

24th ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17

AVON LIFESCIENCES LIMITED

(Formerly Avon Organics Ltd) CIN: L24110TG1993PLC016112

Regd. Off.: Survey No. 18, Yawapur Village, Sadasivpet Mandal, Medak Dist., Telangana - 502 291.

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Board of Directors Mr. Ajit Kamath, Non Executive Chairman

Mr. Rajendra Kaimal, Non-Executive Director

Registered Office Survey No. 18, Yawapur Village, Sadasivpet Mandal,

Medak Dist., Telangana - 502 291.

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Statutory Auditors M/s. Mukesh Mehta & Associates,

Chartered Accountants,

320, Hammersmith Ind. Premises, Narayan Pathare Marg, Off Sitladevi Temple Road, Mahim (W), Mumbai - 400 016

Manufacturing Facilities 1. Survey No. 18, Yawapur Village, Sadasivpet Mandal, Medak

Dist., Telangana - 502 291. (Non-operational)

2. Plot No. E-2, Chincholi Industrial Area Solapur, Maharastra

Bankers State Bank of India

> **Punjab National Bank Indian Overseas Bank**

JM Financial Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd.

Registrars & Share Transfer Agents XL Softech Limited, 3, Sagar Society, Road No. 2, Banjara Hills,

Hyderabad-500 034.

Phone no.: 040-23545913 /14 / 15.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the 24th Annual General Meeting of Avon Lifesciences Limited (formerly known as Avon Organics Ltd) will be held on Saturday, 31st day of March, 2018 at 10 a.m. at Hotel Daspalla, Road No. 37, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad - 500033, Telangana, to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2017, together with the Reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Ajit Kamath (DIN: 00032799), who retires by rotation and offers himself for reappointment.
- 3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Rajendra Kaimal (DIN: 00032839), who retires by rotation and offers himself for reappointment.

Special Business

4. Appointment of Statutory Auditors

To appoint Auditors of the Company and in this regard to consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modifications, the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution:**

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the Section 139, 142 and applicable provision of the Companies Act, 2013, the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 and other applicable statutory provisions, **M/s. N G Jain & Co.**, Chartered Accountants (Registration No. 103941W) be and is hereby appointed as Statutory Auditor of the Company for a term of five year and to hold office from conclusion of this annual general meeting (AGM) till conclusion of the AGM to be held in the year 2022, subject to annual ratification by members every year, and provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and that the Board be and is hereby authorized to determine their remuneration and reimbursement of expenses, as may be incurred, in the performance of Audit."

5. Appointment of Dr. Sunil Pitroda as an Independent Director of the Company.

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution:**

"RESOLVEDTHAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149 and 152 read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), Dr. Sunil Pitroda (DIN: 07028212), who qualifies for being appointed as an Independent Director and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing his candidature for the office of Director, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation and to hold office for a term of 5 (five) consecutive years, that is, up to March 30, 2023."

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorised to do all acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

6. Appointment of Mr. Palak Shah as an Independent Director of the Company.

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution:**

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149 and 152 read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), Mr. Palak Shah (DIN: 03392059), who qualifies for being appointed as an Independent Director and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing his candidature for the office of Director, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation and to hold office for a term of 5 (five) consecutive years, that is, up to March 30, 2023."

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorised to do all acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

7. Appointment of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev as an Independent Director of the Company.

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution:**

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149 and 152 read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev (DIN: 07673161), who qualifies for being appointed as an Independent Director and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing his candidature for the office of Director, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation and to hold office for a term of 5 (five) consecutive years, that is, up to March 30, 2023."

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorised to do all acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

> By Order of the Board For Avon Lifesciences Limited (Formerly known as Avon Organics Ltd)

> > Sd/-**RAJENDRA KAIMAL** DIRECTOR

Place: Mumbai Date: 7.03.2018

NOTES

- 1. The statement pursuant to section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 relating the Notice is annexed hereto.
- 2. A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND VOTE INSTEAD OF HIMSELF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER. Proxies, in order to be effective, must be received at the Company's Corporate Office situated at 4th Floor, H Wing, Tex Centre, Chandivali, off. Saki Vihar Road, Andheri (E), Mumbai 400 072 not less than 48 hours before the meeting. Proxies submitted on behalf of companies, societies, partnership firms, etc. must be supported by appropriate resolution/authority, as applicable, issued on behalf of the nominating organisation.

Members are requested to note that a person can act as a proxy on behalf of Members not exceeding 50 and holding in the aggregate not more than 10% of the total share capital of the Company carrying voting rights. In case a proxy is proposed to be appointed by a Member holding more than 10% of the total share capital of the Company carrying voting rights, then such proxy shall not act as a proxy for any other person or shareholder.

