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15 September 2022

Dear Sir:

# Sub: Intimation of amendments in Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company

In compliance with Regulation 30 read with Para A of Part A of Schedule III of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the shareholders at their 37<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 15 September 2022, duly approved the amendments to Memorandum of Association (MOA) and Articles of Association (AOA) of the Company.

We are attaching herewith copy of MOA and AOA.

Brief details of amendments made thereof are mentioned below:

# **Amendments to MOA**

#### i) Alteration in the Registered Office clause of MOA

Clause II (Situation of Registered Office Clause) has been changed from "Delhi" to "Haryana".

### ii) Adopted Memorandum of Association as per Companies Act, 2013

The erstwhile Clause III (Object Clause) does not specifically differentiate between the Company's main objects and ancillary objects. The Object Clause, therefore, has been bifurcated into main objects and ancillary objects. There is no change in the principle activities of the Company. It continues to carry on the business relating to Oil and Gas sector.

Apart from the above changes / alteration, references to specific sections of the Companies Act, 1956 have been substituted with the specific sections of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules framed thereunder.

# Amendments to AOA

Upon enactment of the Companies Act, 2013, various provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 have been repealed and in view of the same the Articles of Association of the Company has been re-aligned as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

The existing Articles of Association (AOA) are based on the Companies Act, 1956 and several regulations in the existing AOA contain references to specific sections of the Companies Act, 1956 and some regulations in the existing AOA are no longer in conformity with the Companies Act, 2013.

Therefore, the new AOA has been restructured and aligned with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, the Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and other applicable laws, broadly the changes can be categorized as below;

- i) References to the sections, sub-sections, clauses etc. of the Companies Act, 1956, which have been amended and substituted with the new provisions of the Companies Act, 2013;
- ii) The new AOA is based on "Table-F" of the Companies Act, 2013 which sets out the model AOA for a company limited by shares.

We request you to kindly acknowledge the same.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully

Yogita Rohilla Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

#### THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 ("THE ACT")

# (PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES)

# <sup>1</sup>Memorandum of Association of Selan Exploration Technology Limited

- 1. The name of the Company is Selan Exploration Technology Limited.
- 2. The Registered Office of the Company will be situated in the State of Haryana.<sup>2</sup>
- 3. (a) The objects to be pursued by the Company on its incorporation are:
  - (i) To carry on in India and any other part of the world the business or businesses of surveying, prospecting, drilling and exploring for, acquiring, developing, producing, maintaining, refining, storing, trading, supplying, transporting, marketing, distributing, importing, exporting and generally dealing in minerals and other natural oils, petroleum and all other forms of solid, liquid and gaseous hydrocarbons and other minerals and their products and by-products and all their branches.
  - (ii) To search for, purchase, take on lease or licence, obtain concessions over or otherwise acquire, any estate or interest in, develop the resources of, work, dispose of, or otherwise turn to account, land or sea or any other place in India or in any other part of the world containing, or thought likely to contain, oil, petroleum, petroleum resource or all sources of energy, including but not limited to alternate sources of energy or other oils in any form, asphalt, bitumen or similar substances or natural gas, chemicals or any substances used, or which is thought likely to be useful for any purpose for which petroleum or other oils in any form, asphalt, bitumen or similar substances, or natural gas is, or could be used and to that end to organise, equip and employ expeditions, commissions, experts and other agents and to sink wells, to make borings and otherwise to search for, obtain, exploit, develop, render suitable for trade, petroleum, other mineral oils, natural gas, asphalt, or other similar substances or products thereof.
  - (v) To carry on and or invest in the business of manufacturing, producing, processing, generating, accumulating, distributing, transferring, preserving, mixing, supplying contracting, as consultants, importers, exporters, buyers, sellers, assemblers, hirers, repairers, dealers, distributors, stockists, wholesalers, retailers, jobbers, traders, agents, brokers, representatives, collaborators, of merchandising, marketing, managing, leasing, renting, utilising of electricity, steam, power, solar energy, wind energy, biomass energy, geothermal energy, hydel energy, tidal and wave energy, and other conventional, non-conventional and renewable energy sources, waste treatment plants of all kinds, and equipments thereof in India and outside India.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Memorandum of Association was adopted in substitution of the existing Memorandum of Association by way of resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 15 September 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Change in Registered office is subject to RD approval.

- (vi) To plan, promote, organise, execute, implement, invest and or manage an integrated and efficient development of Thermal, Hydel, Nuclear power and power through Non-Conventional/Renewable Energy Sources including generation from municipal or other waste materials in India and abroad including planning, investigation, research, design and preparation of preliminary, feasibility and definite project reports, construction, generation, operation & maintenance, Renovation & Modernisation of power stations and projects, transmission, distribution, sale of power generated at Stations in India and any other part of the world in accordance with the national economic policies and objectives laid down by the Central Government from time to time, the management of front and back-end of nuclear fuel cycle and ensure safe and efficient disposal of waste.
- (vii) To carry on the business of consultants and operators of technology in all its aspects and in particular geological and geophysical exploration, computer technology, electronics, oceanography, mining, chemical and pharmaceutical line and to exploit technical know-how or other knowledge from India or and any other part of the world` for setting up industries for own use or others.
- (ix) To establish working relationship between business entities of advanced and developing countries; to provide the specialised services required to move a project through preliminary, economic evaluations, feasibility studies, technical studies and evaluation and to satisfy all government regulations relating to the project under consideration, to act as engineers and to carry on the business of design engineers.

#### (b). Matters which are necessary for furtherance of the objects specified in Clause 3 (A) are:-

- (i) To purchase, exchange or otherwise any movable or immovable property and any rights or privileges which the Company may deem necessary or convenient for the purpose of its main business.
- (ii) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interest, joint venture, reciprocal concession or co-operation with persons or companies carrying on or engaged in the main business or transaction of this Company.
- (iii) To import, buy, exchange, alter, improve and manipulate in all kinds of plants, machinery, apparatus, tools and things necessary or convenient for carrying on the main business of the Company.
- (iv) To vest any movable or immovable property, rights or interests required by or received or belonging to the Company in any person or company on behalf of or for the benefit of the Company and with or without any declared trust in favour of the Company.
- (v) To purchase, build, carry out, equip, maintain, alter, improve, develop, manage, work, control and superintend any plants, warehouse, sheds, offices, shops, stores, buildings, machinery, apparatus, labour lines, and houses, warehouses, and such other works and conveniences necessary for carrying on the main business of the Company.
- (vi) To carry on in India or elsewhere the business of laying, repairing or servicing of onshore and offshore pipelines and oil well control equipment, seabed mining and other allied activities and for this purpose to enter into technical collaborations for obtaining technology in relation to the same.
- (vii) To carry on in India or elsewhere either independently or in collaboration with any body corporate, the business of buying, selling, letting on hire or hire purchase on easy payment system, exploration vessels, survey ships, under water exploration equipment,

oil drilling rigs, offshore platforms, ships, tankers, offshore floating production and storage and sub-sea pipe lines and vessels of all kinds and description, motors, machinery, mechanical and other parts, tools, plants, appliances, apparatus, requisites and accessories, employed and used for the purpose of drilling, exploration transportation and commercial production of hydrocarbons, oil, gas, ores and minerals.

- (viii) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or Authorities or any persons or companies that may seem conducive to the main objects of the Company or any of them and to obtain from any such Government, authority, person or company any rights, charters, contracts, licenses and concessions which the Company may think desirable to obtain and to carry out, exercise and comply therewith.
- (ix) To apply for, tender, purchase or otherwise acquire any contracts, sub-contracts, licenses and concessions for or in relation to the objects or business herein mentioned or any of them and to undertake, carry out, execute, dispose of or otherwise turn to account the same.
- (x) To acquire and undertake, manage or maintain the whole or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person, firm or Company carrying on any business which the Company is authorised to carry on or be possessed of property suitable for the purposes of the Company.
- (xi) To establish and maintain agencies, branches, places and procure the Company to be registered, or recognised and to carry on business in any part of the world.
- (xii) To be interested in promoting and undertaking the formation and establishment of such institutions, business or companies (industrial, trading, manufacturing or other) as may be considered to be conducive to the business of the Company.
- (xiii) To promote any Company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property, rights and liabilities of this Company.
- (xiv) To enter into, make and perform contracts and arrangements of every kind and description for any lawful purpose with any person, firm, association, corporate body, municipality, body politic, territory, province, state, government or colony or dependency thereof, without limit as to amount, and to obtain from any government or authority any rights, privileges, contracts and concessions which the Company may deem desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise or comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges, contracts and concessions.
- (xv) Subject to Section 179 of the Act, to borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner and on such terms and with such rights, powers and privileges as may be thought fit, and in particular, by the issue of or upon bonds, debentures, bills of exchange, promissory notes or other obligations or securities of the Company and with a view thereto to mortgage the undertaking and, all or any immovable property, present or future, and charge all or any of the uncalled capital for the time being of the Company and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities.
- (xvi) To draw, make, accept, discount, execute and issue bills of exchange, promissory notes bills of lading, warrants, debentures and such other negotiable or transferable

- instruments, of all types or securities and to open Bank Accounts of any type and to operate the same in the ordinary course of the Company.
- (xvii) To lend money or property on mortgage of immovable property or on hypothecation or pledge of movable property or without securities to such person and on such terms as may seem expedient and to guarantee the performance of contracts by such persons or companies, but not amounting to banking business as defined under the Banking Regulations Act, 1949 as amended from time to time.
- (xviii) Subject to Section 73 of the Act, to receive money on deposit or loan upon such terms as may be thought fit, provided however, that the Company shall not do any business as defined under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 as amended from time to time.
- (xix) To issue as fully paid or partly paid up any shares or securities of the Company in consideration of any property transferred or services rendered to the Company and to accept as consideration for any property sold or disposed of by the Company, fully or partly paid-up shares or securities of any other company having objects similar to those of the Company.
- (xx) Subject to Section 182 of the Act, to make donations to such persons or institutions and in such cases and either of cash or any other assets as may be thought, directly or indirectly, conducive to any of the Company's, objects or otherwise expedient, and in particular to remunerate any person or corporations introducing business to this Company and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent or useful objects and to establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of associations and institutions, funds, trusts and conveniences for the benefit of the employees or ex-employees or of persons having dealings with the company or the dependants or relatives or connections of such persons and in particular, friendly, other benefit societies and to grant pensions, allowances, gratuity, bonus either by way of annual payments or a lump sum to make payments towards insurance and to form and contribute to provident benefit funds, to or such persons.
- (xxi) Subject to the provisions of Section 179 to 183 of the Act, to subscribe contribute, gift or money, rights or assets for any national educational, religious, charitable, scientific, public, general or usual objects or to make gifts or such other assets to any institutions, clubs, societies, associations, trusts, scientific research associations, funds, universities, college or any individual, body of individuals or bodies corporate.
- (xxii) To grant aid, scholarships, subsidy, loans etc. for advance studies in connection with the objects of this company in or outside India to deserving persons where the Company is assured of good returns for the attainment of the objectives of the Company
- (xxiii) To act as technical and financial consultants, management consultants, marketing, production and personnel consultants, engineering consultants, material management, productivity, rationalisation and industrial relation consultants and consultancy in all its aspects, undertake technical mechanical studies, project appreciation, process selection and process engineering, project co-ordination & management, architectural, civil engineering services, plant engineering, procurement services, construction services, supervision services, start up services, turn key services and other additional services for setting up of technological industries.
- (xxiv) To purchase or take on lease or acquire by licence, concession, grant or otherwise any buildings, easements, rights, and privilege, machinery, plant and all other effects which the Company may from time to time think proper to be acquired for any of its purposes.

- (xxv) To construct, maintain and improve or subscribe towards the construction, maintenance and improvement of roads, waterworks and canals and also of tramways, railways, and other roads and ways and quays and wharves, for the purposes of the Company and for access to the lands, works and properties of the Company or to connect the same with other lines of communication
- (xxvi) To establish well equipped laboratories and to bring any analytical, experimental and other work or undertaking in relation to general objects of the business
- (xxvii) To adopt such means of making known the business and products of the Company or dealt with by the Company as may seem expedient and in particular by advertising in press, by circular, by purchase and exhibitions of works of art or interest, by publication of books and periodicals and by granting prizes, rewards and donations.
- (xxviii) To undertake or promote scientific research relating to the main business or class of business of the Company.
- (xxix) To takeover the whole or any part of the business, goodwill, trade-marks properties and liabilities of any person or persons, firm, companies or undertakings either existing or new, engaged in or carrying on or proposing to carry on business this Company is authorised to carry on, possession of any property or rights suitable for the purpose of the Company and to pay for the same either in cash or in shares or partly in cash and partly in shares or otherwise.
- (xxx) Subject to the provisions of the Act, to amalgamate with any other company of which all or any of their objects companies having similar to the objects of the Company in any manner whether with or without the liquidation.
- (xxxi) Subject to any law for the time being in force, to undertake or take part in the formation, supervision or control of the business or operations of any person, firm, body corporate, association undertaking carrying on the main business of the Company.
- (xxxii) To apply for, obtain, purchase or otherwise and prolong and renew any patents, patentrights, brevets, inventions, processes, scientific technical or other assistance, manufacturing processes know-how and other information, patterns, copyrights, trademarks, licenses concessions and the like rights or benefits, conferring an exclusive or non-exclusive or limited or unlimited right of use thereof, which may seem capable of being used for or in connection with the main objects of the Company or the acquisition or use of which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Company on payment of any fee royalty or other consideration and to use, exercise or develop the same under or grant licenses in respect thereof or otherwise deal with same and to spend money in experimenting upon testing or improving any such patents, inventions, right or concessions.
- (xxxiii) To negotiate and enter into agreements and contracts with Indian and foreign individuals, companies, corporations and such other organizations for technical, or any other such assistance for carrying out all or any the main objects of the Company or for the purpose of activity research and development of manufacturing projects on the basis of knowhow, or technical collaboration and necessary formulas and patent rights for furthering the main objects of the Company.

