not accepted, shall be deemed to have been declined;
- ii. The offer aforesaid shall be deemed to include a right exercisable by the person concerned to renounce the shares offered to him or any of them in favour of any other person and the notice referred to in 12.i hereof shall contain a statement of this right.
- After the expiry of the time specified in the aforesaid notice or on receipt of earlier iii. intimation from the person to whom such notice is given that he declines to accept the shares offered, the Board of Directors may dispose of them in such manner as they think most beneficial to the interest of the Company.
- 13. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Article no. 12 the further shares aforesaid may be offered in any manner whatsoever, to:
  - employees under a scheme of employees' stock option scheme, subject to special i. resolution passed by the Company and subject to other conditions prescribed under the Act and rules made thereunder;
  - to any persons on private placement or on preferential basis, whether or not those ii. persons include the persons referred to Article no. 12 or 13.i, either for cash or for a consideration other than cash, if so decided by a Special Resolution, subject to conditions prescribed under the Act and rules made thereunder and other Applicable Laws;
- 14. Nothing in Article no. 12 and 13 shall be deemed :
  - To extend the time within which the offer should be accepted; or i.
  - ii. To authorise any person to exercise the right of renunciation for a second time, on the ground that the person in whose favour the renunciation was first made has declined to take the shares comprised in the renunciation.
- Nothing contained in the Articles 12 to 14 shall apply to the increase of the subscribed 15. Capital of the Company caused by the exercise of an option attached to the Debenture issued or loan raised by the Company to convert such Debentures or loans into shares in the Company;

Provided that the terms of issue of such Debentures or the terms of such loans containing such an option have been approved before the issue of such Debentures or the raising of loan by a Special Resolution passed by the Company in general meeting.

16. Subject to the provisions above, and applicable provisions of the Act, the Securities of the Company for the time being shall be under the control of the Board who may issue, allot or otherwise dispose of the same or any of them to such person, in such proportion and on such terms and conditions and either at a premium or at par and at such time as they may from time to time think fit and to give to any person or persons the option or right to call for any Shares either at par or premium during such time and for such consideration as the Board think fit, and may issue and allot Shares in the Capital of the Company or other Securities on payment in full or part of any property sold and transferred or for any services rendered to the Company in the conduct of its business and any Shares which may so be allotted may be issued as fully paid up shares and if so issued, shall be deemed to be fully paid shares. Provided that option or right to call for Shares shall not be given to any person or persons without the sanction of the Company in the General Meeting.

Power to issue Shares outside 17 Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, and subject to such approvals, permissions and India sanctions as may be necessary from the Government of India, Reserve Bank of India and/or any other authorities or institutions as may be relevant (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Appropriate Authorities") and subject to such terms and conditions or such modifications thereto as may be prescribed by them in granting such approvals, permissions

Shares at the disposal of the Board

and sanctions, the Company will be entitled to issue and allot in the international capital markets, Equity Shares and/or any instruments or securities (including Global Depository Receipts) representing Equity Shares, any such instruments or securities being either with or without detachable Warrants attached thereto entitling the Warrant holder to Equity Shares/instruments or securities (including Global Depository Receipts) representing Equity Shares, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Securities") to be subscribed to in foreign currency / currencies by foreign investors (whether individuals and/or bodies corporate and/ or institutions and whether shareholders of the Company or not) for an amount, inclusive of such premium as may be determined by the Board. The provisions of this Article shall extend to allow the Board to issue such foreign Securities, in such manner as may be permitted by Applicable Law.

- 18. Any application signed by or on behalf of an applicant, for Shares in the Company, followed by an allotment of any Share shall be an acceptance of shares within the meaning of these Articles and every person who, does or otherwise accepts Shares and whose name is on the Register of Members shall for the purpose of these Articles, be a member.
  Acceptance of Shares
- 19. The money (if any) which the Board shall, on the allotment of any Share being made by them require or direct to be paid by way of deposit, call or otherwise in respect of any shares allotted by them shall immediately on the insertion of the name of the allottee in the Register of Members as the name of the holder of such Shares, become a debt due to and recoverable by the Company from the allottee thereof, and shall be paid by him accordingly.
- 20. Every member, or his heirs, executors or administrators shall pay to the Company the portion of the capital represented by his share or shares which may, for the time being, remain unpaid thereon, in such amounts, at such time or times, and in such manner as the Board shall, from time to time in accordance with the Company's regulations, require or fix for the payment thereof.
- 21. Except as required by law, no person shall be recognised by the Company as holding any Share upon any trust, and the Company shall not be bound by, or be compelled in any way to recognise (even when having notice thereof) any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any Share, or any interest in any fractional part of a Share, or (except only as by these regulations or by law otherwise provided) any other rights in respect of any Share except an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder.
- 22. If any Share stands in the names of two or more persons, the person first named in the register shall, as regards receipt of Dividends or bonus or service of notice and all or any earlier matter connected with the Company, except voting at meetings, be deemed the sole holder thereof, but the joint holders of a Share shall, severally as well as jointly be liable for the payment of all installments and calls due in respect of such Shares for all incidents thereof according to the Company's regulations.
- 23. The Company shall maintain a Register of Members and index in accordance with Section 88 of the Act. The details of shares held in physical or dematerialized forms may be maintained in a media as may be permitted by law including in any form of electronic media.

The Company may also keep a foreign register in accordance with Section 88 of the Act and rules made thereunder, containing the names and particulars of the Members, Debenture-holders, other Security holders or Beneficial Owners residing outside India.

24. A Member or other Security holder or Beneficial Owner may make inspection of Register of Members and annual return. Any person other than the Member or Debenture holder or Beneficial Owner of the Company shall be allowed to make inspection of the Register of Members and annual return on payment of Rs. 50 or such higher amount as permitted by Applicable Law as the Board may determine, for each inspection. Inspection may be made during business hours of the Company during such time, not being less than 2 hours on any day, as may be fixed by the Company Secretary from time to time.

payable immediately

Deposit and call to be a debt

Liability of Members

Shares not to be held in trust

The first named joint holder deemed to be sole holder

Register of Members and index

Share certificate to be numbered progressively and no Share to be subdivided

Limitation of time for issue of certificates

Issue of new certificate in place

of one defaced, lost or destroyed

25. Such person, as referred to in Article 24 above, may be allowed to make copies of the Register of Members or any other register maintained by the Company and annual return, and require a copy of any specific extract therein, on payment of Rs. 10 for each page, or such higher amount as permitted under Applicable Law.

#### SHARES CERTIFICATES

- 26. The shares certificates shall be numbered progressively according to their several denominations specify the shares to which it relates and bear the Seal of the Company, and except in the manner hereinbefore mentioned, no Share shall be sub-divided. Every forfeited or surrendered Share certificate shall continue to bear the number by which the same was originally distinguished.
- Every Member, other than a Beneficial Owner, shall be entitled, without payment, to one 27. or more certificates in marketable lots, for all the shares of each class or denomination registered in his name, or if the Board so approve (upon paying such fee as the Board may from time to time determine) to several certificates each for one or more of such Shares and the Company shall complete and have ready for delivery of such certificates within two months from the date of allotment, unless the conditions of issue thereof otherwise provide or within one months of the receipt of application of registration of transfer, transmission, sub-division, consolidation or renewal of any of its shares as the case may be. Every certificates of Shares shall be under the Seal of the Company which shall be affixed as prescribed in the Applicable Law and shall specify the number and distinctive numbers of Shares in respect of which it is issued and the amount paid-up thereon and shall be in such form as the Board or Committee thereof may prescribe and approve, provided that in respect of a Share(s) held jointly by several persons, the Company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate and delivery of a certificate of shares to one or several joint holders shall be a sufficient delivery to all such holders.
  - 28. If any certificate be worn out, defaced, mutilated, old/ or torn or if there be no further space on the back thereof for endorsement of transfer or in case of sub-division or consolidation then upon production and surrender such certificate to the Company, a new certificate may be issued in lieu thereof, and if any certificate is lost or destroyed then upon proof thereof to the satisfaction of the Company and on execution of such indemnity and the payment of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Company in investigating the evidence produced as the Board deems adequate, being given, a new certificate in lieu thereof shall be given to the party entitled to such lost or destroyed certificate. Every certificate under the article shall be issued in case of splitting or consolidation of Share certificate(s) or in replacement of Share certificate(s) that are defaced, mutilated, torn or old, decrepit or worn out without payment of fees if the Board so decide, or on payment of such fees (not exceeding Rs.50 for each certificate) as the Board shall prescribe.

Further, no duplicate certificate shall be issued in lieu of those that are lost or destroyed, without the prior consent of the Board or Committee thereof and only on furnishing of such supporting evidence and/or indemnity as the Board may require, and the payment of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Company in investigating the evidence produced, without payment of fees if the Board so decide, or on payment of such fees (not exceeding Rs.50 for each certificate) as the Board shall prescribe.

Provided that notwithstanding what is stated above the Board or Committee thereof shall comply with such rules or regulation or requirements of any Stock Exchange or the rules made under the Act or rules made under Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956, as amended or any other Act, or rules applicable thereof in this behalf; provided further, that the Company shall comply with the provisions of Section 46 of the Act and other Applicable Law, in respect of issue of duplicate shares.

29. All books and documents relating to the issue of Share certificates including the blank forms of Share certificates shall be kept in safe custody and to be properly maintained and preserved in accordance with the manner laid down in Applicable Law.

30. The provision of Article 26, 27, 28 and 29 shall mutatis mutandis apply to issue of certificates of Debentures of the Company or to any other securities issued by the Company.

#### **BUY BACK OF SECURITIES BY THE COMPANY**

Subject to the provisions of Sections 68, 69 and 70 of the Act and such other regulations as 31. prescribed by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) or any other authority for the time being in force, the Company may purchase its own shares or other specified securities. The power conferred herein may be exercised by the Board, at any time and from time to time, where and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, and shall be subject to such rules, applicable consent or approval as required.

#### UNDERWRITING AND BROKERAGE

- Subject to the provisions of Section 40(6) of the Act and rules made thereunder, and 32. subject to the applicable SEBI guidelines and subject to the terms of issue of the shares or Debentures or any securities, as defined in the Securities Contract (Regulations) Act, 1956 the Company may at any time pay a commission out of proceeds of the issue or profit or both to any person in consideration of his subscribing or agreeing to subscribe (whether absolutely on conditionally) for any shares in or Debentures of the Company, or underwriting or procuring or agreeing to procure subscriptions (whether absolute or conditional) for shares, Debentures or of the Company but so that the commission shall not exceed in the case of shares, five per cent of the price at which the shares are issued, and in the case of Debentures, two and a half per cent of the price at which the Debentures are issued or at such rates as may be fixed by the Board within the overall limit prescribed under the Act or Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992. Such commission may be satisfied by payment in cash or by allotment of fully or partly paid shares, securities or Debentures or partly in one way and partly in the other.
- 33. The Company may, subject to Applicable Law, pay a reasonable and lawful sum for brokerage to any person for subscribing or procuring subscription for any Securities, at such rate as sanctioned by the Managing Director.

#### **CALL ON SHARES**

- 34. The Board of Directors may, from time to time and subject to the terms on which Shares have been issued and subject to the conditions of allotment, by a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board, or otherwise as permitted by Applicable Law make such call as it thinks fit upon the members in respect of all moneys unpaid on the Shares held by them respectively, and each member shall pay the amount of every call so made on him to the person or persons and at the times and places appointed by the Board of Directors. A call may be made payable by installments.
- 35. The option or right to make calls on Shares shall not be given to any person except with the sanction of the Board of Directors of the company.
- Each member shall, subject to receiving fourteen days' notice specifying the time or times 36. and place of payment, pay to the Company, at the time or times and place so specified, the amount called on his shares.
- 37. A call may be revoked or postponed at the discretion of the Board.
- 38. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution authorising such call was passed as provided herein and may be required to be paid by installments.
- The Board may, from time to time at its discretion, extend the time fixed for the payment 39. of any call, and may extend such time as to all or any of the members who from residence at a distance or other cause, the Board may deem fairly entitled to such extension, but no member shall be entitled to such extension save as a member of grace and favour.
- 40. If any member fails to pay any call due from him on the day appointed for payment thereof, or any such extension thereof as aforesaid, he shall be liable to pay interest on the same from the day appointed for the payment thereof to the time of actual payment at a rate,

Board of Directors may make calls

Notice of calls

Calls to date from resolution

Board may extend time

Calls to carry interest

Commission may be paid

Brokerage

as the Board may determine and as permissible under the Applicable law. Nothing in this Article shall render it obligatory for the Board of Directors to demand or recover any interest from any such member.

