

CHAIRMAN SHRI ANAND KUMAR AGARWAL

DIRECTORS SHRI K. ARYA

DR. DEBASIS SENGUPTA
SHRI ASHOKE K. DUTTA
DR. ASHOK AGARWAL
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR JAIN
DR. PADAM CHAND AGARWAL

SHRI ASHOK SURANA

MANAGING DIRECTOR SHRI ASHISH AGARWAL

SECRETARY SHRI A. K. THIRANI

AUDITORS M/S. AGARWAL KEJRIWAL & CO.

Chartered Accountants

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### **NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the 38th Annual General Meeting of the Members of **ABC India Limited** will be held on Saturday the 24th day of September, 2011 at Vishwaratna Hotel, Onkar Plaza, A. T. Road, Guwahati – 781001, Assam at 1:00 PM to transact the following business:

### **Ordinary Business:**

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the Accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March, 2011, the Balance Sheet ,Profit and Loss Account at that date and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- To sanction declaration of dividend.
- 3. To appoint a Director in place of Shri Vijay Kumar Jain, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 4. To appoint a Director in place of Dr. Padam Chand Agarwal, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 5. To appoint a Director in place of Shri Ashok Surana , who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 6. To appoint Auditors of the Company and to fix their remuneration.

For this purpose to consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modification, the following Resolution as Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED that Messers. Agarwal Kejriwal & Company, Chartered Accountants, be and are hereby reappointed as the Auditors of the Company to hold office from the conclusion of the 38th Annual General Meeting to the conclusion of the 39th Annual General Meeting.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that subject to approval of the Audit Committee, Sri A. K. Agarwal, Chairman is hereby authorised to fix the remuneration of the Auditors".

### **Special Business:**

### 7. To consider and if thought fit to pass, with or without modification, the following resolution as Special Resolution:

"RESOLVED that pursuant to the provisions of section 198, 269 and 309 read with Schedule XIII and other applicable provisions, if any of the Companies Act, 1956, and subject to approval by the Central Government, as approved by the Remuneration Committee consent of the company be and is hereby accorded that the terms and conditions relating to remuneration of appointment of Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal, Chairman be modified and varied w.e.f. 01.09.2011 for the remaining tenure of his existing appointment ending on 31.05.2013 as follows:

- a. Salary
   Bs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand only) per month with annual increment @
   Rs.50,000/- per month effective from 1st day of April each year.
- b. Perquisites
   i. In addition to salary, he shall be entitled to perquisites, which shall be valued as per the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961, and which unless the context otherwise requires, are classified into two categories A & B as follows:
  - A. (i) Housing: Monthly House Rent Allowance @ 50% of Salary or Rent Free Accommodation in lieu thereof.
    - (ii) Provision of Electricity at residential accommodation.
    - (iii) Reimbursement of Medical expenses incurred for self and family subject to a maximum of Rs.75,000/(Rupees Seventy Five Thousand only) per year.
    - (iv) Reimbursement of the cost of Individual Mediclaim Policy for self and family subject to a maximum of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) per year.

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- (v) Reimbursement of the cost of overseas health & related insurance subject to a maximum of Rs. 10,000/(Rupees Ten Thousand only) per year.
- (vi) Cost of Personal Accident Insurance subject to a maximum of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) per year.
- (vii) Fees of clubs, subject to a maximum of two clubs. This will not include admission and life membership fees.
- (viii) Provision of Car with driver for use on Company's business.
- 3. (i) Contribution to provident fund, superannuation fund or annuity fund to the extent these are singly or put together are not taxable under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
  - (ii) Gratuity payable at a rate not exceeding half a month's salary for each completed year of service payable at the end of his tenure, and
  - (iii) Encashment of leave at the end of tenure.

### General terms and conditions:

- i. The office of the Chairman may be terminated by the Company or the concerned Director by giving the other 3 (three) months' prior notice in writing.
- ii. The terms and conditions set out for appointment and payment of remuneration herein may be altered and varied by the Board, as it may, from time to time, deem fit.

#### **Overall Remuneration:**

Above remuneration shall be subject to an overall limit of 5% of the net profits individually, and 10% of the net profits collectively to all the Managerial Personnel, as calculated in accordance with Section 198 and 309 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 read with Schedule XIII thereto, as may for the time being in force.