- 3. Corporate Members intending to send their authorised representatives to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) are requested to send a certified copy of the Board Resolution authorising their representative to attend and vote in their behalf at the Meeting.
- 4. In case of joint holders attending the Meeting, only such joint holder who is higher in the order of names will be entitled to vote.
- 5. Only bonafide members of the Company whose names appear on the Register of Members/Proxy holders, in possession of valid attendance slips duly filled and signed will be permitted to attend the meeting. The Company reserves its right to take all steps as may be deemed necessary to restrict non-members from attending the meeting.
- 6. Members are requested to bring their copies of Annual Report to the Meeting. In order to enable us to register your attendance at the venue of the Annual General Meeting, we request you to please bring your folio number/demat account number/DP ID-Client ID to enable us to give you a duly filled attendance slip for your signature and participation at the meeting.
- 7. The Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2016-17 is being sent by electronic mode to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company/Depositories, unless any Member has requested for a physical copy of the same. For Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses, physical copies are being sent by the permitted mode.
- 9. To support the 'Green Initiative', the Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with RTA/Depositories.
- 10. Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses, so far are requested to register their e-mail addresses with the Depository. Members who hold shares in physical form are requested to register their email addresses with the Registrar & Share Transfer Agent (RTA), M/s. XL Softech Systems Limited, 3, Sagar Society, Rd No.2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad- 500034, Telangana.

11. E-VOTING FACILITY

In compliance with the provisions of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (Listing Regulations), Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013, Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 & Secretarial Standards - 2 on general meeting, the Members are informed that the Company is providing Remote e-voting facility (e-voting from a place other than venue of Extraordinary General Meeting) as an alternative mode of voting which will enable the members to cast



their votes electronically on all the resolutions as mentioned in the notice. Necessary arrangements have been made by the Company with Central Depository Services (India) Ltd. (CDSL) to facilitate remote e-voting to the members. The Company has appointed Ms. Riddhi Shah, Practicing Company Secretary, as the Scrutinizer for scrutinizing the remote e-voting process as well as voting at the meeting in a fair and transparent manner.

For the purpose of dispatch of this Notice, shareholders of the Company holding shares in demat / physical form as on 2nd March 2018 has been considered. Any person, who acquire shares of the Company and becomes member of the Company after 2nd March 2018 may obtain the login details by sending a request to CDSL at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or to the Registrar and share transfer agents of the company.

The Members whose name appears in the Register of Members/list of Beneficial Owners as received from Depositories as on 26th March 2018 ("cut-off date") are entitled to vote on the resolutions set forth in this notice. Person who is not a member as on the said date should treat this notice for information purpose only.

On submission of the report by the scrutinizer, the result of voting at the meeting and e-voting shall be declared. The Results along with the Scrutinizer's Report shall be placed on the Company's website. Result will be declared forthwith on receipt of the Report of the Scrutinizer.

The instructions for shareholders voting electronically are as under:

- The voting period begins on 28th March 2018 (i) (9:00 a.m.) and ends on 30th March 2018 (5:00 p.m). During this period shareholders' of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cutoff date may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) (ii) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
- (iii) Click on Shareholders.
- (iv) 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.
- (v) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- (vi) 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.
- If you are a first time user follow the steps (vii) 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 sequence number which is printed on Postal Ballot indicated in the PAN field.
Dividend Bank Details OR Date of Birth (DOB)	Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login.
	If both 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 (iv).

- (viii) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (ix) 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.

- (x) For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (xi) Click on the EVSN for the relevant Avon Lifesciences Ltd on which you choose to vote.
- (xii) (xii) 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.
- (xiii) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (xiv) 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.
- (xv) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xvi) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xvii) If a demat account holder has forgotten the login password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xviii) Shareholders can also cast their vote using CDSL's mobile app m-Voting available for android based mobiles. The m-Voting app can be downloaded from Google Play Store, Windows and Apple smart phones. Please follow the instructions as prompted by the mobile app while voting on your mobile

(xix) Note for Non – Individual Shareholders and Custodians

- 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 Corporates.
- A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to helpdesk.evoting@ cdslindia.com.
- 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.
- The list of accounts linked in the login should be mailed to helpdesk.evoting@ cdslindia.com and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.
- 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.
- (xx) 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 or contact CDSL on 1800 200 5533 or info@avonlifesciences.com

Other information

During the above mentioned voting period, shareholders of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date of 26th March 2018, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.

To obtain duplicate copy of the Notice and Postal Ballot in physical form, members may send a request to the Company at info@avonlifesciences.com or write to Company at its corporate Office. Members receive email but do not want to avail the e-voting facility, may send a request on said email for physical copy of Notice and Postal Ballot.