- (xxxiv) To apply for and obtain any order under any Act or Legislature, charter, privilege concession, license or authorisation of any Government, State or other Authority for enabling the Company to carry on any of its main objects into effect or for extending any of the powers of the Company or for effecting and modification of the constitution of the Company or for any other such purpose which may seem expedient and to oppose any proceedings or applications which may seem expedient or calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the interest of the Company.
- (xxxv) To procure the Company to be registered or recognised in or under the laws of any place outside India and to do all act necessary for carrying on in any foreign country for the business or profession of the Company.
- (xxxvi) To advance, lend, money either with or without security, and to such persons and upon such terms and conditions as the Company may deem fit and also to deal with the money of the Company not immediately required.
- (xxxvii) To undertake and execute any trusts, the undertaking of which may seem to the Company desirable, either gratuitously or otherwise.
- (xxxviii) To establish, or promote or concur in establishing or promote any company for the purpose of dealing all or any of the properties, rights and liabilities of the Company.
- (xxxix) To sell, mortgage, exchange, grant licenses and other rights improve, manage, develop and dispose of undertakings, properties, assets and effects of the company or any part thereof for such consideration as may be expedient and in particular for any shares, stocks, debentures or other securities of any other such company having main objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Company.
- (xl) Subject to the provisions of Act, to distribute among the members in specie or otherwise any property of the Company or any proceeds of sale or disposal of any property of the Company in the event of winding up.
- (xli) To distribute as dividend or bonus among the member or to place to reserve or otherwise to apply, as the Company may, from time to time, determine any money received by way of premium on debentures issued at a premium by the Company and any money received in respect of forfeited shares, money arising from the sale by the Company of forfeited shares subject to the provisions of Sec. 52 of the Act.
- (xlii) To employ agents or experts to investigate and examine into the conditions, prospects value, character and circumstances of any business concerns and undertakings and generally of any assets properties or rights which the Company purpose to acquire.
- (xliii) To create any reserve fund, sinking fund, or any other such special funds whether for depreciation, repairing, improving, research, extending or maintaining any of the properties of the Company or for any other such purpose conducive to the interest of the Company.
- (xliv) To establish and maintain or procure the establishment and maintenance of any contributory or non-contributory pension or superannuation, provident or gratuity funds for the benefit of and give of procure the giving of the gratuities pensions, allowances, bonuses or emoluments of any persons who are or were at any time in the employment or service of the company or any company which is a subsidiary of the Company or is allied to or associated with the Company or with any such subsidiary company or who

are or were at any time Directors or officers of the Company or any other company as aforesaid and the wives, widows, families and dependents of any such persons and also to establish and subsidise and subscribe to any institutions, associations, club or funds calculated to be for the benefit of or advance aforesaid and make payments to any such persons as aforesaid and to do any of the matters aforesaid, either alone or in conjunction with any such other company as aforesaid.

- (xlv) To establish, for any of the main objects of the Company, branches or to establish any firm or firms at places in or outside India as the Company may deem expedient.
- (xlvi) To pay for any property or rights acquired by or for any services rendered to the Company and in particular to remunerate any person, firm or company introducing business to the company either in cash or fully or partly-paid up shares with or without preferred or deferred rights in respect of dividend or repayment of capital or otherwise or by any securities which the company has power to issue or by the grant of any rights or options or partly in one mode and partly in another and generally on such terms as the company may determine.
- (xlvii) To pay out of the funds of the company all costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to the formation and registration of the company and any company promoted by the company and also all costs, charges, duties, impositions and expenses of and incidental to the acquisition by the company of any property or assets.
- (xlviii) To send out to foreign countries, its director, employees or any other person or persons for investigation possibilities of main business or trade procuring and buying any machinery or establishing trade and business connections or for promoting the interests of the company and to pay all expenses incurred in the connection.
- (xlix) To compensate for loss of office of any Managing Director or Directors or other officers of the Company within the limitations prescribed under the Companies Actor such other statute or rule having the force of law and to make payments to any person whose office of employment or duties may be determined by virtue of any transaction in which the Company is engaged.
- (I) To agree to refer to arbitration any dispute, present or future between the Company and any other company, firm, individual or any other body and to submit the same to arbitration in India or abroad either in accordance with Indian or any foreign system of law.
- (li) To appoint agents, sub-agents, dealers, managers canvassers, sales, representatives or salesmen for transacting all or any kind of the main business of which this Company is authorised to carry on and to constitute agencies of the Company in India or in any other country and establish depots and agencies in different parts of the world.
- (lii) To invest and deal with the money of the Company not immediately required in any manner and in particular to accumulate funds or to acquire or take by subscription, purchase or otherwise howsoever or to hold shares or stock in or the security of the company, association or undertaking in India or abroad.
- (liii) To do all such other things as incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

- 4. The Liability of the member(s) is limited, and this liability is limited to the amount unpaid, if any, on the shares held by them.
- 5. The Authorized Share Capital of the Company is INR 30,00,00,000 (Rupees Thirty Crores Only) divided into 2,90,00,000 (Two Hundred and Ninety Lakhs Only) Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- (Rupee Ten) each; 1,00,000 (One Lakh Only) Preference shares of Rs. 100 (Rupees One Hundred Only) each.".

We the several persons, whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Company in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association and we respectively agree to take the number of shares in the Capital of the Company set opposite to our respective names:

Names, addresses,		Signature of subscriber	Signature, names,
descriptions and	by each subscriber		addresses,
occupations of			descriptions and
subscribers			occupations of
			witnesses
Sd/	One Hundred (100)	Sd/-	Sd/-
Amalendu Gupta	shares		Kathy Hubbard,
S/o Late Shri Atul			D/o Mr. Richard
Ranjan Gupta			Hubbard,
3211 Laverne, Houston,			8701, Town Park 3220,
Texas 77080			Houston, Texas 77036,
U.S.A.			U.S.A
Exploration Consultant			Consultant
Sd/-	One Hundred (100)	Sd/-	Sd/-
Anubha Gupta	shares		Kathy Hubbard,
W/o Mr. Amalendu			D/o Mr. Richard
Gupta			Hubbard,
3211 Laverne, Houston,			8701, Town Park 3220,
Texas 77080			Houston, Texas 77036,
U.S.A.			U.S.A
Teacher			Consultant
Sd/-	One Hundred (100)	Sd/-	Sd/-
Rajinder Nath Kapur	shares		A. Venkateshwaran
S/o Late Shri Niranjan			S/o R. Appasawamy
Das Kapur			lyer
D-2, West End, New			8, Lady Harding Road,
Delhi-110021			New Delhi-110001
Chartered Accountant			Chartered Accountant
			M. No. 2144
TOTAL	Three Hundred		
D. W. L. A. L. A. A. C. Th. L.	(300) shares		

New Delhi dated this 19th day of June 1985

#### **THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013**

#### **COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES**

#### <sup>1</sup>ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF

#### SELAN EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGY LIMITED

(The "Company" incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956)

# 1. Applicability of Table F

- a. The regulations contained in Table "F" in the Schedule I to the Companies Act, 2013, shall apply to the Company only in so far as the same are not provided for or are not inconsistent with these Articles.
- b. The regulations for the management of the Company and for the observance of the members thereof and their representatives shall be such as are contained in these Articles subject however to the exercise of the statutory powers of the Company in respect of repeal, additions, alterations, substitution, modifications and variations thereto by special resolution as prescribed by the Companies Act, 2013.

# 2. Definitions and Interpretation

#### A. Definitions

In the interpretation of these Articles the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings unless repugnant to the subject or context.

- a. "Act" means the Companies Act, 2013 along with the relevant Rules made there under, in force and any statutory amendment thereto or replacement thereof and including any circulars, notifications and clarifications issued by the relevant authority under the Companies Act, 2013 Reference to Act shall also include the Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India constituted under the Company Secretaries Act, 1980.
- b. "Annual General Meeting" shall mean a General Meeting of the holders of Shares held annually in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act.
- c. "Articles" shall mean these articles of association as adopted or as from time to time altered in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, Companies Act, 1956or this Act.
- d. "Auditors" shall mean and include those persons appointed as such by the Company.
- e. "Board" or "Board of Directors" shall mean the collective board of directors of the Company, as duly called and constituted from time to time, in accordance with Law and the provisions of these Articles.
- f. "Board Meeting" shall mean 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This Articles of Association was adopted in substitution of the existing Articles of Association by way of resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 15 September 2022.

- g. "Business Day" shall mean a day on which scheduled commercial banks are open for normal banking business;
- h. "Capital" or "Share Capital" shall mean the authorized share capital of the Company.
- "Chairman" shall mean such person as is nominated or appointed in accordance with Article 28 herein below.
- j. "Companies Act, 1956" shall mean the Companies Act, 1956 (Act I of 1956), to the extent that such provisions have not been repealed or superseded by the Companies Act, 2013 or denotified.
- k. "Company" or "this Company" shall mean Selan Exploration Technology Limited.
- I. "Committees" shall mean committee of the Board of Directors.
- m. "Depositories Act" shall mean The Depositories Act, 1996 and shall include any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof.
- "Director" shall mean any director of the Company, including alternate directors, independent directors and nominee directors appointed in accordance with the Law and the provisions of these Articles.
- o. "Dividend" shall include interim and final dividends.
- p. "Equity Share Capital" shall mean the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, calculated on a fully diluted basis.
- q. "Equity Shares" shall mean fully paid-up equity shares of the Company having a par value of INR 10 (Rupees Ten) per equity share of the Company, or any other issued Share Capital of the Company that is reclassified, reorganized, reconstituted or converted into equity shares of the Company
- r. "Executor" or "Administrator" shall mean a person who has obtained probate or letters of administration, as the case may be, from a court of competent jurisdiction and shall include the holder of a succession certificate authorizing the holder thereof to negotiate or transfer the Shares or other Securities of the deceased Shareholder and shall also include the holder of a certificate granted by the Administrator-General appointed under the Administrator Generals Act, 1963.
- s. "Employee Stock Option" shall have the same meaning as provided under Section 2(37) of the Act.
- t. "Extraordinary General Meeting" shall mean an extraordinary general meeting of the holders of Equity Shares duly called and constituted in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- u. "Financial Year" shall mean any fiscal year of the Company, beginning on April 1 of each calendar year and ending on March 31 of the following calendar year
- v. "Independent Director" means an independent director referred to in sub-section(6) of section 149 of the Act.

- w. "Key Managerial Personnel (KMP)" shall mean the persons as defined in Section 2(51) of the Act.
- x. "Law/Laws" shall mean all applicable provisions of all (i) constitutions, treaties, statutes, laws (including the common law), codes, rules, regulations, circulars, ordinances or orders of any governmental authority and SEBI, (ii) governmental approvals, (iii) orders, decisions, injunctions, judgments, awards and decrees of or agreements with any governmental authority, (iv) rules or guidelines for compliance, of any stock exchanges, (v) international treaties, conventions and protocols, and (vi) Indian GAAP or Ind-AS or any other generally accepted accounting principles.
- y. "Memorandum" shall mean the Memorandum of Association of the Company, as amended from time to time.
- z. "Office" shall mean the Registered Office of the Company.
- aa. "Paid-up" shall include the amount credited as paid up.
- bb. "Person" shall mean any natural person, sole proprietorship, partnership, company, body corporate, governmental authority, joint venture, trust, association or other entity (whether registered or not and whether or not having separate legal personality).
- cc. "Postal Ballot" means voting by post or through any electronic mode as per the provisions of section 2 (65) of the Act.
- dd. "Register of Members" shall mean the register of Shareholders to be kept pursuant to Section 88 of the Act.
- ee. "Registrar" shall mean the Registrar of Companies, from time to time having jurisdiction over the Company.
- ff. "Rules" shall mean the rules made under the Act and as notified from time to time.
- gg. "Seal" shall mean the common seal(s) of the Company, if any.
- hh. "SEBI" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Board of India, constituted under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
- ii. "SEBI Listing Regulations" shall mean the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, any statutory amendment thereto and any listing agreement entered into by the Company with the Stock Exchanges.
- jj. "Securities" or "securities" shall mean any Share (including Equity Shares), scrips, stocks, bonds, debentures, warrants or options whether or not, directly or indirectly convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable into or for Equity Shares, and any other marketable securities.
- kk. "Shares" or "shares" shall mean any share issued in the Share Capital of the Company, including Equity Shares and preference shares.
- II. "Shareholder" or "shareholder" or "member" shall mean any shareholder of the Company, from time to time. "
- mm. "Shareholders" Meeting" shall mean any meeting of the Shareholders of the Company, including

Annual General Meetings as well as Extraordinary General Meetings, convened from time to time in accordance with the Act, applicable Laws and the provisions of these Articles.

- nn. "Stock Exchanges" shall mean BSE Ltd., the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and any other recognised stock exchange in India where the Securities of the Company are listed.
- oo. "Depository" means a depository as defined in clause (e) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Depositories Act, 1996.
- pp. "Working Days" shall mean all days in a week except Sunday, Saturdays and other public holidays

# B. Interpretation

In these Articles (unless the context requires otherwise):

- a. References to a person shall, where the context permits, include such person's respective successors, legal heirs and permitted assigns.
- b. The descriptive headings of Articles are inserted solely for convenience of reference and are not intended as complete or accurate descriptions of content thereof and shall not be used to interpret the provisions of these Articles and shall not affect the construction of these Articles.
- c. References to articles and sub-articles are references to Articles and sub-articles of and to these Articles unless otherwise stated and references to these Articles include references to the articles and sub-articles herein.
- d. Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa, pronouns importing a gender include each of the masculine, feminine and neuter genders, and where a word or phrase is defined, other parts of speech and grammatical forms of that word or phrase shall have the corresponding meanings.
- e. Wherever the words "include," "includes," or "including" is used in these Articles, such words shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation".
- f. The terms "hereof", "herein", "hereto", "hereunder" or similar expressions used in these Articles mean and refer to these Articles and not to any particular Article of these Articles, unless expressly stated otherwise
- g. Reference to statutory provisions shall be construed as meaning and including references also to any amendment or re-enactment for the time being in force and to all statutory instruments or orders made pursuant to such statutory provisions.
- h. In the event any of the provisions of the Articles are contrary to the provisions of the Act and the Rules, the provisions of the Act and Rules will prevail.

### 3. Expressions in the Act and these Articles

Save as aforesaid, any words or expressions defined in the Act or the Depositories Act or the SEBI Listing Regulations, shall, as the case may be, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, bear the same meaning in these Articles.

