



# **Kobo Biotech Limited**

(Formerly Known as Avon Lifesciences Limited)

**29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22**

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CIN: L24110TG1993PLC01611

Regd. Off: Plot No. 121A/1, Western Hills, Addagutta Society, Opp. JNTU, Kukatpally, Hyderabad - 500072



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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

**KMP**

Mr. Neelam Kumar Murdia, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr. Jignesh Patel, Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

**Registered Office**

Plot No. 121A/1, Western Hills, Addagutta Society, Opp. JNTU,  
Kukatpally, Hyderabad - 500072  
Tel : 022-4287 1210; Fax: 022-4287 1285

**Auditors**

M/s. N. G. Jain & Co.,  
Chartered Accountants, Mumbai  
FRN No. 103941W

**Manufacturing Facilities**

1. Plot No. E-2, Chincholi Industrial Area Solapur, Maharashtra ;  
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 29th Annual General Meeting of the members of KOBO Biotech Limited (Formerly Avon Lifesciences Limited) will be held on Friday, the 30th day of September, 2022 at 10.00 A.M. (IST), through Video Conferencing/ Other Audio Visual Means ("VC/OAVM") Facility to transact following business:

### ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- 1 To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March, 2022, 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 **Appointment of 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, Kawdia Parakh and Associates, Chartered Accountants, Mumbai (Registration No. 104950W) 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 2027 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."

By Order of the Board  
**For KOBO Biotech Limited**

30th May, 2022  
Mumbai

Sd/  
**Jignesh Patel**  
Company Secretary

### NOTES

1. The statement pursuant to section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 relating the Notice is annexed herewith.
2. 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](mailto:info@kobobiotech.com) to enable the Company to collect the relevant information and answer them in the meeting.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. To support the 'Green Initiative', the Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with RTA/Depositories.
6. 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.
7. 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.

8. 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 guidance.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. For Demat shareholders -, please provide Demat account details (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.
12. 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.
13. 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.
14. For the purpose of dispatch of this Notice, shareholders of the Company holding shares in demat / physical form as on 12th August, 2022 has been considered. Any person, who acquire shares of the Company and becomes member of the Company after 12th August, 2022 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.
15. The Members whose name appears in the Register of Members/list of Beneficial Owners as received from Depositories as on Friday, 23rd September, 2022 ("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.
16. 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 authorized on or around 1st October, 2022.

#### **CDSL e-Voting System – For e-voting and Joining Virtual meetings.**

1. In view of the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic situation and pursuant to General Circular Nos.14/2020, 17/2020 and 20/2020 dated 8th April 2020, 13th April 2020, 5th May 2020, respectively and further General Circular Nos. 02/2021 dated 13th January, 2021, General Circular Nos. 9/2021 dated 8th December, 2021, General Circular Nos.21/2021 dated 14th December 2021 and recent General Circular Nos. 2/2022 dated 5th May 2022 in relation to holding of annual general meeting (AGM) through video conferencing (VC) or other audio visual means (OAVM) issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA Circulars") and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May 2020 and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January, 2021 and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD2/ CIR/P/2022/62 dated 13th May, 2022 issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI Circular") permitting holding of the Annual General meeting (AGM) through VC/OAVM without the physical

presence of the Members at a common venue and in compliance with the provisions of the Act and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), the 29th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company is being conducted through Video Conferencing (VC)/ Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) Facility, which does not require physical presence of Members at a common venue. The deemed venue for the 23rd AGM shall be the Registered Office of the Company.

2. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 (as amended), and MCA Circulars dated April 08, 2020, April 13, 2020 and May 05, 2020 the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM. For this purpose, the Company has entered into an agreement with Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized e-Voting's agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting as well as the e-voting system on the date of the AGM will be provided by CDSL.
3. The Members can join the AGM in the VC/OAVM mode 15 minutes before and after the scheduled time of the commencement of the Meeting by following the procedure mentioned in the Notice. The facility of participation at the AGM through VC/OAVM will be made available to atleast 1000 members on first come first served basis. This will not include large Shareholders (Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Stakeholders Relationship Committee, Auditors etc. who are allowed to attend the AGM without restriction on account of first come first served basis.
4. The attendance of the Members attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of ascertaining the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
5. Pursuant to MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, , the facility to appoint proxy to attend and cast vote for the members is not available for this AGM. However, in pursuance of Section 112 and Section 113 of the Companies Act, 2013, representatives of the members such as the President of India or the Governor of a State or body corporate can attend the AGM through VC/OAVM and cast their votes through e-voting.
6. In line with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, the Notice calling the AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at <http://www.kobobiotech.com>. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com). The AGM Notice is also disseminated on the website of CDSL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting facility and e-voting system during the AGM) i.e. [www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com).
7. The AGM has been convened through VC/OAVM in compliance with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 8, 2020 and MCA Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 and MCA Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020.

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

**Step 1:** Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.

**Step 2 :** Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.

- (i) The voting period begins on Tuesday, 27th September, 2022 at 09:00 A.M. (IST) and ends on Thursday, 29th September, 2022 at 05:00 P.M. (IST). 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 Friday, 23rd September, 2022 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.

**Step 1:** Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.

- (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 <b>CDSL Depository</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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 <a href="https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login">https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login</a> or visit <a href="http://www.cdslindia.com">www.cdslindia.com</a> and click on Login icon and select New System Myeasi.</li> <li>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 &amp; voting during the meeting.</li> </ol>
	<p>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.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3) If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at <a href="https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration">https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration</a></li> <li>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 <a href="http://www.cdslindia.com">www.cdslindia.com</a> home page or click on <a href="https://evoting.cdslindia.com/Evoting/EvotingLogin">https://evoting.cdslindia.com/Evoting/EvotingLogin</a> The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile &amp; 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.</li> </ol>



Type of shareholders	Login Method
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with <b>NSDL Depository</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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: <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com">https://eservices.nsdl.com</a> 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 &amp; voting during the meeting.</li> <li>2) If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com">https://eservices.nsdl.com</a>. Select “Register Online for IDeAS” Portal or click at <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp">https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp</a></li> <li>3) Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/">https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</a> 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 &amp; voting during the meeting</li> </ol>
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their <b>Depository Participants (DP)</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 <b>CDSL</b>	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at <a href="mailto:helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com">helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</a> or contact at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with <b>NSDL</b>	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <a href="mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a> or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

**Step :** Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.

(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](http://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](http://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:

	<b>For Physical shareholders and other than individual shareholders holding shares in Demat.</b>
PAN	Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
Dividend Bank Details <b>OR</b> 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>

- (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.