# Policy relating to remuneration for the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and other employees

### OBJECTIVE

The remuneration policy for members of the Board of Directors, Key Managerial Personals and Other Employees has been formulated pursuant to Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013, which strive to ensure:

i) the level and composition of remuneration is reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate directors of the quality required to run the Companysuccessfully;

ii) relationship of remuneration to performance is clear and meets appropriate performance benchmarks; and

iii) 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 itsgoals.

### **REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the Company comprises of Executive and Non-Executive Directors, for which separate policies have been framed:

- 1. Executive Directors comprising of Promoter Directors and Professional Directors;
- 2. Non-Executive Directors comprises of Promoter (Non Independent) Director and Independent Directors

### Remuneration of Executive Directors

#### Fixed remuneration:

All Executive Directors viz. Executive Chairman, Managing Director and Whole-time Director will have a component of Fixed Salary, which may be fixed for the whole tenure or in a graded pay scale basis. In addition, they will be entitled to usual perks which are normally offered to top level executives, such as Furnished/Unfurnished house / House Rent Allowance, Medical / Hospitalization reimbursement, Personal accident insurance, club fees, car with driver and retrial benefits including leave encashment at the end of the tenure.

#### Variable Components:

#### Incentives:

The Executive Directors shall be paid incentives as may be recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee or the Board of Directors subject to the approval of the

members in terms of Regulation 17(6)(e) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013, wherever applicable.

#### Commission:

Subject to the approval of the shareholders and within the overall limits prescribed in Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Executive Directors shall be paid commission based on nature of duties and responsibilities, as may be determined by the Board of Directors on year to year basis.

#### **Reimbursement of Expenses:**

Directors will be entitled for actual entertainment and travelling expenses incurred for business purposes.

The above payments shall be subject to such approvals as may be necessary under the Companies Act, 2013 and the Listing Agreement.

### **Remuneration of Non- Executive Directors:**

#### Fees:

Shall be entitled to fees for attending each Board and Committee Meetings as may be decided by the the Board, within the limit prescribed under the Rules made under the Companies Act, 2013. The fees may be on uniform basis, as the committee views that all directors effectively contribute to the benefit/growth of the Company.

Separate fees may be decided in respect of Board Meetings and Committee Meetings.

### Variable Components:

#### Commission:

Subject to the approval of the shareholders and within the overall limit of 1% as prescribed by the Companies Act, 2013, the Non-Executive Directors may be paid commission on a pro ratabasis,.

### Reimbursement of Expenses:

For Non-Executive Directors actual expenses in connection with Board and Committee Meetings are to be reimbursed. In addition, if a Non-Executive Director is travelling on Company's business, as permitted by the Board, he/she shall be entitled for his/her travelling and lodging expenses on actualbasis.

### Key Managerial Personnel:

Key Managerial Personnel shall be paid salary and perquisites, like other employees of the Company based on their qualification, job experience, as may be applicable and as may be applicable to the grade, to which they belong.

## Other Employees:

The Company has a performance management system in place in form of software, for assessing the performance and competence in order to fix the remuneration and determination of increments of the employees.

The Company has various grades starting from Officers Level to Senior Vice President. There are different departments like Marketing-Consumer Ware & Lab Ware, Finance, HR & Administration, Legal & Secretarial and IT, with departmental heads of each departments of the level of Vice President / General Manager with their respective teams/subordinates of different grades.

Initial remunerations are decided based on an employee's qualification, past experience, suitability for the job and the level for which the position is intended.

At the start of every financial year, organizational strategy is converted into department goals which further get converted as individual KRAs & Competencies. At the end of every financial year, individual performance is measured against these set KRAs & Competencies. The increments then are decided on the basis of 4 parameters, viz.

- 1) Individual Performance
- 2) OrganizationalPerformance
- 3) New year's budgeted OrganizationalPerformance
- 4) Industrybenchmark

The Promotions are decided broadly on the basis of three parameters viz. availability of promotable position, consistent performance, potential of the incumbent to grow to the next level.

### Loans / advances to employees:

The Company have policy for granting loan/advances to its employees containing such terms & conditions including regarding interest, as it may deem fit. The Company may in special cases grant loan/advances beyond the limit prescribed in the said policy. The Company may vary said policy from time to time.

# CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING QUALIFICATION, POSITIVE ATTRIBUTES AND INDEPENDENCE OF A DIRECTOR

### **I** QUALIFICATIONS

He/she shall possess appropriate skills, experience and knowledge in one or more fields of finance, law, management, sales, marketing, administration, research, corporate

governance, technical operations, or other disciplines related to Company's business.

The Company will have a blend of Directors comprising of entrepreneurs, professionals and those having administrative experience like ex-IAS officers.

## **II POSITIVE ATTRIBUTES**

- Clarity of vision
- Originality
- Objectively open to other people's ideas/points ofview.
- Is analytical, can get to the core issuequickly
- Challenges the statusquo
- A good communicator, both in one-to-one and groupsituations.
- Has the **courage** of their convictions particularly in troubledtimes.
- Is **clear on their direction** knows where they are heading and why, and how to getthere
- Minimises the casualties from theirdecisions
- Maintains focus on the strategic direction
- Has high standards of integrity and insists on the same fromothers
- Intellect has a high level of intelligence
- Exercises sound judgement particularly underpressure
- Knows the **questions toask**
- Is a good **listener**, emotionally as well
- Is **numerate** can read and understand financialstatements
- Has a healthy **self-esteem** but does not believe they areinfallible
- Is **strategic** in thinking and outlook but is also aware that successful implementation is what counts
- Understands the 'value proposition' of thebusiness
- Is visionary can see the big picture and read futuretrends
- Fun to work with i.e. should have good working relationship with other Board Members.
- Can make substantial contributions by taking part in deliberations during Meetings.

## **III CRITERIA FORINDEPENDENCE**

An independent director, means a director other than a managing director or a whole-time director or a nominee director,—

(*a*) who, in the opinion of the Board, is a person of integrity and possesses relevant expertise and experience;

(*b*) (*i*) who is or was not a promoter of the company or its holding, subsidiary orassociate company;

(*ii*) who is not related to promoters or directors in the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company;

(c) who has or had no pecuniary relationship with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or their promoters, or directors, during the twoimmediately preceding

financial years or during the current financial year;

(*d*) none of whose relatives has or had pecuniary relationship or transactionwith the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or their promoters, ordirectors, amounting to two per cent. or more of its gross turnover or total income orfifty lakh rupees or such higher amount as may be prescribed, whichever is lower, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financialyear;

(e) who, neither himself nor any of his relatives-

(*i*) holds or has held the position of a key managerial personnel or is orhas been employee of the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate

company in any of the three financial years immediately preceding the financialyear in which he is proposed to be appointed;

(*ii*) is or has been an employee or proprietor or a partner, in any of thethree financial years immediately preceding the financial year in which he isproposed to be appointed, of—

(*A*) a firm of auditors or company secretaries in practice or cost auditors of the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate company; or

(*B*) any legal or a consulting firm that has or had any transaction with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company amounting to ten per cent. or more of the gross turnover of such firm;

(*iii*) holds together with his relatives two per cent or more of the totalvoting power of the company; or

(*iv*) is a Chief Executive or director, by whatever name called, of any non-profitorganisation that receives twenty-five per cent. or more of its receipts from the company, any of its promoters, directors or its holding, subsidiary or associatecompany or that holds two per cent. or more of the total voting power of the company; or

(*f*) who possesses such other qualifications as may be prescribed.