

BITS LIMITED

31ST ANNUAL REPORT

2022 - 2023



CORPORATE INFORMATION

Board of Directors:

Mr. Ankit Rathi
Mr. Omprakash Ramashankar Pathak
Mr. Harish Kumar Chauhan
Mrs. Preeti Sharma

Chairman and Director
Managing Director
Independent Director
Independent Director

Mr. Sachin Sharma
Mr. Surendra Singh Tangar

Chief Financial Officer
Company Secretary

Registered Office:

711, 7th Floor, New Delhi House,
27, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi - 110001

Mumbai Office:

23, Great Western Building, 1st Floor, 130/132,
Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Fort, Mumbai-400023

Company Auditors:

M/s. R. C. Chadda & Co. LLP,
A-27, Vivek Vihar, Phase-II, Maharaja Surajmal Road,
Opposite Sukhdev College, Delhi- 110095

Listed with Stock Exchange:

BSE LIMITED

Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Kala Ghoda, Fort,
Mumbai, Maharashtra- 400001

Registrar & Transfer Agents:

M/s MAS Services Ltd.
T-34, 2nd Floor, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-II,
New Delhi-110020

Bankers:

Development Credit Bank
Mittal Court -C Wing, Nariman Point,
Mumbai-400 021

Bank of Baroda
Darya Ganj,
New Delhi- 110002

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the 31st Annual General Meeting of the members of Bits Limited will be held on Sunday, 06th August, 2023 at 05:00 P.M. (IST) through Video Conferencing (VC)/Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM), to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESSES:

Item No. 1:

To consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements (including Audited Consolidated Financial Statements) of the Company for the Financial Year ended March 31st, 2023 and the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.

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

“RESOLVED THAT the Audited Financial Statements (including Audited Consolidated Financial Statements) of the Company for the Financial Year ended March 31st, 2023 and the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon laid before this meeting, be and are hereby considered and adopted.”

Item No. 2:

To appoint Mr. Ankit Rathi (DIN: - 01379134) as director, liable to retire by rotation, and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

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

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 152 of the Companies Act, 2013, Mr. Ankit Rathi (DIN: - 01379134), who retires by rotation at this meeting and being eligible has offered himself for re-appointment, be and is hereby appointed as a Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation.”

Item No. 3:

To re-appoint M/s. R. C. Chadda & Co. LLP, Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditors of the Company and to fix their remuneration.

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

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 139, 142 and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof) and pursuant to the recommendations of the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company, M/s. R. C. Chadda & Co. LLP, Chartered Accountants, having registration No. 003151N be and is hereby re-appointed as the Statutory Auditors of the Company for term of five consecutive years, who shall hold office from the conclusion of this 31st Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the 36th Annual General Meeting to be held in the year 2028 on such remuneration as may be decided by the Board of Directors in consultation with the Statutory Auditors of the Company.”

By Order of the Board of Directors
For Bits Limited

Date: 10.07.2023
Place: New Delhi

Sd/-
Omprakash Ramashankar Pathak
(Managing Director)
DIN: - 01428320
Address: 503, 5TH Floor,
Trimurti Appt, Kores Road,
J K Gram, Thane, Maharashtra- 400606

NOTES:

1. Pursuant to General Circular Nos. 14/2020, 17/2020, 20/2020, 02/2021, 19/2021, 21/2021, 02/2022 and 10/2022 dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 5, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 08, 2021, December 14, 2021, May 05, 2022 and December 12, 2022 respectively issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ('MCA') (collectively referred to as 'MCA Circulars') and Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD1/CIR/ P/2020/79 , SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/ CIR/P/2021/11 and SEBI/HODDHS/P/CIR/2022/0063 and SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/4 dated May 12, 2020, January 15, 2021, May 13, 2022 and January 05, 2023 respectively issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (collectively referred to as 'SEBI Circulars'), holding of the Annual General Meeting ('AGM') through VC/OAVM, without the physical presence of the Members, is permitted. In compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act'), SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ('the Listing Regulations'), MCA Circulars and SEBI Circulars, the AGM of the Company is being held through VC/ OAVM which does not require physical presence of members at a common venue. The proceedings of the AGM will be deemed to be conducted at the Registered Office of the Company which shall be the deemed Venue of the AGM.
2. A statement giving relevant details of the directors seeking appointment/ reappointment under Item No. 2 of the accompanying notice, as required under SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 is annexed herewith as Annexure-I.
3. Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, a Member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf and the proxy need not be a Member of the Company. In terms of MCA Circulars, since physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with, there is no requirement of appointment of proxies. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies by the Members under Section 105 of the Act, will not be available for the AGM and, hence, the Proxy Form and Attendance Slip are not annexed to this Notice. The Board of Directors has appointed Mrs. Pritika Nagi, Practicing Company Secretary (Membership No. 29544) as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the voting and remote e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
4. Corporate/Institutional members (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI, etc) are required to send scanned copy of its Board or governing body resolution/authorization etc., authorizing its representative to attend AGM through VC/OAVM on its behalf and to vote through remote e-voting. The said Resolution/Authorization be sent to the Scrutinizer by email through its registered email address to cspritikanagi@gmail.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in
5. Members attending the AGM through VC / OAVM shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Act.
6. Members can login and join the AGM 30 minutes prior to the scheduled time to start the AGM and the window for joining shall be kept open till the expiry of 15 minutes after the scheduled time to start the AGM. The facility of participation at the AGM through VC/OAVM will be made available for 1000 members, on first-come-first-served basis. However, the participation of large members (members holding 2% or more shareholding), promoters, institutional investors, directors, key managerial personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination & Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders Relationship Committee and Auditors can attend the AGM without restriction of first-come-first served basis. Instructions and other information for members for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM are given in this Notice.

