# 55<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REPORT 2014 - 2015



**ACROW INDIA LIMITED** 

# **Acrow India Limited**

55th Annual Report

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Mr. Harshavardhan B. Doshi Chairman

Mr. Nihal H. Doshi Director

Mr. Narayan Varma Independent Director
Mr. Vikram Bhat Independent Director
Mr. Ashok S. Ashtekar Independent Director

(Expired on 25th December 2014)

Mrs. Ramola S. Mahajani Independent Director

(Appointed on 8th July 2015)

AUDITORS M/s V. Sankar Aiyar & Co.

Chartered Accountants

SOLICITORS M/s Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Caroe

BANKERS Bank of Baroda

REGISTRAR & SHARE TRANSFER AGENT Freedom Registry Ltd.

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# **NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty fifth Annual General Meeting of the members of Acrow India Ltd will be held on Tuesday, 8th September 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at Krida Mandal Hall, Ravalagon – 423108, Taluka Malegaon, District Nashik, Maharashtra, to transact the following business:

#### **Ordinary Business**

- To consider and adopt the audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March 2015 along with the reports
  of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To approve annual ratification of appointment of Auditors and pass with or without modifications(s), the following as an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to provisions of Sections 139, 142 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, the appointment of M/s V. Sankar Aiyar and Co., Chartered Accountants (Registration No. 109208W), as the Statutory Auditors of the Company be and is hereby ratified by the shareholders, to hold office from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company at such remuneration as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Company."

3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Nihal Doshi who retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for reappointment.

# **Special Business**

1. To appoint Mrs. Ramola Mahajani (DIN: 00613428) as an Independent Director and in this regard, to consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 149 and 152 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactments(s) thereof, for the time being in force) and Clause 49 of Listing Agreement, Mrs. Ramola Mahajani, who qualifies for being appointed as an Independent Director and being appointed as an Additional Director by the Board of Directors of the Company pursuant to the provisions of Section 161 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Articles of Association of the Company and who holds office up to the date of this Annual General Meeting, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation and to hold office for 5 (five) consecutive years for a term up to July 7, 2020."

# By Order of the Board of Directors

#### H. B. Doshi

Chairman

29th May 2015

# **Registered Office:**

Plot No 2 & 3, Ravalgaon – 423108, Taluka Malegaon, District – Nashik, Maharashtra, India CIN: L13100MH1960PLC011601

#### NOTES:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of himself and such proxy need not be a member of the company. Proxies in order to be effective must be received by the Company at its Registered office not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting. A person can act as a proxy on behalf of members not exceeding fifty and holding in the aggregate not more than ten percent of the total share capital of the company carrying voting rights. A member holding more than ten percent of the total share capital of the Company carrying voting rights may appoint a single person as proxy and such person shall not act as a proxy for any other person or shareholder.
- 2 The business set out in the Notice will be transacted through electronic voting system and the Company is providing facility for voting by electronic means. Instructions and other information relating to e-voting are given on Page No. 4 EVSN 150727009.
- 3. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Wednesday, 2nd September 2015 to Tuesday, 8th September 2015 (both days inclusive)
- Members holding shares in physical form are requested to notify immediately details of any change / correction in their address, bank 4. particulars etc. to the Company's Registrars and Share Transfer Agents. Members holding shares in demat account (electronic form) may notify any change to the Depository Participant.
- 5. The Company has transferred the unpaid or unclaimed dividends declared upto financial years 2006-2007, from time to time on due dates, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) established by the Central Government. Pursuant to provisions of IEPF (Uploading of information regarding unpaid and unclaimed amounts lying with companies) Rules, 2012, the Company has uploaded the details of upaid and unclaimed amounts lying with the Company as on 15th July 2014 (date of last Annual General Meeting) on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. The shareholders are requested to note that no claim shall lie against the Company or the said IEPF after the transfer of unclaimed dividend to the fund.
- 6. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has mandated the submission of Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in securities market. Members holding shares in electronic form are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN to their Depository Participants with whom they are maintaining there demat accounts. Members holding shares in physical form can submit their PAN to Company or Freedom Registry Ltd.
- At the ensuing Annual General Meeting, Director Mr. Nihal Doshi retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-appointment. 7. The information pertaining to the Director to be provided vide Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement with Stock Exchange are given below:

Name of Director	Mr. Nihal Doshi
Date of Birth	09/10/1983
Experience in specific areas and position held	Ten years of experience in finance and Five years of experience in management
Qualification	B.Sc, magna cum laude, in economics from The Wharton School at The University of Pennsylvania, USA
Directorship in other companies (Excluding Foreign Companies)	Three
Shareholding	Nil

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

The following Explanatory Statement sets out all the material facts relating to the Special Business mentioned in the accompanying notice:

Item No: 1

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act, appointment of a Mrs. Ramola Mahajani, Independent Director, requires approval of members.

