

NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION POLICY

1. Introduction:

Nomination and Remuneration Policy ("Policy") in compliance with Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") read along with the applicable rules thereto and Regulation 19 and other applicable regulations of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015, ("Listing Regulations") as amended from time to time this policy on Nomination and Remuneration of Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management has been formulated by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee ("NRC" or "the Committee") and has been approved by the Board of Directors.

2. Definitions:

"Remuneration" means any money or its equivalent given or passed to any person for services rendered by him and includes perquisites as defined under the Incometax Act, 1961;

"Key Managerial Personnel" means:

- i. The Chief Executive Officer or the Managing Director, or the Manager;
- ii. The Whole-time Director;
- iii. The Chief Financial Officer;
- iv. The Company Secretary; and
- v. such other officer as may be prescribed.

"Senior Managerial Personnel" mean the personnel of the company who are members of its core management team excluding Board of Directors comprising all members of management one level below the executive directors, including the functional heads.

"Independent Director" means a Director as specified in section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 16(b) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

3. Objective:

The objective of the policy is to ensure that:

- a. The level and composition of remuneration is reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate directors of the quality required to run the company successfully;
- b. Relationship of remuneration to performance is clear and meets appropriate performance benchmarks; and



c. Remuneration to Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management involves a balance between fixed and incentive pay reflecting short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the working of the company and its goal.

4. Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee shall comprise of three or more Non-Executive Directors out of which not less than one-half shall be independent directors.

The Board has authority to reconstitute this Committee from time to time.

5. Role of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee:

The role of the Committee will be the following:

- a. To formulate criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a Director.
- b. To evaluate the balance of skills, knowledge and experience on the Board and on the basis of such evaluation, prepare a description of the role and capabilities required of an Independent Directors.

For the purpose of identifying suitable candidates, the Committee may:

- 1. use the services of an external agencies, if required;
- 2. consider candidates from a wide range of backgrounds, having due regard to diversity; and
- 3. consider the time commitments of the candidates.
- c. To formulate criteria for evaluation of Independent Directors and the Board.
- d. To identify persons who are qualified to become Directors and who may be appointed in Senior Management in accordance with the criteria laid down in this policy.
- e. To carry out evaluation of Director's performance.
- f. To recommend to the Board the appointment and removal of Directors and Senior Management.
- g. To recommend to the Board policy relating to remuneration for Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management.
- h. To devise a policy on Board diversity, composition and size.



- i. Succession planning for replacing Key Executives and overseeing.
- j. To carry out any other function as is mandated by the Board from time to time and / or enforced by any statutory notification, amendment or modification, as may be applicable.
- k. To recommend to the board, all remuneration, in whatever form, payable to senior management.
- I. To perform such other functions as may be necessary or appropriate for the performance of its duties.

6. Appointment and Removal of Director, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management

- a. The Committee shall identify and ascertain the integrity, qualification, expertise and experience of the person for appointment as Director, Key Managerial Personnel or at Senior Management level and recommend his / her appointment, as per Company's Policy.
- b. A person should possess adequate qualification, expertise and experience for the position he /she is considered for appointment. The Committee has authority to decide whether qualification, expertise and experience possessed by a person is sufficient /satisfactory for the position.
- c. The Company shall not appoint or continue the employment of any person as Whole- time Director who has attained the age of seventy years. Provided that the term of the person holding this position may be extended beyond the age of seventy years with the approval of shareholders by passing a special resolution.

7. Term /Tenure

a. Managing Director/Whole-time Director:

The Company shall appoint or re-appoint any person as its Executive Chairman, Managing Director or Executive Director for a term not exceeding five years at a time. No re-appointment shall be made earlier than one year before the expiry of term.

b. **Independent Director:**

An Independent Director shall hold office for a term up to five consecutive years on the Board of the Company and will be eligible for re-appointment on



passing of a special resolution by the Company and disclosure of such appointment in the Board's report.

No Independent Director shall hold office for more than two consecutive terms of up to maximum of 5 years each, but such Independent Director shall be eligible for appointment after expiry of three years of ceasing to become an Independent Director.