# Minimum Remuneration :

Where in any financial year during the currency of tenure of Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal, the Company has no profits or its profits are inadequate, it may pay him remuneration by way of salary and perquisites and other allowances as above in terms of Paragraph 1 (C) of Part II of Schedule XIII to the Companies Act, 1956.

8. To consider and if thought fit to pass, with or without modification, the following resolution as Special Resolution:

**RESOLVED** that pursuant to the provisions of Sections 198, 269, 309 read with Schedule XIII thereto and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 1956, and subject to approval by the Central Government as approved by the Remuneration Committee consent of the Company be and is hereby accorded for re-apointment of Shri Ashish Agarwal, as Managing Director w.e.f. 1st August, 2011 for a period of 3 years on the terms and condition given below:

- a. Salary
   Bs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs only) per month with annual increment @ Rs.50,000/- per month effective from 1st day of April each year.
- b. Perquisites : In addition to salary, he shall be entitled to perquisites, which shall be valued as per the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961, and which unless the context otherwise requires, are classified into two categories A & B as follows:
  - A. (i) Housing : Monthly House Rent Allowance @ 50% of Salary or Rent Free Accommodation in lieu thereof.
    - (ii) Provision of Electricity at the residential accommodation.
    - (iii) Reimbursement of Medical expenses incurred for self and family subject to a maximum of Rs.15,000/(Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) per year.

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- (iv) Reimbursement of the cost of Individual Mediclaim Policy for self and family subject to a maximum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) per year.
- (v) Reimbursement of Cost of overseas health & related insurance subject to a maximum of Rs.10,000/(Rupees Ten Thousand only) per year.
- (vi) Reimbursement of the cost of Personal Accident Insurance subject to a maximum of Rs.24,000/-(Rupees Twenty Four Thousand only) per year.
- (vii) Fees of clubs, subject to a maximum of two clubs. This will not include admission and life membership fees.
- (viii) Provision of car with driver for use on Company's business.
- B. (i) Contribution to provident fund, superannuation fund or annuity fund to the extent these are singly or put together are not taxable under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
  - (ii) Gratuity payable at a rate not exceeding half a month's salary for each completed year of service and,
  - (iii) Encashment of leave at the end of tenure.

#### General terms and conditions:

The office of the Managing Director may be terminated by the Company or the concerned Director by giving the other 3 (three) months' prior notice in writing.

The terms and conditions set out for appointment and payment of remuneration herein may be altered and varied by the Board, as it may, from time to time, deem fit.

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Kolkata the 9th day of August, 2011 By order of the Board
A. K. Thirani
Company Secretary

### NOTES:

- a. A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE MEETING IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND VOTE INSTEAD OF HIMSELF/HERSELF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY. THE INSTRUMENT APPOINTING PROXY SHOULD, HOWEVER, BE DEPOSITED AT THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY NOT LESS THAN FORTY EIGHT HOURS BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING.
- An explanatory statement pursuant to section 173 (2) of the Companies Act, 1956 relating to special business to be transacted at the meeting is appended hereto.
- c. Re-appointment of Directors :

At the ensuing Annual General Meeting, Shri Vijay Kumar Jain, Dr. Padam Chand Agarwal and Shri. Ashok Surana retires by rotation and being eligible offer himself for reappointment. The information or details pertaining to the

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Directors to be provided in terms of Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchanges are furnished in the Statement on Corporate Governance.