# 4. A. Share capital and variation of rights

- a. The authorised Share Capital of the Company shall be such amount and be divided into such shares as may be defined from time to time, be provided in Clause V of the Memorandum of Association of the Company as altered from time to time, with such rights, privileges and conditions respectively attached thereto as may be from time to time and the Company may reclassify, subdivide, consolidate and increase the Share Capital from time to time, as may be thought fit, and upon the subdivision of Shares, apportion the right to participate in profits in any manner as between the Shares resulting from the subdivision.
- b. The Company has the power, from time to time, to increase or reduce its subscribed, authorised, issued and paid-up Share Capital, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, applicable Laws and these Articles.
- c. The Share Capital of the Company may be classified into Shares with differential rights as to

dividend, voting or otherwise in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act, Rules, and Law, from time to time.

- d. The Board may, subject to the relevant provisions of the Act and these Articles, allot and issue Shares as payment or part payment for any property purchased by the Company or in respect of goods sold or transferred or machinery or appliances supplied or for services rendered to the Company in or about the formation of the Company or in respect of an acquisition and/or in the conduct of its business or for any goodwill provided to the Company; and any Shares which may be so allotted may be issued as fully/partly Paid-up Shares and if so issued shall be deemed as fully/partly Paid-up Shares.
- e. Except so far as otherwise provided by the conditions of issue or by these Articles, any Share Capital raised by the creation of new Shares, shall be considered as part of the existing Share Capital and shall be subject to the provisions herein contained with reference to the payment of calls and instalments, forfeiture, lien, surrender, transfer and transmission, voting and otherwise.
- f. Any application signed by or on behalf of an applicant for Shares in the Company shall be an offer to subscribe to the Shares in the Company. An allotment of any Shares therein, shall be an acceptance of the offer to subscribe to Shares within the meaning of these Articles and every such allotment shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company. Every person whose offer to subscribe shares in the Company is accepted by allotment and whose name is entered in the Register of Members, shall for the purposes of these Articles, be a Shareholder.
- g. The money, (if any), which the Board shall, on the allotment of any Shares being made by them, require or direct to be paid by way of deposit, call or otherwise, in respect of any Shares allotted by them, shall immediately on the insertion of the name of the allottee, in the Register of Members as the name of the holder of such Shares, become a debt due to and recoverable by the Company from the allottee thereof, and shall be paid by him accordingly.

#### B. Share at the disposal of the Directors

- a. Subject to the provisions of Section 62 and other applicable provisions of the Act, and these Articles, the shares in the Capital of the Company for the time being (including any shares forming part of any increased Capital of the Company) shall be under the control of the Board who may issue, allot or otherwise dispose of the same or any of them to Persons in such proportion and on such terms and conditions and either at a premium or at par at such time as they may, from time to time, think fit.
- b. Subject to applicable Law, the Directors are hereby authorised to issue Equity Shares or Debentures (whether or not convertible into Equity Shares) or other securities for offer and allotment to such of the officers, employees and workers of the Company as the Directors may decide or the trustees of such trust as may be set up for the benefit of the officers, employees and workers in accordance with the terms and conditions of such scheme, plan or proposal as the Directors may formulate. Subject to the consent of the Stock Exchanges and SEBI, the Directors may impose the condition that the shares in or debentures of the Company so allotted shall not be transferable for a specified period.
- c. If, by the conditions of allotment of any share, the whole or part of the amount thereof shall be payable by instalments, every such instalment shall, when due, be paid to the Company by the person who, for the time being, shall be the registered holder of the shares or by his executor or administrator.
- d. Every Shareholder, or his heirs, Executors, or Administrators shall pay to the Company, the portion of the Capital represented by his share or shares which may for the time being remain unpaid thereon in such amounts at such time or times and in such manner as the Board shall from time to time in accordance with the Articles require or fix for the payment thereof.

### C. Further issue of Share Capital

- a. Where at any time, the Company 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:
    - 1. the offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares offered and limiting a time

not being less than 15 (fifteen) days and not exceeding 30 (thirty) days or such other time as allowed by the law, from the date of the offer within which the offer, if not accepted, shall be deemed to have been declined:

- 2. 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 Article 4(C)(i)1 above shall contain a statement of this right;
- 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 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 the Company and subject to the Rules and such other conditions, as may be prescribed under Law; or
  - iii. to any persons, if it is authorised by a Special Resolution, whether or not those Persons include the Persons referred to in sub-articles (i) or Article (ii) above, either for cash or for a consideration other than cash at a price determined in the manner provided under the regulations issued by SEBI in this regard.

#### 5. Preference Shares

The Company, subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, shall have the power to issue on a cumulative or noncumulative basis, preference shares in any manner permissible under the Act and the Directors may, subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, exercise such power in any manner as they deem fit.

#### 6. Brokerage & Underwriting

- a. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Company may at any time pay a commission to any person in connection with the subscription or procurement of subscription to its securities, whether absolute or conditional, for any shares or Debentures in the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules, 2014.
- b. The Company may also, on any issue of shares or Debentures, pay such reasonable brokerage as may be lawful.

#### 7. A. Company's Lien on shares

- a. The Company shall have a first and paramount lien:
  - i. on every share (not being a fully paid share), for all money (whether presently payable or not) called, or payable at a fixed time, in respect of that share;
  - ii. on all shares (not being fully paid shares) standing registered in the name of a single person, for all money presently payable by him or his estate to the Company;

Provided that the Board may, at any time, declare any shares wholly or in part to be exempt from the provisions of this Article.

- b. The Company's lien, if any, on the shares, (not being a fully paid share), shall extend to all Dividends payable and bonuses declared from time to time in respect of such shares.
- c. For the purposes of enforcing such a lien, the Board may sell such partly Paid-up shares, subject thereto in such manner as the Board shall think fit, and for that purpose may cause to be issued, a duplicate certificate in respect of such shares and may authorise one of their Shareholders to execute and register the transfer thereof on behalf of and in the name of any purchaser. The purchaser shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, nor shall his title to said shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale of such shares;

Provided that no sale of such shares shall be made:

- i. unless a sum in respect of which the lien exists is presently payable; or
- ii. until the expiration of 14 (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.

The net proceeds of any such 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. 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.

- d. No Shareholder shall exercise any voting right in respect of any shares or Debentures 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 exercised any right of lien.
- e. Subject to the Act and these Articles, the right of lien under this Article 7 shall extend to other Securities.

#### 8. Calls

- a. Subject to the provisions of Section 49 of the Act, the terms on which any shares may have been issued and allotted, the Board may, from time to time, by a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board, make such call as it thinks fit upon the Shareholders in respect of all money unpaid on the shares held by them respectively and each Shareholder shall pay the amount of every call so made on him to the Person or Persons and Shareholders and at the times and places appointed by the Board. A call may be made payable by instalments. Provided that the Board shall not give the option or right to call on shares to any person except with the sanction of the Company in the General Meeting.
- b. 14 (fourteen) days' notice in writing at the least of every call (otherwise than on allotment) shall be given by the Company specifying the time and place of payment, provided that before the time for payment of such call, the Board may revoke or postpone the same.
- c. The call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising such call was passed and may be made payable by the Shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members on such date as shall be fixed by the Board.
- d. The joint holder of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all instalments and calls due in respect thereof.
- e. The Board may, from time to time at its discretion, extend the time fixed for the payment of any call and may extend such time as to all or any of the Shareholders who, from residence at a distance or other cause the Board may deem fairly entitled to such extension; but no Shareholders shall be entitled to such extension save as a matter of grace and favour.
- f. If any Shareholder or allottee fails to pay the whole or any part of any call or instalment, due from him on the day appointed for payment t hereof, or any such extension thereof, he shall be liable to pay interest on the same from the day appointed for the payment to the time of actual payment at 10 (ten) per cent per annum or such lower rate as shall from time to time be fixed by the Board but nothing in this Article shall render it obligatory for the Board to demand or recover any interest from any such Shareholder and the Board shall be at liberty to waive payment of such interest either wholly or in part.
- g. Any sum, which by the terms of issue of a share or otherwise, becomes payable on allotment or at any fixed date or by instalments at a fixed time whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium shall for the purposes of these Articles be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date on which by the terms of issue or otherwise the same became payable, and in case of non-payment, all the relevant provisions of these Articles as to payment of call, interest, expenses, forfeiture or otherwise shall apply as if such sum became payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.
- h. On the trial or hearing of any action or suit brought by the Company against any Shareholder or his legal representatives for the recovery of any money claimed to be due to the Company in respect of his shares, it shall be sufficient to prove that the name of the Shareholder in respect of whose shares the money is sought to be recovered appears entered on the Register of Members as the holder, or one of the holders at or subsequent to the date at which the money sought to be recovered is alleged to have become due on the shares; that the resolution making the call is duly recorded in the minute book, and that notice of such call was duly given to the Shareholder or his representatives so sued in pursuance of these Articles; and it shall not be necessary to prove the appointment of the Directors who made such call nor that a quorum of Directors was present at the Board at which any call was made, nor that the meeting at which any call was made was duly convened or constituted nor any other matters whatsoever; but the proof of the matters aforesaid shall be conclusive evidence of the debt and the same shall be recovered by the Company against

the Shareholder or his representative from whom it is ought to be recovered, unless it shall be proved, on behalf of such Shareholder or his representatives against the Company that the name of such Shareholder was improperly inserted in the Register of Members or that the money sought to be recovered has actually been paid.

- i. The Company may enforce a forfeiture of shares under Article 11 below notwithstanding the following: (i) a judgment or a decree in favour of the Company for calls or other money due in respect of any share; (ii) part payment or satisfaction of any calls or money due in respect of any such judgement or decree; (iii) the receipt by the Company of a portion of any money which shall be due from any Shareholder to the Company in respect of his shares; and (iv) any indulgence granted by the Company in respect of the payment of any such money.
- The Board may, if it thinks fit (subject to the provisions of Section 50 of the Act) agree to and receive from any Shareholder willing to advance the same, the whole or any part of the money due upon the shares held by him beyond the sums actually called up, and upon the amount so paid or satisfied in advance or so much thereof as from time to time and at any time thereafter as exceeds the amount of the calls then made upon and due in respect of the shares in respect of which such advance has been made, the Company may pay interest, as the Shareholder paying such sum in advance and the Board may agree upon; provided that the money paid in advance of calls shall not confer a right to participate in profits or dividend. Provided always that if at any time after the payment of any such money the rate of interest so agreed to be paid to any such Member appears to the Board to be excessive, it shall be lawful for the Board from time to time to repay to such Member so much of such money as shall then exceed the amount of the calls made upon such shares in the manner determined by the Board. Provided also that if at any time after the payment of any money so paid in advance, the Company shall go into liquidation, either voluntary or otherwise, before the full amount of the money so advanced shall have become due by the members to the Company, on instalments or calls, or in any other manner, the maker of such advance shall be entitled (as between himself and the other Members) to receive back from the Company the full balance of such moneys rightly due to him by the Company in priority to any payment to members on account of capital, in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Act.
- k. No Shareholder shall be entitled to voting rights in respect of the money (ies) so paid by him until the same would but for such payment, become presently payable.

#### 9. Transfer and Transmission of shares

- a. The Company shall record in the Register of Members fairly and distinctly particulars of every transfer or transmission of any share, Debenture or other Security held in a material form.
- b. Subject to provisions of the Act, Depositories Act and other applicable laws, transfer or transmission, as the case may be, of Shares in the Company shall only be allowed in dematerialized form.
- c. Subject to the provisions of the Act, a person entitled to a share by transmission shall, subject to the right of the Board to retain such Dividends as hereinafter provided in Article 72(g) be entitled to receive and may give a discharge for any dividends or other moneys payable in respect of the shares.
- d. The Board shall have power on giving not less than 7 (seven) days prior notice or such lesser as may be specified by SEBI, by advertisement in a vernacular newspaper and in an English newspaper in the city, town or village in which the Office of the Company is situated and by publishing a notice on the website of the Company, to close the transfer books, the Register of Members and/or Register of Debenture-holders at such time or times and for such period or periods, not exceeding 30 (thirty) days at a time and not exceeding in the aggregate 45 (forty-five) days in each year, as it may deem expedient.
- e. Subject to the provisions of Sections 58 of the Act, these Articles and other applicable provisions of the Act or any other Law for the time being in force, the Board may, refuse to issue the letter of confirmation in case of transmission by operation of law of the right to, any Securities or interest of a Shareholder in the Company. The Company shall, within 30 (thirty) days from the date on which the intimation of such transmission, was delivered to the Company, send a notice of refusal to the person giving notice of such transmission, giving reasons for such refusal.

- f. In case of the death of any one or more Shareholders named in the Register of Members as the joint-holders of any shares, the survivors shall be the only Shareholder(s) recognized by the Company as having any title to or interest in such shares, but nothing therein contained shall be taken to release the estate of a deceased joint-holder from any liability on shares held by him jointly with any other Person.
- g. Subject to applicable Laws, the Executors or Administrators or holder of the succession certificate or the legal representatives of a deceased Shareholder, (not being one of two or more joint-holders) or his nominee(s), shall be the only Shareholders recognized by the Company as having any title to the shares registered in the name of such Shareholder, and the Company shall not be bound to recognize such Executors or Administrators or the legal representatives unless such Executors or Administrators or legal representatives shall have first obtained probate or letters of administration or succession certificate, as the case may be, from a duly constituted court in India.
- h. Subject to the provisions of Articles, the Act and other applicable Laws, any Person becoming entitled to shares in consequence of the death, lunacy, bankruptcy of any Shareholder or Shareholders, or by any lawful means other than by a transfer in accordance with these Articles, may with the consent of the Board, (which it shall not be under any obligation to give), upon producing such evidence that he sustains the character in respect of which he proposes to act under this Article, or of his title, as the Board thinks sufficient, r be registered himself as the holder of the shares after obtaining necessary letter of confirmation.
- i. A Person becoming entitled to a share by reason of the death or insolvency of a Shareholder shall be entitled to the same Dividends and other advantages to which he would be entitled if he were the registered holder of the shares, except that he shall not, before being registered as a Shareholder in respect of the shares, be entitled to exercise any right conferred by membership in relation to meetings of the Company.
- j. The provision of these Articles shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Rules and any requirements of Law. Such provisions shall mutatis mutandis apply to the transfer or transmission by operation of Law to other Securities of the Company.

