# **Kobo Biotech Limited**

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**Board of Directors** Mr. Ajit Kamath, Non Executive Chairman & Director

Mr. Rajendrakumar Kaimal, Non-Executive Director

Dr. Sunil Pitroda, Independent Director

Mr. Abhishek Buddhadev, Independent Director

Ms. Urja Shah, Independent Director

Mr. Jignesh Patel, Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Registered Office Regd. Office: 505, Plot No. 193&193/1, Chandi Nilayam, Samatha

Nagar, Bhagyanagar 3rd Phase, Kukatpally, Hyderabad-500085

**Auditors** M/s. N. G. Jain & Co.,

Chartered Accountants, Mumbai

FRN No. 103941W

Manufacturing Facilities 1.Plot No. E-2, Chincholi Industrial Area Solapur, Maharastra;

Phone: 0217 – 2357738 Fax-0217-2357339

2.Survey No. 18, Yawapur, Sadasivpet (M), Medak Dist.,

Telangana; (Non-Operational)

**Bankers & Financial Institutions** 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 28th Annual General Meeting of the members of KOBO Biotech Limited (Formerly Avon Lifesciences Limited) will be held on Tuesday, the 30th day of November, 2021 at 10.00 A.M. (IST), through Video Conferencing/ Other Audio Visual Means ("VC/OAVM") Facility to transact following business:

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021, together with the Reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors thereon.
- To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Rajendrakumar Kaimal (DIN: 00032839), who retires by rotation and offers himself for reappointment.

#### **Special Business**

#### Item No. 3: Ratification of remuneration of Cost Auditor

To ratify remuneration of cost auditor and in this regard to consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modifications, the following resolution as **Ordinary Resolution:** 

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 148 and all other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules 2014 and the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (including statutory modifications or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), payment of remuneration of Rs. 10,000/- to M/s. Santiram Chattopadhyay & Associates, Cost Auditor appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company, to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March, 2022, be and is hereby approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT Mr. Ajit Kamath and/or Mr. Rajendrakumar Kaimal Directors of the Company and/or Mr. Jignesh Patel Company Secretary of the Company be and are hereby authorized severally 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 KOBO Biotech Limited** 

Sd/
30th June, 2021 Jignesh Patel
Mumbai Company Secretary

#### **NOTES**

- 1. The statement pursuant to section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 relating the Notice is annexed herewith.
- In view of the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing is a norm to be followed and Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") has vide its General Circulars dated 8th April 2020, 13th April 2020, 5th May 2020, 28th September 2020, 31st December 2020 and 13th January 2021 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") (collectively referred to as 'MCA Circulars') and SEBI Circular dated 12th May 2020 and 15th January 2021 ('SEBI Circulars') permitted the holding of the Annual General Meeting (AGM or the Meeting) through VC/OAVM, without the physical presence of the Shareholders at the venue.

Accordingly, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the said Circulars and Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations"), the Company has decided to convene its ensuing 28th AGM through VC/ OAVM, and the Shareholders can attend and participate in the ensuing AGM through VC/ OAVM. The attendance of the shareholders attending the AGM through VC/ OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act 2013.