- 41. The Board shall be at liberty to waive payment of any such interest wholly or in part.
- 42. Any sum, which may by the terms of issue of a Share becomes payable on allotment or at any fixed date, whether on account of the nominal value of the Share or by way of premium, shall for the purposes of these Articles be deemed to be a call duly made and payable, on the date on which by the terms of issue the same becomes payable and in case of non-payment, all the relevant provisions of these Articles as to payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture or otherwise, shall apply as if such sum had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.
- 43. At the trial or hearing of any action or suit brought by the Company against any member or his representatives for the recovery of any money claimed to be due to the Company in respect of his shares, it shall be sufficient to prove that the name of the member, in respect of whose shares, the money is sought to be recovered appears entered on the Register of Members as the holder, at or subsequently to the date at which the money is sought to be recovered, is alleged to have become due on the shares in respect of such money is sought to be recovered, that the resolution making the call is duly recorded in the Minute Book, and that notice of such call was duly given to the member or his representatives used in pursuance of these Articles and that it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the Directors who made such call, nor that a quorum of Directors was present at the Board at which any call was made nor that the meeting at which any call was made duly convened or constituted nor any other matters whatsoever, but the proof of the matter aforesaid shall be conclusive evidence of the debt.
- Neither the receipt by the Company of a portion of any money which shall from time to time 44. be due from any member to the Company in respect of his shares, either by way of principal or interest, nor any indulgence granted by the Company in respect of the payment of any such money, shall preclude the Company from thereafter proceeding to enforce a forfeiture of such shares as hereinafter provided.
  - The Board may, if they think fit, subject to the provisions of Section 50 of the Act, agree to 45. and receive from any member willing to advance the same whole or any part of the moneys due upon the shares held by him beyond the sums actually called for, and upon the amount so paid or satisfied in advance, or so much thereof as from time to time exceeds the amount of the calls then made upon the shares in respect of which such advance has been made, the Company may pay interest at such rate not exceeding 12%, as the member paying such sum in advance and the Board agree upon provided that money paid in advance of calls shall not confer a right to participate in profits or Dividend. The Board may at any time repay the amount so advanced. The members shall not be entitled to any voting rights in respect of the moneys so paid by him until the same would but for such payment, become presently payable.
    - 46. The provisions of these Articles shall mutatis mutandis apply to the calls on Debenture or other Securities of the Company.

#### LIEN

47. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien upon all the shares/ Debentures/ Securities (other than fully paid-up shares/Debentures) registered in the name of each member (whether solely or jointly with others) and upon the proceeds of sale thereof, for all moneys (whether presently payable or not) called or payable at a fixed time in respect of such shares/Debentures/Securities and no equitable interest in any shares shall be created except upon the footing, and upon the condition that this Article will have full effect and any such lien shall extend to all Dividends and bonuses from time to time declared in respect of such shares. Unless otherwise agreed, the registration of a transfer of shares shall operate as a waiver of the Company's lien, if any, on such shares/ Debentures/ Securities.

Sums deemed to be calls

Proof on trial of suit for money due on Shares

Partial payment not to preclude forfeiture

Payment in anticipation of call may carry interest

Company to have lien on shares

- 48. The Board may at any time declare any shares/ Debentures/Securities wholly or in part to be exempt from the provision of this Article. Provided that, fully paid shares shall be free from all lien and that in case of partly paid shares the Company's lien shall be restricted to moneys called or payable at a fixed time in respect of such shares.
- 49. For the purpose of enforcing such lien, the Board may sell the Shares subject thereto in such manner as they shall think fit, and for that purpose may cause to be issued a duplicate certificate in respect of such shares and may authorise one of their member to execute a transfer thereof on behalf of and in the name of such member. The purchaser of such transferred shares shall be registered as the holder of the shares comprised in any such transfer. The purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale.
- 50. No sale shall be made unless a sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable or until the expiration of thirty days after a notice in writing of the intention to sell shall have been served on such member or his representatives and default shall have been made by him or them in payment, fulfillment, or discharge of such debts, liabilities or engagements for thirty days after such notice.
- 51. The net proceeds of any such sale shall be received by the Company and applied in or towards payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable and the residue, if any, shall (subject to a like lien for sums not presently payable as existed upon the shares before the sale) be paid to the persons entitled to the shares at the date of the sale.

#### FORFEITURE OF SHARE

- 52. If any member fails to pay any call or installment on or before the day appointed for the payment of the same the Board may at any time thereafter during such time as the call or installment remains unpaid, serve notice on such member requiring him to pay the same, together with any interest that may have accrued and all expenses that may have been incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment.
- 53. The notice aforesaid shall:
  - i. name a further day (not being earlier than the expiry of fourteen days from the date of service of the notice) on or before which the payment required by the notice is to be made.
  - ii. shall detail the amount which is due and payable on the shares and shall state that in the event of non-payment at or before the time appointed the shares will be liable to be forfeited.
- 54. If the requisitions of any such notice as aforesaid be not complied with, any shares in respect of which such notice has been given may, at any time thereafter, before payment of all calls or installments, interest and expenses, due in respect thereof, be forfeited by a resolution of the Board to that effect. Such forfeiture shall include all Dividends declared in respect of the forfeited Shares and not actually paid before the forfeiture.
- 55. When any Shares shall have been so forfeited, notice of the forfeiture shall be given to the member in whose name it stood immediately prior to the forfeiture, and an entry of the forfeiture, with the date thereof, shall forthwith be made in the Register of Members, but no forfeiture shall be in any manner invalidated, by any omission or neglect to give such notice or to make any such entry as aforesaid.
- 56. Any Share so forfeited shall be deemed to be the property of the Company, and the Board may sell, re allot or otherwise dispose of the same in such manner as think fit.
- 57. The Board may, at any time before any Share so forfeited shall have been sold, re-allotted or otherwise disposed of, cancel the forfeiture thereof upon such conditions as it thinks fit.

As to enforcing lien by sale

Application of proceeds of sale

If call or installment not paid notice may be given

Form of notice

If notice not complied with Shares may be forfeited

Notice of forfeiture to a Member

Forfeited Share to become property of the Company

Power to cancel forfeiture

Liability on forfeiture 58. A person whose Share has been forfeited shall cease to be a Member in respect of the forfeited Share, but shall notwithstanding, remain liable to pay, and shall forthwith pay to the Company, all calls, or installment, interest and expenses, owing in respect of such Share at the time of the forfeiture, together with interest thereon, from the time of forfeiture until payment, at such rate as the Board may determine and the Board may enforce the payment thereof, to any party thereof, without any deduction or allowance for the value of the shares at the time of forfeiture, but shall not be under any obligation to do so. The liability of such person shall cease if and when the Company shall have received payment in full of all such monies in respect of the Shares. 59. The forfeiture of a Share involve extinction, at the time of the forfeiture, of all interest and Effect of forfeiture all claims and demands against the Company in respect of the Share and all other rights, incidental to the Share except only such of those rights as by these Articles are expressly saved. 60 A duly verified declaration in writing that the declarant is a Director, the manager or the Evidence of forfeiture secretary of the Company, and that certain shares in the Company have been duly forfeited on a date stated in the declaration shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the Shares. 61. Upon any sale, re-allotment or other disposal under the provisions of the preceding Articles, Cancellation of Share certificate in respect of forfeited shares the certificate or certificates originally issued in respect of the relative shares shall (unless the same shall on demand by the Company have been previously surrendered to it by the defaulting member) stand cancelled and become null and void and of no effect, and the Board shall be entitled to issue a duplicate certificate or certificates in respect of the said shares to the person or persons, entitled thereto as per the provisions herein i. The Company may receive the consideration, if any, given for the Share on any sale or disposal thereof and may execute a transfer of the Share in favour of the person to whom the Share is sold or disposed of; ii. The transferee shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the Share; and iii. The transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, if any, nor shall his title to the Share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture, sale or disposal of the Share. The provisions of these regulations as to forfeiture shall apply in the case of non-payment of 62. These Articles to apply in case of any non-payment any sum which, by the terms of issue of a Share, becomes payable at a fixed time, whether on account of the nominal value of the Share or by way of premium, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified. **CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS** 63. The Company in general meeting may, upon the recommendation of the Board, resolve that it is desirable to capitalise any part of the amount for the time being standing to i. the credit of any of the Company's reserve accounts, or to the credit of the profit and loss account, or otherwise available for distribution; and that such sum be accordingly set free for distribution in the manner specified in 1 above ii. amongst the members who would have been entitled thereto, if distributed by way of Dividend and in the same proportions. 64 The sum aforesaid shall not be paid in cash but shall be applied, subject to applicable provisions contained herein, either in or towardspaying up in full, unissued shares of the Company to be allotted and distributed, i. credited as fully paid-up, to and amongst such members in the proportions aforesaid; A securities premium account and a Capital Redemption Reserve Account may, for the ii. purposes of this regulation, be applied in the paying up of unissued shares to be issued

to members of the Company as fully paid bonus shares;

- iii. Whenever such a resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed, the Board shall
  - a. make all appropriations and applications of the undivided profits resolved to be capitalised thereby, and all allotments and issues of fully paid shares if any; and
  - b. generally do all acts and things required to give effect thereto.
- 65. The Board shall have power
  - i. to make such provisions, by the issue of fractional certificates or by payment in cash or otherwise as it thinks fit, for the case of shares becoming distributable in fractions;
  - ii. to authorise any person to enter, on behalf of all the members entitled thereto, into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them respectively, credited as fully paid-up, of any further shares to which they may be entitled upon such capitalisation, or as the case may require, for the payment by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of profits resolved to be capitalised, of the amount or any part of the amounts remaining unpaid on their existing shares.

#### TRANSFER AND TRANSMISSION OF SHARES

- 66. The Company shall keep a book to be called the "Register of Transfers", and therein shall be fairly and directly entered particulars of every transfer or transmission of any Share. The Register of Transfers shall not be available for inspection or making of extracts by the Members of the Company or any other Persons.
- 67. The instrument of transfer shall be in the form prescribed under section 56 of the Act and rules made thereunder.
- 68. Every instrument of transfer shall be executed both by transferor and the transferee and the transferor shall be deemed to remain the holder of such Share until the name of the transferee shall have been entered in the Register of Members in respect thereof. The Board shall not issue or register a transfer of any Share in favour of a minor (unless acting through a legal guardian and except in cases when they are fully paid up).
- 69. Application for the registration of the transfer of a Share may be made either by the transferee or the transferor, no registration shall, in the case of the partly paid Share, be affected unless the Company gives notice of the application to the transferee subject to the provisions of these Articles and Section 56 of the Act and/or Applicable Law, the Company shall unless objection is made by the transferee within two weeks from the date of receipt of the notice, enter in the Register the name of transferee in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as it the application for registration of the transfer was made by the transferee.
- 70. The Board shall have power to give at least seven days' previous notice by advertisement in some newspaper circulating in the district in which the registered office of the Company is situated, in accordance with Section 91 of the Act and Applicable Laws, to close the transfer books, the Register of Members, Register of Debenture holders or the Register of other Security holders at such time or times and for such period or periods, not exceeding thirty days at a time and not exceeding in the aggregate forty-five days in each year, as it may deem expedient.
- 71. Subject to the provisions of Section 56 of the Act, these Articles and other applicable provisions of the Act or any other law for the time being in force, the Board may refuse, in the interest of the Company or in pursuance of power under any Applicable Law, to register the transfer of, or the transmission by operation of law of the right to, any shares or interest of a member in or Debentures of the Company.
- 72. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, but subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board may refuse to register the transfer of any of its securities in the name of the transferee on any one or more of the following grounds and on no other ground, namely :-

