

The word "Private" deleted under the  
Provisions of Section 43-A (2) of  
the Companies Act, 1956 and the  
company has become a Public Company  
with effect from 22-6-1992



Asst. Registrar of Companies, Form I. R.  
Karnataka, Bangalore. निगमन का प्रमाण-पत्र

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

ता०.....का से०.....

No. 08./12096.....of 1991 - 92.....

मैं एतद्द्वारा प्रमाणित करता हूँ कि आज.....

कम्पनी अधिनियम 1956 [1956 का 1] के अधीन निगमित की गई है और यह कम्पनी  
परिसीमित है।

*private*

I hereby certify that **CANARYS AUTOMATIONS**

**LIMITED**

**XX**

*Registrar*

**REGISTRAR**

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 (No. 1 of 1956)  
and that the company is limited.

मेरे हस्ताक्षर से आज ता०.....को दिया गया।

Given under my hand at **BANGALORE** this **FIRST**

day of **JULY**.....one thousand nine hundred and **NINETEEN**.



*S.P. Dixit*  
(S.P. DIXIT)

कम्पनियों का रजिस्टार  
कर्नाटक बंगलूर

Registrar of Companies  
KARNATAKA, BANGALORE

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Davey

*2/7/91*



Co.No.12096.



नाम में तब्दीली के परिणामस्वरूप निगमन के लिए नया प्रमाण-पत्र  
**FRESH CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION CONSEQUENT  
ON CHANGE OF NAME**

कम्पनियों के रजिस्ट्रार के कार्यालय में .....  
[कम्पनी अधिनियम 1956 (1956 का 1) के अधीन]

In the Office of the Registrar of Companies, **Karnataka, Bangalore.**  
(Under the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956))

.....के विषय में  
IN THE MATTER OF **CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED.**

मैं एतद्वारा प्रमाणित करता हूँ कि ..... परिसीमित जिसका निगमन मूलतः 19 ..... के  
.....दिन इस ..... अधिनियम के अधीन और ..... परिसीमित नाम  
द्वारा किया गया कम्पनी अधिनियम 1956 की धारा 21/22 (1) (क) / 22 (1) (ख) के निर्बन्धनों के अनुसार आवश्यक संकल्प पारित  
कर चुकी है और इसकी बाबत केन्द्रीय सरकार की लिखित अनुमति कम्पनी कार्य विभाग द्वारा प्रदान कर दी गई है।

I hereby certify that **Canarys Automations Limited** ..... ~~Limited~~, which was originally  
incorporated on **1st** ..... day of **July** 19 **91** under the **Companies** Act, and under the name **Canarys  
Automations Private** ..... **43A(4)** ..... Limited) having duly Passed the necessary  
resolution in terms of section **21/22(1)(A)/22(1)(b)** of Companies Act, 1956, and the approval of the Central Government  
signified in writing having been accorded thereto in the **Department of Company Affairs.**

क्षेत्रीय निदेशक के तारीख ..... 19 ..... के पत्र सं. .... द्वारा प्राप्त ही  
जाने पर उक्त कम्पनी का नाम इस दिन ..... परिसीमित में तब्दील कर दिया गया है और यह प्रमाण-  
पत्र उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 23 (1) के अनुसार में जारी किया जाता है।

Registrar of Companies, **Karnataka, B'lore** letter No. **STA.II(NKR)/12096/S.43A(4)/2000**  
dated **20.06.2000** ..... **19** ..... the name of the said company is this day changed to **CANARYS** .....  
**AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE** ..... Limited and this certificate is issued pursuant to section 23 (1) of the said Act.

मेरे हस्ताक्षर से यह तारीख .....  
को दिया गया।

Given under my hand at Bangalore this **Twentieth** day of **June** 19 **2000** ..... (One thousand /  
**nine hundred Ninety / Two Thousand** .....)



(**B.M. ANAND**) .  
कम्पनियों का रजिस्ट्रार  
Registrar of Companies  
Karnataka, Bangalore.

यहाँ पर कम्पनी का वह नाम लिखिए जो कि तब्दीली से पूर्व था।  
Here give the name of the Company as existing prior to the change.  
यहाँ पर अधिनियम (अधिनियमों) का नाम लिखिए जिनके अधीन कम्पनी का मूलतः रजिस्ट्रीकरण और निगमन किया गया था।  
Here give the name of the Act (s) under which the Company was originally registered and incorporated.

# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

## MINISTRY OF COMPANY AFFAIRS

Karnataka

E' Wing, 2nd Floor, Kendriya Sadana, Koramangala, Bangalore - 560034, Karnataka, INDIA

Corporate Identity Number : **U31101KA1991PLC012096**

### **Fresh Certificate of Incorporation Consequent upon Change of Name on Conversion to Public Limited Company**

IN THE MATTER OF M/s CANARYS AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED

I hereby certify that CANARYS AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED which was originally incorporated on FIRST day of JULY NINETEEN NINETY ONE under the Companies Act, 1956 (No. 1 of 1956) as CANARYS AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED having duly passed the necessary resolution on 01/08/2006 in terms of Section 31/ 21 read with Section 44 of the Companies Act, 1956; the name of the said company is this day changed to CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED and this Certificate is issued pursuant to Section 23(1) of the said Act.

Given under my hand at Bangalore this TWENTY FIRST day of SEPTEMBER TWO THOUSAND SIX.

(SAJEEVAN C V)

**Registrar of Companies**

Karnataka

भारत सरकार-कॉर्पोरेट कार्य मंत्रालय  
कम्पनी रजिस्ट्रार कार्यालय, करनाटका

प्राइवेट लिमिटेड कम्पनी के रूप में परिवर्तित होने के परिणामस्वरूप, कम्पनी के नाम में परिवर्तन  
का नया निगमन प्रमाण-पत्र

कॉर्पोरेट पहचान संख्या : U31101KA1991PTC012096

मैसर्स CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED

के मामले में, मैं एतद्वारा सत्यापित करता हूँ कि मैसर्स

CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED

जो मूल रूप में दिनांक एक जुलाई उन्नीस सौ इकानवे को कम्पनी अधिनियम, 1956 (1956 का 1) के अंतर्गत मैसर्स

CANARYS AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED

के रूप में निगमित की गई थी, और उसके द्वारा कम्पनी अधिनियम, 1956 की धारा 31(1) के अधीन प्राइवेट कम्पनी के रूप में परिवर्तित करने के लिए प्रार्थना-पत्र देने तथा भारत सरकार द्वारा उसका अनुमोदन कम्पनी रजिस्ट्रार कार्यालय आर.ओ.सी. - बेंगलूर के एस.आर.एन. A26558841 दिनांक 27/11/2007 द्वारा प्राप्त होने की लिखित सूचना प्राप्त होने पर उक्त कम्पनी का नाम आज से परिवर्तित रूप में मैसर्स CANARYS AUTOMATIONS Private LIMITED

हो गया है।

यह प्रमाण-पत्र, मेरे हस्ताक्षर से आज दिनांक सत्ताईस नवम्बर दो हजार सात को बेंगलूर में जारी किया जाता है।

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA - MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
Registrar of Companies, Karnataka

Fresh Certificate of Incorporation Consequent upon Change of Name on  
Conversion to Private Limited Company

Corporate Identity Number : U31101KA1991PTC012096

In the matter of M/s CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED

I hereby certify that CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED which was originally incorporated on First day of July Nineteen Hundred Ninety One under the Companies Act, 1956 (No. 1 of 1956) as CANARYS AUTOMATIONS PRIVATE LIMITED and upon an application made for conversion into a Private Company under Section 31(1) of the Companies Act, 1956; and approval of Central Government signified in writing having been accorded thereto by the RoC-Bangalore vide SRN A26558841 dated 27/11/2007 the name of the said company is this day changed to CANARYS AUTOMATIONS Private LIMITED.

Given under my hand at Bangalore this Twenty Seventh day of November Two Thousand Seven.

(V C DAVEY)

कम्पनी रजिस्ट्रार / Registrar of Companies  
करनाटका  
Karnataka

कम्पनी रजिस्ट्रार के कार्यालय अभिलेख में उपलब्ध पत्राचार का पता :

Mailing Address as per record available in Registrar of Companies office:

CANARYS AUTOMATIONS Private LIMITED  
#135, 7TH MAIN, 4TH BLOCK JAYANAGAR, BANGALORE,  
BANGALORE - 560011,  
Karnataka, INDIA

**THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013**  
**COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**  
**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION<sup>1</sup>**

**OF**  
**CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED<sup>2</sup>**

1. The regulations contained in Table 'F' of Schedule I of Companies Act 2013 shall apply to the Company only so far as they are not inconsistent with any of the provisions contained in these Articles or modification thereof or are not expressly or by implication excluded from these Articles.

**INTERPRETATION**

2. (i) In the interpretation of these Articles, the following expressions shall have the following meanings unless repugnant to the subject or context:
- (a) **"The Company"** or **"This Company"** means **CANARYS AUTOMATIONS LIMITED.**
  - (b) **"The Act"** means the Companies Act, 2013 including any statutory amendments thereto and the rules and Schedules made there under, and notified from time to time.
  - (c) **"These Articles"** or **"Articles"** means Article of Association of the Company as originally framed or altered from time to time by Special Resolution or applied in pursuance of any previous Company law or of this Act.
  - (d) **"Auditors"** means and include those persons appointed as such for the time being by the Company.
  - (e) **"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.
  - (f) **"Board" or "Board of Directors"** means the collective body of the Directors of the Company, as constituted from time to time, in accordance with Law, and the provisions of these Articles.
  - (g) **"Board Meeting"** means any meeting of the Board, as convened from time to time and any adjournment thereof, in accordance with Law and the provisions of these Articles;
  - (h) **"Capital"** means the share capital for the time being raised or authorized to be raised, for the purpose of the company.

<sup>1</sup>Restated Articles of Association adopted at the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting held on 19/05/2023.