- 3. Members desirous of any information or queries on accounts or relevant reports are requested to send their queries at least ten days in advance to the Company at its email info@kobobiotech.com to enable the Company to collect the relevant information and answer them in the meeting.
- 4. Body Corporate members intending to appoint their authorized representative are requested to send a duly certified copy of the Resolution authorizing their representative to participate and vote at the Meeting.
- 5. Relevant documents referred to in the accompanying notice and explanatory statements are open for inspection by the members at the corporate office of the Company on all working days between 11.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. or through electronic means on request.
- 6. To support the 'Green Initiative', the Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with RTA/Depositories.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Pursuant to SEBI Notification dated 08/06/2018, SEBI(LODR) (4th Amendment) Reg, 2018 and BSE Circular dated 05/07/2018, LIST/COMP/15/2018-19, Members who are holding shares in physical form are requested to get their shares dematerialized with any depository participants in their own interest.
- 9. Provide PAN, Bank details etc: Shareholders mandatorily need to provide to the Company or Share Transfer Agent (STA) their PAN and Bank Account details. If you have not furnished so far, please provide self-attested copy of PAN card, cancelled cheque with bank detail. To update your current address, provide self-signed copy of latest address proof (aadhar card, passport, driving license, election voter card or utility bill in the name of sole or first holder. You may visit our website or contact secretarial department of the Company for further quidance.
- 10. Nomination: Members can avail the facility of nomination in respect of shares held by them in physical form pursuant to section 72 of the Companies Act 2013 read with relevant rules. Members desiring to avail of this facility may send their nomination in the prescribed form no. SH13 duly filled in and signed to the Company or RTA.
  - Member may contact secretarial department on 022 4287 1210 for guidance to avail facilities or matters as mentioned in this Notice.
- 11. For Physical shareholders- please provide necessary details like Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to **Company/RTA** at info@kobobiotech.com; xlfield@gmail.com.
- 12. For Demat shareholders -, please provide Demat account detials (CDSL-16 digit beneficiary ID or NSDL-16 digit DPID + CLID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) to **Company/RTA** at info@kobobiotech.com; xlfield@gmail.com.
- 13. In compliance with the provisions of Sections 108 and 110 of the Act read with the Rules and the MCA Circulars, the Company is sending this Notice in electronic form only and has extended only the remote e-voting facility for its Members, to enable them to cast their votes electronically instead of submitting the Ballot form. The hard copy of this Annual Report and pre-paid business envelope will not be sent to the Members for this Annual General Meeting. The instructions for remote e-voting are appended to this Notice.
- 14. Pursuant to Rule 22(5) of the Rules, the Board of Directors of the Company have appointed Mr. Mehul Pitroda, Company Secretary (Membership No.ACS-43364) of M/s. M. S. Pitroda & Co., Practising Company Secretaries as the Scrutinizer for conducting the remote e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- 15. For the purpose of dispatch of this Notice, shareholders of the Company holding shares in demat / physical form as on 29th October, 2021 has been considered. Any person, who acquire shares of the Company and

- becomes member of the Company after 29th October, 2021 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.
- 16. The Members whose name appears in the Register of Members/list of Beneficial Owners as received from Depositories as on 23rd November, 2021 ("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.
- 17. The scrutinizer will submit his report to the Chairman and/or to the Company Secretary duly authorized by Chairman, after completion of the scrutiny of the votes received through e-voting in a fair and transparent manner. The results of the e-voting shall be declared by the Chairman or the Company Secretary duly authorised on or around 2nd December, 2021.
- 18. For e-voting, please read carefully the "Procedure/ instructions for e-voting" enumerated herein:

#### THE INTRUCTIONS OF SHAREHOLDERS FOR E-VOTING AND JOINING VIRTUAL MEETINGS ARE AS UNDER:

- (i) The voting period begins on **Saturday, 27th November, 2021 (09:00 AM)** and ends on **Monday, 29th November, 2021 (05:00 P.M.)**. 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 23rd November, 2021 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) Shareholders who have already voted prior to the meeting date would not be entitled to vote at the meeting venue.
- (iii) Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. **SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 09.12.2020**, under Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, listed entities are required to provide remote e-voting facility to its shareholders, in respect of all shareholders' resolutions. However, it has been observed that the participation by the public non-institutional shareholders/ retail shareholders is at a negligible level.
  - Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers (ESPs) providing e-voting facility to listed entities in India. This necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.
  - In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders, by way of a single login credential, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories/ Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.
- (iv) In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 9, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and email Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

Pursuant to abovesaid SEBI Circular, Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meetings for Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode CDSL/NSDL is given below:

Type of shareholders	Login Method
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL	1) Users who have opted for CDSL Easi / Easiest facility, can login through their existing user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi / Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or visit www.cdslindia.com and click on Login icon and select New System Myeasi.