The e-voting period will commence on 28th March 2018 (9:00 a.m.) and will end on 30th March 2018 (5:00 p.m.). During the said period, shareholders of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled for voting thereafter.

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

Item No. 4 - Appointment of Statutory Auditor

M/s. Mukesh Mehta & Associates, Chartered Accountants were appointed as the Statutory Auditors at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company held on 30 December 2014 for a term of three years and accordingly they hold office till the conclusion of this AGM being held for the financial year 2016-17. In terms of Section 139 of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act), they cannot be reappointed as statutory auditors.

Accordingly, it is proposed to appoint M/s. N G Jain & Co., Chartered Accountants as a statutory auditor of the Company pursuant to the applicable provision of the Act, in place of retiring auditor M/s. Mukesh Mehta & Associates, for a term of 5 years.

As confirmed by the said proposed auditor, they are eligible for their appointment, and their appointment if made would be within the prescribed limits and shall be in accordance with the conditions and criteria as prescribed in section 141 and other applicable provisions of the Act and Rules made thereunder.

Accordingly, the Audit Committee and Board of the Company has considered and recommended for the appointment of M/s. N G Jain & Co., Chartered Accountants as a statutory auditor of the Company as mentioned in the resolution.

The Board recommends the resolution relating to appointment of auditor as set out in the Notice for your approval by way of passing ordinary resolution.

None of the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and any of their relatives are not in any way, concerned or interested in this resolution.

Item No. 5. Appointment of Dr. Sunil Pitroda as an Independent Director of the Company.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act, appointment of an Independent Director requires approval of members. Based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors has proposed that Dr. Sunil Pitroda, be appointed as an Independent Director on the Board of the Company. The appointment of Dr. Sunil Pitroda, shall be effective upon approval by the members in the Meeting. The Company has received a notice in writing from a member proposing the candidature of Dr. Sunil Pitroda for the office of Director of the Company. Dr. Sunil Pitroda is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of Section 164 of the Act and has given his consent to act as a Director. The Company has received a declaration from Dr. Sunil Pitroda that he meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under Companies Act, 2013 and under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. Dr. Sunil Pitroda possesses appropriate skills, experience and knowledge.

Details of Dr. Sunil Pitroda are provided in the "Annexure B" to the Report pursuant to the provisions of (i) the Listing Regulations and (ii) Secretarial Standard on General Meetings ("SS-2"), issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

Copy of draft letter of appointment of Dr. Sunil Pitroda setting out the terms and conditions of appointment is available for inspection by the members at the registered office of the Company.

None of the Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / their relatives are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 5 of the Notice.

The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 5 of the Notice for approval by the members.

6. Appointment of Mr. Palak Shah as an Independent Director of the Company.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act, appointment of an Independent Director requires approval of members. Based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors has proposed that Mr. Palak Shah, be appointed as an Independent Director on the Board of the Company. The appointment of Mr. Palak Shah shall be effective upon approval by the members in the Meeting. The Company has received a notice in writing from a member proposing the candidature of Mr. Palak Shah for the office of Director of the Company. Mr. Palak Shah is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of Section 164 of the Act and has given his consent to act as a Director. The Company has received a declaration from Mr. Palak Shah that he meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under Companies Act, 2013 and under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. Mr. Palak Shah possesses appropriate skills, experience and knowledge.

Details of Mr. Palak Shah are provided in the "Annexure B" to the Report pursuant to the provisions of (i) the Listing Regulations and (ii) Secretarial Standard on General Meetings ("SS-2"), issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

Copy of draft letter of appointment of Mr. Palak Shah setting out the terms and conditions of appointment is available for inspection by the members at the registered office of the Company.

None of the Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / their relatives are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 6 of the Notice.

The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 6 of the Notice for approval by the members.

7. Appointment of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev as an Independent Director of the Company.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act, appointment of an Independent Director requires approval of members. Based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors has proposed that Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev, be appointed as an Independent Director on the Board of the Company. The appointment of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev, shall be effective upon approval by the members in the Meeting. The Company has received a notice in writing from a member proposing the candidature of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev for the office of Director of the Company. Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of Section 164 of the Act and has given his consent to act as a Director. The Company has received a declaration from Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev that he meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under Companies Act, 2013 and under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev possesses appropriate skills, experience and knowledge.

Details of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev are provided in the "Annexure B" to the Report pursuant to the provisions of (i) the Listing Regulations and (ii) Secretarial Standard on General Meetings ("SS-2"), issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

Copy of draft letter of appointment of Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev setting out the terms and conditions of appointment is available for inspection by the members at the registered office of the Company.

None of the Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / their relatives are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 7 of the Notice.

The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 7 of the Notice for approval by the members.