<sup>2</sup>Amended at the EGM held on 19/05/2023



- (i) **“The Chairman”** means the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the time being of the Company.
- (j) **“Charge”** means an interest or lien created on the property or assets of a Company or any of its undertakings or both as security and includes a mortgage.
- (k) **“Committees”** means committees constituted by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time;
- (l) **“Debentures”** includes debenture-stock, bonds or any other instrument of a Company evidencing a debt, whether constituting a charge on the assets of the company or not.
- (m) **“Depositories Act”** means the Depositories Act, 1996 and includes any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force.
- (n) **“Depository”** means a Depository as defined in clause (e) sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Depositories Act, 1996.
- (o) **“Director”** means a director appointed to the Board of a company.
- (p) **“Dividend”** includes any interim dividend.
- (q) **“E-voting”** means voting by electronic means as prescribed under the Act.
- (r) **“Employees’ Stock Option”** means the option given to the directors (except Independent Directors), officers or employees of a company, or of its holding company or subsidiary company or companies, if any, which gives such directors, officers or employees, the benefit or right to purchase, or to subscribe for, the shares at a future date at a pre-determined price
- (s) **“Equity Share Capital”** means the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, calculated on a Fully Diluted Basis;
- (t) **“Executor” or “Administrator”** means a person who has obtained a probate or letter of administration, as the case may be from a Court of competent jurisdiction and shall include a holder of a Succession Certificate authorizing the holder thereof to negotiate or transfer the Share or Shares of the deceased Member and shall also include the holder of a Certificate granted by the Administrator General under section 31 of the Administrator General Act, 1963.
- (u) **“Legal Representative”** means a person who in law represents the estate of a deceased Member.
- (v) **“Members”** in relation to a Company, means;
  - (A) The subscriber to the memorandum of the company who shall be deemed to have agreed to become member 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 of the company and whose name is entered as a beneficial owner in the records of a Depository.
- (w) **“Meeting” or “General Meeting”** means a meeting of the members of the Company.
- (x) **“Annual General Meeting”** means a general meeting of the Members held in accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of the Act.
- (y) **“Extraordinary General Meeting”** means an extraordinary general meeting of the Members duly called and constituted and any adjourned holding thereof.
- (z) **“Month”** means a calendar month.
- (aa) **“National Holiday”** means and includes a day declared as National Holiday by the Central Government.
- (bb) **“Office”** means the registered office for the time being of the Company.
- (cc) **“Ordinary or Special Resolution”** means an ordinary resolution, or as the case may be, special resolution referred to in Section 114 of the Act.
- (dd) **“Paid-up share capital” or “share capital paid up”** means such aggregate amount of money credited as paid up as its equivalent to the amount received as paid up in respect of shares issued and also includes any amount credited as paid up in respect of shares of the company, but does not include any other amount received in respect of such shares, by whatever name called.
- (ee) **“Proxy”** means an instrument whereby any person is authorized to attend a meeting and vote for a member at the general meeting on a poll and includes attorney duly constituted under the power of attorney.
- (ff) **“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
- (gg) **“The Register of Members”** means the Register of Members to be kept pursuant to Section 88 of the Act and includes Register of Beneficial Owners.
- (hh) **“The Registrar”** means the Registrar, an Additional Registrar, a Joint Registrar, a Deputy Registrar, or an Assistant Registrar, having the duty of registering Companies and discharging various functions under the Act.
- (ii) **“The Company’s Regulations”** means the regulations for the time being for the management of the Company.
- (jj) **“Key managerial personnel”**, in relation to a Company, means –

- (A) The Chief Executive Officer or the Managing Director or the Manager;
  - (B) The Company secretary;
  - (C) The Whole time director;
  - (D) Chief Financial Officer;
  - (E) such other officer, not more than one level below the directors who is in whole-time employment, designated as key managerial personnel by the Board;
  - (F) Such other officer as may be prescribed under the Act;
- (kk) **“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 who is appointed by a company to perform the functions of a company secretary under this Act.
  - (ll) **“Security”** means Shares, Debentures and/or such other securities as defined in clause (h) of section 2 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956
  - (mm) **“Share”** means a share in the share capital of a Company and includes stock
  - (nn) **“The Seal”** means the common seal of the Company.
  - (oo) **“The Statutes”** means the Companies Act, 2013 and every other Act for the time being in force affecting the Company.
  - (pp) **“Year”** and **“Financial Year”** “Years” means the calendar year and “Financial Year” shall have the meaning assigned thereto by Section 2 (41) of the Act.
  - (qq) Words importing the **singular number** include, where the context admits or requires, the plural number and vice versa.
  - (rr) Save as aforesaid, **words or expressions contained in these Articles shall bear the** same meaning as in the Act or any statutory modifications thereof for the time being in force.
- (ii) Unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these regulations shall bear the same meaning as in the Act or any statutory modification thereof in force at the date at which these regulations become binding on the Company.

### **CAPITAL AND INCREASE AND REDUCTION OF CAPITAL**

3. The Authorised Share Capital of the Company Shall be of such amount as may be mentioned in the Capital Clause of the Memorandum of Association of the Company from time to time.



4. The Company in General Meeting may from time to time, increase the capital by the creation of new shares, such increase to be of such aggregate amount and to be divided into shares of such respective amounts as the resolution shall prescribe. 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 General Meeting resolving upon the creation thereof, shall direct, and if no direction be given as the Directors shall determine, and in particular, such shares may be issued with a preferential or qualified rights to dividends, and in the distribution of assets of the Company, and with a right of voting at general meetings of the Company in conformity with Sections 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.
5. Where at any time, a company having a share capital proposes to increase its subscribed capital by the issue of further shares, such shares shall be offered—
- (i) to persons who, at the date of the offer, are holders of 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:—
    - (a) the offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares offered and limiting a time not being less than fifteen days or lesser days as may be prescribed in the Act and not exceeding thirty days from the date of the offer within which the offer, if not accepted, shall be deemed to have been declined;
    - (b) 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 clause (i) shall contain a statement of this right; (iii) after the expiry of the time specified in the notice aforesaid, or on receipt of earlier 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 which is not disadvantageous to the shareholders and the company;
  - (ii) to employees under a scheme of employees' stock option, subject to special resolution passed by company and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed; or
  - (iii) to any persons, if it is authorised by a special resolution, whether or not those persons include the persons referred to in clause (a) or clause (b), either for cash or for a consideration other than cash, if the price of such shares is determined by the valuation report of a registered valuer subject to such conditions as may be prescribed.

Nothing in this Article shall apply to the increase of the subscribed capital of a company caused by the exercise of an option as a term attached to the debentures 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 loan 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.

6. Subject to the provisions of the Act and these Articles, the Board of Directors may issue redeemable preference shares to such persons, on such terms and conditions and at such times as Directors think fit either at premium or at par, and with full power to give any person the option to call for or be allotted shares of the company either at premium or at par, such option being exercisable at such times and for such consideration as the Board thinks fit..
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.
  - (iii) Where any such shares are redeemed otherwise than out of the proceeds of a fresh issue, there shall out of 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 shares capital of the Company shall, except 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 Company may (subject to the provisions of Sections 55 and 66 both inclusive, of the Act) from time to time by Special Resolution reduce its capital, any Capital Redemption Reserve Account or Share premium Account in any Manner for the time being authorized by law, and in particular capital may be paid off on the footing that it may be called upon against or otherwise. This Article is not to derogate from any power the Company would have if it were omitted.
9. Any debentures, debenture-stock or other securities may be issued at a discount, premium or otherwise and may be issued on condition that they shall be convertible into shares of any denomination and with any privileges and conditions as to redemption, surrender, drawing, allotment of shares, attending (but not voting) at the General Meeting, appointment of Directors and otherwise. Debentures with the right to conversion into or allotment of shares shall be issued only with the consent of the Company in the General Meeting by a Special Resolution.
10. The Company may exercise the powers of issuing sweat equity shares conferred by Section 54 of the Act of a class of shares already issued subject to such conditions as may be specified in that sections and rules framed thereunder.
11. The Company may issue shares to Employees including its Directors other than independent directors and such other persons as the rules may allow, under Employee Stock Option Scheme (ESOP) or any other scheme, if authorized by a Special Resolution of the Company in general meeting subject to the provisions of the Act, the Rules and applicable guidelines made there under, by whatever name called.
12. Subject to the provisions of section 61 of The Act, the Company in General Meeting may from time to time sub-divide or consolidated its shares, or any of them, and the resolution whereby any shares sub-divided, may determine that, as between the holders of the shares

resulting from such sub-division, one or more of such shares shall have some reference or special advantages as regards dividend, capital or otherwise over or as compared with the others or other, 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 shares capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

#### **AUTHORISING COMPANY TO BUY BACK ITS OWN SHARES**

13. Notwithstanding anything contained in these articles but subject to the provisions of sections 68 to 70 and any other applicable provision of the Act or any other law for the time being in force, the Company may purchase its own shares or other specified securities.

#### **SHARE AND CERTIFICATES AND VARIATION OF RIGHTS**

14. Subject to the provisions of the Act and these Articles, the shares in the capital of the company shall be under the control of the Directors who may issue, allot or otherwise dispose of the same or any of them to such persons and in such proportion and on such terms and conditions and either at a premium or at par or (subject to the compliance with the provision of section the Act) and at such time as they may from time to time think fit and with sanction of the company in the General Meeting 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 directors thinks fit, and may issue ad allot shares in the capital of the company 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.
- (i) Unless the shares have been issued in dematerialized form in terms of applicable laws, every person whose name is entered as a member in the register of members shall be entitled to receive within two months after incorporation, in case of subscribers to the memorandum or after allotment or within one month after the application for the registration of transfer or transmission or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall be provided,—
    - (a) one certificate for all his shares without payment of any charges; or
    - (b) several certificates, each for one or more of his shares, upon payment of twenty rupees for each certificate after the first.
  - (ii) Every certificate shall be under the seal and shall specify the shares to which it relates and the amount paid-up thereon.
  - (iii) In respect of any share or shares held jointly by several persons, the company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate, and delivery of a certificate for a share to one of several joint holders shall be sufficient delivery to all such holders.
  - (iv) (a) Where a new certificate has been issued in pursuance of this Articles, particulars of every such share certificate shall be entered in a Register of renewed and duplicate certificate indicating against the names of the persons to whom the certificate is issued, the number and date of issue of the share certificate in lieu of which the new certificate is issued, and the necessary

changes in the Register of Members by suitable cross reference in the "Remarks" column.

- (b) Every member shall be entitled, without payment to one or more certificates in marketable lots, for all the shares of each class or denomination registered in his name, or if the directors so approve (upon paying such fee as the Directors so time determine) to several certificates, each for one or more of such shares and the company shall complete and have ready for delivery such certificates within two months from the date of allotment, unless the conditions of issue thereof otherwise provide, or within one month 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 or the company and shall specify the number and distinctive numbers of shares in respect of which it is issued and amount paid-up thereon and shall be in such form as the directors may prescribe and approve, provided that, in respect of a share or shares 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 holder.
- 15.
  - (i) If any share certificate be worn out, defected, mutilated or torn or if there be no further space on the back for endorsement of transfer, then upon production and surrender thereof 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 as the company deem adequate, a new certificate in lieu thereof shall be given to the party entitled to such lost or destroyed Certificate. Every certificate under this Article shall be issued without payment of fees if the Directors so decide, or on payment of such fees (not exceeding Rs.2/- for each certificate) as the Directors shall prescribe. Provided that no fee shall be charged for issue of new certificates in replacement of those which are old, defaced or worn out or where there is no further space on the back thereof for endorsement of transfer.

Provided that notwithstanding what is stated above the Directors 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 or any other Act, or rules applicable thereof in this behalf.
  - (ii) The provisions of this Articles shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to debentures of the company.
- 16. 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 recognised in accordance with the Act) any other rights in respect of any share except an absolute right to the entirety thereof in the registered holder. If any shares stands in the names of two or more persons, the person first named in the register shall be regards receipt of dividends or bonus or service of notice and all or any other matters connected with the company, except voting at meetings be deemed the sole holder thereof, but the joint holders of the share, shall be severally as well as jointly liable for the payment of all installments and

calls due in respect of such shares for all incidents thereof according to the company regulations.