Register of transfers

Instruments of transfer

To be executed by transferor and transferee

Transfer books when closed

Board may refuse to register transfer

- (a) that the instrument of transfer is not proper or has not been duly stamped and executed or that the certificate relating to the security has not been delivered to the Company or that any other requirement under the law relating to registration of such transfer has not been complied with;
- (b) that the transfer of the security is in contravention of any law;
- (c) that the transfer of the security is likely to result in such change in the composition of the Board of Directors as would be prejudicial to the interests of the Company or to the public interest;
- (d) that the transfer of the security to prohibited by any order of any court, tribunal or other authority under any law for the time being in force.
- 73. The Company shall within one month from the date on which the instrument of transfer, or the intimation of such transmission, as the case may be, was delivered to the Company, send notice of the refusal to the transferee and the transferor or to the person giving intimation of such transmission, as the case may be, giving reasons for such refusal. Provided that the registration of a transfer shall not be refused on the ground of the transferor being either alone or jointly with any other person or persons indebted to the Company on any account whatsoever except where the Company has a lien on shares.
- 74. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, a Depository shall be deemed to be the registered owner for the purpose of effecting transfer of ownership of Securities on behalf of a Beneficial Owner.
- 75. Save as otherwise provided hereinabove, the Depository as a registered owner shall not have any voting rights or any other rights in respect of securities held by it, and the Beneficial Owner shall be entitled to all the rights and benefits and be subject to all the liabilities in respect of its securities held by a Depository.
- 76. Except as ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the Company shall be entitled to treat the person whose name appears as the Beneficial Owner of the securities in the records of the Depository as the absolute owner thereof and accordingly the Company shall not be bound to recognise any benami, trust or equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any Security or (except otherwise expressly provided by the Articles) any right in respect of a Security other than an absolute right thereto, in accordance with these Articles on the part of any other person whether or not it shall have express or implied notice thereof.
- 77. Every holder of Shares in, or Debentures of the Company may at any time nominate, in the manner prescribed under the Act, a person to whom his shares in or Debentures of the Company shall vest in the event of death of such holder.
- 78. Where the Shares in, or Debentures of the Company are held by more than one person jointly, the joint holders may together nominate, in the prescribed manner, a person to whom all the rights in the shares or Debentures of the Company, as the case may be, held by them shall vest in the event of death of all joint holders.
- 79. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force or in any disposition, whether testamentary or otherwise, or in these Articles, in respect of such shares in or Debentures of the Company, where a nomination made in the prescribed manner purports to confer on any person the right to vest the shares in, or Debentures of the Company, the nominee shall, on the death of the shareholders or holder of Debentures of the Company or, as the case may be, on the death of all the joint holders become entitled to all the rights in the shares or Debentures of the Company to the exclusion of all other persons, unless the nomination is varied or cancelled in the prescribed manner under the provisions of the Act.
- 80. Where the nominee is a minor, it shall be lawful for the holder of the shares or holder of Debentures to make the nomination to appoint, in the prescribed manner under the

Board to recognize Beneficial Owners of securities

Nomination

provisions of the Act, any person to become entitled to the shares in or Debentures of the Company, in the event of his death, during the minority.

- 81. The executors or administrators of a deceased member (not being one of several joint holders) shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to the shares registered in the name of such member and in case of the death of any one or more of the joint holders of any registered shares, the survivors shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to or interest in such shares, but nothing herein contained shall be taken to release the estate of a deceased joint-holders from the executor or administrator. Board may require him to obtain a grant of Probate or letters of Administration or other legal representation as the case may be from some competent Court.
- 82. Any person becoming entitled to shares in consequence of the death, lunacy, bankruptcy or insolvency of any member, or the marriage of a female member, or by any lawful means other than by a transfer in accordance with these presents, may with the consent of the Board of Directors and subject as hereinafter provided, elect, either:
  - i. to be registered himself as holder of the shares or Debentures, as the case may be; or
  - ii. to make such transfer of the shares or Debentures, as the case may be, as the deceased shareholder or Debenture holder, as the case may be, could have made.

Provided nevertheless that it shall be lawful for the Board in their absolute discretion to dispense with the production of any evidence including any legal representation upon such terms as to indemnity or otherwise as the Board may deem fit.

Provided nevertheless, that if such person shall elect to have his nominee registered he shall testify the election by executing to his nominee an instrument of transfer in accordance with the provisions herein contained and until he does so, he shall not be freed from any liability in respect of the shares.

- 83. The Board shall, in either case, have the same right to decline or suspend registration as it would have had, if the deceased or insolvent member had transferred the Share before his death or insolvency.
- 84. If the nominee, so becoming entitled, elects himself to be registered as holder of the shares or Debentures, as the case may be, he shall deliver or send to the Company a notice in writing signed by him stating that he so elects and such notice shall be accompanied with death certificate of the deceased shareholder or Debenture holder and the certificate(s) of shares or Debentures, as the case may be, held by the deceased in the Company.
- 85. If the person aforesaid shall elect to transfer the Share, he shall testify his election by executing a transfer of the Share.
- 86. All the limitations, restrictions and provisions of these regulations relating to the right to transfer and the registration of transfers of shares shall be applicable to any such notice or transfer as aforesaid as if the death or insolvency of the member had not occurred and the notice or transfer were a transfer signed by that member.
- 87. Subject to the provisions of Section 56 of the Act and these Articles, the Board may register the relevant shares or Debentures in the name of the nominee of the transferee as if the death of the registered holder of the shares or Debentures had not occurred and the notice or transfer were a transfer signed by that shareholder or Debenture holder, as the case may be.
- 88. A nominee on becoming entitled to Shares or Debentures by reason of the death of the holder or joint holders shall be entitled to the same Dividend and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the Share or Debenture, except that he shall not before being registered as holder of such shares or Debentures, be entitled in respect of them to exercise any right conferred on a member or Debenture holder in relation to meetings of the Company.

Persons entitled to share by Transmission

Transmission in the name of nominee

registered himself or to transfer the shares or Debentures, and if the notice is not complied with within ninety days, the Board may thereafter withhold payment of all Dividends, bonus, interest or other moneys payable or rights accrued or accruing in respect of the relevant shares or Debentures, until the requirements of the notice have been complied with. No transfer to minor, insolvent 90. No transfer shall be made to a minor or person of unsound mind. However in respect of fully etc. paid up shares, shares may be transferred in favor of minor acting through legal guardian, in accordance with the provisions of law. A person entitled to a Share by transmission shall, subject to the right of the Directors to Person entitled may receive 91. Dividend without being retain such Dividends or money as hereinafter provided, be entitled to receive and may give registered as a Member discharge for any Dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the Share, except that he shall not, before being registered as a member in respect of the Share, be entitled in respect of it to exercise any right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company. 92. Every instrument of transfer shall be presented to the Company duly stamped for registration Transfer to be presented with evidence of title accompanied by such evidence as the Board of Directors may require to prove the title of the transferor, his right to transfer the shares and generally under and subject to such conditions and regulations as the Board of Directors shall from time to time prescribe, and every registered instrument of transfer shall remain in the custody of the Company until destroyed by order of the Board of Directors. For the purpose of the registration of a transfer, the certificate or certificates of the Share or 93. Conditions of registration of transfer shares to be transferred must be delivered to the Company along with (same as provided in Section 56 of the Act) a properly stamped and executed instrument of transfer. No fee on transfer or No fee shall be charged for registration of transfer, transmission, probate, succession 94. transmission certificate and letters of administration, certificate of death or marriage, power of attorney or similar other document. 95. The Company shall incur no liability or responsibility whatsoever in consequence of its Company not liable for disregard of a notice in prohibiting registering or giving effect to any transfer of shares made or purporting to be made by any registration of transfer apparent legal owner thereof (as shown or appearing in the Register of Members) to the prejudice of persons having or claiming any equitable right, title or interest to or in the said shares, notwithstanding that the Company may have had notice of such equitable right, title or interest or notice prohibiting registration of such transfer, and may have entered such notice, or deferred thereto, in any book of the Company, and the Company shall not be bound or required to regard or attend or give effect to any notice which may be given to it of any equitable right title or interest, or be under any liability whatsoever for refusing or neglecting so to do, though it may have been entered or referred to in some book of the Company; but the Company shall nevertheless be at liberty to regard and attend to any such notice and give effect thereto, if the Board of Directors or any Committee thereof shall so think fit. DEMATERIALISATION OF SECURITIES 96. The provisions of this Article shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other Articles. The Board or any Committee thereof shall be entitled to dematerialise Securities or to offer Dematerialization of Securities 97. securities in a dematerialized form pursuant to the Depositories Act, 1996, as amended. The provisions of this Section will be applicable in case of such Securities as are or are intended to be dematerialised. Options for investors 98. Every holder of or subscriber to Securities of the Company shall have the option to receive certificates for such securities or to hold the securities with a Depository. Such a person who is the Beneficial Owner of the securities can at any time opt out of a Depository, if permitted by law, in respect of any securities in the manner provided by the Depositories Act, 1996, and the Company shall, in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, issue to the Beneficial Owner the required certificates for the Securities.

The Board may, at any time, give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be

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- 99. If a person opts to hold his securities with the Depository, the Company shall intimate such Depository the details of allotment of the securities, and on receipt of the information, the Depository shall enter in its record the name of the allottee as the Beneficial Owner of the securities.
- 100. All securities held by a Depository shall be dematerialized and be in fungible form. Nothing contained in Sections 89 of the Act shall apply to a Depository in respect of the securities held by on behalf of the Beneficial Owners.
- 101. i. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these, a Depository shall be deemed to be the registered owner for the purposes of effecting transfer of ownership of Securities of the Company on behalf of the Beneficial Owner.
  - ii. Save as otherwise provided in sub-clause above, the Depository as the registered owner of the Securities shall not have any voting rights or any other rights in respect of the Securities held by it.
  - iii. Every person holding Securities of the Company and whose name is entered as the Beneficial Owner of securities in the record of the Depository shall be entitled to all the rights and benefits and be subject to all the liabilities in respect of the Securities which are held by a Depository and shall be deemed to be a Member of the Company.
- 102. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, where Securities of the Company are held in a Depository, the records of the beneficiary ownership may be served by such Depository on the Company by means of Electronic Mode or by delivery of floppies or discs.
- 103. Nothing contained in Section 56 of the Act or anything to the contrary contained in these Articles shall apply to a transfer of Securities effected by a transferor and transferee both of who are entered as Beneficial Owners in the records of a Depository.
- 104. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, where Securities are dealt with by a Depository, the Company shall intimate the details thereof to the Depository immediately on allotment of such Securities.
- 105. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles regarding the necessity of having distinctive numbers for Securities issued by the Company shall apply to securities held with a Depository.
- 106. The Register and Index of Beneficial Owners maintained by Depository under the Depositories Act, 1996, as amended shall be deemed to be the Register and Index of Members and Security holders for the purposes of these Articles.

#### **COPIES OF MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES TO BE SENT TO MEMBERS**

107. Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company shall be sent by the Board to every Member at his request within seven days of the request on payment of such fees as is prescribed in the Act or Rules thereunder, and where no such fees is prescribed in the Act or Rules, Rs.100/- for each copy.

#### **BORROWING POWERS**

108. The Board may, from time to time, at its discretion subject to the provisions of these Articles, Section 73 to 76, 179, 180 of the Act or Applicable Law, raise or borrow, and secure the payment of any sum or sums of money for the purpose of the Company; by a resolution of the Board, or where a power to delegate the same is available, by a decision/resolution of such delegatee, provided that the Board shall not without the requisite sanction of the Company in General Meeting borrow any sum of money which together with money borrowed by the Company (apart from temporary loans obtained from the Company's bankers in the ordinary course of business) exceed the aggregate for the time being of the paid up Capital of the Company and its free reserves. Securities in depositories to be in fungible form

Rights of Depositories and Beneficial Owners

Service of Documents

Transfer of securities

Allotment of securities dealt with in a Depository

Distinctive number of securities held in a Depository

Register and index of Beneficial Owners

Power to borrow

Conditions on which money may<br/>be borrowed109.The Board may raise or secure the repayment of such sum or sums in such manner and<br/>upon such terms and conditions in all respects as it thinks fit and in particular, by the issue<br/>of bonds, or other Securities, or any mortgage, or other security on the undertaking of the<br/>whole or any part of the property of the Company (both present and future including its<br/>uncalled capital for the time being.Terms of issue of Debentures110.Any Debentures, Debenture stock, bonds or other Securities may be issued on such terms<br/>and conditions as the Board may think fit. Provided that Debenture with a right to allotment<br/>or conversion into shares shall be issued in conformity with the provisions of Section 62 of the

Act. Debentures, Debenture stock, bonds and other securities may be made assignable free from any equities from the Company and the person to whom it may be issued. Debentures, Debenture- stock, bonds or other securities with a right of conversion into or allotment of shares shall be issued only with such sanctions as may be applicable.

- Instrument of transfer 111. Save as provided in Section 56 of the Act, no transfer of Debentures shall be registered unless a proper instrument of transfer duly executed by the transferor and transferee has been delivered to the Company together with the certificate or certificates of the Debentures: Provided that the Company may issue non transferable Debentures and accept an assignment of such instruments.
- Delivery of certificates 112. Deliver by the Company of certificates upon allotment or registration of transfer of any Debentures, Debenture stock or bond issued by the Company shall be governed and regulated by Section 56 of the Act.
- Register of charge, etc. 113. The Board shall cause a proper Register to be kept in accordance with the provisions of Section 85 of the Act of all mortgages, Debentures and charges specifically affecting the property of the Company, and shall cause the requirements of Sections 77 to 87 of the Act, both inclusive of the Act in that behalf to be duly complied with, so far as they are ought to be complied with by the Board.
- Register and index of Debenture holders 114. The Company shall, if at any time it issues Debentures, keep Register and Index of Debenture holders in accordance with Section 88 of the Act. The Company shall have the power to keep in any State or Country outside India a Branch Register of Debenture-stock, resident in that State or Country.