# 10. Dematerialisation of Securities

- a. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, the Company shall be entitled to dematerialize its existing Securities, rematerialize its Securities held in the Depositories and/or to offer its fresh Securities in a dematerialized form pursuant to the Depositories Act, and the rules framed thereunder, if any.
- b. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Company may exercise an option to issue, dematerialize, hold the securities (including shares) with a Depository in electronic form and the certificates in respect thereof shall be dematerialized, in which event the rights and obligations of the parties concerned and matters connected therewith or incidental thereto shall be governed by the provisions of the Depositories Act.
- c. If a Person opts to hold his Securities with a 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.
- d. Securities in Depositories to be in fungible form:
  - All Securities held by a Depository shall be dematerialized and be held in fungible form. Nothing contained in Sections 88, 89 and 186 of the Act shall apply to a Depository in respect of the Securities held by it on behalf of the Beneficial Owners
- e. Rights of Depositories & Beneficial Owners:
  - Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Act or these Articles, a Depository shall be deemed to be the Registered Owner for the purposes of effecting transfer of ownership of Securities on behalf of the Beneficial Owner.
  - ii. Save as otherwise provided in (i) 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 shares of the Company and whose name is entered as the Beneficial Owner in the records of the Depository shall be deemed to be a Shareholder of the Company.
- iv. The Beneficial Owner of Securities shall, in accordance with the provisions of these Articles and the Act, be entitled to all the rights and subject to all the liabilities in respect of his Securities, which are held by a Depository.
- f. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as may be required by Law required and subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Company shall be entitled to treat the person whose name appears on the Register as the holder of any share or whose name appears as the Beneficial Owner of any share in the records of the Depository as the absolute owner thereof and accordingly shall not be bound to recognize any benami trust or equity, equitable contingent, future, partial interest, other claim to or interest in respect of such shares or (except only as by these Articles otherwise expressly provided) any right in respect of a share other than an absolute right thereto in accordance with these Articles, on the part of any other person whether or not it has expressed or implied notice thereof but the Board shall at their sole discretion register any share in the joint names of any two or more persons or the survivor or survivors of them, subject to these Articles.
- g. Register and Index of Beneficial Owners:

The Company shall cause to be kept a register and index of members with details of shares and debentures and securities held in materialized and dematerialized forms in any media as may be permitted by Law including any form of electronic media.

The register and index of Beneficial Owners maintained by a Depository under the Depositories Act shall be deemed to be a register and index of members for the purposes of this Act. The Company shall have the power to keep in any state or country outside India a register resident in that state or country.

h. Cancellation of Certificates upon surrender by Person

Upon receipt of certificate of securities on surrender by a person who has entered into an agreement with the Depository through a participant, the Company shall cancel such certificates and shall substitute in its record, the name of the Depository as the registered owner in respect of the said Securities and shall also inform the Depository accordingly.

i. Service of Documents:

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act or these Articles to the contrary, where Securities are held in a Depository, the records of the beneficial ownership may be served by such Depository on the Company by means of electronic mode or by delivery of floppies or discs.

- j. Allotment of Securities dealt with in a Depository: Notwithstanding anything in the Act or these Articles, where Securities are dealt with by a Depository, the Company shall intimate the details of allotment of relevant Securities thereof to the Depository immediately on allotment of such Securities.
- k. Certificate Number and other details of Securities in Depository: Nothing contained in the Act or these Articles regarding the necessity of having certificate number/distinctive numbers for Securities issued by the Company shall apply to Securities held with a Depository.
- I. Provisions of Articles to apply to securities held in Depository: Except as specifically provided in these Articles, the provisions relating to joint holders of shares, calls, lien on shares, forfeiture of shares and transfer and transmission of shares shall be applicable to shares held in Depository so far as they apply to shares held in physical form subject to the provisions of the Depositories Act.
- m. Depository to furnish information: Every Depository shall furnish to the Company information about the transfer of securities in the name of the Beneficial Owner at such intervals and in such manner as may be specified by Law and the Company in that behalf.
- n. Option to opt out in respect of any such Security:

Subject to compliance with applicable Law, if a Beneficial Owner seeks to opt out of a Depository in respect of any Security, he shall inform the Depository accordingly. The Depository shall on receipt of such information make appropriate entries in its records and shall inform the Company. The Company shall within 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of intimation from a Depository and on fulfilment of such conditions and on payment of such fees as may be specified by the regulations, issue the certificate of securities to the Beneficial Owner or the transferee as the case may be.

- o. Overriding effect of this Article:
  - Provisions of this Article will have full effect and force not withstanding anything to the contrary or inconsistent contained in any other Articles.
- p. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Articles, the Company shall be entitled to dematerialize its existing Securities, rematerialize its Securities held in the Depositories and/or to offer its fresh Securities in a dematerialized form pursuant to the Depositories Act, and the rules framed thereunder, if any.
- q. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Company may exercise an option to issue, dematerialize, hold the securities (including shares) with a Depository in electronic form and the certificates in respect thereof shall be dematerialized, in which event the rights and obligations of the parties concerned and matters connected therewith or incidental thereto shall be governed by the provisions of the Depositories Act.
- r. If a Person opts to hold his Securities with a 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.
- s. Securities in Depositories to be in fungible form:

All Securities held by a Depository shall be dematerialized and be held in fungible form. Nothing contained in Sections 88, 89 and 186 of the Act shall apply to a Depository in respect of the Securities held by it on behalf of the Beneficial Owners

- t. Rights of Depositories & Beneficial Owners:
  - Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Act or these Articles, a
    Depository shall be deemed to be the Registered Owner for the purposes of effecting
    transfer of ownership of Securities on behalf of the Beneficial Owner.
  - ii. Save as otherwise provided in (i) 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 shares of the Company and whose name is entered as the Beneficial Owner in the records of the Depository shall be deemed to be a Shareholder of the Company.
  - iv. The Beneficial Owner of Securities shall, in accordance with the provisions of these Articles and the Act, be entitled to all the rights and subject to all the liabilities in respect of his Securities, which are held by a Depository.
- u. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as may be required by Law required and subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Company shall be entitled to treat the person whose name appears on the Register as the holder of any share or whose name appears as the Beneficial Owner of any share in the records of the Depository as the absolute owner thereof and accordingly shall not be bound to recognize any benami trust or equity, equitable contingent, future, partial interest, other claim to or interest in respect of such shares or (except only as by these Articles otherwise expressly provided) any right in respect of a share other than an absolute right thereto in accordance with these Articles, on the part of any other person whether or not it has expressed or implied notice thereof but the Board shall at their sole discretion register any share in the joint names of any two or more persons or the survivor or survivors of them, subject to these Articles.
- v. Register and Index of Beneficial Owners:

The Company shall cause to be kept a register and index of members with details of shares and debentures held in materialized and dematerialized forms in any media as may be permitted by Law including any form of electronic media.

The register and index of Beneficial Owners maintained by a Depository under the Depositories Act shall be deemed to be a register and index of members for the purposes of this Act. The Company shall have the power to keep in any state or country outside India a register resident in that state or country.

w. Cancellation of Certificates upon surrender by Person

Upon receipt of certificate of securities on surrender by a person who has entered into an

agreement with the Depository through a participant, the Company shall cancel such certificates and shall substitute in its record, the name of the Depository as the registered owner in respect of the said Securities and shall also inform the Depository accordingly.

#### x. Service of Documents:

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act or these Articles to the contrary, where Securities are held in a Depository, the records of the beneficial ownership may be served by such Depository on the Company by means of electronic mode or by delivery of floppies or discs.

- y. Allotment of Securities dealt with in a Depository: Notwithstanding anything in the Act or these Articles, where Securities are dealt with by a Depository, the Company shall intimate the details of allotment of relevant Securities thereof to the Depository immediately on allotment of such Securities.
- z. Certificate Number and other details of Securities in Depository: Nothing contained in the Act or these Articles regarding the necessity of having certificate number/distinctive numbers for Securities issued by the Company shall apply to Securities held with a Depository.
- aa. Provisions of Articles to apply to Shares held in Depository: Except as specifically provided in these Articles, the provisions relating to joint holders of shares, calls, lien on shares, forfeiture of shares and transfer and transmission of shares shall be applicable to shares held in Depository so far as they apply to shares held in physical form subject to the provisions of the Depositories Act.
- bb. Depository to furnish information: Every Depository shall furnish to the Company information about the transfer of securities in the name of the Beneficial Owner at such intervals and in such manner as may be specified by Law and the Company in that behalf.
- cc. Option to opt out in respect of any such Security:

Subject to compliance with applicable Law, if a Beneficial Owner seeks to opt out of a Depository in respect of any Security, he shall inform the Depository accordingly. The Depository shall on receipt of such information make appropriate entries in its records and shall inform the Company. The Company shall within 30 (thirty) days of the receipt of intimation from a Depository and on fulfilment of such conditions and on payment of such fees as may be specified by the regulations, issue the certificate of securities to the Beneficial Owner or the transferee as the case may be.

#### dd. Overriding effect of this Article:

Provisions of this Article will have full effect and force not withstanding anything to the contrary or inconsistent contained in any other Articles.

# 11. Forfeiture of Shares

- a. If any member fails to pay any call or instalment of a call or any part thereof or any money due in respect of any shares either by way of principal or interest on or before the day appointed for the payment of the same or any such extension thereof as aforesaid, the Board may, at any time thereafter, during such time as the call or instalment or any part thereof or other money remain unpaid or a judgment or decree in respect thereof remain unsatisfied, give notice to such Shareholder or his legal representatives requiring him to pay the same together with any interest that may have accrued and all expenses that may have been incurred by the Company by reason of such non-payment.
- b. The notice shall name a day, (not being less than 14 (fourteen) days from the date of service of notice), and a place or places on or before which such call or instalment or such part or other money as aforesaid and interest thereon, (at such rate as the Board shall determine and payable from the date on which such call or instalment ought to have been paid), and expenses as aforesaid are to be paid. The notice shall also state that in the event of non-payment at or before the time and at the place appointed, the shares in respect of which the call was made or instalment is payable, will be liable to be forfeited.
- c. If the requirements of any such notice as aforesaid are not be complied with, any share in respect of which such notice has been given, may at any time, thereafter before payment of all calls, instalments, other money due in respect thereof, interest and expenses as 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 or any other money payable in respect of the forfeited share and not actually paid before the forfeiture subject to the applicable provisions of the Act.

- d. When any share shall have been so forfeited, notice of the forfeiture shall be given to the Shareholder on whose name it stood immediately prior to the forfeiture or if any of his legal representatives or to any of the Persons entitled to the shares by transmission, and an entry of the forfeiture with the date thereof, shall forthwith be made in the Register of Members, but no forfeiture shall be in any manner invalidated by any omission or neglect to give such notice or to make any such entry as aforesaid.
- e. Any share so forfeited shall be deemed to be the property of the Company and may be sold; re-allotted, or otherwise disposed of either to the original holder thereof or to any other Person upon such terms and in such manner as the Board shall think fit.
- f. Any Shareholder whose shares have been forfeited shall, cease to be a shareholder of the Company and notwithstanding the forfeiture, be liable to pay and shall forthwith pay to the Company on demand all calls, instalments, interest and expenses and other money owing upon or in respect of such shares at the time of the forfeiture together with interest thereon from the time of the forfeiture until payment at such rate as the Board may determine and the Board may enforce, (if it thinks fit), payment thereof as if it were a new call made at the date of forfeiture.
- g. 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 these rights as by these Articles are expressly saved.
- h. A duly verified declaration in writing that the declarant is a Director or Secretary of the Company and that a share in the Company has been duly forfeited in accordance with these Articles on a date stated in the declaration, shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all Persons claiming to be entitled to the shares.
- i. Upon any sale after forfeiture or for enforcing a lien in purported exercise of the powers hereinbefore given, the Board may appoint some Person to execute an instrument of transfer of the shares sold and cause the purchaser's name to be entered in the Register of Members in respect of the shares sold and the purchaser shall not be bound to see to the regularity of the proceedings, or to the application of the purchase money, and after his name has been entered in the Register of Members in respect of such shares, the validity of the sale shall not be impeached by any person and the remedy of any person aggrieved by the sale shall be in damages only and against the Company exclusively.
- j. 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 relevant shares shall, (unless the same shall on demand by the Company have been previously surrendered to it by the defaulting Shareholder), stand cancelled and become null and void and of no effect and the Board shall be entitled to issue a new certificate or certificates in respect of the said shares to the person or persons entitled thereto.
- k. The Board may, at any time, before any share so forfeited shall have been sold, re- allotted or otherwise disposed of, annul the forfeiture thereof upon such conditions as it thinks fit.
- The Directors may subject to the provisions of the Act, accept a surrender of any share certificates
  from or by any Shareholder desirous of surrendering them on such terms as the Directors
  think fit.

# 12. Alteration of Share Capital

Subject to these Articles and Section 61 of the Act, the Company may from time to time, by an Ordinary Resolution in General Meeting from time to time, alter the conditions of its Memorandum as follows, that is to say, it may:

- a. increase its Share Capital by such amount as it thinks expedient;
- b. consolidate and divide all or any of its Share Capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares:
- Provided that no consolidation and division which results in changes in the voting percentage of Shareholders shall take effect unless it is approved by the Tribunal on an application made in the prescribed manner;

- d. convert all or any of its fully Paid-up shares into stock, and reconvert that stock into fully Paid-up shares of any denomination;
- e. subdivide its existing Shares, or any of them, into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the Memorandum, so, however, that in the subdivision the proportion between the amount paid and the amount, if any, unpaid on each reduced share shall be the same as it was in the case of the share from which the reduced share is derived; and
- f. cancel its Shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution in that behalf, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its Share Capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled. Cancellation of shares in pursuance of this Article shall not be deemed to be reduction of Share Capital within the meaning of the Act.

### 13. Reduction of Share Capital

The Company may, subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, from time to time by a Special Resolution, reduce its Capital, any capital redemption reserve account and the securities premium account in any manner for the time being authorized by Law. This Article is not to derogate any power the Company would have under Law, if it were omitted.

# 14. Power of Company to purchase its own securities

Pursuant to a resolution of the Board or a Special Resolution of the Shareholders, as required under the Act, the Company may purchase its own Equity Shares or other Securities, as may be specified by the Act read with Rules made there under from time to time, by way of a buy- back arrangement, in accordance with Sections 68, 69 and 70 of the Act, the Buy Back Rules and subject to compliance with the applicable Laws out of (i) its free reserves; or (ii) the securities premium account; or (iii) the proceeds of the issue of any Shares or other specified securities or (iv) otherwise specified by the law for the time being in force.