17. Except as ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction or as by law required, the company shall not bound to recognize any equitable, contingent, future or partial interest in any share, or (except provided) any rights in respect of a share other than absolute rights thereto, in accordance with these Article, in the person from time to time registered as the holder thereof, but the Board shall be at liberty at their sole discretion to register any share in the joint names of any two or more persons or the survivor or survivors of them.
18. If by the conditions of allotment of any share the whole or part of the amount or issue price thereof shall be payable by installment, every such installment shall when due be paid to the Company by the person who for the time being and from time to time shall be the registered holder of the share or his legal representative.
19. None of the funds of the company shall be applied for the purchase of any share of the company, and it shall not give any financial assistance for or in connection with the purchase or subscription of any shares in the company or in its holding company save as provided by section 67 of the Act.
20.
  - (i) If at any time the share capital is divided into different classes of shares, the rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class) may, subject to the provisions of section 48, and whether or not the company is being wound up, be varied with the consent in writing of the holders of three-fourths of the issued shares of that class, or with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of that class.
  - (ii) To every such separate meeting, the provisions of these regulations relating general meetings shall *mutatis mutandis* apply, but so that the necessary quorum shall be at least two persons holding at least one-third of the issued shares of the class in question.

The rights conferred upon the holders of the shares of any class issued with preferred or other rights shall not, unless otherwise expressly provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class, be deemed to be varied by the creation or issue of further shares ranking *pari passu* therewith.

#### **DEMATERIALISATION OF SECURITIES**

21. The provisions of this Article shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other Articles.
22. The Board or any Committee thereof shall be entitled to dematerialize Securities or to offer 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 dematerialized.
23. 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.

24. 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.
25. 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.
26.
  - i. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these Articles, 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.
27. 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.
28. 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 whom are entered as Beneficial Owners in the records of a Depository.
29. 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.
30. 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.
31. 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.

#### **UNDERWRITING AND BROKERAGE**

32. Subject to the provisions of section 40 of the Act:
  - (i) The company may exercise the powers of paying commissions conferred by sub-section (6) of section 40, provided that the rate per cent or the amount of the

commission paid or agreed to be paid shall be disclosed in the manner required by that section and rules made thereunder.

- (ii) The rate or amount of the commission shall not exceed the rate or amount prescribed in rules made under sub-section (6) of section 40.
  - (iii) The commission may be satisfied by the payment of cash or the allotment of fully or partly paid shares or partly in the one way and partly in the other.
33. The company may pay a reasonable sum for brokerage.

### **CALLS ON SHARES**

34. (i) The Board may, from time to time, make calls upon the members in respect of any monies unpaid on their shares (whether on account of the nominal value of the shares or by way of premium) and not by the conditions of allotment thereof made payable at fixed times:

Provided that no call shall exceed one-fourth of the nominal value of the share (or such other per cent. determined the Board or prescribed under applicable law) or be payable at less than one month or such other period prescribed under applicable law from the date fixed for the payment of the last preceding call.

- (ii) Each member shall, subject to receiving at least fourteen days' notice specifying the time or times and place of payment, pay to the company, at the time or times and place so specified, the amount called on his shares.
  - (iii) A call may be revoked or postponed at the discretion of the Board.
35. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising the call was passed and may be required to be paid by instalments.
36. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect thereof.
37. (i) If a sum called in respect of a share is not paid before or on the day appointed for payment thereof, the person from whom the sum is due shall pay interest thereon from the day appointed for payment thereof to the time of actual payment at ten per cent. per annum or at such lower rate, if any, as the Board may determine.
- (ii) The Board shall be at liberty to waive payment of any such interest wholly or in part.
38. (i) Any sum which 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 regulations, be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date on which by the terms of issue such sum becomes payable.
- (ii) In case of non-payment of such sum, all the relevant provisions of these regulations 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.

39. The Board—

- (a) may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, all or any part of the monies uncalled and unpaid upon any shares held by him; and
- (b) upon all or any of the monies so advanced, may (until the same would, but for such advance, become presently payable) pay interest at such rate not exceeding, unless the company in general meeting shall otherwise direct, twelve per cent. per annum, as may be agreed upon between the Board and the member paying the sum in advance.

The provisions of these Articles shall mutatis mutandis apply to the calls on debentures of the company.

**LIEN**

40. (i) The company shall have a first and paramount lien:

- (a) upon all share/debenture (not being a fully paid share/debenture), (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 monies (whether presently payable or not) called, or payable at a fixed time, in respect of that share/debenture; and no equitable interest in any share shall be created except upon the footing and condition that this Article will have full effect and such lien shall extend to all dividends and bonuses from time to time declared in respect of such shares/debentures.
- (b) Unless otherwise agreed the registration of a transfer of shares/debentures shall operate as a waiver of the company's lien If any, on such shares/debentures. The Directors may at any time declare any shares/debentures wholly or in part to be exempt from the provisions of this Article.
- (c) The fully paid up shares shall be free from all lien and in the case of partly paid up shares the Company's lien shall be restricted to moneys called or payable at a fixed time in respect of such shares.

41. The company may sell, in such manner as the Board thinks fit, any shares on which the company has a lien:

Provided that no sale shall be made:

- (i) unless a sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable; or
- (ii) until the expiration of fourteen days after a notice in writing stating and demanding payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable, has been given to the registered holder for the time being of the share or the person entitled thereto by reason of his death or insolvency.

42. (i) To give effect to any such sale, the Board may authorise some person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser thereof.

- (ii) The purchaser shall be registered as the holder of the shares comprised in any such transfer.

- (iii) 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.
- 43.
  - (i) The proceeds of the sale shall be received by the company and applied in payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable.
  - (ii) 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 person entitled to the shares at the date of the sale.

### **FORFEITURE OF SHARES**

- 44. If a member fails to pay any call, or installment of a call, on the day appointed for payment thereof, the Board may, at any time thereafter during such time as any part of the call or installment remains unpaid, serve a notice on him requiring payment of so much of the call or installment as is unpaid, together with any interest which may have accrued.
- 45. 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; and
  - (ii) state that, in the event of non-payment on or before the day so named, the shares in respect of which the call was made shall be liable to be forfeited.
- 46. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not complied with, any share in respect of which the notice has been given may, at any time thereafter, before the payment required by the notice has been made, be forfeited by a resolution of the Board to that effect. Such forfeiture shall include all dividends declared in respect of forfeited shares and not actually paid before the forfeiture.
- 47. 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 any manner invalidated, by any omission or neglect to give such notice or to make any such entry as aforesaid.
- 48. The forfeiture of a share shall involve extinction, at the time of the forfeiture, of all interest in 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.
- 49.
  - (i) A forfeited share may be sold or otherwise disposed of on such terms and in such manner as the Board thinks fit.
  - (ii) At any time before a sale or disposal as aforesaid, the Board may cancel the forfeiture on such terms as it thinks fit.
- 50.
  - (i) A person whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of the forfeited shares, but shall, notwithstanding the forfeiture, remain liable to pay to the company all monies (calls, installments, interest and expenses) which, at the date

of forfeiture, were presently payable by him to the company in respect of the shares and Board may enforce the payment thereof or any part thereof, without any deduction or allowance for the value for the shares at the time of forfeiture, but shall not be under any obligation to do so.

- (ii) 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.
51. (i) A duly verified declaration in writing that the declarant is a director, the manager or the secretary, of the company, and that a share in the company has 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 share;
- (ii) 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;
  - (iii) The transferee shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the share; and
  - (iv) 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.
52. Upon any sale, re-allotment or other disposal under the provisions of the preceding Articles, the certificate or certificates originally issued in respect of the relative shares shall (unless the same shall on demand by the company have been seen previously surrendered to it by the defaulting member) stand cancelled and become null and void and of no effect, and the Directors, shall be entitled to issue a duplicate certificate or certificates in respect of the said shares to the person or persons, entitled thereto.
53. The provisions of these regulations as to forfeiture shall apply in the case of nonpayment of 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.

#### **TRANSFER AND TRANSMISSION OF SHARES**

54. (i) The instrument of transfer of any share in the company shall be executed by or on behalf of both the transferor and transferee.
- (ii) The transferor shall be deemed to remain a holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members in respect thereof.
  - (iii) The Instrument of transfer shall be in writing and all provisions of Section 56 of the Act, and statutory modification thereof for the time being shall be duly complied with in respect of all transfer of shares and registration thereof.
  - (iv) No fee shall be charged for registration of transfer, transmission, probate, succession certificate and Letters of administration, Certificate of Death or Marriage, Power of Attorney or similar other document
55. The Board may, subject to the right of appeal conferred by section 58 decline to register:



- (i) the transfer of a share, not being a fully paid share, to a person of whom they do not approve; or
  - (ii) any transfer of shares on which the company has a lien.
56. The Board may decline to recognise any instrument of transfer unless:
- (i) the instrument of transfer is in the form as prescribed in rules made under sub-section (1) of section 56;
  - (ii) the instrument of transfer is accompanied by the certificate of the shares to which it relates, and such other evidence as the Board may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer; and
  - (iii) the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of shares.
57. On giving not less than seven days' previous notice in accordance with section 91 and rules made thereunder, the registration of transfers may be suspended at such times and for such periods as the Board may from time to time determine:
- Provided that such registration shall not be suspended for more than thirty days at any one time or for more than forty-five days in the aggregate in any year.
58. (i) On the death of a member, the survivor or survivors where the member was a joint holder, and his nominee or nominees or legal representatives where he was a sole holder, shall be the only persons recognized by the company as having any title to his interest in the shares.
- (ii) Nothing in clause (i) shall release the estate of a deceased joint holder from any liability in respect of any share which had been jointly held by him with other persons.
59. (i) Any person becoming entitled to a share in consequence of the death or insolvency of a member may, upon such evidence being produced as may from time to time properly be required by the Board and subject as hereinafter provided, elect, either:
- (a) to be registered himself as holder of the share; or
  - (b) to make such transfer of the share as the deceased or insolvent member could have made.
- (ii) 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.
60. (i) If the 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 Board of Directors (which shall not be under any obligation to give) upon producing such evidence that he sustains the character in respects of which he proposes to act under his article of his title, as the Board of Directors thinks sufficient, either be registered himself as holder of the shares or elect to have some

person nominated by him and approved by the Board of Directors registered as such holder.

- (ii) If the person aforesaid shall elect to transfer the share, he shall testify his election by executing a transfer of the share.
  - (iii) 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.
61. A person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or insolvency of the holder shall be entitled to the same 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:
- Provided that the Board may, at any time, give notice requiring any such person to elect either to be registered himself or to transfer the share, and if the notice is not complied with within ninety days, the Board may thereafter withhold payment of all dividends, bonuses or other monies payable in respect of the share, until the requirements of the notice have been complied with.
62. No share shall in any circumstances be transferred to any infant, insolvent or persons of unsound mind.
63. Every instrument of transfer shall be presented to the Company duly stamped for registration 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. The Company shall also use a common form of transfer. Subject to applicable law, the Board may delegate the power of transfer of securities to a committee or to compliance officer or to the registrar to an issue and/or share transfer agent(s).
64. The Company shall incur no liability or responsibility whatever in consequence of its registering or giving effect to any of shares made or purporting to be made by any 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 referred thereto, in any book or 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 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 given effect thereto, if the Board of Directors shall so think fit.
65. Subject to the provisions of the Act, these Articles, or any other law for the time being in force, the Board may refuse whether in pursuance of any power of the company under these

Articles or otherwise 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. 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 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.