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

Annual General Meeting

- 115. The Company shall in each year hold a General Meeting as its Annual General Meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year.
  - 116. Every Annual General Meeting shall be called during business hours, that is, between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on any day that is not a national holiday and shall be held either at the registered office of the Company or at some other place within the city, town or village in which the registered office of the Company is situated.
  - 117. In the case of an Annual General Meeting, all businesses to be transacted at the meeting shall be deemed special, with the exception of business relating to:
    - i. the consideration of financial statements and the reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors;
    - ii. the declaration of any Dividend;
    - iii. the appointment of Directors in place of those retiring;
    - iv. the appointment of, and the fixing of the remuneration of the Auditors.

Extra-Ordinary General Meeting 118. All general meetings other than Annual General Meeting shall be called extraordinary general meeting.

- 119. In case of meeting other than Annual General Meeting, all business shall be deemed special.
- 120. The Board may, whenever it thinks fit, call an extraordinary general meeting.

- 121. Where permitted or required by Applicable Law, Board may, instead of calling a meeting of any members/ class of members/ Debenture-holders, seek their assent by Postal ballot. Such Postal ballot will comply with the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder in this behalf.
- 122. A member may exercise his vote at a General Meeting by electronic mode in accordance with Section 108 of the Companies Act 2013 and rules made thereunder.
- 123. The Board may, call an Extraordinary General Meeting upon receipt of a written requisition from any member or members holding in the aggregate not less than one-tenth of such of the paid-up Capital as at the date carries the right of voting in regard to the matter in respect of which the requisition has been made.
- 124. Any meeting called as above by the requisitionists shall be called in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meetings are to be called by the Board.
- 125. At least 21 clear days' notice of every General Meeting, specifying the day, date, place and hour of meeting, containing a statement of the business to be transacted thereat, shall be given, either in writing or through Electronic Mode, to every member or legal representative of any deceased member or the assignee of an insolvent member, every Auditor(s) and Director of the Company. Any accidental omission to give any such notice as aforesaid to any of the members, or the non receipt thereof, shall not invalidate the holding of the meeting or any resolution passed at any such meeting.
- 126. A General Meeting may be called at a shorter notice if consented to in writing or by any Electronic Mode by not less than 95% of the Members entitled to vote at such meeting.
- 127. No General Meeting, Annual or Extraordinary, shall be competent to enter upon, discuss or transact any business which has not been mentioned in the notice or notices upon which it was convened.
- 128. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business.
- 129. Save as otherwise provided herein, the quorum for the general meetings shall be as provided in Section 103 of the Act.
- 130. A body corporate being a Member shall be deemed to be personally present if it is represented in accordance with Section 113 of the Act.
- 131. If at the expiration of half an hour from the time appointed for holding a meeting of the Company, quorum is not present, the meeting, if convened by or upon the requisition of members, shall stand dissolved, but in any other case the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week or, if that day is a National holiday, until the next succeeding day which is not a National holiday, at the same time and place, or to such other day and at such other time and place as the Board may determine and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present at the expiration of half an hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall be quorum and may transact the business for which the meeting was called. Provided, however, that the company shall give not less than three days' notice to the members either individually or by publishing an advertisement in newspapers (one in English and one in vernacular language) which is in circulation at the place where the registered office of the company is situated of such an adjourned meeting which is held in accordance with this article.
- 132. The Chairman (if any) of the Board of Directors, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman or in the absence of both, the Managing Director of the Company shall be entitled to take the chair at every General Meeting, whether Annual or Extraordinary.
- 133. If there is no such Chairperson of the Board or Vice Chairman, or if he is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, or is unwilling to act as Chairperson of the meeting, the Directors present shall elect one among themselves to be Chairperson of the meeting.

Notice of General Meetings

Voting by electronic mode

Calling of general meeting on

Postal Ballot

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Meeting not to transact business not mentioned in notice

Quorum at General Meeting

Chairperson at General Meetings

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- 134. If at any meeting no Director is willing to act as Chairperson or if no Director is present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall choose one of themselves to be Chairperson of the meeting.
- 135. No business shall be discussed at any General Meeting except the election of a Chairperson, while the chair is vacant.
- 136. The Chairperson may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present, and shall, if so directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place.
- 137. No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 138. When a meeting is adjourned for thirty days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given in the same manner and in compliance of the provisions of the Act as in the case of an original meeting.
- 139. Save as aforesaid, and as provided in Section 103 of the Act, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.
- 140. No member shall be entitled to vote either personally or by proxy, at any General Meeting or Meeting of a class of shareholders in respect of any shares registered in his name on which any calls or other sums presently payable by him have not been paid or, in regard to which the Company has, and has exercised any right of lien.
- 141. Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any class or classes of shares
  - i. on a show of hands, every member present in person shall have one vote; and
  - ii. on a poll, the voting rights of members shall be in proportion to his Share in the paid-up equity Share Capital of the Company;
  - iii. A member may exercise his vote at a meeting by electronic means in accordance with Section 108 of the Act and shall vote only once.
- 142. In the case of joint holders, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders.

For this purpose, seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members.

- 143. A member of unsound mind, or in respect of whom an order has been made by any court having jurisdiction in lunacy, may vote, whether on a show of hands or on a poll, by his committee or other legal guardian, and any such committee or guardian may, on a poll, vote by proxy.
- 144. Any business other than that upon which a poll has been demanded may be preceded with, pending the taking of the poll.
- 145. No member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting unless all calls or other sums presently payable by him in respect of shares in the Company have been paid.
- 146. No objection shall be raised to the qualification of any voter except at the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the vote objected to is given or tendered, and every vote not disallowed at such meeting shall be valid for all purposes.
- 147. If a poll is demanded as aforesaid, the same shall, be taken at such time (not later than forty-eight hours from the time when the demand was made) and place in the city or town in which the Office of the Company is for the time being situate and either by open voting or by ballot, as the Chairman shall direct, and either at once or after an interval or adjournment or otherwise, and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded. The demand for a poll may be withdrawn at any time by the person or person who made the demand.

Voting rights

Adjournment of Meeting

- 148. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairperson of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
- 149. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson shall, both on a show of hands and at a poll (if any), have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes to which he may be entitled as a member.
- 150. Subject to the provisions of these Articles, votes may be given either personally or by proxy. A body corporate being a member may vote by a representative duly authorised in accordance with Section 113 of the Act, and such representative shall be entitled to exercise the same rights and powers (including the rights to vote by proxy) on behalf of the body corporate which he represents as the body could exercise if it were an individual member.
- 151. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power-of-attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarised copy of that power or authority, shall be deposited at the registered office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, or, in the case of a poll, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll; and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid. No instrument appointing a proxy shall be valid after the expiration of twelve months from the date of its execution.
- 152. Every proxy (whether a member or not) shall be appointed in writing under the hand of the appointer or his attorney, or if such appointer is a body corporate, under the Common Seal of such corporate, or be signed by an officer or any attorney duly authorised by it, and any committee or guardian may appoint such proxy. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the form as prescribed in terms of Section 105 of the Act.
- 153. A member present by proxy shall be entitled to vote only on a poll, except where Applicable Law provides otherwise.
- 154. The proxy so appointed shall not have any right to speak at the meeting.
- 155. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid, notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or the revocation of the proxy or of the authority under which the proxy was executed, or the transfer of the shares in respect of which the proxy is given.

Provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity, revocation or transfer shall have been received by the Company at its office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxy is used.

- 156. Where permitted or required by the Act, Board may, instead of calling a meeting of any Members/ class of Members/ Debenture-holders, seek their assent by Postal ballot. Such Postal ballot will comply with the provisions of Applicable Law in this behalf.
- 157. Where permitted/required by Applicable Law, Board may provide Members/Members of a class/Debenture-holders right to vote through e-voting, complying with Applicable Law.
- 158. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing, the Company shall transact such business, follow such procedure and ascertain the assent or dissent of Members for a voting conducted by Postal ballot, as may be prescribed by Section 110 of the Act and rules made thereunder.
- 159. In case of resolutions to be passed by Postal ballot, no meeting needs to be held at a specified time and space requiring physical presence of Members to form a quorum.
- 160. Where permitted/required by the Act, all records to be maintained by the Company may be kept in electronic form subject to the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder. Such records shall be kept open to inspection in the manner as permitted by the Act and Applicable Law. The term 'records' would mean any register, index, agreement, memorandum, minutes or any other document required by the Act and Applicable Law made there under to be kept by the Company.

Chairman's casting vote

Proxy

Passing of resolution by Postal ballot

Maintenance of records and Inspection of minutes of General Meeting by Members

- 161. The Company shall cause minutes of all proceedings of every General Meeting to be kept by making within thirty days of the conclusion of every such meeting concerned, entries thereof in books kept for that purpose with their pages consecutively numbered.
- 162. Any such minutes shall be evidence of the proceedings recorded therein and shall contain a fair and correct summary of the proceedings thereat.
- 163. Each page of every such book shall be initialed or signed and the last page of the record of proceedings of such meeting in such books shall be dated and signed by the Chairman of the same meeting within the aforesaid period of thirty days or in the event of the death or non availability of that Chairman within that period, by a Director duly authorised by the Board for the purpose.
- 164. In no case the minutes of proceedings of a meeting shall be attached to any such book as aforesaid by pasting or otherwise.
- 165. Nothing herein contained shall require or be deemed to require the inclusion in any such minutes of any matter which in the opinion of the 'Chairman of the meeting :
  - (a) is or could reasonably be regarded, as, defamatory of any person or
  - (b) is irrelevant or immaterial to the proceeding, or
  - (c) is detrimental to the interest of the Company.
  - The Chairman of the meeting shall exercise an absolute discretion in regard to the inclusion or non-inclusion of any matter in the minutes on the aforesaid grounds.
- 166. The book containing the minutes of proceedings of General Meetings shall be kept at the registered office of the Company and shall be open during business hours, for such periods not being less than 2 hours on any day, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time, to the inspection of any Member without charge.
- 167. Any Member of the Company shall be entitled to a copy of minutes of the General Meeting on receipt of a specific request and at a fee of Rs. 10/- (rupees ten only) for each page, or such higher amount as the Board may determine, as permissible by Applicable Law.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

168. The number of Directors of the Company which shall be not less than 3 (three) and not more than 15 (Fifteen). However, the Company may appoint more than 15 Directors after passing a Special Resolution.

The composition of the Board shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 149 of the Act and other Applicable Laws. Provided that where there are temporary gaps in meeting the requirements of Applicable Law pertaining to composition of Board of Directors, the remaining Directors shall (a) be entitled to transaction business for the purpose of attaining the required composition of the Board; and (b) be entitled to carry out such business as may be required in the best interest of the Company in the meantime.

- 169. Subject to the provisions of Sections 149, 152 and 161 of the Act and Applicable Laws, the Board shall have power at any time, and from time to time, to appoint a person as an additional Director, provided the number of the Directors and additional Directors together shall not at any time exceed the maximum strength fixed for the Board by these Articles.
- 170. Such person shall hold office only up to the date of the next annual general meeting of the Company but shall be eligible for appointment by the Company as a Director at that meeting subject to the provisions of the Act.
- 171. The Company shall, subject to the provisions of the Act and these Articles, may appoint any person as a director nominated by any institution in pursuance of the provisions of any law for the time being in force or of any agreement or by the Central Government or the State Government by virtue of its shareholding in a Government company.

Board's power to appoint Additional Directors

Nominee Directors

- 172. In the event of Company borrowing any money from any financial corporation or institution or Government or any Government body or a collaborator, bank, person or persons or from any other source, while any money remains due to them or any of them, the lender concerned may have and may exercise the right and power to appoint, from time to time, any person or persons to be a Director or Directors of the Company.
- 173. A nominee Director may at any time be removed from the office by the appointing authority who may from the time of such removal or in case of death or resignation of person, appoint any other or others in his place. Any such appointment or removal shall be in writing, signed by the appointer and served on the Company. Such Director need not hold any qualification shares.
- 174. Subject to the provisions of Section 161(2) of the Act, the Board may appoint an Alternate Director to act for a Director (hereinafter called "the Original Director") during his absence for a period of not less than three months from India. No person shall be appointed as an Alternate Director in place of an Independent Director unless he is qualified to be appointed as an Independent Director under the Act and Applicable Law. An Alternate Director appointed under this Article shall not hold office for a period longer than that permissible to the Original Director in whose place he has been appointed and shall vacate the office if and when the Original Director returns to India. If the terms of office of the Original Director are determined before he so returns to India, any provisions in the Act or in these Articles for the automatic reappointment of any retiring Director in default of another appointment shall apply to the Original Director, and not to the Alternate Director.