The Board of Directors has proposed Mrs. Ramola Mahajani to be appointed as an Independent Director of the Company. Mrs. Mahajani is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of Section 164 of the Companies Act, 2013 and has given her consent to act as a Director. The Company has received a declaration from Mrs. Mahajani that she meets the criteria of Independence as prescribed both under Section 149 of the Act and under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement. Mrs. Mahajani is independent of the management and possesses appropriate skills, experience and knowledge.

Mrs Mahajani has completed a Master of Arts in Applied Psychology, University of Bombay and a Master of Science with Advanced Applied Psychology, University of Aston in Birmingham, UK. She is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society and a Chartered Psychologist. Her areas of expertise include application of the principles of Occupational Psychology in Employee Selection, Training, Management Development and HR Planning. She has over 40 years of experience in Human Resources Development as Management Professional. Keeping in view her vast experience and knowledge, it is in interest of the company to appoint Mrs. Mahajani as an Independent Director of the Company. She does not hold any shares of the Company in her name. The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 1 of the Notice under Special Business for approval of the members.

#### By Order of the Board of Directors

H. B. Doshi

Chairman

29th May 2015

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# INFORMATION AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO E-VOTING.

The instructions for shareholders voting electronically are as under:

- 1. The voting period begins on 4th September 2015 on 10:00 hours and ends on 7th September 2015 at 17:00 hours. During this period shareholders' of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date (record date) of 1st September 2015, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- 2. The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
- 3. Click on Shareholders.
- Now Enter your User ID
  - a. For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
  - b. For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
  - c. Members holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
- Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.com and voted on an earlier voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- 7. If you are a first time user follow the steps given below:

	For Members holding shares in Demat Form and Physical Form	
PAN	Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)	
	Members who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the first two letters of their name and the 8 digits of the sequence number in the PAN field.	
	In case the sequence number is less than 8 digits enter the applicable number of 0's before the number after the first two characters of the name in CAPITAL letters. Eg. If your name is Ramesh Kumar with sequence number 1 then enter RA00000001 in the PAN field.	
DOB	Enter the Date of Birth as recorded in your demat account or in the company records for the said demat account or folio in dd/mm/yyyy format.	
Dividend Bank Details	Enter the Dividend Bank Details as recorded in your demat account or in the company records for the said demat account or folio.	
Note	Please enter the DOB or Dividend Bank Details in order to login.	
	If the details are not recorded with the depository or company please enter the member ID / folio number in the Dividend Bank details field as mentioned in instruction 4	

- 8. After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- 9. Members holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, members holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- 10. For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- 11. Click on the EVSN for the Acrow India Ltd.
- 12. On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
- 13. Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- 14. After selecting the resolution you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- 15. Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- 16. You can also take out print of the voting done by you by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- 17. If Demat account holder has forgotten the same password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- 18. Note for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians
  - a. Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodian are required to log on to www.evotingindia.com and register themselves as Corporate.
  - b. A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.
  - c. After receiving the login details a compliance user should be created using the admin login and password. The Compliance user would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
  - d. The list of accounts should be mailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.
  - e. A scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.
- 19. In case you have any queries or issues regarding e-voting, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and e-voting manual available at www.evotingindia.com, under help section or write an email to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Dear Members,

Your Directors present the 55th Annual Report together with the Audited Financial Statement of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March 2015.