# 15. Power to modify rights

- a. Where, the Capital, is divided (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class) into different classes of shares, all or any of the rights and privileges attached to each class may be varied, subject to the provisions of Section 48 of the Act and applicable Laws, and whether or not the Company is being wound up, be varied provided the same is affected with consent in writing of the holders of not less than three-fourths of the issued shares of that class or by way of a Special Resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the issued shares of that class.
- b. To every such separate meeting, the provisions of these Articles relating to 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.
- c. 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.

# 16. Registers to be maintained by the Company

- a. The Company shall keep and maintain at its registered office or such other place as may be allowed under the Act and the Rules, all statutory registers (as and when required) namely, register of members, register of debenture holders, register of any other security holders, the register and index of beneficial owners and annual return, register of contracts and arrangements etc., minutes book of General Meeting, for such duration as the Board may, unless otherwise prescribed, decide, and in such manner and containing such particulars as prescribed by the Act and the Rules.
- o. The registers and documents referred to in (i) and copies of annual return shall be open for inspection during 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. on all Working Days, other than Saturdays, at the registered office of the Company or any other place where the register ,documents or copies of the annual return are kept in the manner as prescribed under the Act and the Rules, by the persons entitled thereto under the Act and Rules, on payment, where required, of such fees as may be fixed by the Board but not exceeding the limits prescribed by the Rules.
- c. Copy or extract of the registers and documents referred to in (i) and copies of annual return, if allowed under the Act or the Rules, can be obtained from the registered office of the Company or any other place where the register ,documents or copies of the annual return are kept in the manner as prescribed under the Act and the Rules by the persons entitled thereto , on payment, where required, of such fees as may be fixed by the Board but not exceeding the limits prescribed by the Rules.
- d. The foreign register (if any) shall be open for inspection and may be closed, and extracts may be taken there from and copies thereof may be required, in the same manner, mutatis mutandis, as is applicable to the register of members.
- e. The foreign register shall be open for inspection and may be closed, and extracts may be taken there from and copies thereof may be required, in the same manner, mutatis mutandis, as is applicable to the register of members.
- f. No member (not being a director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the company except as conferred by law or authorised by the Board.

# 17. Shares and Share certificates

- a. The Company shall issue, re-issue and issue share certificate, as the case may be in accordance with the provisions of the Act and other applicable Laws.
- b. The Company shall be entitled to dematerialise its existing Shares, rematerialise its Shares held in the depository and/or to offer its fresh shares in a dematerialised form pursuant to the Depositories Act, and the regulations framed there under, if any.
- c. The provisions of this Article shall mutatis mutandis apply to Debentures and other Securities of the Company.
- d. When a new share certificate has been issued in pursuance of these Articles, it shall be in the form and manner stated under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014.
- e. All blank forms to be used for issue of share certificates shall be printed and the printing shall be done only on the authority of a resolution of the Board. The blank forms shall be consecutively machine–numbered and the forms and the blocks, engravings, facsimiles and hues relating to the printing of such forms shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary or of such other person as the Board may authorize for the purpose and the Secretary or the other person aforesaid shall be responsible for rendering an account of these forms to the Board. Every forfeited or surrendered share held in material form shall continue to bear the number by which the same was originally distinguished.
- f. The Secretary of the Company shall be responsible for the maintenance, preservation and safe custody of all books and documents relating to the issue of share certificates including the blank forms of the share certificate referred to in sub article (e) of this Article.
- g. All books referred to in sub-article (f) of this Article, shall be preserved in the manner specified in the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014.
- h. If any Shares stands in the names of 2 (two) or more Persons, the Person first named in the

Register of Members shall as regards receipt of Dividends or bonus, or service of notices and all or any other matters connected with the Company except voting at meetings and the transfer of shares, be deemed the sole holder thereof, but the joint holders of such Shares shall be severally as well as jointly liable for the payment of all deposits, instalments and calls due in respect of such Shares, and for all incidents thereof according to these Articles.

i. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as may be required by Law, the Company shall be entitled to treat the Shareholder whose name appears on the Register of Members as the holder of such Equity Shares or whose name appears as the beneficial owner of such Equity Shares in the records of the Depository, as the absolute owner thereof and accordingly shall not be bound to recognise any benami, trust or equity or equitable, contingent or other claim to or interest in such Equity Shares on the part of any other Person whether or not such Shareholder shall have express or implied notice thereof. The Board shall be entitled at their sole discretion to register any Equity Shares in the joint names of any 2 (two) or more Persons or the survivor or survivors of them. The Company shall not be bound to register more than 3 (three) persons as the joint holders of any share except in the case of executors or trustees of a deceased member

# 18. Nomination by securities holders

- a. Every holder of Securities of the Company holding the Securities in physical form may, at any time, nominate, in the manner prescribed under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, a Person as his nominee in whom the Securities of the Company held by him shall vest in the event of his death.
- b. Where the Securities of the Company are held by more than one Person jointly, the joint holders may together nominate, in the manner prescribed under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, a Person as their nominee in whom all the rights in the Securities of the Company shall vest in the event of death of all the joint holders.
- c. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other Law for the time being in force or in any disposition, whether testamentary or otherwise, in respect of the Securities of the Company, where a nomination made in the manner prescribed under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, purports to confer on any Person the right to vest the Securities of the Company, the nominee shall, on the death of the holder of Securities of the Company or, as the case may be, on the death of the joint holders become entitled to all the rights in Securities of the holder or, as the case may be, of all the joint holders, in relation to such Securities of the Company to the exclusion of all other Persons, unless the nomination is varied or cancelled in the prescribed manner under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014.
- d. Where the nominee is a minor, the holder of the Securities concerned, can make the nomination to appoint in prescribed manner under the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, any Person to become entitled to the Securities of the Company in the event of his death, during the minority.
- e. The transmission of Securities of the Company by the holders of such Securities and transfer in case of nomination shall be subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014.

# 19. Borrowing Powers

- a. Subject to the provisions of Sections 73, 179 and 180, and other applicable provisions of the Act and these Articles, the Board may, from time to time, at its discretion by resolution passed at the meeting of a Board the Board shall:
  - i. accept or renew deposits from Shareholders;
  - ii. borrow money by way of issuance of Debentures;
  - iii. borrow money otherwise than on Debentures;
  - iv. accept deposits from Shareholders either in advance of calls or otherwise; and
  - v. generally raise or borrow or secure the payment of any sum or sums of money for the purposes of the Company. Provided, however, that where the money to be borrowed

together with the money already borrowed (apart from temporary loans obtained from the Company's bankers in the ordinary course of business) exceed the aggregate of the Paidup capital of the Company and its free reserves (not being reserves set apart for any specific purpose), the Board shall not borrow such money without the consent of the Company by way of a Special Resolution in a General Meeting

- b. Subject to the provisions of these Articles, the payment or repayment of money borrowed as aforesaid may be secured in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as the resolution of the Board (not by circular resolution) shall prescribe including by the issue of bonds, perpetual or redeemable Debentures or debenture–stock, or any mortgage, charge, hypothecation, pledge, lien or other security on the undertaking of the whole or any part of the property of the Company (including its uncalled Capital), both present and future. and Debentures and other Securities may be assignable free from any equities between the Company and the Person to whom the same may be issued
- c. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act and these Articles, any bonds, Debentures, debenture-stock or other Securities may if permissible in Law be issued at a discount, premium or otherwise by the Company and shall with the consent of the Board be issued upon such terms and conditions and in such manner and for such consideration as the Board shall consider to be for the benefit of the Company, and on the condition that they or any part of them may be convertible into Equity Shares of any denomination, and with any privileges and conditions as to the redemption, surrender, allotment of shares, appointment of Directors or otherwise. Provided that Debentures with rights to allotment of or conversion into Equity Shares shall not be issued except with, the sanction of the Company in General Meeting accorded by a Special Resolution.
- d. The Board shall cause a proper Register to be kept in accordance with the provisions of Section 85 of the Act of all mortgages and charges specifically affecting the property of the Company; and shall cause the requirements of the relevant provisions of the Act in that behalf to be duly complied with within the time prescribed under the Act or such extensions thereof as may be permitted under the Act, as the case may be, so far as they are required to be complied with by the Board. Company shall have the power to keep in any state or country outside India a branch register of debenture holders resident in that state or country
- e. Any capital required by the Company for its working capital and other capital funding requirements may be obtained in such form as decided by the Board from time to time.
- f. The Company shall also comply with the provisions of the Companies (Registration of Charges) Rules, 2014 in relation to the creation and registration of aforesaid charges by the Company

# 20. Conversion of shares into stock and reconversion

- a. The Company in general meeting may, by Ordinary Resolution, 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 interests, in the same manner and subject to the same regulations as those 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 circumstances will admit. The Company may, by an Ordinary Resolution, at any time reconvert any stock into Paid-up shares of any denomination. Provided that the Board may, from time to time, fix the minimum amount of stock transferable, so however such minimum shall not exceed the nominal account from which the stock arose.
- b. 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 meetings of the Company, and other matters, as if they held the shares from which the stock arose, but no such privileges or advantages, (except participation in the Dividends and profits of the Company and in the assets on winding-up), shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred that privilege or advantage.
- c. Where the shares are converted into stock, such provisions of these Articles as are applicable to paid-up shares shall apply to stock and the words "share" and "shareholder" in those regulations shall include "stock" and "stock -holder" respectively

# 21. Capitalisation of Profits

The Company in General Meeting may, upon the recommendation of the Board, may resolve:

- a. that it is desirable to capitalize 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 Company's profit and loss account or otherwise, as available for distribution, and
- b. that such sum be accordingly set free from distribution in the manner specified herein below in sub-article (c) as amongst the Shareholders who would have been entitled thereto, if distributed by way of Dividends and in the same proportions.
- c. The sum aforesaid shall not be paid in cash but shall be applied either in or towards:
  - i. paying up any amounts for the time being unpaid on any shares held by such Shareholders respectively;
  - ii. paying up in full, un-issued shares of the Company to be allotted, distributed and credited as fully Paid up, to and amongst such Shareholders in the proportions aforesaid; or
  - iii. partly in the way specified in sub-article (i) and partly in the way specified in sub-article (ii).
- d. A securities premium account may be applied as per Section 52 of the Act, and a capital redemption reserve account may, duly be applied in paying up of unissued shares to be issued to Shareholders of the Company as fully paid bonus shares

# 22. Resolution for capitalisation of Reserves and issue of fractional certificate

- a. The Board shall give effect to a Resolution passed by the Company in pursuance of this Article 21.
- b. Whenever such a Resolution as aforesaid shall have been passed, the Board shall:
  - i. make all appropriation and applications of undivided profits (resolved to be capitalized thereby), and all allotments and issues of fully paid shares or Securities, if any; and
  - ii. generally do all acts and things required to give effect thereto.
- c. The Board shall have full power:
  - i. to make such provisions, by the issue of fractional certificates or by payments in cash or otherwise as it thinks fit, in the case of shares or debentures becoming distributable in fraction; and
  - ii. to authorize any person, on behalf of all the Shareholders entitled thereto, to enter into an agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to such Shareholders, credited as fully paid up, of any further shares or debentures to which they may be entitled upon such capitalization or (as the case may require) for the payment of by the Company on their behalf, by the application thereto of their respective proportions of the profits resolved to be capitalised of the amounts or any parts of the amounts remaining unpaid on the shares.
- d. Any agreement made under such authority shall be effective and binding on all such shareholders.

# 23. Annual General Meeting

In accordance with the provisions of Section 96 of the Act, the Company shall in each year hold a General Meeting specified as its Annual General Meeting and shall specify the meeting as such in the notices convening such meetings. Further, subject to the provisions of the Act, not more than 15 (fifteen) months' gap shall elapse between the dates of two consecutive Annual General Meetings.

# 24. Venue, Day and Time for holding Annual General Meeting

a. Every Annual General Meeting shall be called during business hours as specified under the Act or Rules on a day that is not a national holiday, and shall be held at the Office of the Company or at some other place within the city, town or village in which the 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.
- b. Every Shareholder of the Company shall be entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting either in person or by proxy and the Auditor of the Company shall have the right to attend and to be heard at any General Meeting which he attends on any part of the business which concerns him as Auditor.

# 25. Notice of General Meetings

- a. Number of days' notice of General Meeting to be given: As per the provisions of section 101 of the Act, a General Meeting of the Company may be called by giving not less than 21 (twenty-one) days clear notice in writing or in electronic mode, excluding the day on which notice is served or deemed to be served and the date of meeting. However, a General Meeting may be called after giving shorter notice if consent is given in writing or by electronic mode, in case of annual general meeting, by not less than 95 (ninety-five) percent of the Shareholders entitled to vote at that meeting and in case of any other general meeting, by members of the company holding, majority in number of members entitled to vote and who represent not less than ninety-five per cent. of such part of the paid-up share capital of the company as gives a right to vote at the meeting. The notice of every meeting shall be given to:
  - i. Every Shareholder, legal representative of any deceased Shareholder or the assignee of an insolvent member of the Company,
  - ii. Auditor or Auditors of the Company,
  - iii. All Directors and
  - iv. Such other persons as required under the Act

The accidental omission to give any such notice as aforesaid to any of the Shareholders, or the non-receipt thereof, shall not invalidate any resolution passed at any such meeting.

- b. Notice of meeting to specify place, etc., and to contain statement of business: Notice of every meeting of the Company shall specify the place, date, day and hour of the meeting, and shall contain a statement of the business to be transacted thereat shall be given in the manner prescribed under Section 102 of the Act.
- c. Resolution requiring Special Notice: With regard to resolutions in respect of which special notice is required to be given by the Act, a special notice shall be given as required by Section 115 of the Act.
- d. Notice of Adjourned Meeting when necessary: When a meeting is adjourned for 30 (thirty) days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act.
- e. Notice when not necessary: Save as aforesaid, and as provided in Section 103 of the Act, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.
- f. The notice of the General Meeting shall comply with the provisions of Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014

# 26. Requisition of Extraordinary General Meeting

- a. The Board may, whenever it thinks fit, call an Extraordinary General Meeting or it shall do so upon a requisition received from such number of Shareholders who hold, on the date of receipt of the requisition, not less than one-tenth of such of the Paid up Share Capital of the Company as on that date carries the right of voting and such meeting shall be held at the Office or at such place and at such time as the Board thinks fit.
- b. Any valid requisition so made by Shareholders 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 Office; provided that such requisition may consist of several documents in like form each signed by one or more requisitionists.
- c. Upon the receipt of any such valid requisition, the Board shall forthwith call an Extraordinary General Meeting and if they do not proceed within 21 (twenty -one) days from the date of the requisition being deposited at the Office to cause a meeting to be called on a day not later than

45 (forty-five) days from the date of deposit of the 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 such of the Paid-up Share Capital of the Company as is referred to in Section 100 of the Act, whichever is less, may themselves call the meeting, but in either case any meeting so called shall be held within three months from the date of the delivery of the requisition as aforesaid.