### **BOARD TO RECOGNIZE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF SECURITIES**

66. 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.
67. 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.
68. 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.

### **NOMINATION**

69. 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.
70. 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.
71. 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.

72. 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 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.

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

73. Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and of other documents referred to in Section 17 of the Act shall be sent by the Board to every Member at his request, within 7 days of the request, on payment of rupee one hundred for each copy.

#### **BORROWING POWER**

74. The Board may, from time to time at its discretion subject to the provisions of Sections 179 and of the Act, raise or borrow, either from the Directors or from elsewhere and secure the payment of any sum or sums of money for the purpose of the Company, provided that the Board shall not without the 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, that is to say, reserves not set aside for any specific purpose.
75. The Board may raise or secure the repayment of such sum or sums in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as it may think fit, and in particular by the issue of bonds, perpetual or redeemable, debentures or debenture-stock, or any mortgage, or other security on the undertaking of the whole or any part of the property of the Company (both present and future), including its uncalled capital for the time being.
76. Any debentures, debenture-stock, bonds or other securities may be issued at a premium or otherwise and may be issued on condition that they shall be convertible into shares of any denomination and with any privileges and conditions as to redemption, surrender, drawing, allotment of shares, attending (but not voting) at the General Meeting, appointment of Directors and otherwise Debentures with the right to conversion into or allotment of shares shall be issued only with the consent of the Company in General Meeting by a Special Resolution.
77. Save as provided in Section 56 of the Act no transfer of debentures shall be registered unless a proper instrument of transfer duly stamped and executed by the transferor and transferee has been delivered to the Company together with the certificate or certificates of the debentures.

78. If the Board refuses to register transfer of any debentures the company shall, within one month from the date on which the instrument of transfer was lodged with the Company send to the transferee and to the transferor notice of the refusal.
79. The Board shall cause a proper Register to 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 the Act in that behalf to be duly complied with, so far as they fail to be complied with by the Board.
80. The Company shall if at any time it issues debentures, keep a 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 of Debenture-holders resident in that State or country.

### **CONVERSION OF SHARES INTO STOCK AND RECONVERSION**

81. The Company in General Meeting may convert any paid-up shares into stock, and when any shares shall have been converted into stock, the several holders of such stock may henceforth transfer their respective interest therein, or any part of such interest, in the same manner and subject to the same regulations as, and subject to which shares from which the stock arose might have been transferred, if no such conversion had taken place or as near thereto as circumstance will admit. The company may at any time reconvert any stock into paid-up shares of any denomination.
82. The holders of stock shall, according to the amount of stock held by them have the same rights, privileges and advantages as regards dividends, voting at meeting of the Company and matters as if they held the shares from which the stock arose, but no such privileges or advantage (except participation in the Dividends and profits of the Company and in the assets of winding up) shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred that privilege or advantage.

### **MEETINGS OF MEMBERS**

83. The Company shall in each year hold a General Meeting as its Annual General Meeting in addition to any other meetings in that year. All General Meetings other than Annual general meetings shall be Extra-ordinary General Meetings. The first Annual General Meeting shall be held within a period of nine month from the date of closing of the first financial year of the Company and in any case, within a period of six months, from the date of closing of the year, provided that not more than fifteen months shall elapse between the date of one annual general meeting of a Company and that to the next. Nothing contained in the foregoing provisions shall be taken as affecting the right conferred upon the register under provisions of Section 96(1) of the Act to extend the time within which any Annual General Meeting may be held. Every Annual General Meeting shall be called during business hours, that is between 9.00 AM to 6.00 PM on any day that is not a National Holiday and shall be held at the registered office of the Company or at some other place within the city in which the registered office of the Company is situated, as the Board may determine and the Notices calling the Meeting shall specify it as the Annual General Meeting. The Company may in any one Annual General Meeting fix the time for its Subsequent Annual General Meetings. Every member of the Company shall be entitled to attend either in person or by proxy and the Auditor of the Company shall be entitled to attend and to be heard at any General Meeting which he attends on any part of the business, concerns him as auditor. At every Annual



General Meeting of the Company there shall be laid on the table the Director's Report (if not already incorporated in the Audited Statement of Accounts) the proxy Register with proxies and the Register shall be open and accessible during the continuance of the meeting. The Board shall cause to be prepared the Annual List of Members, Summary of the Share Capital, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account and submit the same to the Registrar in accordance with Section 92 and 137 of the Act.

84. The Board may, whenever it deems fit, call an extra ordinary general meeting of the Company.
85. The extraordinary general meeting shall be called by the Board, at the requisition in writing made by such number of members who hold, on the date of receipt of requisition, not less than one-tenth of such of paid-up capital of the Company as on the date carries the right of voting in regard to the matter in respect of which the requisition has been made.
86. Any valid requisition so made by members must state the object or objects of the meeting proposed to be called, and must be signed by the requisitionists and be deposited at the registered office of the Company, provided that such requisition may consist of several documents in loose form and each shall be signed by one or more requisitionists.
87. Upon the receipt of any such requisition the Board shall within twenty-one days from the date of receipt of a valid requisition in regard to any matter, proceed to call an extra ordinary general meeting for the consideration of that matter on a day not later than forty -five days from the date of receipt of such requisition. The requisitionists, or such of their number as represent either a majority in value of the paid-up share capital held by all of them or not less than one-tenth of the paid-up share capital of the Company as is referred to section 100 of the Act, whichever is less, may themselves call the meeting, but in either case, any meeting so called may be held within three months from the date of the delivery of the requisition as aforesaid.
88. Any reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist in calling an extraordinary meeting shall be reimbursed to the requisitionists by the company and the sums so paid shall be deducted from any fee or other remuneration under section 197 payable to such directors who were in default in calling the meeting.
89. Any meeting called under the foregoing Articles by the requisitionists shall be called and held in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which meeting is to be called and held by the Board.
90. A general meeting of the Company may be called by giving not less than clear twenty-one days notice either in writing or through electronic mode in such manner as may be prescribed.

Provided that a general meeting may be called after giving a shorter notice if consent is given in writing or in electronic mode as prescribed under Section 101 of the Act.

Notice shall, specifying the day, place and hour of meeting, and the general nature of the business to be transacted thereat, shall be given in the manner hereinafter provided, to such persons as are under these Article entitled to receive notice from the Company.

91. A notice calling the meeting shall be annexed with the statement setting out the following material facts concerning each item of special business to be transacted at a general meeting:

- (i) The nature of concern or interest, financial or otherwise, if any, in respect of each items of
    - (a) Every director and the manager, if any;
    - (b) Every other key managerial personnel; and
    - (c) Relatives of the persons mentioned in sub-clause (i) and (ii) hereinabove;
  - (ii) Any other information and facts that may enable members to understand the meaning, scope and implications of the items of business and to take decision thereon.
92. In the case of an Annual General Meeting, all business to be transacted thereat shall be deemed special, other than:
- (i) the consideration of the financial statements, and the reports of the Board of Directors and auditors.
  - (ii) the declaration of any dividend.
  - (iii) the appointment of Directors in place of those retiring.
  - (iv) the appointment of, and fixing of the remuneration of, the auditors, and in case of any other meeting, all business shall be deemed to be special.
- Provided, that where any item of special business to be transacted at a meeting of the company relates to or affects any other company, the extent of shareholding interest in that other company of every promoter, director, manager, if any, and of every other key managerial personnel of the first mentioned company shall, if the extent of such shareholding is not less than two percent of the paid up share capital of the company, also be set out in the statement.
93. Any accidental omission to give notice to, or the non-receipt of such notice as aforesaid by, any member or other person who is entitled to such notice for any meeting shall not invalidate the proceedings of the meeting.
94. Where any item of business refers to any document, which is to be considered at the meeting, the time and place where such document can be inspected shall be specified in the statement as referred in Article 79.
95. The notice of every meeting of the company shall be given to:
- (i) every member of the Company, legal representative of any deceased member or the assignee of an insolvent member;
  - (ii) the auditor or auditors of the Company; and
  - (iii) every director of the Company.
96. 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.

97. Save as otherwise provided herein, the quorum for the general meetings shall be as provided in section 103 of the Act.
98. 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.
99. If, at the quorum is not present within half-an-hour from the time appointed for holding a meeting of the company:
- (i) the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place or to such other date and such other time and place as the Board may determine; or
  - (ii) the meeting called by requisitionist under section 100 of the Act, shall stand cancelled.

Provided, that in case of an adjourned meeting or of a change of day, time or place of meeting under clause (i), the company shall give not less than three days notice to the members either individually or by publishing an advertisement in the news papers (one in English and one in vernacular language) which is in circulation at the place where the registered office of the company is situated.

If at the adjourned meeting also, a quorum is not present within half-an-hour from the time appointed for holding meeting, the members present shall be the quorum.

100. The Chairman (if any) of the Board shall be entitled to take the chair at every General Meeting, whether Annual or Extraordinary. If there be no such Chairman of the Board, or if at any meetings he shall not be present within fifteen minutes of the time appointed for holding such meeting, or if he shall be unable or unwilling to take the chair, then the directors present may choose one of their member to be the Chairman of the meetings. If no director be present or if all the director present decline to take the chair, then the Members present shall elect one of themselves to be the Chairman thereof on a show of hands. If a poll is demanded on the election of the Chairman, it shall be taken forthwith in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Chairman elected on a show of hands under sub-section (1) of section 104, shall continue to be the Chairman of the meeting until some other person is elected as Chairman as a result of the poll, and such other person shall be the Chairman for the rest of the meeting.
101. No business shall be discussed at any General Meeting except the election of a chairman, while the Chair is vacant.
102. The chairman with the consent of the members may adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place in the city in which it is held but, no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.

### **VOTING RIGHTS AND PROXY**

103. No member shall be entitled to vote either personally or by proxy, at any General Meeting or meeting of class of shareholders either upon show of hands or upon a poll 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.