- The Company has already transferred all unclaimed dividends declared upto the financial year 1999-2000 to the d. Investor Education and Protection Fund (the IEPF) established by the Central Government.
- Corporate Members intending to send their authorised representatives are requested to send a duly certified copy of the Board Resolution authorising their representatives to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- Consequent upon the introduction of Section 109A of the Companies Act, 1956, Shareholders are entitled to make f. nomination in respect of shares hold by them in physical form. Shareholders desirous of making nominations are requested to send their requests in Form 2B (which will be made available on request) to the Registrar and Transfer Agents M/s. MCS Limited, 77/2A Hazra Road, Kolkata - 700 029.
- The Register of Member and Transfer Books in respect of the Equity Shares of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 19th day of September, 2011 to Friday, the 23rd day of September, 2011, both days Inclusive for the purpose of Annual General Meeting and Dividend.
- Dividend, if declared at the meeting will be paid on or after 1st day of October, 2011 to those shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members of the Company or in the Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as at the closing of business hours on 16th day of September, 2011.
- Equity shares of the company are available for dematerialisation both with the National Securities Depository Limited and Central Depository Services India Ltd.
- Shareholders holding shares in dematerilised form would receive their dividend directly to the Bank account nominated by them to their Depository Participant as per SEBI directives.
- The Company has appointed M/s. MCS Ltd., 77/2A Hazra Road, Kolkata 700 029 as its Registrar and Transfer Agent. Members holding shares in physical form are requested to notify/send any changes in their address to its Registrar and Transfer Agent to facilitate better service.

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 173(2) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956:**

### Item No. 7

Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal is serving the Company as Chairman. His existing terms of remuneration are considered inadequate and the same are proposed to be modified and varied as set out in the proposed resolution which has been approved by the Remuneration Committee and require approval by the shareholders at a General Meeting by a Special Resolution and approval by Central Government. A statement giving information in terms of clause (iv) to Paragraph 1 (C) of Part II of the Schedule XIII to the Companies Act, 1956 is as follows:

## **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

(1)	Nature of Industry	Multi-model transportation services
(2)	Date of commencement of commercial production	1972-1973
(3)	In case of new companies, expected date of commencement of activities as per project approval by financial institutions appearing in the prospectus	Not applicable as an existing company.

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# (4) Financial performance based on given indicators (Rs. in Lakhs)

Year ending 31st March	Turnover	Profit before Taxation & Depreciation	Profit be	fore Taxation	Profit after Taxation
2011	20732	1268		848	553
2010	14677	409		169	108
2009	16364	834		606	426
2008	14010	475		284	170
2007	11174	341		161	133
(5)	Export Performance and net foreign exchange collaboration		Earning in foreign exchange in the Financial Year 2010-2011 Rs.53,72,084/-		
(6)	Foreign investments or collaboration, if any.		The Company has 24% interest in Nissin ABC Logistics Limited, a joint venture with Nissin Corporation, Japan.		

# INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPOINTEE:

(1)	Background details	He has been with the Company since its incorporation. Qualified B.Com, and aged about 58 years, he has rich experience of over 39 years in the business of the Company.
(2)	Past Remuneration	Basic Salary of Rs.24,00,000/-, Rs.21,60,000./- and Rs.16,40,000/- and other perquisites as per his terms of appointment annually in Financial Year 2010-11, 2009-10 and 2008-09 respectively.
(3)	Recognition or awards	None in particular as recognised and awarded several times for specific achievements by the Company.
(4)	Job profile & his suitability	His Job profile shall include devoting whole time attention to the Management & Administration of the affairs of the Company and exercises powers subject to the superintendence, direction and control of the Board of Directors and Chairman. With Valuable contributions made by him to the company during his hitherto association with the company, he has been considered perfectly suitable for his job profile.
(5)	Remuneration proposed	Salary Rs.2,50,000/- per month and other perquisites as spelt out in the explanatory statement hereinabove.
(6)	Comparative remuneration profile with respect to industry, size of company, profile of the position and person.	The remuneration proposed is in consonance with respect to industry, size of company, profile of the position and the person.
(7)	Pecuniary relationship directly or indirectly with the company, or relationship with the managerial personnel, if any	Apart from salary and perquisites to be received from the Company, he has interest in the Company as promoter with substantial holdings. He is related to Shri Ashish Agarwal, Managing Director and Dr. Ashok Kumar Agarwal, Director

# OTHER INFORMATION:

Reasons of loss or inadequate profits. Steps taken or proposed to be taken for	There is profit in the Company at present, but as abundant caution, this information is being provided to the shareholders for payment of minimum
improvement Expected increase in productivity and profits in measurable terms	remuneration to Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal, in case of no profit or inadequate profit in any financial year.

### **DISCLOSURES:**

Remuneration package offered to Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal, Managing Director, is as per the above resolution.