#### 1. FINANCIAL RESULTS

Particulars	Year ended 31st March 2015 (Rs. in lacs)	Year ended 31st March 2014 (Rs. in lacs)
Sales and Other Income	103.17	50.95
Operating Profit	(7.12)	(36.83)
Less: Interest and Finance Charges	0.63	1.87
Less: Depreciation	30.00	31.37
Profit Before Exceptional Items	(23.51)	(70.07)
Exceptional Items:		
Profit on Sales of Assets	263.75	-
Profit Before Tax After Exceptional Items	240.24	(70.07)
Less: Provision for Tax:		
Current Tax	44.09	_
Deferred Tax Credit / (Debit)	67.27	(5.32)
Tax for Earlier Years	-	-
Profit After Tax	128.88	(64.75)
Add: Balance Brought Forward from Previous Year	106.38	181.62
Balance Available for Appropriation	235.26	116.87
Appropriations:		
Proposed Dividend	-	_
Corporate Dividend Tax	-	_
Transfer to General Reserve	-	_
Balance Carried to Balance Sheet	235.26	116.87

# 2. OPERATIONS

The Company has been engaged in the manufacture of engineering items namely equipment for the Sugar industry. However, it has temporarily stopped manufacturing operations to revisit the costing of its products.

# 3. DIVIDEND

Your Directors do not recommend any dividend on the equity shares for the year ended 31st March 2015.

#### 4. TRANSFER TO RESERVES

The Company has proposed not to transfer any amount to General Reserve.

# 5. DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT:

Pursuant to Section 134 (3)(c) of the Companies Act, 2013, the Directors' confirm that:

- In the preparation of Annual Accounts, the applicable Accounting Standards have been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures.
- The directors had selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the financial year and of the profit and loss account of the Company for that year.
- Proper and sufficient care has been taken for maintaining adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities.
- 4. The Annual Accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.
- The company has followed a proper internal financial control and that such internal financial controls are adequate and were operating effectively.
- 6. A system has been devised to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

#### 6. FIXED DEPOSITS

The Company has not accepted any deposits within the meaning of Section 73(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder.

#### 7. EXTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURN

The extract of Annual Return of the Company is annexed herewith as Annexure 1 of this Report.

#### 8. CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION

The particulars relating to conservation of energy, technology absorption, foreign exchange earnings and outgo, as required to be disclosed under the Act, are provided in Annexure 2 to this Report.

# 9. PARTICULARS REGARDING DIRECTORS, KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL AND REMUNERATION PAID TO DIRCTOR AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL.

Disclosures pertaining to remuneration and other details as required under Section 197(12) of the Act read with Rules forms part of the Report. None of the employees of the Company is drawing remuneration in excess of the limits prescribed under the Act and Rules forming part thereof.

# 10. STATEMENT ON DECLARATION GIVEN BY THE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Section 149 (4) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 the Central Government has prescribed that your Company shall have minimum two Independent Directors.

Your company has following Independent Directors:

Sr. No.	Name of the Independent Director	Date of appointment / reappointment	Date of passing of Special resolution, if any
1.	Mr. Ashok Ashtekar*	15/07/2014	15/07/2014
2.	Mr. Narayan Varma	15/07/2014	15/07/2014
3.	Mr. Vikram Bhat	15/07/2014	15/07/2014
4.	Mrs. Ramola Mahajani	08/07/2015	In the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

<sup>\*</sup> Mr. Ashok Ashtekar expired on 25th December 2014.

All the above Independent Directors meet the criteria of 'independence' prescribed under section 149(6) and have submitted declaration to the effect that they meet with the criteria of independence as required under section 149 (7) of the Companies Act, 2013.

# 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION

The company has entered into transactions with related parties in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the particulars of the contracts or arrangements with related parties referred to in Section 188 (1), as prescribed in Form AOC-2 of the rules prescribed under Chapter IX relating to Accounts of Companies under the Companies Act, 2013 is appended as Annexure 3 of the Report. Your Directors draw attention of the members to Note 30 to the financial statement, which sets out related party disclosures.

# 12. MEETINGS OF BOARD

Five meetings of the Board of Directors were held during the year. Details are as under:

Sr. No	Date of the Meeting	Directors Present	Directors to whom Leave of Absence was granted
1.	08/05/2014	Mr. H. B. Doshi Mr. Nihal Doshi Mr Narayan Varma Mr Vikram Bhat	Mr. Ashok Ashtekar
2.	13/08/2014	Mr. H. B. Doshi Mr. Nihal Doshi Mr Narayan Varma Mr Vikram Bhat Mr. Ashok Ashtekar	-
3.	13/11/2014	Mr. H. B. Doshi Mr. Nihal Doshi Mr Narayan Varma Mr Vikram Bhat	Mr. Ashok Ashtekar
4.	15/01/2015	Mr. H. B. Doshi Mr. Nihal Doshi Mr Narayan Varma Mr Vikram Bhat	-