104. Subject to the provisions of these Articles and without prejudice to any special privileges or restriction as to voting for the time being attached to any class of shares for the time being forming part of the Capital of the Company every member not disqualified by the last preceding Article shall be entitled to be present, and to speak and vote at such meeting, and on show of hands every member present in person shall have one vote and upon a poll the voting rights of every member present in person or by proxy shall be in proportion to his shares of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company provided, however if any preference shareholder be present at any meeting of the Company, save as provided in clause (b) of sub-section (2) of Section 47, he shall have a right to vote only on resolutions placed before the meeting which directly affect the rights attached to his preference shares.
105. On a poll taken at meeting of the Company a member entitled to more than one vote or his proxy or other person entitled to vote for him as the case may be need not if he votes, use all his votes or cast in the same way all the votes he used.
106. Subject to the provisions of these Articles votes may be given either personally or by proxy. A body corporate being a member may vote either by a proxy or by a representative duly authorized 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.
107. Any person entitled under these Articles to transfer any share may vote at any General Meeting in respect thereof in the same manner as if he were the register holder of such shares provided that forty eight hours at least before the time for holding the or adjourned meeting, as the case may be, at which he proposes to vote he shall satisfy the Directors of his right transfer such shares and give such indemnity (if any) as the Directors may require or the Directors shall have previously admitted his right to vote at such meeting in respect thereof.
108. 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 corporation under the common seal of such corporation or be signed by an officer or any attorney duly authorized by it, and any Committee or guardian may appoint such proxy. The proxy so appointed shall not have any right to speak at the meetings.
109. An instrument of proxy may appoint a proxy either for the purpose of particular meeting specified in the instrument and any adjournment thereof or it may appoint for the purpose of every meeting of the Company, or of every meeting to be held before a date specified in the instrument and every adjournment of any such meeting.
110. A member present by proxy shall be entitled to vote only on a poll.
111. A member may exercise his vote at a meeting by electronic means in accordance with section 108 and shall vote only once.
112. At any General Meeting, a Resolution put to the vote at the Meeting shall be decided on a show of hands unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result on a show of hands) demanded under section 109 or voting is carried out electronically:
- (i) by the Chairman of the Meeting; or

- (ii) by the member or Members present in person or by proxy and holding shares in **the Company** which confer a power to vote on the Resolution being not less than one-tenth of the total voting power in respect of the Resolution; or
- (iii) by any Member or Members present in person or by proxy and holding shares in the company on which as aggregate sum of Five Lakh Rupees has been paid up; or
- (iv) by any Member or Members present in person or by proxy and holding shares in the Company conferring a right to vote on the resolution being shares on which an aggregate sum has been paid up which is not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid on all the shares conferring that right.

Unless a poll be so demanded, a declaration by the chairman of the meeting that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried unanimously or by a particular majority, or lost or not carried by a particular majority and an entry to that effect in the book containing the minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the company shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against that resolution.

The demand for a poll may be withdrawn at any time by the person or persons who made the demand.

- 113. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman 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.
- 114. The Chairman of any meeting shall be the sole judge of the validity of every vote tendered at such meeting. The Chairman present at the taking of poll shall be sole judge of the validity of every vote tendered at poll.
- 115. If a poll is demanded as aforesaid the same shall, subject to Articles 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 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 persons who made the demand.
- 116. Where a poll is to be taken, the Chairman of the meeting shall appoint two scrutineers to scrutinize the vote given on the poll and to report thereon to time. Once the scrutineers so appointed shall always be a member (not being an officer or employee of the Company) present at the meeting provided such a member is available and willing to be appointed. The Chairman shall have power at any time before the result of the poll is declared to remove a scrutineer from office and fill vacancies in the office of scrutineer arising from each removal or from any other cause.
- 117. The demand for a poll except on the questions of the election of the Chairman and of an adjournment shall prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll has been demanded.
- 118. If there be joint holders of any shares, any one of such person may vote at any meeting or may appoint another person (whether a member or not) as his proxy in respect of such shares, as if

he were solely entitled thereto but the proxy so appointed shall not have any right to speak at the meeting and, if more than one of such joint holders be present at any meeting, that one of the said persons so present whose name stands higher on the Register shall alone be entitled to speak and to vote in respect of such shares, but the other or others of the joint holders shall be entitled to be present at the meeting, several executors or administrators of a deceased member in whose name shares stand shall for the purpose of these Articles to be deemed joint holders thereof.

119. 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, if any member be a minor the vote in respect of his share or shares shall be by his guardian or any of his guardian if more than one to be selected in case of dispute by the Chairman of the meeting.
120. Any business other than that upon which a poll has been demanded may be proceeded with, pending the taking of the poll.
121. (i) 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.  
  
(ii) Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairperson of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
122. 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.
123. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the form as prescribed in the rules made under section 105.
124. 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 of any power of attorney 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.
125. (i) 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, entire thereof in books kept for that purpose with their pages consecutively numbered.  
  
(ii) 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 liability of that Chairman within that period by a Director duly authorised by the Board for the purpose.

- (iii) In no case the minutes of proceedings of a meeting shall be attached to any such book as aforesaid by pasting or otherwise.
- (iv) The minutes of each meetings shall contain a fair and correct summary of the proceedings thereat.
- (v) All appointments of officers made at any meeting aforesaid shall be included in the minutes of the meetings.
- (vi) Nothing herein contained shall require or be deemed to require the inclusion in 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 on absolute discretion in regard to the inclusion or non-inclusion of any matter in the minutes on the aforesaid grounds.
- (vii) Any such minutes shall be evidence of the proceedings recorded therein.
- (viii) The book containing that 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 in the aggregate than two hours in each day as the directors determine, to the inspection of any member without charge.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 126. (i) Until otherwise determined by a General Meeting of the Company and subject to the provisions of Sections 2(10), 149, 162 and 152 of the Act, the company shall have a Board of Directors consisting of individuals as directors and shall have a minimum of three directors and a maximum of fifteen directors.
 

Provided, that the Company in General Meeting by passing a special resolution, may appoint more than fifteen directors
- (ii) The first directors of the Company shall be:
  - (a) Sri. M. R. Raman Subba Rao
  - (b) Sri. B.N. Ravi
- 127. A Director of the Company shall not be bound to hold any Qualification Shares in the Company.
- 128. If at any time the company obtains any loans or any assistance in connection therewith by way of guarantee or otherwise from any person, firm, body corporate, local authority or public body (hereinafter called "the institution") or if any time the Company issues any shares, debentures and enters into any contract or arrangement with the institution whereby the institution subscribes for or underwriters the issue of the Company's shares or debentures

or provides any assistance to the Company in any manner and it is a term of the relative loan, assistance, contract or agreement that the institution shall have the right to appoint one or more nominee directors on the Board the Company, then provisions of Section 161 of the Act and subject to the term and conditions of such loan, assistance, contract or arrangement with the institution shall be entitled to appoint one or more nominee Director or Directors, as the case may be, to the Board of the company and to remove from office of Board of Directors, any Director so appointed and to appoint another in his place or in the place of Director so appointed who resigns or otherwise vacates his office. Any such appointment or removal shall be made in writing and shall be served at the office of the Company. The nominee Director or Directors so appointed shall neither be required to hold any qualification share nor be liable to retire by rotation and shall continue on office for so long as the relative loan, assistance, contract or arrangement as the case may be, subsists.

129. If it is provided by the Trust Deed, securing or otherwise in connection with any issue of debentures of the Company, that any person or persons shall have power to nominate a Director of the company, then in the case of any and every such issue of Debenture, the person or persons having such power may exercise such power from time to time and appoint a Director accordingly. A Debenture Director may be removed from office at any time by the person or persons in whom for the time being is vested the power under which he was appointed and another Director may be appointed in his place. A debenture director shall not be appointed in his place. A debenture director shall not be liable to retire by rotation. A Debenture director shall not be bound to hold any qualification shares.
130. The Company shall have at least one director who has stays in India for total period of not less than one hundred and eighty-two days during the financial year.
131. The Company shall have at least two directors as Independent Directors in terms of provisions of Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014.
132. Every Independent director shall at the first meeting of the Board in which he participates as a director and thereafter at the first meeting of the Board in every financial year or whenever there is any change in the circumstances which may affect his status as an Independent Director, give a declaration that he meets the criteria of independence as provided in sub-section (6) of section 149 of the Act.
133. Subject of the provisions of section 152, an Independent Director shall hold office for a term upto five consecutive years on the Board of the Company, but shall be eligible for re-appointment on passing of a special resolution by the company and disclosure of such appointment in the Board's report.
134. Notwithstanding anything contained hereof, no Independent Director shall hold office for more than two consecutive terms, but such Independent Director shall be eligible for appointment after the expiration of three years of ceasing to become an Independent Director.

Provided that an Independent Director shall not during the said period of three years, be appointed in or be associated with the company in any other capacity, either directly or indirectly.

135. The Board of Directors of the Company may, by resolution passed by the company in general meeting, appoint a person, not being a person holding any Alternate Directorship for any



other director in the company, to act as an Alternate Director for a director during his absence for a period of not less than three months from India.

Provided that no person shall be appointed as an alternate Director for an Independent Director unless he is qualified to be appointed as an Independent Director under the provisions of the Act.

Provided further that an Alternate Director shall not hold office for a period longer than that permissible to the Director in whose place he has been appointed and shall vacate office if and when the Director in whose place he has been appointed returns to India.

Provided also that if the term of office of the original director is determined before he so returns to India, any provisions in the Act or in these Articles for his automatic reappointment of any retiring Director in default of another appointment shall apply to the original Director and not to the Alternate Director.

136. Subject to the provisions of Section 161 and 152 of the Act, the Board shall have power at any time and from time to time to appoint any other qualified person to be an additional Director, but so that the total number of Directors shall not, at any time exceed the maximum fixed under these Articles, and any such additional Director shall hold office only up to the date of the next Annual General Meeting or the last date on which the Annual General Meeting should have been held, whichever is earlier.

137. Until otherwise determined by the Company in General Meeting, a Director shall not be required to hold any shares in the capital of the Company as his qualification.

138. Subject to the provisions of Sections 161, 152 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 act as a Director to fill a casual vacancy. Any person so appointed shall hold office only up to the date to which the Director is whose place he is appointed would have held office if it has not been vacated by him.

139. (i) Subject to the provisions the section 197 and Schedule V, a Managing Director, Whole time Director or Manager shall be appointed and the terms and conditions of such appointment and remuneration, either be payable monthly or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the company or partly by one way and partly by the other, be approved by the Board of Directors at a meeting which shall be subject to approval by a resolution at the next general meeting of the company and by the Central Government in case such appointment is at variance to the conditions specified in that Schedule.

Provided that a notice convening Board or general meeting for considering such appointment shall include the terms and conditions of such appointment, remuneration payable and such other matters including interest, of a Director or Directors in such appointments, if any.

(ii) Subject to the provisions of the Act, a Director who is neither in the whole-time employment nor a managing Director, may be paid remuneration either:

(a) by way of monthly payment or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the company or partly by one way or partly by another way;

- (b) the sitting fee payable to a Director (including Managing Director or Whole time Director, if any), for attending each meeting of the Board or Committee thereof or for any other purpose whatsoever, shall not be more than the amount prescribed by the Act and Rules made thereunder.

Provided that for Independent Directors and Women Directors, the sitting fee shall not be less than the sitting fee payable to other directors.

140. The Board may allow and pay 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 by called upon to go or resided 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.

141. 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 these Articles hereof, the continuing Directors not being less than two, may act for the purpose of increasing the number of directors to the number or for summoning a General Meeting but no other purpose.

142. The office of a Director shall *ipso facto* be vacated if:

- (i) he incurs any of the disqualifications specified in section 164 of the Act, 2013;
- (ii) he absent himself from all the meetings of the Board of Directors held during a period of twelve months with or without seeking leave of absence of the Board;
- (iii) he act in contravention of the provisions of Section 184 of the Act, relating to entering into contracts or arrangements in which he is directly or indirectly interested;
- (iv) he fails to disclose his interest in any contract or arrangements in which he is directly or indirectly interested, in contravention of the provisions of Section 184 of the Act;
- (v) he becomes disqualified by an order of a court or the tribunal;
- (vi) he is convicted by a court of any offence, whether involving moral turpitude or otherwise and sentenced in respect thereof to imprisonment for not less than six months.