7. 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.
8. 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 the aforesaid MCA and SEBI Circulars, 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 National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting system as well as venue voting on the date of the AGM will be provided by NSDL.
9. For ease of conduct, Members who would like to express their views or ask questions during the AGM may register themselves as a speaker by sending their request from their registered email address mentioning their name, DP ID and Client ID/folio number, PAN, mobile number & number of shares at investor@masserv.com/ bitsltd@gmail.com before July 28th, 2023 (05:00 p.m. IST). Subject line for such registration should be 'Speaker Registration of Bits Limited'. Those Members who register themselves as speaker will only be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the AGM. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of speakers depending on the availability of time for the AGM.
10. The Registers of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Monday, July 31st, 2023 to Sunday, August 06th, 2023 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of annual closure of books.
11. In accordance with SEBI LODR (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (4th amendment) Regulations, 2018 notified on June 07, 2018 and further notification dated 30/11/2018 any request for physical transfer of shares shall not be processed w.e.f. April 01, 2019

Further, in compliance with SEBI vide its circular SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated 25th January 2022, the following requests received by the Company in physical form will be processed and the shares will be issued in dematerialization form only:-

- i. Issue of duplicate share certificate
- ii. Claim from unclaimed suspense account
- iii. Renewal/Exchange of securities certificate
- iv. Endorsement
- v. Sub-division / splitting of securities certificate
- vi. Consolidation of securities certificates/folios
- vii. Transmission
- viii. Transposition

For this purpose, the securities holder/claimant shall submit a duly filled up Form ISR-4 which is hosted on the website of the company as well as on the website of MAS Services Ltd, Registrar and share transfer agent (RTA) The aforementioned form shall be furnished in hard copy form.

To eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and for ease of portfolio management, members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialized form. Members can contact the Company Secretary or Mas Services Limited, Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agents ("RTA") (Tel.No.011-26387281/82/83) for assistance in this regard.

Members holding shares in physical form are requested to dematerialize their holdings at the earliest.

12. The Securities and Exchange Board of India ('SEBI') vide its circular dated November 03, 2021 read with circular dated December 14, 2021 and March 16, 2023 has made it mandatory for the shareholders holding securities in physical form to furnish PAN, KYC (complete address with pin-code, bank detail with MICR-CODE & IFS CODE, Email-ID, Mobile Number) and Nomination details to the Registrar and Transfer Agent ('RTA') of the Company. Effective from 01st January 2022. Registrar will not process, any service requests or complaints received from the member until unless above KYC and nomination will not be completed by shareholder and such shareholders holding will be fridge by RTA on or after 01st October, 2023.

The shareholders holding shares in physical form are requested to note that in case of failure to provide required documents and details as per aforesaid SEBI circular, all folios of such shareholders shall be frozen on or after April 01st, 2023 by the RTA. In view of the above, shareholders of the Company holding securities in physical form are requested to provide following documents/details to RTA:

- i. PAN; (using ISR-1)
- ii. Nomination in Form No.SH-13 or submit declaration to 'Opt-out' in Form ISR-3;
- iii. Contact details including Postal address with PIN code, Mobile Number, E-mail address;
- iv. Bank Account details including Bank name and branch, Bank account number, IFS code;
- v. Specimen signature. (using ISR-2)

Any cancellation or change in nomination shall be provided in Form No.SH-14

A separate communication will be sent to the respective shareholders.

All of above required documents/details to be sent at the address of registered office of the RTA. The shareholders can download the forms mentioned in SEBI circular from the website of the Company or RTA website i.e www.masserv.com.

13. In compliance with the aforesaid MCA and SEBI Circulars, the Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2022- 23 is being sent only through electronic mode to those Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company/ Depositories. Members may note that the Notice calling AGM along with the explanatory statement and Annual Report 2022-23 are available on the website of the Company at www.bits.net.in and on the website of the Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and on the website of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) i.e. www.evoting.nsdl.com (the Authorised agency for providing voting through electronic means and AGM through VC/OAVM). Company's web-link on the above will also be provided in advertisement being published in Financial Express (English edition) and Jansatta (Hindi edition).
14. As per Regulation 40 of SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from 1st April, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition of securities. In view of this and to eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and for ease of portfolio management, members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialized form. Members can contact the Company Secretary or Mas Services Limited, Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agents ("RTA") (Tel. No. 011 26387281/82/83) for assistance in this regard.
15. Members who have not yet registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with their Depository Participants ("DP") in case the shares are held by them in electronic form and with the Company/RTA in case the shares are held by them in physical form.