Sr. No	Date of the Meeting	Directors Present	Directors to whom Leave of Absence was granted
5.	05/02/2015	Mr. H. B. Doshi	-
		Mr Narayan Varma	
		Mr Vikram Bhat	

#### 13. CHANGE IN DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL

Sr. No	Name of the Director	Particulars	Date of change
1.	Mr. Ashok Ashtekar	Cessation due to death	25 <sup>th</sup> December 2015
2.	Mrs Ramola Mahajani	Appointment as Independent Director	8 <sup>th</sup> July 2015

# 14. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

As per the requirements of SEBI regarding Listing Agreement and further with reference to Circular dated September 2014 stating amendment as, "The Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement shall be applicable to all companies whose equity shares are listed on a recognized stock exchange. However, compliance with the provisions of Clause 49 shall not be mandatory, for the time being, in respect of the following class of companies, i.e. companies having paid up equity share capital not exceeding Rs. 10 crore and Net Worth not exceeding Rs. 25 crores, as on the last day of the previous financial year." Since the Company's net worth does not exceed the said limit, the Corporate Governance report is not prepared.

#### 15. AUDITORS AND AUDIT REPORT

M/s V. Sankar Aiyar and Co., Chartered Accountants, Statutory Auditors of your company, retires at the ensuing Annual General Meeting and is eligible for reappointment. The Auditors have confirmed their eligibility to the effect that their re-appointment, if made, would be within the prescribed limits under the Act and that they are not disqualified for re-appointment. There are no qualifications, reservation or adverse remarks or disclaimers made by the statutory Auditors of the Company in their Report.

# 16. COST AUDITORS

With reference to the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules 2014, as prescribed by the Central Government in Sub-sections (1) and (2) of Section 469 and Section 148 of the companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), the Company is not covered under amended rules of the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014, Rule 3(ii) for maintenance of Cost records with effect from financial year 2014-15.

#### 17. SECRETARIAL AUDITORS

The Board has appointed M/s. Bipin Raje and Associates as Secretarial Auditors of the Company, according to the provisions of Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 for conducting Secretarial Audit of the Company for the financial year 2014-2015. The Secretarial Audit Report for the financial year ended 31st March 2015 is annexed herewith.

Additionally, the Secretarial Auditors have made the following observations:

1. "The Company has not complied with provisions of Section 203 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014".

The Board has taken note of the same and efforts are being made to recruit suitable candidates at the earliest. At present, Mr. Snehal Shah, Group CFO, has been looking after the finance functions of the Company. Similarly Ms. Neha Oza has been looking after the secretarial functions of the Company.

2. "With the coming into force of the Companies Act, 2013, several regulations of the Articles of Association of the Company require alterations or deletions as they are based on the Companies Act, 1956, or contain specific reference thereto. The Company has, so far, not carried out such modifications / deletions or adoption of new set of Articles."

The Board has taken note of the observation.

#### 18. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company has set in motion a system for management of risk associated with the orderly functioning of the Company. The Audit Committee has been mandated the accountability for integration of risk management practices into day to day activities.

#### 19. INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS

The Company has in place adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements. During the year, such controls were tested and no reportable material weakness in the design or operations was observed.

# 20. VIGIL MECHANISM

Your company believes in promoting a fair, transparent, ethical and professional work environment. The Board of Directors of the Company has established a Whistle Blower Policy under Vigil the Mechanism in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Listing Agreement for reporting the genuine concerns or grievances or concerns of actual or suspected fraud or violation of the Company's Code of Conduct.

# 21. DISCLOSURE UNDER THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013

No case of sexual harassment was reported during the year.

# 22. PARTICULARS OF LOANS GIVEN, INVESTMENTS MADE, GUARANTEES GIVEN AND SECURITIES PROVIDED.

Particulars of loans given, Investments made and Guarantees given and Securities provided are given in the financial statements and notes to accounts.

Your Director take this opportunity to place on record their sincere appreciation for the timely assistance and cooperation extended by Financial Institutions, Company's Bankers and various Government Agencies / Bodies and look forward to receive their continued support. Your Directors also wish to place on record their appreciation for the cooperation extended / services rendered by the workmen, staff, executives, dealers, customers and all others concerned. Your Directors also express thanks to the shareholders for their support to and confidence reposed in the Company.

# For ACROW INDIA LTD.

# H. B. Doshi

Chairman

29th May 2015

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