Provided that the office shall be vacated by the director even if he has filed an appeal against the order of such court;

- (vii) he has been removed in pursuance of the provisions of the Act;
- (viii) he, having been appointed a director by virtue of his holding any office or other employment in the holding, subsidiary, or associate company, ceases to hold such office or other employment in that company.

143. Company shall not enter into any contract or arrangements with a related party except with the consent of the Board of Directors with respect to:

- (i) sale, purchase or supply of any goods or materials
- (ii) selling or otherwise disposing of, or buying property of any kind;
- (iii) leasing of property of any kind;
- (iv) availing or rendering of any services;
- (v) appointment of any agent for purchase or sale of goods, materials, services or property;
- (vi) such related party's appointment to any or place of profit in the company, its subsidiary company or associate company; and
- (vii) underwriting the subscription of any securities or derivatives thereof, of the company.

Provided that no contract or arrangement shall be entered into by the company in excess of the limit prescribed under Rule 15 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014, except with the prior approval of the company by a resolution.

Provided further that no member of the company shall vote on such resolution, to approve any contract or arrangements which may be entered into by the company, if such member is a related party.

Provided also that nothing in these Articles shall apply to any transactions entered into by the company in its ordinary course of business other than transactions which are not on an arm's length basis.

- 144. Where any contract or arrangement is entered into by a director or any other employee, without obtaining the consent of the Board or approval by a resolution in the general meeting, and if it is not ratified by the Board or, as the case may be, by the shareholders at a meeting within three months from the date on which such contract or arrangement was entered into, such contract or arrangement shall be voidable at the option of the Board or as the case may be as shareholders, and if the contract or arrangement is with a related party to any director, or is authorized by any other director, the directors concerned shall indemnify the company against any loss incurred by it.
- 145. Without prejudice to above, it shall be open to the company to proceed against a director or any other employee who had entered into such contract or arrangement in contravention of the provisions of Section 188 of the Act for recovery of any loss sustained by it as a result of such contract or arrangement.
- 146. Every director shall at the first meeting of the Board of Directors in which he participates as a director and thereafter at the first meeting of the Board in every financial year or whenever there is any change in the disclosures already made, then at the first Board meeting held after any such change, disclose his concern or interest in any company or companies or bodies corporate, firms or other association of individuals which shall include the shareholding, in such manner as may be prescribed.
- 147. Every 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 the provisions of Section 184 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 company where any of the directors of the Company or two or more of them together holds or hold not more than two percent of the paid-up share capital in any such other company.

148. A contract or arrangement entered into by the company without disclosure or with participation by a director who is concerned or interested in any way, directly or indirectly, in the contract or arrangement, shall be voidable at the option of the company.
149. A General Notice given to the Board by the Directors, to the effect that he is a Director or member of a specified bodies corporate or is a partner of a specified firm and is to be regarded as concerned or interested in any contract or arrangement which may, after the date of the notice, be entered into with that body corporate or firm shall be deemed to be a sufficient disclosure of concern or interest in relating to any contract or arrangement so made. All such notices shall be kept at the registered office of the company and shall be preserved for a period of eight years from the end of the financial year to which it relates and shall be kept in the custody of the Company secretary or any other person as authorized by the Board.
150. No Director shall as direct to 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 not 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:
  - (i) be taken to prejudice the operation of any rule of law restricting a director of a company from having any concern or interest in any contract or arrangement with the company;
  - (ii) apply to any contract or arrangement entered into or to be entered into between two companies where any of the directors of the one company or between one or more companies and one or more bodies corporate where any of the directors of the one company or body corporate or two or more of them together holds or hold not more than two percent of the paid up share capital in other company or the body corporate.
151. The Company shall keep one or more Registers under Section 189 of the Act, giving separately the particulars of all contracts or arrangements in compliance with the provisions of Section 184 and 188, in such manner and containing such particulars as required by the Act and shall within the time specified in the section, entering the particulars, such register shall be placed before the next meeting of the Board and signed by all the directors present at the meeting.

The Register aforesaid shall also specify, in relation to each director of the company the names of the bodies corporate and firms of which notice has been given by him under these Articles. The Register shall be kept at the registered office of the Company and shall be open for inspection at such office during business hours and extracts may be taken therefrom and copies thereof as may be required by any member of the company, shall be furnished by the company to such extent, in same manner, and on payment of the same fee as in the case of the

Register of Members of the Company and the provisions of Section 94 of the Act shall apply accordingly.

152. 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, share holder, 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 197(14) or Section 188 of the Act may be applicable.
153. At every Annual General Meeting of the Company, one third of such of the directors for the time being, as are liable to retire by rotation or if their number is neither three nor a multiple of three, the number nearest to one-third shall retire from office.
154. Subject to Section 152 of the Act, the Directors to retire by rotation under Article 135 at every Annual General Meeting shall be those who have been longest in office since their last appointment, but as between persons who became Directors on the same day, those who are to retire, shall in default of and subject to any agreement among themselves, be determined by lot.
155. At the Annual General Meeting at which a director retires under Article 154, the company may fill up the vacancy by appointing the retiring director or some other person thereto.
156. A director may resign from his office by giving a notice in writing to the company and the Board shall on receipt of such notice take note of the same and the company shall intimate the registrar in such manner, within such time and such form as prescribed in the Act, and shall also place the fact of such resignation in the report of Directors laid in the immediately following general meeting by the company. The company shall follow the provisions of Section 168 of the Act.

Provided that a director shall also forward a copy of his resignation alongwith detailed reasons for the resignation, if required under the Act, to the registrar within thirty days of resignation in such manner as prescribed in the Act.

157. (i) If the vacancy 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 or if that day is a national holiday, till the next succeeding day which is not a holiday, at the same time and place.
- (ii) If at the adjourned meeting also, the vacancy of the retiring Director is not so filled up and the meeting also has not expressly resolved not to fill the vacancy, the retiring director shall be deemed to have been reappointed at the adjourned meeting, unless:
  - (a) at that meeting or at the previous meeting the resolution for the re-appointment of such Director has been put to the meeting and lost;
  - (b) the retiring director has, by a notice in writing addressed to the Company or its Board of Directors, expressed his unwillingness to be so re-appointed;
  - (c) he is not qualified or is disqualified for appointment;

- (d) a resolution whether special or ordinary, is required for the appointment or re-appointment by virtue of any provisions of the Act; or
  - (e) the provisions of Section 162 of the Act is applicable to the case.
158. (i) 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 has, not less than fourteen days before the meeting left at the office of the company a notice in writing under his hand signifying his candidature for the office of Director or as the case may be, the intention of such member to propose him as a candidate for that office.
- (ii) 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 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 along with the deposit of rupees one lakh.
- Provided that requirements of deposit of amount shall not apply in case of appointment of an independent director or a director recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, if any, constituted under sub-section (1) of section 178 or a director recommended by the Board of Directors of the Company, in the case of a company not required to constitute Nomination and Remuneration Committee.
- (iii) A person other than a Director reappointed after retirement by rotation or 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 re-appointed 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 within thirty days of his appointment signed and filed with the Registrar his consent in writing to act as such Director.
159. The Company shall keep at its registered office a register containing the particulars of its directors and key managerial personnel mentioned in Section 170 of the Act, and shall otherwise comply with the provisions of the said Section in all respects.
160. Company shall file a return containing particulars and documents as prescribed by the Act, for appointment or changes, if any, of the directors and key managerial personnel of the company, as the case may be, with the Registrar of the Companies within a period of thirty days any such appointment or changes.

## **REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS**

161. (i) The Company may (Subject to the provisions of Section 169 and other applicable provisions of the Act and these Articles) remove any Directors before the expiry of his period of office.
- (ii) Special notice as provided by Section 115 of the Act shall be given for any resolution to remove a Director under this Article or to appoint some other person in place of a Director so removed, at the meeting at which he is removed.

- (iii) On receipt of notice of a resolution to remove a Director under this article, the Company shall forthwith send a copy thereof to the Director concerned and the Director, whether or not he is a member of the Company, shall be entitled to be heard on the resolution at the meeting.
- (iv) Where notice has been given of a resolution to remove a Director under this Article and the director concerned makes with respect thereto representations in writing to the Company (not exceeding a reasonable length) and requests its notification to members of the Company, the company shall, unless the representations are received by it too late for it to do so:
  - (a) in the notice of the resolutions given to members of the company, state the fact of the representations having been made, and
  - (b) send a copy of the representations to every member of the company to whom notice of the meeting is sent (whether before or after receipt of the representation by the company),

and if a copy of the representation is not sent as aforesaid because they were received too late or because of the company's default, the Director may (without prejudice to his right to be heard orally) require that the representations shall be read out at the meeting,

provided that copy of the representation need not be sent out and the representation need not be read out at the meeting if, on the application either of the Company or of any other person who claims to be aggrieved, the Court is satisfied that the rights conferred by this sub-clause are being abused to secure needless publicity for defamatory matter and tribunal may order the company's cost on the application to be paid in whole or in part by the director notwithstanding that he is not a party to it.

- (v) A vacancy created by the removal of a Director under this Article may, if he had been appointed by the company in General Meeting or by the Board, be filled by the appointment of another director in his place at the meeting at which he is removed,

Provided special notice of the intended appointment has been given.

A Director so appointed shall hold office till the date up to which his predecessor would have held office if he had not been removed.

- (vi) If the vacancy is not filled, it may be filled as a casual vacancy in accordance with the provisions of the Act, in so far as they are applicable

Provided that the Director who was removed from office under these Articles shall not be reappointed as a Director by the Board of Directors.

- (vii) Nothing contained in this Article shall be taken:
  - (a) as depriving a person removed under these Articles of any compensation or damages payable to him in respect of the termination of his appointment as director as per the terms of contract or terms of his appointment as Director, or of any other appointment terminating with that as director; or

- (b) as derogating from any power to remove a Director under other provisions of the Act.

### **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

- 162. The Company shall not appoint or employ at the same time a managing director and a manager.
- 163. The Company shall appoint or re-appoint any person as its managing director, whole-time director or manager for term not exceeding five years at a time;

Provided that no re-appointment shall be made earlier than one year before the expiry of his term.

- 164. Subject to the provisions the section 197 and Schedule V, a Managing Director, Whole time Director or Manager shall be appointed and the terms and conditions of such appointment and remuneration, either be payable monthly or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the company or partly by one way and partly by the other, be approved by the Board of Directors at a meeting which shall be subject to approval by a resolution at the next general meeting of the company and by the Central Government in case such appointment is at variance to the conditions specified in Part I of the Schedule V of the Act.

Provided that a notice convening Board or general meeting for considering such appointment shall include the terms and conditions of such appointment, remuneration payable and such other matters including interest, of a Director or Directors in such appointments, if any.