- d. Any meeting called under the foregoing sub-articles by the requisitionists, shall be called in the same manner, as nearly as possible, as that in which a meeting is to be called by the Board.
- e. No General Meeting, Annual or Extraordinary, shall be competent to enter into, discuss or transact any business which has not been mentioned in the notice or notices by which it was convened.
- f. The Extraordinary General Meeting called under this Article shall be subject to and in accordance with the provisions under the Act read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014.

# 27. No Business to be transacted in General Meeting if Quorum is not present

The quorum for the General Meeting shall be in accordance with Section 103 of the Act. Subject to the provisions of Section 103(2) of the Act, if such a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time set for the Shareholders' Meeting, the meeting if convened by or upon the requisition of Members, shall stand dissolved but in case of any other General Meeting shall be adjourned to the same day in the next week or if that day is a public holiday until the next succeeding day which is not a public holiday at the same time and place or to such other day at such other time and place as the Board may determine and the agenda for the adjourned General Meeting shall remain the same. If at such adjourned meeting also, a quorum is not present, at the expiration of half an hour from the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present shall be a quorum, and may transact the business for which the meeting was called

# 28. Chairman

As per the provisions of section 104 of the Act the Chairman of the Board shall be entitled to take the Chair at every General Meeting, whether Annual or Extraordinary. If there is no such Chairman of the Board or if at any meeting he shall not be present within fifteen minutes of the time appointed for holding such meeting or if he is unable or unwilling to take the Chair, then the Directors present shall elect one of them as Chairman. If no Director is present or if all the Directors present decline to take the Chair, then the Shareholders present shall elect one of their members to be the Chairman of the meeting. No business shall be discussed at any General Meeting except the election of a Chairman while the Chair is vacant

# 29. Chairman can adjourn the General Meeting

The Chairman may, with the consent given in the meeting at which a quorum is present (and if so directed by the meeting) adjourn the General Meeting from time to time and from place to place within the city, town or village in which the Office of the Company is situate 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.

# 30. Demand or Poll

- a. At any General Meeting, a resolution put to the vote of the General Meeting shall, unless voting is carried out electronically, be decided by way of show of hands. Before or on the declaration of the result of the voting on any resolution by a show of hands, a poll may be carried out in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act electronically. Unless a poll is demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost and an entry to that effect in the Minute Book of the Company shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, of passing of such resolution or otherwise.
- b. In the case of equal votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes to which he may be entitled as a Shareholder.

- c. If a poll is demanded as aforesaid, the same shall subject to anything stated in these Articles be taken at such time, (not later than forty-eight hours from the time when the demand was made), and place within the city, town or village in which the Office of the Company is situate and either by a show of hands or by ballot or by postal ballot, as the Chairman shall direct and either at once or after an interval or adjournment, or otherwise and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the decision of the meeting at which the poll was demanded. Any business other than that upon which a poll has been demanded may be proceeded with, pending the taking of the poll. The demand for a poll may be withdrawn at any time by the Person or Persons who made the demand.
- d. Where a poll is to be taken, the Chairman of the meeting shall appoint such number of scrutinizers as prescribed under the Act and Rules to scrutinise the votes given on the poll and to report thereon to him. The Chairman shall have power at any time before the result of the poll is declared, to remove a scrutinizer from office and fill vacancies in the office of scrutinizer arising from such removal or from any other cause.
- e. Any poll duly demanded on the election of a Chairman of a meeting or any question of adjournment, shall be taken at the meeting forthwith.
- f. The demand for a poll except on the question of the election of the Chairman and of an adjournment shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question on which the poll has been demanded.
- g. A Shareholder may appoint a proxy either for (i) the purposes of a particular meeting (as specified in the instrument) or (ii) for any adjournment thereof or (iii) it may appoint a proxy for the purposes of every meeting of the Company, or (iv) of every meeting to be held before a date specified in the instrument for every adjournment of any such meeting.
- h. A Shareholder present by proxy shall be entitled to vote only on a poll.
- i. Every instrument of proxy whether for a specified meeting or otherwise should, as far as circumstances admit, be in any of the forms set out under Section 105 and other provisions of the Act and in the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014.
- j. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid notwithstanding the previous death of the principal, or revocation of the proxy or of any power of attorney under which such proxy was signed, or the transfer of the Share in respect of which the vote is given, provided that no intimation in writing of the death, revocation or transfer shall have been received at the Office before the meeting.
- k. 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. Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairman of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.
- I. 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 a poll shall be in the sole judge of the validity of every vote tendered at such poll.
  - The Company shall cause minutes of the proceedings of every General Meeting to be kept by making within 30 (thirty) days of the conclusion of every such meeting concerned, entries thereof in books kept for that purpose with their pages consecutively numbered.
  - ii. The book containing the Minutes of proceedings of General Meetings shall be kept at the 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 Board determines, for the inspection of any Shareholder without charge.

All matters arising at a General Meeting of the Company, other than as specified in the Act or these Articles if any, shall be decided by a majority vote

- m. Any corporation which is a Shareholder of the Company may, by resolution of the Board or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the
- n. Company and the said person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same powers on behalf of the corporation which he represents as that corporation could have exercised if it were an individual Shareholder in the Company (including the right to vote by proxy).
- **o.** The Company shall also provide e-voting facility to the Shareholders of the Company in terms of the provisions of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, SEBI Listing Regulations or any other Law, if applicable to the Company.

#### 31. Directors

- a. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the number of Directors of the Company shall not be less than 3 (three) and not more than 15 (fifteen). However, the Company may at any time appoint more than 15 (fifteen) directors after passing Special Resolution at a General Meeting. The Company shall also comply with the provisions of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the provisions of the SEBI Listing Regulations. The Board shall have an optimum combination of executive and Independent Directors with at least 1 (one) woman Director, as may be prescribed by Law from time to time.
- b. Subject to Article 32(a), Sections 149, 152 and 164 of the Act and other provisions of the Act, the Company may increase or reduce the number of Directors.
- c. The Company may, and subject to the provisions of Section 169 of the Act, remove any Director before the expiration of his period of office and appoint another Director.

#### 32. Chairman of the Board of Directors

- a. The members of the Board shall elect any one of them as the Chairman of the Board. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board and the General Meeting of the Company. The Chairman shall have a casting vote in the event of a tie.
- b. If for any reason the Chairman is not present at the meeting or is unwilling to act as Chairman, the members of the Board shall appoint any one of the remaining Directors as the Chairman.

#### 33. Appointment of Alternate Directors

Subject to Section 161 of the Act, the Board shall be entitled to nominate an alternate director to act for a director of the Company during such director's absence for a period of not less than 3 (three) months from India. The Board may appoint such a person as an Alternate Director to act for a Director (hereinafter called "the Original Director") (subject to such person being acceptable to the Chairman) during the Original Director's absence. An Alternate Director appointed under this Article shall not hold office for a period longer than that permissible to the Original Director in whose place he has been appointed and shall vacate office if and when the Original Director returns to India. If the term of the office of the Original Director is determined before he so returns to India, any provisions in the Act or in these Articles for automatic re-appointment shall apply to the Original Director and not to the Alternate Director.

# 34. Casual Vacancy and Additional Directors

Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act and these Articles, the Board shall have the power at any time and from time to time to appoint any qualified Person to be a Director either as an addition to the Board or to fill a casual vacancy but so that the total number of Directors shall not at any time exceed the maximum number fixed under Article 31. Any Person so appointed as an addition shall hold office only up to the earlier of the date of the next Annual General Meeting or at the last date on which the Annual General Meeting should have been held but shall be eligible for appointment by the Company as a Director at that meeting subject to the applicable provisions of the Act.

#### 35. Debenture Directors

If it is provided by a trust deed, securing or otherwise, in connection with any issue of Debentures of the Company, that any Person/lender or Persons/lenders shall have power to nominate a Director of the Company, then in the case of any and every such issue of Debentures, the Person/lender or Persons/lenders having such power may exercise such power from time to time and appoint a Director accordingly. Any Director so appointed is herein referred to a Debenture Director. A Debenture Director may be removed from office at any time by the Person/lender or Persons/lenders 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 bound to hold any qualification shares and shall not be liable to retire by rotation or be removed by the Company, but shall automatically cease and vacate office as a Director if and when the Debentures are fully discharged.

### 36. Independent Directors

The Company shall have such number of Independent Directors on the Board of the Company, as may be required in terms of the provisions of Section 149 of the Act and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 or any other Law, as may be applicable. Further, the appointment

of such Independent Directors shall be in terms of the aforesaid provisions of Law and subject to the requirements prescribed SEBI Listing Regulations.

#### 37. Nominee Directors

The Board may appoint any person as a director nominated by any institution in pursuance of the provisions of any Law for the time being in force or of any agreement or by the Central Government or the State Government by virtue of its shareholding in a Government Company.

#### 38. Period of holding of office by Nominee Directors

The Nominee Director/s so appointed shall hold the said office only so long as any moneys remain owing by the Company to the Corporation or so long as the Corporation holds or continues to hold Debentures/shares in the Company as a result of underwriting or by direct subscription or private placement or the liability of the Company arising out of the guarantee is outstanding or pursuant to any private arrangement between the Company and institution and the Nominee Director/s so appointed in exercise of the said powers shall ipso facto vacate such office immediately the moneys owing by the Company to the Corporation are paid off or on the Corporation ceasing to hold Debentures/ shares in the Company or on the satisfaction of liability of the Company arising out of any guarantee furnished by the Corporation.

#### 39. Appointment of Special Directors

On behalf of the Company, whenever Directors enter into a contract with any Government, Central, State or Local, any Bank or Financial institution or any person or persons (hereinafter referred to as "the appointer") for borrowing any money or for providing any guarantee or security or for technical collaboration or assistance or for underwriting or entering into any other arrangement whatsoever the Directors shall have, subject to the provisions of Section 152 of the Act, the power to agree that such appointer shall have right to appoint or nominate by notice in writing addressed to the Company one or more Directors on the Board for such period and upon such conditions as may be mentioned in the agreement and that such Director or Directors may not be liable to retire by rotation nor be required to hold any qualification shares. The Directors may also agree that any such Director or Directors may be removed from time to time by the appointer entitled to appoint or nominate them and the appointer may appoint another or others in his or their place and also fill in any vacancy which may occur as a result of any such Director or Directors ceasing to hold that office for any reason whatsoever. The Directors appointed or nominated under this Article shall be entitled to exercise and enjoy all or any of the rights and privileges exercised and enjoyed by the Directors of the Company including payment of remuneration and travelling expenses to such Director or Directors as may be agreed by the Company with the appointer.

#### 40. No Qualification Shares for Directors

A Director shall not be required to hold any qualification shares of the Company.

#### 41. Remuneration of Directors

- a. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the Rules, Law including the provisions of the SEBI Listing Regulations, a Managing Director or Managing Directors, and any other Director/s who is/are in the whole-time employment of the Company may be paid remuneration either by a way of monthly payment or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the Company or partly by one way and partly by the other, subject to the limits prescribed under the Act.
- b. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, a Director (other than a Managing Director or an executive Director) may receive a sitting fee not exceeding such sum as may be prescribed by the Act or the Central Government from time to time for each meeting of the Board or any Committee thereof attended by him or remuneration in form of commission or fixed fees in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act and the Rules.
- c. The remuneration payable to each Director for every meeting of the Board or Committee of the Board attended by them shall be such sum as may be determined by the Board from time to time within the maximum limits prescribed from time to time by the Central Government pursuant to the first proviso to Section 197 of the Act.
- d. All fees/compensation to be paid to non-executive Directors including Independent Directors shall be as fixed by the Board subject to Section 197 and other applicable provisions of the Act, the Rules

thereunder and of these Articles. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Article, the Independent Directors shall not be eligible to receive any stock options.

#### 42. Special remuneration for extra services rendered by a Director

If any Director be called upon to perform extra services or special exertions or efforts (which expression shall include work done by a Director as a member of any Committee formed by the Directors), the Board may arrange with such Director for such special remuneration for such extra services or special exertions or efforts either by a fixed sum or otherwise as may be determined by the Board. Such remuneration may either be in addition, to or in substitution for his remuneration otherwise provided, subject to the applicable provisions of the Act.

### 43. Miscellaneous expenses of Directors

In addition to the remuneration payable to them in pursuance of the Act, the Directors may be paid all travelling, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by them (a) in attending and returning from meetings of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof or general meetings of the company; or (b) in connection with the business of the Company. The rules in this regard may be framed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

# 44. Continuing Directors

The continuing Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their body, but if, and so long as their number is reduced below the minimum number fixed by Article 31 hereof, the continuing Directors may act for the purpose of increasing the number of Directors to that number, or for summoning a General Meeting, but for no other purpose.

# 45. Disqualification and Vacation of office by a Director

- a. A person shall not be eligible for appointment as a Director of the Company if he incurs any of the disqualifications as set out in section 164 and other relevant provisions of the Act. Further, on and after being appointed as a Director and subject to the provisions of the Act, the office of a Director shall ipso facto be vacated on the occurrence of any of the circumstances under section 167 and other relevant provisions of the Act.
- b. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the resignation of a director shall take effect from the date on which the notice is received by the company or the date, if any, specified by the director in the notice, whichever is later.

### 46. Retirement of Directors by rotation

- a. At every Annual General Meeting of the Company, one third of such of the Directors as are liable to retire by rotation in accordance with section 152 of the Act (excluding Independent Directors), or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three then the number nearest to one third shall retire from office, and they will be eligible for re- election.
- b. The Directors to retire by rotation shall be those who have been longest in office since their last appointment but as between persons who become 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. Provided that and to the extent permissible under the Act and subject to the terms and condition of the appointment, the Managing Director, Joint Managing Director, Deputy Managing Director, Manager, Independent Directors and Whole-Time Director(s) appointed or such other directors nominated pursuant to Articles 35 and 37 hereto shall not retire by rotation under this Article nor shall they be included in calculating the total number of Directors of whom one third shall retire from office under this Article.