For the purpose of absence in the Board meetings in terms of Section 167 (1) (b) of the Act, the period during which an Original Director has an Alternate Director appointed in his place, shall not be considered.

- 175. Subject to the provisions of Sections 152(7), 161(4) and 169(7) of the Act, the Board shall have power at any time and from time to time to appoint any other qualified person to be a Director to fill a casual vacancy. Any person so appointed shall hold office only up to the date to which the Director in whose place he is appointed would have held office if it had not been vacated by him.
- 176. If the place of the retiring Director is not so filled up and the meeting has not expressly resolved not to fill the vacancy, the meeting shall stand adjourned until the same day in the next week, at the same time and place in accordance with the provisions of Section 152(7) of the Act.
- 177. If at the adjourned meeting also, the vacancy caused by the retiring Director is not filled up and that meeting also has not expressly resolved not to fill the vacancy, the retiring Director shall be so deemed to have been reappointed at the adjourned meeting unless :
  - i. at that meeting or at the previous meeting the resolution for the reappointment of such Director has been put to the meeting and lost;
  - ii. the retiring Director has, by a notice in writing addressed to the Company or its Board expressed his unwillingness to be so reappointed;
  - iii. he is not qualified or is disqualified for appointment;
  - iv. a resolution whether special or ordinary, is required for the appointment or reappointment by virtue of any provisions of the Act; or
  - v. the provision of Section 162 of the Act is applicable to the case.
- 178. The Company shall appoint such number of Independent Directors as required by the Act and other Applicable Laws and the Company and Independent Directors are required to abide by the provisions specified in Schedule IV of the Act.
- 179. Any casual vacancy in the post of an Independent Director caused by way of removal, resignation, death, vacation of office under Section 167 of the Act and Applicable Law,

Appointment of Alternate Directors

Board's power to fill casual vacancies

Independent Directors

removal from Directorship pursuant to any court order or due to disqualification under Section 164 of Act shall be filled by following the process laid down in the Act and rules made thereunder. No such casual vacancy shall prejudice the functioning of the Board during the intervening period.

- 180. An Independent Director shall be held liable, only in respect of such acts of omission or commission by a Company which had occurred with his knowledge, attributable through Board processes, and with his consent or connivance or where he had not acted diligently.
- 181. The provisions relating to retirement of Directors by rotation shall not be applicable to appointment of Independent Directors.
- 182. The Managing Director, if any, may also be appointed by the Board as the Chairperson of the Company and may be designated as the Chairman and Managing Director of the Company.
- 183. At least two-thirds of the total number of Directors, excluding Independent Directors, shall be persons whose period of office is liable to determination by retirement of directors by rotation (hereinafter called "the Rotational Directors").
  - 184. At every Annual General Meeting of the Company, one-third of the Rotational Directors, or if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then, the number nearest to one-third, shall retire from office.
  - 185. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election.
- ors 186. Subject to the provisions of the Act, a Director may resign from his office by giving a notice in writing to the Company and Board shall take note of the same.

Provided that the provisions regarding resignation of Managing Director or a Whole-time Director or any Executive Director who has any terms of employment with the Company shall be governed by such terms.

- 187. The resignation of a Director shall take effect from the date on which the notice is received by the Company or the date, if any, specified by the Director in the notice, whichever is later.
- 188. Any Director of the Company, except the one appointed by the National Company Law Tribunal, may be removed by way of Ordinary Resolution before the expiry of his term of office, subject to the provisions of Section 169 of Act.
- 189. Subject to the provisions of Section 197 of the Act, a Director may be paid remuneration either by way of a monthly payment or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the Company or partly by one way and partly by the other.

Provided that where the Company takes a Directors' Liability Insurance, specifically pertaining to a particular Director, then the premium paid in respect of such insurance, for the period during which a Director has been proved guilty, will be treated as part of remuneration paid to such Directors.

- 190. Subject to the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder, the fees payable to a Director for attending the meetings of the Board or Committee thereof shall be such sum as may be decided by the Board of Directors from time to time. Fee, as may be determined by the Board, may also be paid for attending any separate meeting of the Independent Directors of the Company in pursuance of any provision of the Act.
- 191. The Board may allow any payment to any director who is not a bonafide resident of the place where the meetings of the Board are ordinarily held and who shall come to such place for the purpose of attending any meeting, such sum as the Board may consider fair compensation for traveling, boarding, lodging and other expenses, in addition to his fee for attending such meeting as above specified; and if any Director be called upon to go or reside out of the ordinary place of his residence on the Company's business, he shall be entitled to be repaid and reimbursed any traveling or other expenses incurred in connection with business of the Company.

Chairman & Managing Director

Retirement and rotation of Directors

- Resignation of Directors

Removal of Directors

Remuneration of Directors

- 192. The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body but if, and so long as their number is reduced below the minimum number fixed by Article 171 hereof, the continuing Directors may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Directors to the minimum number fixed by the Article 176 hereof or for summoning a General Meeting for the purpose increasing the number of Directors to such minimum number, but for no other purpose.
- 193. The office of a Director shall ipso facto be vacated:
  - i. on the happening of any of the events as specified in Section 167 of the Act;
  - ii. in the case of alternate Director, on return of the original Director in terms of Section 161 of the Act;
  - having been appointed as a Director by virtue of his holding any office or other employment in the holding, subsidiary or associate company, he ceases to hold such office or other employment in that company;
  - iv. if he is removed in pursuance of Section 169 of the Act;
  - v. any other disqualification that the Act for the time being in force may prescribe.
- 194. No person not being a retiring Director, shall be eligible for appointment to the office of Director at any General Meeting unless he or some Member intending to propose him as a Director, has, not less than fourteen days before the meeting, left at the registered office of the Company a notice in writing under his hand signifying his candidature for the office of Director or the intention of such Member to propose him as a candidate for that office along with the requisite deposit of such sum as prescribed under the Act and rules made thereunder.
- 195. Every person (other than a Director retiring by rotation or otherwise or a person who has left at the office of the Company a notice under Section 160 of the Act signifying his candidature for the office of a Director) proposed as a candidate for the office of a Director, shall sign and file with the Company, the consent in writing to act as a Director, if appointed.
- 196. A person other than a Director reappointed after retirement by rotation immediately on the expiry of his term of office, or an Additional or Alternate Director, or a person filling a casual vacancy in the office of a Director under Section 161 of the Act, appointed as a Director or reappointed as an Additional or Alternate Director, immediately on the expiry of his term of office, shall not act as a Director of the Company unless he has submitted consent in writing to act as a Director of the Company and the same is filed with the Registrar within thirty days of his appointment.
- 197. Subject to Applicable Law, a Director or any Related Party as defined in Section 2 (76) of the Act or other Applicable Law may enter into any contract with Company for the sale, purchase or supply of any goods, materials, or services, or other contract involving creation or transfer of resources, obligations or services, subject to the compliance with the Act and rules made thereunder and other Applicable Law.
- 198. Unless so required by the Act, no sanction shall, however, be necessary for any contracts with a related party on entered into on arm's length basis. Where a contract complies with such conditions or indication of arm's length contracts as laid down in the Act or in a policy, if any, on related party transactions framed by the Board, the contract shall be deemed to be a contract entered into on arm's length basis.
- 199. A Director of the Company who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly concerned or interested in a contract or proposed contract or arrangement entered into or to be entered into by or on behalf of the Company, shall disclose the nature of his concern or interest at a meeting of the Board in the manner provided in Section 184(2) of the Act; provided that it shall not be necessary for a Director to disclose his concern or interest in any contract or arrangement entered into or to be entered into with any other body corporate where the Director of the Company either himself or in association with any other Director hold or holds less than two per cent of the shareholding in such other body corporate.

Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancies on Board

Vacation of office of Director

Notice of candidature for office of Directors except in certain cases

Director may contract with the Company

Disclosure of interest

Interested Director not to participate or vote in Board's proceeding

200. Subject to the provisions of Section 184 of the Act, no Director shall as Director take any part in the discussion of, or vote on any contract or arrangement entered into by or on behalf of the Company, if he is in any way whether directly or indirectly concerned or interested in such contract or arrangement; nor shall his presence count for the purpose of forming a quorum at the time of any such discussion or vote; and if he does vote, his vote shall be void.

Provided however, that nothing herein contained shall apply to :-

- (a) any contract of indemnity against any loss which the Directors or any one or more of them, may suffer by reason of becoming or being sureties or a surety for the Company.
- (b) any contract or arrangement entered into or to be entered into with a public company or a private company which is a subsidiary of a public company in which the interest of the Director consists solely :
  - a. in his being :
    - i. a director in such company, and
    - ii. the holder of not more than shares of such number or value therein as is requisite to qualify him for appointment as a Director thereof, he having been nominated as such Director by the Company; OR
  - b. in his being a member holding not more than 2% of its paid-up share capital.
- 201. The Company shall keep a Register in accordance with Section 189 (1) of the Act and Applicable Law. The Register shall be kept at the registered office of the Company and shall be preserved permanently be kept in the custody of the Company Secretary of the Company or any other person authorized by the Board for the purpose.
  - 202. Such a Register shall be open to inspection at such office, and extracts maybe taken therefrom and copies thereof may be provided to a Member of the Company on his request, within seven days from the date on which such request is made and upon the payment of Rs. 10 (ten rupees) per page, as such higher amount as may be laid by the Board, as permitted by Applicable Law.
- 203. The Company shall keep at its registered office a register containing the particulars of its Directors and Key Managerial Personnel, which shall include the details of Securities held by each of them in the Company or its holding, subsidiary, subsidiary of Company's holding Company or associate companies in accordance to Section 170 of the Act and Applicable Law.
- 204. All cheques, promissory notes, drafts, hundis, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments, and all receipts for monies paid to the Company, shall be signed, drawn, accepted, endorsed, or otherwise executed, as the case may be, by such person and in such manner as the Board shall from time to time by resolution determine.
- 205. A Director may be or become a director of any company promoted by the Company or in which it may be interested as a vendor, shareholder, or otherwise, and no such director shall be accountable for any benefits received as director or shareholder of such company except in so far as Section 188 of the Act may be applicable.

#### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD**

- 206. The Directors may meet together as a Board from time to time for the conduct and dispatch of the business of the Company, adjourn or otherwise regulate its meetings, as it thinks fit.
  - 207. A meeting of the Board shall be called by giving not less than seven days' notice in writing to every Director at his address registered with the Company and such notice shall be sent by hand delivery or by post or by electronic means.
  - 208. The company shall comply with the procedure for convening and conducting the Board Meetings through video conferencing or other audio visual means in the manner provided in the Act and the Rules thereunder.

Register of contracts in which Directors are interested

Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding

Miscellaneous

Directors may be directors of companies promoted by the company.

Meetings of Board

Notice
- 209. A meeting of the Board may be called at shorter notice to transact urgent business subject to the condition that at least one Independent Director, if any, shall be present at the meeting, or in case of absence of Independent Directors from such a meeting of the Board, decisions taken at such a meeting shall be circulated to all the Directors and shall be final only on ratification thereof by at least one Independent Director, a Board meeting may be called at a shorter notice where such notice is approved by a majority of Directors present at such meeting.
  210. The Board shall hold four Board Meetings every year in such a manner that not more than
- 210. The Board shall hold four Board Meetings every year in such a manner that not more than one hundred and twenty days shall intervene between two consecutive meetings. The Directors may adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.
- 211. Every Director present at any meeting of the Board or of a Committee thereof shall sign his name in a book to be kept for that purpose. The names of Directors who have participated in Board meetings through Electronic Mode shall be entered and initialled by the Company Secretary, stating the manner in which the Director so participated.
- 212. The Managing Director or a Director or a Secretary upon the requisition of Director(s), may at any time convene a meeting of the Directors.
- 213. Subject to the provisions of Section 173(2) of the Act and rules made thereunder, the Directors may participate in meetings of the Board by Electronic Mode as the Board may from time to time decide and Directors shall be allowed to participate from multiple locations through modern communication equipments for ascertaining the views of such Directors who have indicated their willingness to participate by such Electronic Mode, as the case may be.
- 214. The Board may, by way of a resolution passed at a meeting, decide the venues where arrangements may be made by the Company, at the Company's cost, for participation in Board meetings through Electronic Mode, as the case may be, in accordance to the provisions of 173(2) of the Act and Applicable Law. In case of a place other than such places where Company makes arrangements as above, the Chairperson may decline the right of a Director to participate through Electronic Mode in view of concerns of security, sensitivity and confidentiality of Board proceedings. Where the Chairperson so permits a Director to participate from a place other than the designated places where the Company has made the arrangements, the security and confidentiality of the Board proceedings shall be the responsibility of the Director so participating, and the cost and expense in such participation, where agreed to by the Chairperson, may be reimbursed by the Company.
- 215. Subject as aforesaid, the conduct of the Board meeting where a Director participates through Electronic Mode shall be in the manner as laid down under the Act and rules made thereunder.
- 216. The Board may elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Company as it may deem fit and may also determine the period for which they are to hold office. The Chairperson shall be the Chairperson of the Board Meetings. If no such Chairperson is elected, or if at any meeting the Chairperson is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the Vice Chairperson and in his absence, the Directors present may choose one of their numbers to be Chairperson of the meeting.
- 217. The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be determined from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Section 174 of the Act. If a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes from the time appointed for holding a meeting of the Board it shall be adjourned until such date and time as the Chairperson of the Board shall decide.
- 218. The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in the Board; but, if and so long as their number is reduced below the quorum fixed by the Act for a meeting of the Board, the continuing Directors or Director may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Directors to that fixed for the quorum, or of summoning a general meeting of the Company and for no other purpose.