- 165. The Company shall not appoint or employ, or continue the appointment or employment of a person as its managing director, whole-time Director or manager who:

- (i) is below the age of twenty-one years or has attained the age of seventy years:

Provided that appointment of a person who has attained the age of seventy years may be made by passing a special resolution in which case the explanatory statement annexed to the notice for such motion shall indicate the justification for appointing such person;

- (ii) is an undischarged insolvent; or has at any time been adjudged as an insolvent;
- (iii) has at any time suspended payment to his creditors or makes, or has at any time made, a composition with them; or
- (iv) has at any time been convicted by a court of an offence and sentenced for a period of more than six months.

- 166. Subject to the provisions of the Act, where an appointment of managing director, whole-time director or manager is not approved by the company at a general meeting, any act done by him before such approval shall not be deemed to be invalid.
- 167. The Board of Directors may appoint Managing or Whole Time Director, Director or Manager to manage the affairs of the company and/or a secretary or other officers for such remuneration and on such terms and conditions with the sanctions of the Board and / or shareholders in General Meeting and also approved by the Central Government.



168. Notwithstanding anything contain under section 203 of Companies Act 2013 read with rules framed there under as applicable if any, the Managing Director shall also act as Chairman of the Company, Chairman of the Board Meetings and General Body Meetings of Members of the Company.
169. The Directors may appoint a Vice chairman of the Board of Directors to preside at meetings of the directors at which the chairman not be present and determine the period for which he is hold office.
170. All meeting of the Directors shall be presided over by the chairman if present, but if at any meeting of Directors the Chairman be not present at the time appointed for holding the same or the chairman refuse to preside, the Vice-Chairman, if present, shall preside and if the Vice-Chairman be not present at such time or if the Vice- Chairman refuses to preside or if no Chairman or Vice Chairman has been appointed under the Article and in that case the Directors shall choose one of the Directors then present to preside at the meeting.

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

171. The Directors may meet together as a Board for the conduct of business from time to time, and shall so meet at least four times in a year in such manner, that not more than one hundred and twenty days shall intervene between two consecutive meetings of the Board. The Directors may adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit.
172. The participation of directors in a meeting of the Board may be either in person or through video conferencing of other audio visual means, as prescribed in the Companies (Meeting of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014, which are capable of recording and recognizing the participation of the directors and recording and storing the proceedings of such meeting alongwith date and time.
173. The Secretary or any officer of the Company, by order of the Board, shall sent notice in writing of every Board meeting called, to every Director, not less than seven days before the meeting at his address registered with the company and such notice shall be sent by hand delivery or by post or by electronic means.

Provided that a meeting of the Board may be called at a shorter notice to transact urgent business subject to the condition that at least one Independent Director, if any, shall be present at the meeting;

Provided further that 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, if any.

174. The Board shall appoint a Chairman of its meetings and determine the period for which he is to hold office. If no Chairman is appointed or if any meeting of the Board the Chairman is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the same, the Directors present shall choose someone of them to be Chairman of such meeting.
175. The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be determined from time to time in accordance with the provisions of Section 174 of the Act. If a quorum shall not be present within the Board, the meeting stand adjourned to the same day at the same time and place in the next

week or if that day is a national holiday, till the next succeeding day, which is not a national holiday, at the same time and place.

176. A Meeting of the Board at 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.
177. Subject to the provisions of Section 203 and 196 of the Act, questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes, and in case of any equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
178. The Board shall exercise the following powers on behalf of the company by means of resolution passed at the meetings of the Board, namely:
  - (i) to make calls on shareholders in respect of money unpaid on the shares;
  - (ii) to authorise buy-back of securities under section 68 of the Act;
  - (iii) to issue securities, including debentures, whether in or outside India;
  - (iv) to borrow monies;
  - (v) to invest the funds of the company;
  - (vi) to grant loans or give guarantee or provide security in respect of loans;
  - (vii) to approve financial statements and the Board's Report;
  - (viii) to diversify the business of the company;
  - (ix) to approve amalgamation, merger or reconstruction;
  - (x) to take over a company or acquire a controlling or substantial stake in another company;
  - (xi) any other matter which may be prescribed under Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014

Provided that the Board may, by a resolution passed at a meeting, delegate to any committees of directors, the managing director, the manager or any other principal officer of the company or in case of a branch office of the company, the principal officer of the branch office, the powers specified in clause (iv) to (vi) on such conditions As it may specify:

Provided further that, if any subject not considered above and subject to provisions of the Act, the Board may transact the business by passing resolution on circulation pursuant to Section 175 of the Act.

179. The meetings and 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 the same are applicable thereto, and are not superseded by any regulations made by the Board under these Articles.

180. Save in those case where a resolution is required by Sections 161,179,188,203, and 386 of the Act, to be passed at a meeting of the Board, a resolution shall be a 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 member of the Committee of the board as the case may be, then 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 to all other Directors or members of the Committee at their usual address in India and has been approved by such of them as are then in India or by majority of them as are entitled to vote on the resolution.
181. All acts done by any meeting of the Board or by a Committee of the Board or by any person acting as a Director shall notwithstanding that it shall afterwards be discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of such Director or persons 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 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 shown to the Company to be invalid or to have been terminated.
182. (i) The Company shall cause minutes of all proceedings of every meeting of the Board and Committee thereof to be kept by making within thirty days of the conclusion of every such meeting entries thereof in book kept for that purpose with their pages consecutively numbered.
- (ii) Each page of every such book shall be initialed or signed and the last page of the record of proceeding of each meeting in such book shall be dated and signed by the Chairman of the said meeting or the Chairman of the next succeeding meeting.
- (iii) In no case shall the minutes of proceedings of a meeting be attached to any such book as aforesaid by a pasting or otherwise.
- (iv) The minutes of each meeting shall contain a fair and correct summary of the proceedings thereat.
- (v) All appointments of officers made at any of the meetings aforesaid shall be included in the minutes of the meetings
- (vi) The minutes shall also contain:
- (a) The name of the Directors present at the meeting; and
- (b) 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.
- (vii) Nothing contained in sub-clauses (i) to (vi) shall 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;
- (b) is irrelevant or immaterial to the proceedings; or

- (c) is detrimental to the interest of the Company.

The Chairman shall exercise an absolute discretion with regard to the inclusion or non-inclusion of any matter in the minutes on the grounds specified in this sub-clause.

- (viii) Minutes of meetings kept in accordance with the aforesaid provisions shall be evidence of the proceedings recorded therein.

183. The Board may exercise all such powers of the Company and do all such acts, and things as are not, by the Act, or any other Act, or by the Memorandum, or by the 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, or any other Act and to such regulation 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. Provided that the Board shall exercise the powers as specified in section 180 of the Act only with the consent of the company by a special resolution in General Meeting, namely:

- (i) 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 undertaking.
- (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 to its paid-up capital and free reserves, 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 from a director.
- (v) contribute to *bona fide* charitable and other funds not directly relating to the business of the company or the welfare of its employees, any amount the aggregate of which, in any financial year, exceed five percent of its average net profits for the three immediately preceding financial years.

184. Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by 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, 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 pay any charge to the capital amount of the Company and Commission or interest lawfully payable thereout under the provisions of the Act;
- (iii) subject to Section 179 and 188 of the Act to purchase or otherwise acquire for the Company any property, rights or privileges which the Company is authorized to

acquire, at for such price or consideration and generally on such terms and conditions as they may think fit; and in any such purchase or otherwise acquisition to accept such title as the Directors may believe or may be advised to a reasonably satisfactory;

- (iv) at their discretion and subject to the provisions of the Act to pay for any (property, rights or privileges acquired by or services rendered to the Company, either wholly or partially, in case of 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 or with such amount credited as paid up thereon as may be agreed upon, and any such bonds, debentures, mortgages or other securities may be either specially charged upon all or any part of the property of the company and its uncalled capital or not so charged;
- (v) to secure the fulfillment of any contacts 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 firm being or in such manner as they may think fit;
- (vi) to accept from any members, 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;
- (vii) to appoint any person to accept and hold in trust for the Company any property belonging to the Company, in which it is interested, or for any other purposes; and execute and do all such deeds and things as may be required in relation to any trust, and to provide for the remuneration of such trustee or trustees;
- (viii) to institute, conduct, defend, compound, 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 and to refer any differences to arbitration, and observe and perform any awards made thereon;
- (ix) to act on behalf of the Company in all matters relating to bankrupts and insolvents;
- (x) to make and give receipts releases, and other discharge for moneys payable to the Company and for the claims and demands of the Company.
- (xi) subject to the provisions of Sections 179, 185 and 186 of the Act, to invest and deal with any moneys of the Company not immediately required for the purposes 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 vary or realize such investments save as provided in Section 187 of the Act, all investments shall be made and held in the Company's own name;
- (xii) 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 and 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;

- (xiii) 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.
- (xiv) to distribute by way of bonus amongst the staff of the Company, share or shares in the profits of the Company, and to give to any officer or other persons employed by the Company a 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;
- (xv) 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, and 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 or locality of operation, or of public and general utility or otherwise;
- (xvi) Before recommending any dividend, to set aside out of the profits of the Company such sums as they may think proper for depreciation 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 equalizing dividends or for repairing, improving extending and maintaining any of the property of the Company and such for 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 expend 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 monies of the company might rightly be applied or expended; and to divide the reserve fund 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 re-payment 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;

- (xvii) to appoint, and at their discretion remove or suspend such general managers, secretaries, assistants, supervisors, clerks, agents and servants of permanent temporary or special services, as they may from 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 amounts 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-clause shall be without prejudice to the general powers conferred by this sub-clause;
- (xviii) to comply with requirements of any local law which in their opinion it shall, in the interests of the Company, be necessary or expedient to comply with;
- (xix) 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 be members of such local Boards and to fix their remuneration;
- (xx) subject to Section 179 of the Act, from time to time and at any time, to 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 moneys, and to authorize 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 annual or vary any such delegation.
- (xxi) at any time and from time to time by power of Attorney under the Seal of the Company, to appoint 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 power to make calls and excluding also except in their limits authorized by the Board, the power to make loans and borrow moneys) 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 shareholders, 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 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 sub-delegate all or any of the powers, authorities and discretions for the time being vested in them;
- (xxii) subject to Sections 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, and execute and do all such acts, deeds, and things in the name and on behalf of the Company as they may consider expedient;

- (xxiii) from time to time to make vary and repeal by law for the regulation of the business of the Company, its officer and servants.

#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MANAGER, SECRETARY or CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER**

185. Subject to the provisions of the Act:

- (i) A chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer may be appointed by the Board for such term, at such remuneration and upon such conditions as it may think fit; and any chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer so appointed may be removed by means of a resolution of the Board;
- (ii) A director may be appointed as chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer.

186. A provision of the Act or these regulations requiring or authorising a thing to be done by or to a director and chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as director and as, or in place of, chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer.

#### **THE SEAL**

187. (i) The Board shall provide a Common Seal for the purpose of the company, and shall have power from time to time to destroy the same and substitute a new Seal in lieu thereof and provide for the safe custody of the seal.
- (ii) 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 at least two directors or one director and the secretary or such other person as the Board may appoint for the purpose; and those two directors or one director and the secretary or other person aforesaid shall sign every instrument to which the seal of the company is so affixed in their presence.