# 47. Managing Director(s) / Whole Time Director(s) / Executive Director(s) / Manager

a. Subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Act and other applicable provisions of the Act and of these Articles, the Board may appoint from time to time one or more of their Directors to be the Managing Director or Joint Managing Director or Whole Time Director or Deputy Managing Director or Manager of the Company on such terms and on such remuneration (in any manner, subject to it being permissible under the Act) as the Board may think fit in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act and the Rules thereunder. Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Managing Director or Joint Managing Director or Wholetime Director or Deputy Managing Director or Manager of the Company so appointed by the Board shall not while holding that office, be subject to retirement by rotation or taken into account in determining the rotation of retirement of directors unless otherwise provided in the terms and conditions of their appointment, but their office shall be

- subject to determination ipso facto if they cease from any cause to be a director or if the company in General Meeting resolve that their tenure of the office of Managing Director or Joint Managing Director or Wholetime Director or Deputy Managing Director or Manager be so determined.
- b. Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company, and applicable laws, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company can hold the position of the Managing Director and / or the Chief Executive Officer of the Company at the same time.

# 48. Power and duties of Managing Director(s)/ Whole Time Director(s) / Executive Director(s)/ Manager

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Directors, may from time to time entrust and confer upon a Managing Director, whole time director(s), executive director(s) or managers for the time being such of the powers exercisable upon such terms and conditions and with such restrictions as they may think fit either collaterally with or to the exclusion of and in substitution for all or any of their own powers and from time-to-time revoke, withdraw, alter or vary ail or any of such powers.

#### 49. Power to be exercised by the Board only by meeting

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board shall exercise the following powers on behalf of the Company and the said powers shall be exercised only by resolutions passed at the meeting of the Board:

- a. to make calls on Shareholders in respect of money unpaid on their shares;
- b. to authorise buy-back of securities under Section 68 of the Act;
- c. to issue securities, including debentures, whether in or outside India;
- d. to borrow money(ies);
- e. to invest the funds of the Company;
- f. to grant loans or give guarantee or provide security in respect of loans; and
- g. any other matter which may be prescribed under the Act, Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and the SEBI Listing Regulations to be exercised by the Board only by resolutions passed at the meeting of the Board.

The Board may, by a resolution passed at a meeting, delegate to any Committee of Directors, the Managing Director, or to any person permitted by Law the powers specified in sub clauses (d) to (f) above. In respect of dealings between the company and its bankers the exercise by the company of the powers specified in clause (d) shall mean the arrangement made by the company with its bankers for the borrowing of money by way of overdraft or cash credit or otherwise and not the actual day to day operation on overdraft, cash credit or other accounts by means of which the arrangement so made is actually availed of.

The aforesaid powers shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and shall be subject to the restrictions on the powers of the Board under section 180 of the Act.

# 50. Proceedings of the Board of Directors

- a. At least 4 (four) Board Meetings shall be held in any calendar year and there should not be a gap of more than 120 (one hundred twenty) days between two consecutive Board Meetings.
- b. The participation of Directors in a meeting of the Board may be either in person or through video conferencing or other audio-visual means, as may be prescribed under the Act, which are capable of recording and recognising the participation of the Directors and of recording and storing the proceedings of such meetings along with date and time. However, such matters as provided under the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 shall not be dealt with in a meeting through video conferencing or other audio-visual means. Any meeting of the Board held through video conferencing or other audio-visual means shall only be held in accordance with the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014.
- c. The Secretary, as directed by a Director, or any other Director shall, as and when directed by the Chairman or a Director convene a meeting of the Board by giving a notice in writing to every Director in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014.
- d. At least 7 (seven) days' notice of every meeting of the Board shall be given in writing to every Director for the time being at his address registered with the Company and such notice shall be sent by hand delivery or by post or by electronic means. A meeting of the Board may be convened in accordance

with these Articles by a shorter notice in case of any urgent matters as directed by the Chairman or the Managing Director or the Executive Director, as the case may be, subject to the presence of 1 (one) Independent Director in the said meeting. If an Independent Director is not present in the said meeting, then decisions taken at the said meeting shall be circulated to all the Directors and shall be final only upon ratification by one Independent Director. Such notice or shorter notice may be sent by post or by fax or e-mail depending upon the circumstances.

e. At any Board Meeting, each Director may exercise 1 (one) vote. The adoption of any resolution of the Board shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

### 51. Quorum for Board Meeting

- a. Subject to the provisions of Section 174 of the Act, the quorum for each Board Meeting shall be one-third of its total strength or two directors, whichever is higher, and the presence of Directors by video conferencing or by other audio visual means shall also be counted for the purposes of calculating quorum. Provided that where at any time the number of interested Directors exceeds or is equal to two- thirds of the total strength, the number of the remaining Directors, that is to say, the number of the Directors who are not interested present at the meeting being not less than two, shall be the quorum during such meeting.
- b. If a meeting of the Board could not be held for want of quorum, then the meeting shall automatically stand adjourned to such other time as may be fixed by the Chairman.

### 52. Casting Vote

Questions arising at any meeting of the Board, other than as specified in these Articles and the Act, if any, shall be decided by a majority vote. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote. No regulation 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.

#### 53. Powers of the Board

Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, these Articles and other applicable provisions of Law:

- a. The Board shall be entitled to exercise all such power and to do all such acts and things as the Company is authorised to exercise and do under the applicable provisions of the Act or by the Memorandum and Articles of association of the Company.
- b. The Board is vested with the entire management and control of the Company, including as regards any and all decisions and resolutions to be passed, for and on behalf of the Company.

Provided that the Board shall not, except with the consent of the Company by a Special Resolution:

- i. 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 such undertaking. The term 'undertaking' and the expression 'substantially the whole of the undertaking' shall have the meaning ascribed to them under the provisions of Section 180 of the Act;
- ii. Remit, or give time for repayment of, any debt due by a Director;
- iii. Invest otherwise than in trust securities the amount of compensation received by the Company as a result of any merger or amalgamation; and
- iv. Borrow money(ies) where the money(ies) to be borrowed together with the money(ies) already borrowed by the Company (apart from temporary loans obtained from the Company's bankers in the ordinary course of businesses), will exceed the aggregate of the paid-up capital of the Company, its free reserves and securities premium account.

### c. Certain Powers of the Board

Without prejudice to the general powers conferred by the last preceding Article and so as not in any way to limit or restrict these powers, and without prejudice to the other powers conferred by these Articles, but subject to the restrictions contained in the last preceding Article and other provisions of the Act, 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. Payment out of Capital: To pay and charge to the capital account of the company any commission or interest lawfully payable thereout under the provisions of Sections 40(6) of the Act,

- iii. To acquire property: Subject to Sections 179 and 188 of the Act to purchase or otherwise acquire for the Company any property, rights, privileges which the Company is authorised to acquire, at or for such price or consideration and generally on such terms and conditions as they think fit, and in any such purchases or other acquisition to accept such title as the Directors may believe or may be advised to be reasonably satisfactory,
- iv. To pay for property, etc.: At their discretion and subject to the provisions of the Act, to pay for any property, rights, or privileges acquired or services rendered in the Company either wholly or partially, in cash or in shares, bonds, debentures, mortgages, or other securities of the such amount credited as paid up thereon as may be agreed upon and any such bonds; debentures, mortgages or other securities may be either, specifically charged upon all or any part of the property of the Company and its uncalled capital or not so charged.
- v. To secure contracts: To secure the fulfilment of any contracts or engagements 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 time being or in such manner as they may think fit.
- vi. To accept surrender of shares: To accept from any member, as far as may be permissible by law, a surrender of his shares or any part thereof, on such terms and conditions as shall be agreed.
- vii. To appoint Trustees: To appoint any person to accept and to hold in trust for the Company any property belonging to the Company, or in which it is interested, or for any other purposes; and to execute and do all such deeds and things as may be required in relation to any such trust, and to provide for the remuneration of such trustee or trustees.
- viii. To bring and defend actions: To institute, conduct, defend, compound, or abandon any legal proceedings by or against the Company or its officers or otherwise payment or satisfaction of any debts due, and of any claims 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 in insolvency matters: To act on behalf of the Company in all matters relating to bankrupts and insolvents.
- x. To give receipts: To make and give receipts, releases and other discharges for moneys payable to the Company, and for the claims and demands of the Company.
- xi. To invest moneys: Subject to the provisions of Sections 179, 180 (1) (c), 185, and 186 of the Act, to invest, deposit and deal with any moneys of the Company not immediately required for the purpose thereof, upon such security (not being shares of this Company), or without security and in such manner as they may think fit, and from time to time to vary or realise such investments. Save as provided in Section 49 of the Act, all investments shall be made and held in the Company's own name.
- xii. To provide for Personal Liabilities: 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 authorise acceptances: To determine from time to time who shall be entitled to sign, on the Company's behalf, bills, notes, receipts, acceptances, endorsements, cheques, dividend warrants, releases, contracts and documents and to give necessary authority for such purpose.
- xiv. To distribute bonus: To distribute by way of bonus amongst the staff of the Company a share in the profits of the Company, and to give to any officer or other person 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 welfare of employees: 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 dependants or connections of such persons by building or contributing to the building of houses, dwellings or chawls or by grants of moneys, pensions, gratuities, allowances, bonus or other payments; or by creating and from time to time subscribing or contributing to provident and other associations, institutions or funds or trusts and by providing or subscribing or contributing towards places of instruction and recreation, hospitals and dispensaries, medical and other attendance and other assistance as the Board shall think fit, and subject to the provisions of Section 180 of the Act. To subscribe or contribute or otherwise to assist or to guarantee money to any charitable, benevolent, religious, scientific, national or other institutions or objects which shall have any moral or other claim to support or aid by the Company either by reason of locality of operation, or of public and general utility or otherwise.
- xvi. To create reserve fund: Before recommending any dividend to set aside, out of the profits of the Company such sums as they may think proper for depreciation or to a 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 equalising dividends or for repairing, improving, extending and maintaining any of the property of the Company and for such other purposes (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 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 purposes as the Board in their absolute discretion, think, conducive to the interest of the company notwithstanding that the matters to which the Board apply or upon which they expend the same, or any part thereof, may be matters to or upon which the capital moneys of the company might rightly be applied or expended, and to divide the reserve fund into such special funds as the Board may think fit with full power to transfer the whole or any portion of 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 and with full power to employ the assets constituting all or any of the above funds, including the Depreciation Fund, in the business of the company or in the purchase or repayment of debentures or debenture- stock, and without being bound to keep the same separate from the other assets and without being bound to pay interest on the same with power however to the Board at their discretion to pay or allow to the credit of such funds interest at such rate as the Board may think proper.

- xvii. To appoint managers etc. To appoint and at their discretion remove or suspend such general managers, Secretaries, supervisors, agents and servants for permanent, temporary or special services as 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 isntances and to such amount as they may think fit, and from time to time to provide for the management and transaction of the affairs of the company in any specific locality in India or elsewhere in such manner as they think fit.
- xviii. To delegae powers. 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 call or make loans or borrow moneys 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 persons so appointed and may annul any such delegation.
- xix. To authorise by power of attorney: At any time and from time to time the Board may by Power of Attorney (if so resolved by the Board under the Seal of the Company) to appoint any person or persons to be the Attorney or Attorneys of the Company, for such purposes and with such powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those vested in or exercisable by the Board under these Articles and excluding the power to make calls and excluding also except in the limits authorised 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 favor of the shareholders, directors, nominees or managers of the Company or firm or otherwise in favor of any fluctuating body of persons whether nominated directly or indirectly by the Board and any such Power of Attorney may contain such powers for the protection or convenience of persons dealing with such Attorneys as the Board may think fit, and may contain Powers enabling any such delegates or Attorneys as aforesaid to sub-delegate all or any of the Powers, authorities and discretions for the time being vested in them.
- xx. To Negotiate: Subject to Section 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 negotiations and contracts and rescind and vary 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.
- xxi. To make and vary Regulations: From time to time make, vary or repeal bye laws and operating procedures and rules of conduct for the regulation of the business of the company, its officers and servants.
- xxii. Amendments to Accounts: Subject to Section 130 of the Act, the directors shall, if they consider it to be necessary and in the interest of the Company be entitled to amend the Audited Accounts of the Company of any financial year which have been laid before the Company in General

meeting. The amendments to the Accounts effected by the Directors in pursuance of this Article shall be placed before the members in General Meeting for their consideration and approval.

xxiii. To formulate scheme etc. Subject to the provisions of Law, the directors may formulate, create, institute or set up such scheme, trusts, plans or proposals as they may deem fit for the purpose of providing incentive to the officers, employees and workers of the company, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, formulation of schemes for the subscription by the officers, employees and workers to shares in, or debentures of, the company.

# 54. Committees and delegation by the Board

- a. The Company shall constitute such Committees as may be required under the Act, applicable provisions of Law and the SEBI Listing Regulations. Without prejudice to the powers conferred by the other Articles and so as not to in any way to limit or restrict those powers, the Board may, subject to the provisions of Section 179 of the Act, delegate any of its powers to the Managing Director(s), the executive director(s) or manager or the chief executive officer of the Company. The Managing Director(s), the executive director(s) or the manager or the chief executive officer(s) as aforesaid shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed on them by the Board and all acts done by them in exercise of the powers so delegated and in conformity with such regulations shall have the like force and effect as if done by the Board.
- b. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, the requirements of Law and these Articles, the Board may delegate any of its powers to Committees of the Board consisting of such member or members of the Board as it thinks fit, and it may from time-to-time revoke and discharge any such committee of the Board either wholly or in part and either as to persons or purposes. Every Committee of the Board so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may from time to time be imposed on it by the Board. All acts done by any such Committee of the Board in conformity with such regulations and in fulfilment of the purposes of their appointment but not otherwise, shall have the like force and effect as if done by the Board.
  - c. The meetings and proceedings of any such Committee of the Board consisting of more members shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Directors, so far as the same are applicable thereto and are not superseded by any regulation made by the Directors under the last preceding Article.

# 55. Acts of Board or Committee valid notwithstanding informal appointment

All acts undertaken at any meeting of the Board or of a Committee of the Board, or by any person acting as a Director shall, notwithstanding that it may 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. Provided that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to give validity to the acts undertaken by a Director after his appointment has been shown to the Company to be invalid or to have been terminated.