Regulation for meeting through Electronic Mode

Attendance at Board Meeting

When meeting to be convened

Meetings of Board by Video/

audio-visual conferencing

Chairperson for Board Meetings

Quorum

Exercise of powers to be valid in meetings where quorum is present

Matter to be decided on majority of votes

Power to appoint Committee and to delegate powers

Resolution without Board Meeting/ Resolution by Circulation

Acts of Board / Committee valid notwithstanding formal appointment

Minutes of proceedings of meeting of Board

- 219. A meeting of the Board of which a quorum be present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers and discretions by or under these Articles for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Board, or in accordance with Section 179 (1) of the Act, the powers of the Company.
- 220. Save as otherwise expressly provided in the Act, questions arising at any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson of the Board shall have a second or casting vote.
- 221. The Board may, subject to the provisions of the Act, from time to time and at any time delegate any of its powers to committees consisting of such Director or Directors as it thinks fit, and may from time to time revoke such delegation. Unless a power of the Board is not capable of being delegated, such power may be delegated by the Board to any of its Committees or to any of its officers as the Board may determine.
- 222. Any committee of the Board so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed on it by the Board.
- 223. The meetings and the proceedings of any such Committee consisting of two or more members shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Board so far as the same are applicable thereto, and are not superseded by any regulations made by the Board.
- 224. Save as otherwise expressly provided in the Act to be passed at a meeting of the Board and subject to Section 175 of the Act or Applicable Laws, a resolution shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board or Committee of the Board, as the case may be, duly called and constituted, if a draft thereof in writing is circulated, together with the necessary papers, if any, to all the Directors, or to all the members of the Committee of the Board, as the case may be, at their addresses registered with the Company in India (not being less in number than the quorum fixed for a meeting of the Board or Committee, as the case may be), and has been approved by a majority of the Directors or members as are entitled to vote on the resolution.

Provided that, where not less than one-third of the total number of Directors of the Company for the time being require that any resolution under circulation must be decided at a meeting, the Chairperson shall put the resolution to be decided at a Board Meeting.

Provided further that where the resolution has been put to vote at a Board Meeting, the consent or dissent of the Directors obtained by way of resolution by circulation shall be rendered void.

- 225. All acts done in any meeting of the Board or of a Committee thereof or by any person acting as a Director, shall, notwithstanding that it may be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any one or more of such Directors or of any person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified or had vacated office or that the appointment of any of them had been terminated by virtue of any provisions contained in the Act or in these Articles, be as valid as if every such Director or such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director and had not vacated his office or his appointment had not been terminated; provided that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to give validity to acts done by a Director after his appointment has been noticed by the Company to be invalid or to have been terminated.
- 226. The Company shall cause minutes of proceedings of every meeting of the Board and Committee thereof to be kept in such form by making within thirty days of the conclusion of every such meeting, entries thereof in the books kept for that purpose with their pages consecutively numbered in accordance to Section 118 of the Act or Applicable Laws.
- 227. Each page of every such book shall be initialled or signed and the last page of the record of proceedings of each meeting in such book shall be dated and signed by the Chairperson of the said meeting or the Chairperson of the next succeeding meeting.

- 228. In no case shall the minutes of proceedings of a meeting be attached to any such book as aforesaid by a pasting or otherwise, if the minutes are kept in physical form.
- 229. The minutes of each meeting shall contain a fair and correct summary of the proceedings thereat.
- 230. Where the meeting of the Board takes place through Electronic Mode, the minutes shall disclose the particulars of the Directors who attended the meeting through such means. The draft minutes of the meeting shall be circulated among all the Directors within fifteen days of the meeting either in writing or in Electronic Mode as may be decided by the Board and/ or in accordance with Applicable Laws.
- 231. Every Director who attended the meeting, whether personally or through Electronic Mode, shall confirm or give his comments in writing, about the accuracy of recording of the proceedings of that particular meeting in the draft minutes, within seven days or some reasonable time as decided by the Board, after receipt of the draft minutes failing which his approval shall be presumed.
- 232. All appointments of officers made at any of the meetings aforesaid shall be included in the minutes of the meetings.
- 233. The minutes shall also contain:
  - i. The names of the Directors present at the meeting; and
  - ii. In the case of each resolution passed at the meeting the names of the Directors, if any, dissenting from or not concurring in the resolution.
- 234. Nothing contained hereinabove shall be deemed to require the inclusion in any such minutes of any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairperson of the meeting :
  - i. is or could reasonably be regarded as defamatory of any person;
  - ii. is irrelevant or immaterial to the proceedings; or
  - iii. is detrimental to the interest of the Company.
- 235. The Chairperson shall exercise an absolute discretion in regard to the inclusion or noninclusion of any matter in the minutes on the grounds specified in this Article.
- 236. Minutes of meetings kept in accordance with the aforesaid provisions shall be evidence of the proceedings recorded therein.
- 237. Any Director of the Company may requisition for physical inspection of the Board Meeting minutes by giving a prior notice of seven days.

Provided that the Director can requisition to inspect Board Meeting minutes only for the period that he is on the Board of the Company.

Provided further that the physical inspection shall be done solely by the Director himself and not by his authorised representative or any power of attorney holder or agent.

- 238. The Board may exercise all such powers of the Company and do all such acts, and things as are not, by the Act and Applicable Law made thereunder, or any other Act, or by the Memorandum, or by these Articles of the Company, required to be exercised by the Company in General Meeting subject nevertheless to these Articles, to the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder, or any other Act and to such regulations being not inconsistent with the aforesaid regulations or provisions, as may be prescribed by the Company in General Meeting; but no regulations made by the Company in General Meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Board which would have been valid if that regulation had not been made.
- 239. The Board may subject to Section 185 & 186 of the Act and provisions of Applicable Law made thereunder shall by means of a resolution or where required, unanimous resolution passed at meeting of Board from time to time, invest, provide loans or guarantee or security on behalf of the Company to any person or entity.

Powers of Board

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Restriction on powers of Board

- 240. Board of Directors should exercise the following powers subject to the approval of Company by a Special Resolution:
  - To sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking of the Company or where the Company owns more than one undertaking, of the whole or substantially the whole of any of such undertakings;
  - ii. To invest otherwise in trust securities the amount of compensation received by it as a result of any merger or amalgamation;
  - iii. To borrow money, where the money to be borrowed, together with the money already borrowed by the Company will exceed aggregate of its paid-up Share Capital and freereserves, apart from temporary loans obtained from the Company's bankers in the ordinary course of business;
  - iv. To remit, or give time for the repayment of, any debt due from a Director.
- 241. The Board of Directors of a Company may contribute to bona fide charitable and other fund. A prior permission of the Company in general meeting (ordinary resolution) shall be required for if the aggregate of such contributions in a financial year exceeds 5% (five percent) of its average net profits for the three immediately preceding financial years.
  - 242. Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by Section 179(3) of the Act or Applicable Laws made thereunder and the last preceding Article and so as not in any way to limit or restrict those powers, and without prejudice to the other powers conferred by these Articles, but subject to the restrictions contained in these Articles or the Applicable Law, it is hereby declared that the Directors shall have the following powers; that is to say, power :
    - i. To pay the costs, charges and expenses preliminary and incidental to the promotion, formation, establishment and registration of the Company;
    - ii. To act jointly and severally in all on any of the powers conferred on them;
    - iii. To appoint and nominate any Person(s) to act as proxy for purpose of attending and/or voting on behalf of the Company at a meeting of any Company or association;
    - iv. To comply with the provisions of Applicable Law which in their opinion shall, in the interest of the Company be necessary or expedient to comply with;
    - v. To make, vary and repeal bye-laws for regulation of business of the Company and duties of officers and servants;
    - vi. Subject to Sections 179 and 188 of the Act to purchase or otherwise acquire for the Company any property, rights or privileges which the Company is authorised to acquire, at or for such price or consideration and generally on such terms and conditions as they may think fit and in any such purchase or other acquisition to accept such title as the Directors may believe or may be advised to be reasonably satisfactory;
    - vii. Subject to the provisions of the Act and Applicable Laws, to pay for any property, rights or privileges acquired by or services rendered to the Company, either wholly or partially, in Shares, bonds, Debentures, mortgages, or other securities of the Company, and such Shares may be issued either as fully paid up or with such amount credited as paid up thereon as may be agreed upon all or any part of the property of the Company and its uncalled Capital or not so charged;
    - viii. To secure the fulfilment of any contracts or engagement entered into by the Company by mortgage or charge of all or any of the property of the Company and its uncalled Capital for the Company being or in such manner as they may think fit;
    - ix. To accept from any member, as far as may be permissible by law, a surrender of his Shares or any part thereof, on such terms and conditions as shall be agreed;
    - x. To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Company shall think fit and in particular buy the issue of Debenture or Debenture stock, perpetual

Contribution to charitable and other funds

Absolute powers of Board in certain cases

or otherwise charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future);

- xi. To open and deal with current account, overdraft accounts with any bank/banks for carrying on any business of the Company;
- xii. To appoint any Person (whether incorporated or not) to accept and hold in trust for the Company and property belonging to the Company, in which it is interested, or for any other purposes; and execute such deeds and do all such things as may be required in relation to any trust, and to provide for the remuneration of such trustee or trustees;
- xiii. To institute, conduct, defend, compound, refer to arbitration or abandon any legal proceedings by or against the Company or its officers, or otherwise concerning the affairs of the Company, and also to compound and allow time for payment or satisfaction of any debts due, and of any claim or demands by or against the Company;
- xiv. To refer any claims or demands or differences by or against the Company or to enter into any contract or agreement for reference to arbitration, and observe, enforce, perform, compound or challenge such awards and to take proceedings for redressal of the same;
- xv. To act as trustees in composition of the Company's debtors and/or act on behalf of the Company in all matters relating to bankrupts and insolvents;
- xvi. To make and give receipts, releases and other discharges for moneys payable to the Company and for the claims and demands of the Company;
- xvii. Subject to the provisions of Sections 179 and 186 of the Act, to invest and deal with any moneys of the Company not immediately required for the purpose thereof upon such security (not being Shares of this Company), or without security and in such manner as they think fit, and from time to time to vary the size of such investments. Save as provided in Section 187 of the Act, all investments shall be made and held in the Company's own name;
- xviii. To execute in the name and on behalf of the Company in favour of any Director or other person who may incur or be about to incur any personal liability whether as principal or surety, for the benefit of the Company, such mortgages of the Company's property (present or future) as they think fit, and any such mortgage may contain a power of sale and such other powers, provisions, covenants and agreements as shall be agreed upon;
- xix. To determine from time to time who shall be entitled to sign, on the Company's behalf, bills, notes, receipts, acceptances, endorsements, cheques, Dividends, warrants, releases, contracts and documents and to give the necessary authority for such purpose;
- xx. Subject to provisions of Applicable Law, to give a Director or any officer or any other person whether employed or not by the Company, Share or Shares in the profits of the Company, commission on the profits of any particular business or transaction; and to charge such bonus or commission as part of the working expenses of the Company;
- xxi. To provide for the welfare of Directors or ex-Directors or employees or ex-employees of the Company and their wives, widows and families or the dependents or connections of such persons by building or contributing to the building of houses, dwellings or by grants of money, pension, gratuities, allowances, bonus or other payments, or by creating and from time to time subscribing or contributing to provident and other associations, institutions; funds or trusts and by providing or subscribing or contributing towards places of instructions and recreation, hospitals and dispensaries, medical and other attendance and other assistance as the Board shall think fit;
- xxii. To subscribe or contribute or otherwise to assist or to guarantee money to charitable, benevolent, religious, scientific, national or other institutions or objects which shall have any moral or other claim to support or aid by the Company, either by reason of locality of operation, or of public and general utility or otherwise;