16. Members are requested to intimate changes, if any, pertaining to their name, postal address, e-mail address, telephone / mobile numbers, Permanent Account Number (PAN), mandates, nominations, power of attorney, etc., to their DPs if the shares are held by them in electronic form and to the Company/RTA if the shares are held by them in physical form.
17. For receiving all future correspondence (including Annual Report) from the Company Electronically -

In case you have not registered your email ID with the Company/ Depository, please follow below instructions to register your email ID for obtaining Annual Report for FY 2022-2023 and login details for e-voting.

Physical Holding

Send a signed request letter to Registrar and Transfer Agents of the Company, MAS Services Limited at investor@masserv.com providing Folio Number, Name of the 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) with subject line (Register E-mail ID Folio No (Mention Folio No) of Bits Limited.

Demat Holding

Please contact your Depository Participant (DP) and register your email address as per the process advised by DP.

18. In compliance with the aforesaid MCA Circulars and SEBI Circulars, Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2022-23 is being sent by electronic mode to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company / Depositories. Further, those members who have not registered their e-mail addresses and mobile nos. and in consequence could not be served the Notice of the AGM and Annual Report may temporarily get themselves registered with RTA by emailing for obtaining the same. Members are requested to support our commitment to environmental protection by choosing to receive the Company's communications through e-mail going forward.

Members may note that the Notice and Annual Report 2022-23 will also be available on the Company's website www.bits.net.in , websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and on the website of NSDL <https://www.evoting.nsdl.com>.

19. In case a person has become a member of the Company after dispatch of the AGM Notice, but on or before the cut-off date for e-voting i.e. **Saturday, July 29th, 2023**, such person may obtain the User ID and Password from RTA by e-mail request on investor@masserv.com
20. With a view to helping us serve the members better, members who hold shares in identical names and in the same order of names in more than one folio are requested to write to the Company to consolidate their holdings in one folio.
21. In terms of Section 72 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the applicable provisions, the shareholders of the Company may nominate a person in whose name the shares held by him/them shall vest in the event of his/their death. Shareholders desirous of availing this facility may submit the requisite nomination form.
22. In terms of SEBI Circular dated 09/12/2020, the depository shall send SMS/email alerts regarding the details of the upcoming AGM to the demat holders atleast 2 days prior to the date of commencement of e-voting. Hence members are requested to update the mobile no./email ID with their respective depository participants.

23. The documents referred to in the proposed resolutions are available for inspection at its Registered Office of the Company during normal business hours on any working day except Saturdays, upto the date of meeting.
24. SEBI has made it mandatory for all Companies to use the bank account details furnished by the Depositories and the bank account details maintained by the RTA for payment of dividend to Members electronically. The Company has extended the facility of electronic credit of dividend directly to the respective bank accounts of the Member(s) through Electronic Clearing Service (ECS)/National Electronic Clearing Service (NECS)/ Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)/ Direct Credit/NEFT etc. In the absence of ECS facilities, the Company will print the bank account details if available, on the payment instrument for distribution of dividend.

In order to receive the dividend without loss of time, the Members holding shares in physical form are requested to submit particulars of their bank accounts along with the original cancelled cheque bearing the name of the Member to the RTA, MAS Services Limited/Company to update their bank account details and all the eligible shareholders holding shares in demat mode are requested to update with their respective DPs, their correct Bank Account Number, including 9 Digit MICR Code and 11 digit IFSC Code, e-mail ID and Mobile No(s).

This will facilitate the remittance of the dividend amount as directed by SEBI in the bank account electronically. Updation of e-mail IDs and Mobile No(s) will enable the Company in sending communication relating to credit of dividend, un-en cashed dividend, etc.

The Company or RTA cannot act on any request received directly from the Members holding shares in demat form for any change of bank particulars. Such changes are to be intimated only to the DPs of the Members.

25. The statutory register maintained under Section 189 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Section 170 of the Companies Act, 2013, and all documents referred to in the Notice of AGM and accompanying explanatory statements will be available for inspection by members in electronic mode. Members can inspect the same by sending an email to bitsltd@gmail.com.
26. Instructions for e-voting and joining the AGM are as follows:

In terms of the provisions of section 108 of the Act, read with rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended (hereinafter called 'the Rules' for the purpose of this section of the Notice) and regulation 44 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting to exercise votes on the items of business given in the Notice of 31ST Annual General Meeting (AGM) through electronic voting system, to members holding shares as on Saturday, July 29, 2022 (end of day), being the cut-off date fixed for determining voting rights of members, entitled to participate in the remote e-voting process, through the e-voting platform provided by NSDL or to vote at the e-AGM.

THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AND JOINING GENERAL MEETING ARE AS UNDER:-

The remote e-voting period begins on Thursday, August, 03rd, 2023 at 09:00 A.M. and ends on Saturday, August, 05th, 2023 at 05:00 P.M. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members / Beneficial Owners as on the record date (cut-off date) i.e. Saturday 29th, July, 2023, may cast their vote electronically. The voting right of shareholders shall be in proportion to their share in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date, being Saturday 29th, July 2023.