# 56. Passing of resolution by circulation

- a. No resolution shall be deemed to have been duly passed by the Board or by a Committee thereof by circulation, unless the resolution has been circulated in draft form, together with the necessary papers, if any, to all the Directors, or members of the Committee, as the case may be, at their addresses registered with the Company in India by hand delivery or by post or by courier, or through such electronic means as may be provided under the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and has been approved by majority of Directors or members, who are entitled to vote on the resolution. However, in case one-third of the total number of Directors for the time being require that any resolution under circulation must be decided at a meeting, the Chairman shall put the resolution to be decided at a meeting of the Board.
- b. A resolution mentioned above shall be noted at a subsequent meeting of the Board or the Committee thereof, as the case may be, and be recorded in the minutes of such meeting.

### 57. Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Board

- a. The Company shall prepare, circulate and maintain minutes of each Board Meeting in accordance with the Act and Rules and such minutes shall contain a fair and correct summary of the proceedings conducted at the Board Meeting.
- b. The minutes kept and recorded under this Article shall also comply with the provisions of Secretarial Standard 1 issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India constituted under the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 and approved as such by the Central Government and applicable provisions of the Act and Law.

### 58. The Secretary

Subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Act, the Board may, from time to time, appoint any individual as the Secretary of the Company to perform such functions, which by the Act or these Articles for the time being of the Company are to be performed by the Secretary and to execute any other duties which may from time to time be assigned to him/ her by the Board. The Board may also at any time appoint some individual (who need not be the Secretary), to maintain the Registers required to be kept by the Company.

#### 59. Seal

- a. The Board may provide a Seal of the Company, and shall have power from time to time to substitute or destroy the same and substitute a new Seal in lieu thereof.
- b. Subject to Article 59 (a), the Board may, if a Seal is required to be affixed on any instrument, affix the Seal of the Company, to any instrument 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 2 (two) Directors and of the Secretary or such other person as the Board may appoint for the purpose; and those 2 (two) Directors and the Secretary or other person aforesaid shall sign every instrument to which the Seal of the Company is so affixed in their presence.

#### 60. Dividend

- a. The profits of the Company, subject to any special rights relating thereto being created or authorised to be created by the Memorandum or these Articles and subject to the provisions of these Articles shall be divisible among the Shareholders in proportion to the amount of Capital Paid-up or credited as Paid-up and to the period during the year for which the Capital is Paid-up on the shares held by them respectively. Provided always that, (subject as aforesaid), any Capital Paid-up on a Share during the period in respect of which a Dividend is declared, shall unless the Directors otherwise determine, only entitle the holder of such Share to an apportioned amount of such Dividend as from the date of payment.
- b. Subject to the provisions of Section 123 of the Act, the Company in General Meeting may declare Dividends, to be paid to Shareholders according to their respective rights and interests in the profits. No Dividends shall exceed the amount recommended by the Board, but the Company in General Meeting may, declare a smaller Dividend, and may fix the time for payments not exceeding 30 (thirty) days from the declaration thereof.
- c. No Dividend shall be declared or paid otherwise than out of profits of the Financial Year arrived at after providing for depreciation in accordance with the provisions of Section 123 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 the Act and remaining undistributed, or out of both, and provided that the declaration of the Board as to the amount of the net profits shall be conclusive.
- d. Subject to Section 123, the Board may, from time to time, pay to the Shareholders such interim Dividend as in their judgment the position of the Company justifies.
- e. Where Capital is paid in advance of calls upon the footing that the same shall carry interest, such Capital shall not whilst carrying interest, confer a right to participate in profits or Dividend.
  - i. Subject to the rights of Persons, if any, entitled to shares with special rights as to Dividend, all Dividends shall be declared and paid according to the amounts paid or credited as paid on the shares in respect whereof Dividend is paid but if and so long as nothing is paid upon any shares in the Company, Dividends may be declared and paid according to the amount of the shares.
  - ii. No amount paid or credited as paid on shares in advance of calls shall be treated for the purpose of this Article as paid on shares.

- 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 shares are issued on terms providing that it shall rank for Dividend as from a particular date such shares shall rank for Dividend accordingly.
- f. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act and these Articles, the Board may retain the Dividends payable upon shares in respect of any Person, until such Person shall have become a Shareholder, in respect of such shares or until such shares shall have been duly transferred to him.
- g. Any one of several Persons who are registered as the joint -holders of any Share may give effectual receipts for all Dividends or bonus and payments on account of Dividends or bonus or sale proceeds of fractional certificates or other money(ies) payable in respect of such shares.
- h. Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, no Shareholder shall be entitled to receive payment of any interest or Dividends in respect of his Share(s), whilst any money may be due or owing from him to the Company in respect of such Share(s); either alone or jointly with any other Person or Persons; and the Board may deduct from the interest or Dividend payable to any such Shareholder all sums of money so due from him to the Company.
- i. Subject to Section 126 of the Act, a transfer of shares shall not pass the right to any Dividend declared thereon before the registration of the transfer.
- j. No unpaid Dividend shall bear interest as against the Company.

# 61. Unpaid or Unclaimed Dividend

- a. Subject to the provisions of the Act, if the Company has declared a Dividend but which has not been paid or the Dividend warrant in respect thereof has not been posted or sent within 30 (thirty) days from the date of declaration, transfer the total amount of dividend, which remained unpaid or unclaimed within 7 (seven) days from the date of expiry of the said period of 30 (thirty) days to a special account to be opened by the Company in that behalf in any scheduled bank.
- b. Subject to provisions of the Act, any money so transferred to the unpaid Dividend account of the Company which remains unpaid or unclaimed for a period of 7 (seven) years from the date of such transfer, shall be transferred by the Company to the Fund established under sub-section (1) of Section 125 of the Act, viz. "Investors Education and Protection Fund".
- c. Subject to the provisions of the Act, no unpaid or unclaimed Dividend shall be forfeited by the Board before the claim becomes barred by Law.

#### 62. Accounts and Board's Report

- a. The Company shall prepare and keep the books of accounts or other relevant books and papers and financial statements for every Financial Year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company, including its branch office or offices, if any, in accordance with the Act, Rules and as required under applicable Law.
- b. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, along with the financial statements laid before the Shareholders, there shall be laid a 'Board's report' as to the state of the Company's affairs and as to the amounts, if any, which it proposes to carry to any reserves in such balance sheet and the amount, if any, which it recommends should be paid by way of dividend; and material changes and commitments, if any, affecting the financial position of the Company which have occurred between the end of the financial year of the company to which the balance sheet relates and the date of the report. The Board shall also give the fullest information and explanations in its report aforesaid or in an addendum to that report, on every reservation, qualification or adverse remark contained in the auditor's report and by the company secretary in practice in his secretarial audit report.
- c. The Company shall comply with the requirements of Section 136 of the Act.

#### 63. Documents and Notices

- a. A document or notice may be given or served by the Company to or on any Shareholder whether having his registered address within or outside India either personally or by sending it by post or by registered post or by courier or by any electronic means to him to his registered address.
- b. Where a document or notice is sent by post, service of the document 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 Shareholder has intimated to the Company in advance that documents or notices should be sent to him under a certificate of posting or by registered post with or without acknowledgement due or by cable or telegram and has deposited with the Company a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of doing so, service of the document or notice shall be deemed to be effected unless it is sent in the manner intimated by the Shareholder. Such service shall be deemed to have effected in the case of a notice of a meeting, at the expiration of forty eight hours after the letter containing the document or notice is posted or after a telegram has been dispatched and in any case, at the time at which the letter would be delivered in the ordinary course of post or the cable or telegram would be transmitted in the ordinary course.
- c. A document or notice may be given or served by the Company to or on the joint holders of a Share by giving or serving the document or notice to or on the joint- holder named first in the Register of Members in respect of the Share.
- d. Every person, who by operation of Law, transfer or other means whatsoever, shall become entitled to any Share, shall be bound by every document or notice in respect of such Share, which previous to his name and address being entered on the register of Shareholders, shall have been duly served on or given to the Person from whom he derives his title to such Share.
- e. Any document or notice to be given or served by the Company may be signed by a Director or the Secretary or some Person duly authorised by the Board for such purpose and the signature thereto may be written, printed, photostat or lithographed.
- f. All documents or notices to be given or served by Shareholders on or to the Company or to any officer thereof shall be served or given by sending the same to the Company or officer at the Office by post under a certificate of posting or by registered post or by leaving it at the Office.
- g. Where a document is sent by electronic mail, service thereof shall be deemed to be effected properly, where a member has registered his electronic mail address with the Company,. Provided that the Company, shall provide each member an opportunity to register his email address and change therein from time to time with the Company or the concerned depository. The Company shall fulfil all conditions required by Law, in this regard

### 64. Service on Members having no registered address

If a Shareholder does not have registered address in India, and has not supplied to the Company any address within India, for the giving of the notices to him, a document advertised in a newspaper circulating in the neighbourhood of Office of the Company shall be deemed to be duly served to him on the day on which the advertisement appears.

#### 65. Notice by Advertisement

Subject to the applicable provisions of the Act, any document required to be served or sent by the Company on or to the Shareholders, or any of them and not expressly provided for by these Articles, shall be deemed to be duly served or sent if advertised in a newspaper circulating in the District in which the Office is situated.

#### 66. Winding up

- a. 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 Shareholders, 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.
- b. 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 Shareholders or different classes of Shareholders.
- c. 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.

# 67. Indemnity

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.

#### 68. Director's etc. not liable for certain acts

Subject to the provision of the Act, no Director, Manager or Officer of the Company shall be liable for the acts, defaults, receipts and neglects of any other Director, Manager or Officer or for joining in any receipts or other acts for the sake of conformity or for any loss or expenses happening to the company through the insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired by order of the directors or for any loss or expenses happening to the Company through the insufficiency or deficiency of any security in or upon which any of the monies of the Company shall be invested or for any loss or damage arising from the bankruptcy, insolvency or tortuous act of any person with whom any monies, securities or effects shall be deposited or for any loss occasioned by an error of judgement or oversight on his part, or for any other loss, damage or misfortune whatsoever which shall happen in the execution thereof, unless the same shall happen through the negligence, default, misfeasance, breach of duty or breach of trust of the relevant Director, Manager or Officer.

### 69. Signing of Cheques

Subject to applicable Law and Section 22 of the Act, all cheques, promissory notes, drafts, bills of exchange, and other negotiable instruments, and all receipts for moneys paid by the company, shall be signed, drawn, accepted or otherwise executed as the case may be, in such manner as the Board shall from time to time by resolution determine.

# 70. Amendment to Memorandum and Articles of Association

The Company may amend its Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association subject to Sections 13, 14 and 15 of the Act and such other provisions of Law, as may be applicable from time-to-time.

### 71. Secrecy of works or information

No shareholder shall be entitled to visit or inspect the Company's work without permission of the Directors or to require discovery of any information respectively of any details of the Company's trading or any matter which is or may be in the nature of a trade secret, history of trade or secret process which may be related to the conduct of the business of the Company and which in the opinion of the Directors will be inexpedient in the interest of the Shareholders of the Company to communicate to the public.

#### 72. Duties of the Officer to observe secrecy

Every Director, Managing Directors, manager, Secretary, Auditor, trustee, members of the committee, officer, servant, agent, accountant or other persons employed in the business of the Company shall, if so required by the Directors before entering upon his duties, or any time during his term of office, sign a declaration pledging himself to observe secrecy relating to all transactions of the Company with its customers and the state of accounts with individuals and all manufacturing, technical and business information of the company and in matters relating thereto and shall by such declaration pledge himself not to reveal any of such matters which may come to his knowledge in the discharge of his official duties except which are required so to do by the Directors or the Auditors, or by resolution of the Company in the general meeting or by a court of law a except so far as may be necessary in order to comply with any of the provision of these Articles or Law.

#### 73. Authorizations

- a. Wherever in the Act it has been provided that the Company or the Board shall have any right, privilege or authority or that the Company could carry out any transaction only if the Company or the Board is so authorized by its Articles, then and in that case these Articles hereby authorize and empower the Company and/ or the Board (as the case may be) to have all such rights, privileges, authorities and to carry out all such transactions as have been permitted by the Act without there being any specific regulation to that effect in these Articles save and except to the extent that any particular right, privilege, authority or transaction has been expressly negated or prohibited by any other Article herein).
- b. If pursuant to the approval of these Articles, if the Act requires any matter any matter previously requiring a special resolution is, pursuant to such amendment, required to be approved by an ordinary resolution, then in such a case these Articles hereby authorize and empower the Company and its Shareholders to approve such matter by an ordinary resolution without having to give effect to the specific provision in these Articles requiring a special resolution to be passed for such matter.

#### 74. Other Powers

To guarantee or join in guaranteeing either alone or jointly or jointly and severally the payment of money secured by, or payable under, or in respect of any bill of exchange, promissory note, debenture, debenture bond, debenture stock, contract, mortgage, charge, obligation or security executed, entered into or given by the Company, group companies, subsidiaries, or joint venture or otherwise to guarantee or become sureties for the performance of any contracts or obligations of such persons;

We the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed below are desirous of being formed into a Company in pursuance of this Articles of Association and we respectively agree to take the number of shares in the Capital of the Company set opposite to our respective names.

Names, addresses, descriptions and occupations of subscribers	No. of Shares taken by each subscriber	Signature of subscriber	Signature, names, addresses, descriptions and occupations of witnesses
Sd/ Amalendu Gupta S/o Late Shri Atul Ranjan Gupta 3211 Laverne, Houston, Texas 77080 U.S.A. Exploration Consultant	One Hundred (100) shares	Sd/-	Sd/- Kathy Hubbard, D/o Mr. Richard Hubbard, 8701, Town Park 3220, Houston, Texas 77036, U.S.A Consultant
Sd/- Anubha Gupta W/o Mr. Amalendu Gupta 3211 Laverne, Houston, Texas 77080 U.S.A. Teacher	One Hundred (100) shares	Sd/-	Sd/- Kathy Hubbard, D/o Mr. Richard Hubbard, 8701, Town Park 3220, Houston, Texas 77036, U.S.A Consultant
Sd/- Rajinder Nath Kapur S/o Late Shri Niranjan Das Kapur D-2, West End, New Delhi-110021 Chartered Accountant	One Hundred (100) shares	Sd/-	Sd/- A. Venkateshwaran S/o R. Appasawamy Iyer 8, Lady Harding Road, New Delhi- 110001 Chartered Accountant M. No. 2144
TOTAL	Three Hundred (300) shares		

New Delhi dated this 19th day of June 1985