- xxiii. Before recommending any Dividend, to set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as they may think proper for depreciation or to Depreciation Fund, or to an Insurance Fund, or as a Reserve Fund, or Sinking fund, or any Special Fund to meet contingencies or to repay Debentures or Debenture stock, or for special Dividends or for equalized Dividends or for repairing, improving, extending and maintaining any of the property of the Company or for such other purpose (including the purposes referred to in the preceding clause), as the Board may, in their absolute discretion, think conducive to the interest of the Company, and subject to Section 179 of the Act, to invest the several sums so set aside or so much thereof as required to be invested upon such investments(other than Shares of the Company) as they may think fit, and from time to time to deal with and vary such investments and dispose of and apply and expand all or any part thereof for the benefit of the Company, in such manner and for such purpose as the Board in their absolute discretion think conducive to the interest of the Company, notwithstanding that the matters to which the Board apply or upon which they expend the same, or any part thereof, may be matters to or upon which the capital moneys of the Company might rightly be applied or expended; and to divide the reserve into such special Funds as the Board may think fit, with full power to transfer the whole, or any portion of a Reserve Fund or division of a Reserve Fund to another Reserve Fund or division, of a Reserve Fund and with full power to employ the assets constituting all or any of the above Funds, including the Depreciation Fund, in the business of the Company or in the purchase or repayment of Debentures or Debenture stock, and without being bound to keep the same, separate from the other assets , and without being bound to pay interest on the same with power, however, to the Board at their discretion to pay or allow to the credit of such funds interest at such rate as the Board may think proper;
- xxiv. Subject to the provisions of the Act to appoint, and at their discretion remove or suspend such general managers, managers, secretaries, assistants, supervisor, clerks, agents and servants of permanent, temporary or special services as they may for time to time think fit, and to determine their powers and duties and fix their salaries or emoluments or remuneration, and to require security in such instances and to such amount as they may think fit also from time to time provide for the management and transaction of the affairs of the Company in any specified locality in India, or elsewhere in such manner as they think fit; and the provisions contained in the four next following sub-clauses shall be without prejudice to the general powers conferred by this sub-clause;
- xxv. To comply with the requirements of any local law which in their opinion it shall, in the interest of the Company, be necessary of expedient of comply with;
- xxvi. Subject to applicable provisions of the Act and Applicable Law made thereunder, to appoint purchasing and selling agents for purchase and sale of Company's requirement and products respectively;
- xxvii. From time to time and at any time to establish any local board for managing any of the affairs of the Company in any specified locality in India or elsewhere and to appoint any persons to the members of such local boards and to fix their remuneration;
- xxviii. Subject to Section 179 & 180 of the Act from time to time and at any time, delegate to any person so appointed any of the powers, authorities and discretion for the time being vested in the Board, other than their power to make calls or to make loans or borrow or moneys, and to authorise the Members for the time being of any such local board, or any of them to fill up any vacancies therein and to act notwithstanding vacancies, and any such appointment or delegation may be made on such terms and subject to such conditions as the Board may think fit, and the Board may at any time remove any person so appointed, and may annul or vary any such delegation;
- xxix. At any time and from time to time by power of attorney under the Seal of the Company, to appoint any person or persons to be the Attorney or Attorneys of the Company, for

such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretion (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the Board under these presents and excluding the powers to make calls and excluding also, except in their limits authorised by the Board, the power to make loans and borrow money') and for' such period and subject to such conditions as the Board may from time to time think fit; and any such appointment may (if the Board thinks fit) be made in favour of the members or any of the Members of any Local Board, established as aforesaid or in favour of any Company, or the Share holders, Directors, nominees or managers of any Company or firm or otherwise in favour of any fluctuating body of persons whether nominated directly by the Board and any such power of Attorney may contain such powers for the protection or convenience of persons dealing with such attorneys as the Board may think fit and may contain powers enabling any such delegates or attorneys as aforesaid to subdelegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions for the time being vested in them;

- xxx. Subject to Sections 184 and 188 of the Act, for or in relation to any of the matters aforesaid or otherwise for the purposes of the Company to enter into all such contracts, agreements and to execute and do all such acts, deeds and things in the name and on behalf of the Company as they may consider expedient;
- xxxi. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board may pay such remuneration to Chairperson / Vice Chairperson of the Board upon such conditions as they may think fit;
- xxxii. To take insurance of any or all properties of the Company and any or all the employees and their dependants against any or all risks;
- xxxiii. To take insurance on behalf of its managing Director, whole-time Director, manager, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer or Company Secretary or any officer or employee of the Company for indemnifying any of them against any liability in respect of any negligence, default, misfeasance, breach of duty or breach of trust for which they may be guilty in relation to the Company.

#### MANAGING DIRECTOR/ WHOLE TIME DIRECTOR

- 243. Subject to the provisions of the Act and of these Articles, the Board shall have power to appoint from time to time any of its member or members as Managing Director(s)/Whole Time Directors of the Company for fixed term not exceeding five years at a time and upon such terms and conditions as the Board thinks fit and subject to the provisions of these Articles the Board may by resolution vest in such Managing Director(s)/Whole Time Director(s) such of the powers hereby vested in the Board generally as it thinks fit, and subject to such restrictions as it may determine.
- 244. Subject to the Article above, the powers conferred on the Managing Director/ Whole Time Director shall be exercised for such objects and purpose and upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as the Board may think fit and it may confer such powers either collateral with or to the exclusion of and in substitution of all or any of the powers of the Board in that behalf and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.
- 245. The Board of Directors may, subject to Section 179 of the Act, entrust to and confer upon a Managing or whole time Director any of the powers exercisable by them, upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions, as they may think fit and either collaterally with or to the exclusion of their own powers and may, from time to time, revoke, withdraw or alter or vary all or any of such powers.
- 246. A Managing or whole time Director may be paid such remuneration, whether by way of monthly payment, fee for each meeting or participation in profits, or by any or all these modes, or any other mode not expressly prohibited by the Act, as the Board of Directors may determine.

Board may appoint Managing Director(s)

**Restriction on Management** 

Remuneration to Managing Directors/Whole time Directors

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MANAGER, COMPANY SECRETARY OR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

247. Subject to the provisions of the Act and rules made thereunder, the Board may appoint a Chief Executive Officer, Manager, Company Secretary or Chief Financial officer, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as it may thinks fit; and any Chief Executive Officer, manager, Company Secretary or Chief Financial Officer so appointed may be removed by means of a resolution at a Board Meeting.

Subject to the article above, the powers conferred on the CEO shall be exercised for such objects and purpose and upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as the Board may think fit and it may confer such powers either collateral with or to the exclusion of and in substitution of all or any of the powers of the Board in that behalf and may from time to time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary all or any of such powers.

# POWER TO AUTHENTICATE DOCUMENTS

- 248. Any Director or the Company Secretary or any officer appointed by the Board for the purpose shall have power to authenticate any documents affecting the constitution of the Company and any books, records, documents and accounts relating to the business of the Company and to certify copies or extracts thereof; and where any books, records documents or accounts are then, at the office, the local manager or other officer of the Company having the custody thereof, shall be deemed to be a person appointed by the Board as aforesaid.
- 249. Document purporting to be a copy of resolution of the Board or an extract from the minutes of meeting of the Board which is certified as such in accordance with the provisions of the last preceding Article shall be conclusive evidence in favour of all persons dealing with the Company upon the faith thereof that such resolution has been duly passed or, as the case may be that extract is a true and accurate records of a duly constituted meeting of the Directors.

## THE SEAL

- 250. The Board shall provide a common Seal for the purposes of the Company, and shall have power from time to time to destroy the same and substitute a new Seal in lieu thereof and the Seal shall never be used except by the authority of the Board or a Committee of the Board previously given. The Company shall also be at liberty to have an official Seal for use in any territory, district or place outside India.
- 251. The Seal of the Company shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of a resolution of the Board or of a Committee of the Board authorised by it in that behalf, and except in the presence of either one director or Key Managerial Personnel or any other officer authorized by the Board and that one Director or KMP or Officer shall sign every instrument to which the seal of the Company is so affixed in his presence. The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal.

# MANAGEMENT OUTSIDE INDIA AND OTHER MATTERS

- 252. Subject to the provisions of the Act the following shall have effect:
  - i. The Board may from time to time provide for the management of the affairs of the Company outside India (or in any specified locality in India) in such manner as it shall think fit and the provisions contained in the four next following paragraphs shall be without prejudice to the general powers conferred by this paragraph.
  - ii. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board may at any time establish any local Directorate for managing any of the delegation or affairs of the Company outside India, and may appoint any person to be member of any such local Directorate or any manager or agents and may fix their remuneration and, save as provided in the Act, the Board may at any time delegate to any person so appointed any of the powers, authorities and discretions for the time being vested in the Board and such appointment or delegation may be made on such terms and subject to such conditions as the Board may think fit and the Board may at any time remove any person so appointed and annual or vary any such delegations.

- iii. The Board may, at any time and from time to time by power of attorney under Seal, appoint any person to be the attorney of the Company for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions not exceeding those which may be delegated by the Board under the Act and for such period and subject to such conditions as the Board may, from time to time, thinks fit, and such appointments may, if the Board thinks fit, be made in favour of the members or any of members of any local Directorate established as aforesaid, or in favour of the Company or of the members, Directors, nominees or officers of the Company or firm or In favour of any fluctuating body of persons whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Board, and any such Power of Attorney may contain such provisions for the protection or convenience of persons dealing with such attorneys as the Board thinks fit.
- iv. Any such delegate or Attorney as aforesaid may be authorized by the Board to subdelegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions for the time being vested in them.
- v. The Company may exercise the power conferred by the Act with regard to having an Official seal for use abroad, and such powers shall be vested in the Board, and the Company may cause to be kept in any state or country outside India, as may be permitted by the Act, a Foreign Register of Member or Debenture holders residents in any such state or country and the Board may, from time to time make such regulations not being inconsistent with the provisions of the Act, and the Board may, from time to time make such provisions as it may think fit relating thereto and may comply with the requirements of the local law and shall In any case comply with the provisions of the Act.

## **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVE**

- 253. The profits of the Company, subject to any special rights as to Dividends or authorized to be created by these Articles, and subject to the provisions of these Articles shall be divisible among the members in proportion to the amount of Capital paid-up on the shares held by them respectively.
- 254. The Company in general meeting may declare Dividends to be paid to members according to their respective rights, but no Dividend shall exceed the amount recommended by the Board; the Company in general meeting may, however declare a smaller Dividend. No Dividend shall bear interest against the Company.
- 255. The Dividend can be declared and paid only out of the following profits;
  - i. Profits of the financial year, after providing depreciation as stated in Section 123(2) read with Schedule II and Applicable Laws.
  - ii. Accumulated profits of the earlier years, after providing for depreciation under Section 123(2) read with Schedule II and Applicable Laws.
  - iii. Out of money provided by Central or State Government for payment of Dividend in pursuance of a guarantee given by the Government.

If the Company has incurred any loss in any previous financial year or years, the amount of the loss or any amount which is equal to the amount provided for depreciation for that year or those years whichever is less, shall be set off against the profits of the Company for the year for which the Dividend is proposed to be declared or paid or against the profits of the Company for the Company for any previous financial year or years arrived at in both cases after providing for depreciation in accordance with the provisions of Section 123(2) of the Act or Applicable Law, or against both.