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

At the time of appointment of Independent Director it should be ensured that number of Boards on which such Independent Director serves is restricted to seven Listed Companies as an Independent Director and three Listed Companies as an Independent Director in case such person is serving as a Whole-time Director of a Listed Company or such other number as may be prescribed under the Act.

c. **Evaluation**

The Committee shall carry out evaluation of performance of Director, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management Personnel yearly or at such intervals as may be considered necessary.

d. Removal

The Committee may recommend with reasons recorded in writing, removal of a Director, Key Managerial Personnel or Senior Management Personnel subject to the provisions and compliance of the Companies Act, 2013, rules and regulations and the policy of the Company.

e. Retirement

The Director, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management Personnel shall retire as per the applicable provisions of the Act and the prevailing policy of the Company. The Board will have the discretion to retain the Director, Key Managerial Personnel, Senior Management Personnel in the same position/ remuneration or otherwise even after attaining the retirement age, for the benefit of the Company.

f. Director's and Officer's Insurance



Where any insurance is taken by the Company on behalf of its Directors, Key Managerial Personnel / Senior Management Personnel for indemnifying them against any liability, the premium paid on such insurance shall not be treated as part of the remuneration payable to any such personnel unless otherwise specifically provided under the Act.

8. Policy for remuneration to Directors/ Key Managerial Personnel /Senior Management Personnel

1. Remuneration to Managing Director /Whole-time Directors:

- a. The Remuneration/ Commission etc. to be paid to Managing Director / Whole-time Directors, etc. shall be governed as per provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made there under or any other enactment for the time being in force and the approvals obtained from the Members of the Company.
- b. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee shall make such recommendations to the Board of Directors, as it may consider appropriate with regard to remuneration to Managing Director / Whole-time Directors.
- c. The Company shall provide such facilities as may be necessary in relation to perform his office duties and to attend operation and business of the Company. Remuneration paid to the Directors is mentioned in the Annual Report of the Company.

2. Remuneration to Non- Executive /Independent Directors:

- a. The Non-Executive / Independent Directors may receive sitting fees and such other remuneration as permissible under the provisions of Companies Act, 2013. The amount of sitting fees shall be such as may be recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.
- b. All the remuneration of the Non- Executive / Independent Directors (excluding remuneration for attending meetings as prescribed under Section 197 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013) shall be subject to ceiling/ limits as provided under Companies Act, 2013 and rules made there under or any other enactment for the time being in force. The amount of such remuneration shall be such as may be recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and approved by the Board of Directors or shareholders, as the case may be.
- c. An Independent Director shall not be eligible to get Stock Options and also shall not be eligible to participate in any share based payment schemes of the Company.



- d. Any remuneration paid to Non- Executive / Independent Directors for services rendered which are of professional in nature shall not be considered as part of the remuneration for the purposes of clause (b) above if the following conditions are satisfied:
 - i. The Services are rendered by such Director in his capacity as the professional; and
 - ii. In the opinion of the Committee, the director possesses the requisite qualification for the practice of that profession.
- e. Commission may be paid within the monetary limit approved by shareholders, subject to terms of Section 197 read with Section 198 of the Act.

3. Remuneration to Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management:

- a. The remuneration to Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management shall consist of fixed pay and may include incentive pay, in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and in accordance with the Company's Policy.
- b. The Fixed pay shall include monthly remuneration, employer's contribution to Provident Fund, contribution to pension fund, pension schemes, etc. as decided from time to time.
- c. The Incentive pay shall be decided based on the balance between performance of the Company and performance of the Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management, to be decided annually or at such intervals as may be considered appropriate.

9. Implementation

- a. The Committee may issue guidelines, procedures, formats, reporting mechanism and manuals in supplement and for better implementation of this policy as considered appropriate.
- b. The Committee may Delegate any of its powers to one or more of its members.

10. Amendments In the Policy

This Policy may be amended or substituted by the Committee as circumstances warrant. Modification / amendment / clarification shall be issued only by the Key Managerial Personnel in consultation with the Committee.

(This Policy was reviewed and modified on April 30, 2022.)