Type of shareholders		Login Method		
	2)	After successful login the Easi / Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting option for eligible companies where the evoting is in progress as per the information provided by company. On clicking the evoting option, the user will be able to see e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting. Additionally, there is also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers i.e. CDSL/NSDL/KARVY/LINKINTIME, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.		
	3)	If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration		
	4)	Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number and PAN No. from a e-Voting link available on www.cdslindia.com home page or click on https://evoting.cdslindia.com/Evoting/EvotingLogin The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the Demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be able to see the e-Voting option where the evoting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers.		
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	1)	If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, please visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be re-directed to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.		
	2)	If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at https://eservices.nsdl.com. Select "Register Online for IDeAS "Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp		

Type of shareholders	Login Method
	3) Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their <b>Depository Participants</b>	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After Successful login, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Once you click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

**Important note:** Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

## Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. CDSL and NSDL

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia. comor contact at 022- 23058738 and 22-23058542-43.
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

- (v) Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meetings for Physical shareholders and shareholders other than individual holding in Demat form.
  - 1) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
  - 2) Click on "Shareholders" module.
  - 3) 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. Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
- 4) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.

- 5) If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.com and voted on an earlier e-voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- 6) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below:

	For Physical shareholders and other than individual shareholders holding shares in Demat.				
PAN	Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)				
	Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequence number sent by Company/RTA or contact Company/RTA.				
Dividend Bank Details	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.				
OR Date of Birth (DOB)	• 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.				

- (vi) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (vii) Shareholders holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, shareholders 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.
- (viii) For shareholders holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (ix) Click on the EVSN for the relevant Kobo Biotech Limited on which you choose to vote.
- (x) 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.
- (xi) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (xii) 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.
- (xiii) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xiv) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xv) 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.
- (xvi) Additional Facility for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians –For Remote Voting only.
  - Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodians are required to log on to www.evotingindia.com and register themselves in the "Corporates" module.
  - 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.
- Alternatively Non Individual shareholders are required to send the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority
  letter etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory who are authorized
  to vote, to the Scrutinizer and to the Company at the email address info@kobobiotech.com if they have
  voted from individual tab & not uploaded same in the CDSL e-voting system for the scrutinizer to verify
  the same.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS ATTENDING THE AGM/EGM THROUGH VC/OAVM & E-VOTING DURING MEETING ARE AS UNDER:

- 1. The procedure for attending meeting & e-Voting on the day of the AGM/ EGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for e-voting.
- 2. The link for VC/OAVM to attend meeting will be available where the EVSN of Company will be displayed after successful login as per the instructions mentioned above for e-voting.
- 3. Shareholders who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the meeting. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM/EGM.
- 4. Shareholders are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops / IPads for better experience.
- 5. Further shareholders will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
- 6. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to Fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- 7. Shareholders who have any question may sent their question to the Company Secreatary at info@kobobiotech. com in advance **5 days prior to meeting** mentioning their name, demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number. These queries will be replied to by the company suitably by email.
- 8. Only those shareholders, who are present in the AGM/EGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not casted their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-Voting system available during the EGM/AGM.
- 9. If any Votes are cast by the shareholders through the e-voting available during the EGM/AGM and if the same shareholders have not participated in the meeting through VC/OAVM facility, then the votes cast by such shareholders shall be considered invalid as the facility of e-voting during the meeting is available only to the shareholders attending the meeting.

## PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL/MOBILE NO. ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMPANY/DEPOSITORIES.

- 1. For Physical shareholders- please provide necessary details like Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to info@kobobiotech.com; xlfield@gmail.com.
- 2. For Demat shareholders Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP)
- 3. For Individual Demat shareholders Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP) which is mandatory while e-Voting & joining virtual meetings through Depository.