256. The Board may, before recommending any Dividend, set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as it thinks fit as a reserve or reserves which shall, at the discretion of the Board, be applicable for any purpose to which the profits of the Company may be properly applied, including provision for meeting contingencies or for equalising Dividends;

Division of profits

The Company in general meeting may declare a Dividend

Dividend only to be paid out of profits

Transfer to reserve

		and pending such application, may, at the like discretion, either be employed in the business of the Company or be invested in such investments (other than shares of the Company) as the Board may, from time to time, thinks fit.
	257.	Such reserve, being free reserve, may also be used to declare Dividends in the event the Company has inadequate or absence of profits in any financial year, in accordance to Section 123 of the Act and Applicable Law made in that behalf. The Board may also carry forward any profits which it may consider necessary not to divide, without setting them aside as a reserve.
Interim Dividend	258.	Subject to the provisions of Section 123 of the Act and Applicable Law, the Board may from time to time pay to the Members such interim Dividends as appear to it to be justified by the profits of the Company.
Calls in advance not to carry rights to participate in profits	259.	Where Capital is paid in advance of calls such Capital may carry interest but shall not in respect thereof confer a right to Dividend or participate in profits.
Payment of pro rata Dividend	260.	All Dividends shall be apportioned and paid proportionately to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares during any portion or portions of the period in respect of which the Dividend is paid; but if any Share is issued on terms providing that it shall rank for Dividend as from a particular date such Share shall rank for Dividend accordingly.
Deduction of money owed to the Company	261.	The Board may deduct from any Dividend payable to any member all sums of money, if any, presently payable by him to the Company on account of calls or otherwise in relation to the shares of the Company.
Rights to Dividend where shares transferred	262.	A transfer of Share shall not pass the right to any Dividend declared thereon before the registration of the transfer.
Dividend to be kept in abeyance	263.	The Board may retain the Dividends payable in relation to such Shares in respect of which any person is entitled to become a Member by virtue of transmission or transfer of Shares and in accordance sub-Section (5) of Section 123 of the Act or Applicable Law. The Board may also retain Dividends on which Company has lien and may apply the same towards satisfaction of debts, liabilities or engagements in respect of which lien exists.
Notice of Dividend	264.	Notice of any Dividend that may have been declared shall be given to the persons entitled to Share therein in the manner mentioned in the Act.
Manner of paying Dividend	265.	Any Dividend, interest or other monies payable in cash in respect of shares may be paid by any Electronic Mode to the shareholder entitled to the payment of the Dividend, or by way of cheque or warrant sent through the post directed to the registered address of the holder or, in the case of joint holders, to the registered address of that one of the joint holders who is first named on the register of members, or to such person and to such address as the holder or joint holders may in writing direct.
	266.	Every such cheque or warrant shall be made payable to the order of the person to whom it is sent. The Company shall not be liable or responsible for any cheque or Warrant or pay-slip or receipt lost in transmission, or for any Dividend lost to the member of person entitled thereto by the forged endorsement of any cheque or warrant or the forged signature of any pay-slip or receipt or the fraudulent recovery of the Dividend by any other means.
Receipts for Dividends	267.	Any one of two or more joint holders of a Share may give effective receipts for any Dividends, bonuses or other monies payable in respect of such Share.
Non-forfeiture of unclaimed Dividend	268.	No unclaimed Dividend shall be forfeited by the Board unless the claim thereto becomes barred by law and the Company shall comply with the provision of the Act in respect of all unclaimed or unpaid Dividends.
		ACCOUNTS
Directors to keep true accounts	269.	The Company shall keep at the registered office or at such other place in India as the Board thinks fit, proper books of account and other relevant books and papers and financial statement for every financial year in accordance with Section 128 of the Act.

- 270. Where the Board decides to keep all or any of the Books of Account at any place in India other than the registered office of the Company the Company shall within seven days of the decision file with the Registrar a notice in writing giving, the full address of that other place.
- 271. The Company shall preserve in good order the books of account relating to the period of not less than eight years preceding the current year together with the vouchers relevant to any entry in such Books of Account.
- 272. Where the Company has a branch office, whether in or outside India, the Company shall be deemed to have complied with the preceding Article if proper Books of Account relating to the transactions effected at the branch office are kept at the branch office and proper summarized returns made up to date at intervals of not more than three months are sent by the branch office to the Company at its registered office or at any other place in India, at which the Company's Books of Account are kept as aforesaid.
- 273. The books of account shall give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company or branch office, as the case may be, and explain its transactions effected both at the registered office and its branches and such books shall be kept on accrual basis and according to the double entry system of accounting. The Books of Account and other books and papers shall be open to inspection by any Directors during business hours.
- 274. Subject to the provisions of Section 131 of the Act and the Applicable Law made thereunder, the Board may require the preparation of revised financial statement of the Company or a revised Boards' Report in respect of any of the three preceding financial years, if it appears to them that (a) the financial statement of the Company or (b) the report of the Board do not comply with the provisions of Section 129 or Section 134 of the Act.
- 275. The Board shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations, the accounts and books of the Company, or any of them, shall be open to the inspection of members not being Directors.
- 276. No member (not being a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the Company except as conferred by law or authorised by the Board or by the Company in general meeting.

# AUDIT

- 277. Statutory Auditors and Cost Auditors, if any, shall be appointed and their rights and duties regulated in accordance with Sections 139 to 148 of the Act and Applicable Laws. Where applicable, a Secretarial Auditor shall be appointed by the Board and their rights and duties regulated in accordance with Sections 204 of the Act and Applicable Laws.
- 278. Subject to the provisions of Section 139 of the Act and rules made thereunder, the Statutory Auditors of the Company shall be appointed for a term of five consecutive years (in case Auditor is an Individual) or two terms of five consecutive years (in case Auditor is an Audit Firm) as the case may be, subject to ratification by members at every annual general meeting. Provided that the Company may, at a General Meeting, remove any such Auditor or all of such Auditors and appoint in his or their place any other person or persons as may be recommended by the Board, in accordance with Section 140 of the Act or Applicable Laws.
- 279. The remuneration of the Auditors shall be fixed by the Company in Annual general meeting or in such manner as the Company in general meeting may determine.

## **DOCUMENTS AND NOTICES**

- 280. A document or notice may be served or given by the Company on any member either personally or sending it by post to him to his registered address or (if he has no registered address in India) to the address, if any, in India supplied by him to the Company for serving documents or notices on him or by way of any electronic transmission, as prescribed in Section 20 of the Act and rules made thereunder.
- 281. Where a document or notice is sent by post, services of the document or notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, prepaying and posting a letter containing

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Preparation of revised financial statements or Boards' Report

Places of keeping accounts

Auditors to be appointed

Remuneration of Auditors

Service of documents and notice

		the document or notice, provided that where a member has intimated to the Company in advance that documents or notices should be sent to him by registered post with or without acknowledgment due or any other secured mode of posting and has deposited with the Company a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of the doing so, service of the documents or notice shall not be deemed to be effected unless it is sent in the manner intimated by the member and such service shall be deemed to have been effected in the case of Notice of a meeting, at the expiration of forty-eight hours after the letter containing the document or notice is posted and in any other case at the time at which the letter would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.
Newspaper advertisement of notice to be deemed duly serviced	282.	A document or notice advertised in a newspaper circulating in the neighbourhood of the registered office of the Company shall be deemed to be duly served or sent on the day on which the advertisement appears to every member who has no registered address in India and has not supplied to the Company an address within India for serving of documents on or the sending of notices to him.
Notice to whom served in case of joint shareholders	283.	A document or notice may be served or given by the Company on or given to the joint- holders of a Share by serving or giving the document or notice on or to the joint-holders named first in the Register of Members in respect of the Share.
Notice to be served to representative	284.	A document or notice may be served or given by the Company on or to the persons entitled to a Share in consequence of the death or insolvency of a member by sending it through post in a prepaid letter addressed to him or them by name or by the title of representatives of the deceased or assignee of the insolvent or by any like description, at the address if any) in India supplied for the purpose by the persons claiming to be entitled, or (until such an address has been so supplied) by serving the document or notice in any manner in which the same might have been given if the death or insolvency had not occurred.
Service of notice of General Meetings	285.	Documents or notices of every General Meeting shall be served or given in the same manner hereinbefore on or to (a) every member of the Company, legal representative of any deceased member or the assignee of an insolvent member, (b) every Director of the Company and (c) the Auditor(s) for the time being of the Company.
		The accidental omission to give notice or the non-receipt of notice by any member or other person to whom it should be given shall not invalidate the proceedings at the meeting.
Members bound by notice	286.	Every person who, by operation of law, transfer or other means whatsoever, shall become entitled to any Share, shall be bound by every document or notice in respect of such shares, previously to his name and address being entered on the Register of Members, shall have been duly served on or given to the person from whom he drives his title to such shares.
Documents or notice to be signed	287.	Any document or notice to be served or given by the Company may be signed by a Director or some person duly authorised by the Board of Directors for such purpose and the signatures thereto may be written, printed or lithographed.
Notice to be served by post or other electronic means	288.	All documents or notices to be served or given by members on or to the Company or any office thereof shall be served or given by sending it to the Company or officer at the office by post or by registered post, or by leaving it at the office or by such other electronic means as prescribed in Section 20 of the Act and the Applicable Law made thereunder.
Admissibility of micro films, computer prints and documents to be treated as documents and evidence	289.	Any information in the form of a micro film of a document or image or a facsimile copy or any statement in a document included in a printed material produced by a computer shall be deemed to be a document and shall be admissible in any proceedings without further production of original, provided the conditions referred in Section 397 are complied with.
	290.	All provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000 relating to the electronic records, including the manner and format in which the electronic records shall be filed, in so far as they are consistent with the Act, shall apply to the records in electronic form under Section 398 of the Act.

# WINDING UP

291. Subject to the provisions of the Act and Applicable Law made thereunder –

- i. If the Company shall be wound up, the liquidator may, with the sanction of a Special Resolution of the Company and any other sanction required by the Act, but subject to the rights attached to any preference Share Capital, divide among the contributories in specie any part of the assets of the Company and may with the like sanction vest any part of the assets of the Company in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories as the Liquidator, with the like sanction shall think fit.
- ii. For the purpose aforesaid, the liquidator may set such value as he deems fair upon any property to be divided as aforesaid and may determine how such division shall be carried out as between the members or different classes of members.
- iii. The liquidator may, with the like sanction, vest the whole or any part of such assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories if he considers necessary, but so that no member shall be compelled to accept any shares or other securities whereon there is any liability.

#### **BONAFIDE EXERCISE OF MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS**

292. Every Member and other Security holder will use rights of such Member/ security holder as conferred by Applicable Law or these Articles bonafide, in best interest of the Company or for protection of any of the proprietary interest of such Member/security holder, and not for extraneous, vexatious or frivolous purposes. The Board shall have the right to take appropriate measures, and in case of persistent abuse of powers, expulsion of such Member or other Security holder, in case any Member/Security holder abusively makes use of any powers for extraneous, vexatious or frivolous purposes.

## INDEMNITY

293. Every officer of the company shall be indemnified out of the assets of the company against any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in his favour or in which he is acquitted or in which relief is granted to him by the court or the Tribunal.

#### SECRECY

- 294. Every manager, Auditor, trustee, member of a committee, officer, servant, agent, accountant or other person employed in the business of the Company shall, if so required by the Board of Directors, before entering upon the duties, sign a declaration pledging himself to observe strict secrecy respecting all bonafide transactions of the Company with its customers and the state of accounts with individuals and in matters relating thereto and shall by such declaration pledge himself not to reveal any of the matters which may come to his knowledge In the discharge of his duties except when required to do so by the Directors or by any general meeting or by the law of the country and except so far as maybe necessary in order to comply with any of the provisions in these presents and the provisions of the Act.
- 295. Subject to the provisions of these Articles and the Act, no member, or other person (not being a Director) shall be entitled to enter the property of the Company or to inspect or to examine the Company's premises or properties of the Company without the permission of the Directors or to require discovery of or any information respecting any detail of the Company's trading or any matter which is or may be in the nature of a trade secret, mystery of trade or secret process or of any matter whatsoever which may relate to the conduct of the business of the Company and which in the opinion of the Directors it will be expedient in the interest of the Company to communicate.

## TRANSITORY PROVISION

296. These Articles are in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made thereunder. They accordingly incorporate and refer to the provisions, Sections and Rules of the said Act and Rules made thereunder. In the event any provisions and sections of Companies Act 2013 are not effective, the corresponding provisions and sections of Companies Act, 1956 shall be deemed to have been included and incorporated herein until the said provisions of Companies Act 2013 become effective. We, the several persons whose names, addresses and descriptions are given below are desirous of being formed into a company in pursuance of this Articles of Association, and we respectively, agree to take the number of shares in the Company as set opposite to our respective names.

Name, Addresses & Description of subscribers	Number of shares taken by each subscriber	Name & Address of witness to the signature
Sanjay Agarwal S/o. B. L. Agarwal Kaziranga Udyog 6, Lyons Range, Calcutta - 1	10 (Ten) Equity Shares	
Occupation : Business		Swaraj Bhattacharjee, Service C/o Shah & Agarwal Chartered Accountants Flat - 4C 3, Hungerford Street, Calcutta - 700 017
Hari Prasad Agarwal S/o. Gordhan Das Agarwal C/o Kaziranga Udyog 6, Lyons Range, Calcutta - 1 Occupation : Business	10 (Ten) Equity Shares	Swaraj Bhattacharjee, S C/o Shah & Agarwal Chartered Accountants Flat - 4C 3, Hungerford Street, Cô
Occupation - Business		
	20 (Twenty) Equity Shares	

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1981.