Other disclosures in terms of clause IV (2) of paragraph 1-C of Section - II of Part II of schedule XIII to the Companies Act, 1956 are being provided in the Corporate Governance Report attached to the Board of Director's Report.

None of the Directors are concerned or interested in this resolution except Shri Anand Kumar Agarwal himself, Shri Ashish Kumar Agarwal, Managing Director and Dr. Ashok Kumar Agarwal who are related to each other.

### Item No. 8

The present terms of appointment of Shri Ashish Agarwal as Managing Director expires on 31.07.2011. As his services are continuously required by the Company, it isa proposed to reappoint him for another period 3 years. His reappointment and the terms and conditions thereof are as set out in the proposed resolution which have been approved by the Remuneration Committee and require approval by the shareholders at a General Meeting by a Special Resolution and approval by the Central Government. A statement giving information in terms of clause (iv) to Paragraph 1 (C) of Part II of the Schedule XIII to the Companies Act, 1956 is as follows:

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## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPOINTEE:**

(1)	Background details	He is serving the Company for past 3 years as Managing Director. During this period he has gained rich experience in the Management and Administration of Company's business. He is a qualified B.A. (Economics), and aged about 32 years.	
(2)	Past Remuneration	Basic Salary of Rs.17,40,000/- in Financial Year 2010-11 and Rs.14,40,000/- in Financial Year 2009-10 and other perquisites as per his terms of appointment as Managing Director	
(3)	Recognition or awards	None in particular as recognised and awarded several times for specific achievements by the Company.	

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(4)	Job profile & his suitability	His job profile shall include devoting whole time attention to the Management & Administration of the affairs of the Company and exercises powers subject to the superintendence, direction and control of the Board of Directors and Chairman. With valuable contributions made by him to the Company during his hitherto association with the Company, he has been considered perfectly suitable for his job profile.	
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Steps taken or proposed to be taken for	information is being provided to the shareholders for payment of minimum
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### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The Directors have pleasure in presenting the 38th Annual Report of the Company together with Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2011:

(Rs. in Lacs)

FINANCIAL RESULTS	As on 31.03.2011	Previous Year
Turnover	20732	14677
Profit before Taxation and Depreciation	1268	410
Depreciation	420	241
(Net of depreciation on revalued assets transferred from Capital Reserve)		
Profit before Taxation	848	169
Provision for Taxation	295	61
Profit after taxation	553	108
Add: Balance of Profit & Loss Account brought forward	884	865
		973
Less: Tax adjustment for earlier year	4	28
Profit available for appropriation	1433	945
Appropriation :		
Proposed Dividend	81	27
Tax on proposed dividend	14	4
Transfer to General Reserve	300	30
Balance carried forward to Balance Sheet	1038	884

### **SERVICES AND EARNINGS**

Company's total earnings including other income for the year amounted to Rs. 20732 lacs as compared with the previous year total earnings of Rs.14677 lacs.

### DIVIDEND

The Directors recommend for your approval for payment of dividend @ Rs.1.50 per Equity Share of Rs.10/- each for the year ending 31.03.2011. (Previous year Rs.0.50 per Equity Share). The total amount of dividend (including Dividend Tax thereon) would amount to Rs. 95 lacs (Previous year 31 lacs).

## OUTLOOK

During the year under review, the Company could materialse results from its improved capabilities and sustained marketing efforts for its activities in providing logistics solutions to its customers. There was good demand for Company's service in the year with growing industrialisation in North East India. The Company is continuously working towards reaping its business from ongoing as well as new projects in major infrastructure sector. However, performance of the company in current year and coming years shall largely depend on continuity of industrial projects, and successful completion of jobs in hand.

Project Cargo Division was successful in converting its strength into business. Petrol Pump segment has shown satisfactory performance. The Company expects to improve its performance in all segments in coming year.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

The Company continued to train and develop its human resources to meet the challenges of growing quality perspective and logistic requirement of the customers. In view of increased competition, the human resources of the company are being geared up to deliver better quality and specialised services both to meet the competition and to satisfy customer requests..

# **EMPLOYEES STOCK OPTION SCHEME, 2007**

Member's approval was obtained at the Annual General Meeting held on July 31, 2007 for introduction of Employees Stock Option Scheme.