#### **DIVIDENDS AND RESERVES**

188. 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, but the company in general meeting may declare a smaller dividend.
189. Subject to the provisions of section 123, 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.
190. No dividend shall be declared or paid by the company for any financial year except, Out of the profits of the company for that year arrived at after providing for depreciation in accordance with the provisions of schedule II of the Act, or out of the profits of the company for any previous financial year or years arrived at after providing for depreciation in accordance with the provisions of that schedule and remaining undistributed, or out of both, provided that;



- (i) The company may, before the declaration of any dividend in any financial year, transfer such percentage of its profits for that financial year as it may consider appropriate to the reserves of the company:
  - (ii) Where owing to inadequacy or absence of profits in any financial year, the company proposes to declare dividend out of the accumulated profits earned by it in previous year and transferred by the company to the reserves, such declaration of dividend shall not be made except in accordance with Companies (Declaration and Payment of Dividend) Rules, 2014.
  - (iii) No dividend shall be declared or paid by the company from its reserves other than free reserves.
191. The Board of Directors of the Company may declare interim dividend during any financial year or at any time during the period from closure of financial year till holding of the annual general meeting out of the surplus in the profit and loss account or out of profits of the financial year for which such interim dividend is sought to be declared or out of profits generated in the financial year till the quarter preceding the date of declaration of the interim dividend:
- Provided that in case the company has incurred loss during the current financial year upto the end of the quarter immediately preceding the date of declaration of interim dividend, such interim dividend shall not be declared at a rate higher than the average dividends declared by the company during the immediately preceding three financial years.
192. (i) Subject to the rights of persons, if any, entitled to shares with special rights as to dividends, all dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares in respect whereof the dividend is paid, but if and so long as nothing is paid upon any of the shares in the company, dividends may be declared and paid according to the amounts of the shares.
- (ii) No amount paid or credited as paid on a share in advance of calls shall be treated for the purposes of this regulation as paid on the share.
- (iii) 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.
193. No member shall be entitled to receive payments of any interest or dividend in respect of his share or shares, while any money may be due or owing from him to the company in respect of such share or shares or otherwise however, either alone or jointly with any other person or persons and the Board may deduct from any dividend or interest 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.
194. (i) Any dividend, interest or other monies payable in cash in respect of shares may be paid by 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.

- (ii) No dividend shall be paid by the company in respect of any share therein except to the registered shareholder of such share or his order or to his banker and shall not be payable except in cash.

Provided that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to prohibit the capitalisation of profits or reserves of the company for the purpose of issuing fully paid up bonus shares or paying up any amount for the time being unpaid on any shares held by the members of the company.

Provided further that any dividend payable in cash may be paid by cheque or warrant or in any electronic mode to the shareholder entitled to the payment of the dividend.

- 195. 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.
- 196. 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.
- 197. Where the Company has declared a dividend but which has not been paid or claimed within 30 days from the date of declaration, transfer the total amount of dividend which remains unpaid or unclaimed within the said period of 30 days, to a special account to be opened by the company in that behalf In any scheduled bank, to be called "Unpaid Dividend Account". The company shall transfer any money transferred to the unpaid dividend account of a company that remains unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven years from the date of such transfer, to the Fund known as Investor Education and Protection Fund established under section 125 of the Act

There shall be no forfeiture of unclaimed dividends before the claim becomes barred by law and such forfeiture, if effected, shall be annulled in appropriate cases. The company shall comply with the provisions the Act in respect of all unclaimed or unpassed dividend.

- 198. No dividend shall bear interest against the company.

### **CAPITALISATION OF PROFITS**

- 199. (i) The company in general meeting may, upon the recommendation of the Board, resolve:
  - (a) that it is desirable to capitalise any part of the amount for the time being standing to 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
  - (b) that such sum be accordingly set free for distribution in the manner specified in clause (ii) amongst the members who would have been entitled thereto, if distributed by way of dividend and in the same proportions.
- (ii) The sum aforesaid shall not be paid in cash but shall be applied, subject to the provision contained in clause (iii), either in or towards:

- (a) paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such members respectively;
  - (b) paying up in full, unissued shares of the company to be allotted and distributed, credited as fully paid-up, to and amongst such members in the proportions aforesaid;
  - (c) partly in the way specified in sub-clause (a) and partly in that specified in sub-clause (b);
  - (d) A securities premium account and a capital redemption reserve account may, for the 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;
  - (e) The Board shall give effect to the resolution passed by the company in pursuance of this regulation.
200. (i) 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.
- (ii) The Board shall have power:
- (a) 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; and
  - (b) 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;
- (iii) Any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on such members.

## ACCOUNTS

201. The Company shall keep at the registered office or at such other place in India as the Board thinks fit, proper books of Account in accordance with Section 128 the Act.
202. Where the Board decides to keep all or any of the Books of Accounts at any place other than the office of the company the Company shall within seven days of the decision file with the Registrar a notice in writing given the full address of that other place.

203. The Company may keep the books the accounts or other relevant papers in accordance with Section 128 of the Act, in electronic mode in such manner as prescribed.
204. The Company shall preserve in good order the Books of Accounts relating or period of not less eight year immediately preceding the financial year together with the vouchers relevant to any entry in such books of Account.
205. Where the Company has a branch office, whether in or outside India, the Company shall be deemed to have complied with this Article if proper Books of Account relating to the transactions effected at the branch office are kept at the branch office and proper summarized return made up to date at intervals of not more than three months are sent by the branch office to the Company at its office or other place in India, at which the company's Books of Account are kept as aforesaid.
206. 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 transaction; The Books of Account and other books and papers shall be open to inspection by any Directors during business hours.
207. 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
208. No member (not being a Director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or books or document of the Company except as conferred by law or authorized by the Board or by the company in general meeting.
209. The Directors shall from time to time, in accordance with Sections 129, 133 and 134 of the Act, cause to be laid before the company in General Meeting, such Balance Sheets, profits and loss account and reports as are required by these Sections.
210. A Copy of every Balance Sheet and Profit and loss account (including the Auditors Report and every other document required by law to be annexed or attached to the Balance Sheet) or a Statement containing salient features of such documents in the prescribed form, as laid down under Section 136 of the Companies Act, 2013 as the Company may deem fit, shall not less than twenty-one days before the Meeting at which the Balance Sheet and the profit and loss Account are to be laid before the Members, be sent to every person entitled thereto pursuant to the provisions of the Section 136 of the Companies Act, 2013 provided this Article shall not require a copy of the documents to be sent to any person of whose address the Company is not aware of or to more than one of the joint holders of any shares.

#### **AUDIT**

211. Auditors shall be appointed and their rights and duties regulated in accordance with Section 139 to 145 of the Act.
212. The first Auditor or auditors of the company shall be appointed by the board within one month of the date of registration of the company and the Auditor or Auditors so appointed shall hold office until the conclusion of the first annual general meeting:

Provided that the Company may, at a General Meeting remove and such auditor or all of such auditors and appoint in his or their place any other person or persons who have been

nominated for appointment by any member of the Company and of whose nomination notice has been given to the members of the Company not less than fourteen days before the date of the meeting,

Provided further that if the Board fails to exercise its powers under this Article, the Company in General meeting may appoint the first Auditor or Auditors.

Provided also that before such appointment is made, the written consent of auditor to such appointment and a certificate from him or it that the appointment if made, shall be in accordance with the conditions as prescribed, shall be obtained from the auditor.

Provided also that the certificate shall also indicate whether the auditor satisfies the criteria provided in section 141 of the Act.

Provided also that the company shall inform the auditor concerned of his or its appointment, and also file a notice of such appointment with the registrar within fifteen days of the meeting in which the auditor is appointed.

### **DOCUMENTS AND NOTICES**

213. (i) A document or notice may be served or given by the Company or any member either personally or sending its by post to him to his registered address, if he has no registered address in India, to the address, if any, in India supplied by him to the Company for serving documents of notice on him.
- (ii) Where a documents or notice is sent by post, services of the documents or notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, prepaying and posting a letter containing the document or notice provided that where a member has intimated to the Company in advance that documents or notices should be sent him under a certificate of posting or by registered post with or without acknowledgement due and has deposited with the Company a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of doing so, service of the documents or notice shall not be 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.
214. A document or notice advertised in a news paper circulating in the neighborhood of the office shall be duly served or sent on the day on which the advertisement appears on or to every member who has no registered address in India and has not supplied to the Company any address within India for serving of documents or the sending of notices to him.
215. 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 or on or to the joint-holders named first in the Register of members in respect of the share.
216. A document or notice may be served or given by the Company on or to the person entitled to a share in consequence of the death or insolvency of a member by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to 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.

217. Document or notices of every General Meeting shall be served or given in the same hereinbefore authorized on or to (a) every member, (b) every person entitled to a share in consequence of the death or insolvency of a member, and (c) the Auditor of Auditors for the time being of the Company.
218. Every person whom 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 derives his title to such share.
219. Any document or notice to be served or given by the Company may be signed by a director or some person duly authorized by the Board of directors for such purpose and the signatures thereto may be written printed or lithographed.
220. 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 any officer at the office by post under a certificate of posting or by registered post or by speed post or by courier or by delivering at his office or address, or by such by electronic or other mode.

### **RECONSTRUCTION**

221. On any sale of the undertaking of the company the Board or the Liquidators on a winding-up may, if authorized by a Special Resolution accept fully paid or partly paid-up shares, debentures or securities of any other company whether incorporated in India or in part of the property of the Company and the Board (if the profits of the Company permit) or the Liquidators (in a winding-up) may distribute such shares or securities or any other property of the Company amongst the members without realization or vest the same in trustees for them and any special Resolution may provide for the distribution or appropriation of the cash shares or other securities, benefits or property otherwise than in accordance with the strict legal right of the member or contributories of the company and for the valuation of any such securities or property at such price and in such manner as the meeting may approve and all holders of shares shall be bound to accept and shall be bound by any valuation or distribution so authorized and waive all rights in relation the course of being wound up, such statutory right (if any) under of the Act as are incapable of being varied excluded by these Articles.

### **WINDING UP**

222. Subject to the provisions of Chapter XX of the Act and rules 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, divide amongst the members, in specie or kind, the whole or any part of the assets of the company, whether they shall consist of property of the same kind or not.
  - (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.

#### **INDEMNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY**

- 223. 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**

- 224. Every Director, Manager, Auditor, Treasurer, Trustee, Member of a Committee, Officer, Servant, Agent, Accountant or other person employed in the business of the Company shall, if so declaration pledging himself to observe strict secrecy regarding all customers and the state of account 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 Board as by Court of Law and except so far as be necessary in order to comply with any; of the provisions of these presents constituted.

#### **GENERAL AUTHORITY**

- 225. Wherever in the Act, it has been provided that the Company shall have any right, privilege or authority or that the Company could carry out any transaction only if the Company is so authorized by its articles, then and in that case this Article authorizes and empowers the Company to have such rights, privileges or authorities and to carry such transactions as have been permitted by the Act, without there being any specific Article in that behalf herein provided.

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