

# SUSTAINABLE INNOVATIVE COLLABORATIVE



## TRIBUTE TO A LEGEND



### **SHRI BASANT KUMAR BIRLA**

12<sup>th</sup> January, 1921 - 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019

Former Chairman  
Century Enka Limited

A visionary. A humanitarian. A legend. His life was a rich tapestry of business acumen, arts, culture and philanthropy. He was always a beacon of inspiration. We live by his values.

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Over the course of more than 50 years of our journey, we have been a witness to a rapid and constantly evolving business and social landscape. Our strong governance, risk management systems, and strong relationship with our key stakeholders such as supply chain partners, customers, employees, and the community at large have helped us remain agile and resilient. We have consistently demonstrated a strong ability to adapt and grow with the changing times. We continue to maintain our leadership position as one of the leading Synthetic Yarn producing companies. This is demonstrated by our continued focus on sustainability and innovation and our collaboration with our stakeholders in our business strategy, operations, and governance.

Sustainability is a key pillar of our business, and we are committed to ensuring that our operations are environmentally sound, socially

responsible, and economically viable. We have integrated sustainable practices into our operations such as using renewable energy sources, reducing waste, promoting fair labor practices, and undertaking community development. Our commitment to sustainability is reflected in our long-term vision and strategy, and we strive to continuously improve our environmental and social performance, while maintaining strong financial results.

We are constantly seeking new ways to create value for our stakeholders through innovation, by improving products and services, increasing efficiency, and reducing costs. We invest in technology and research and development to create new opportunities for growth and expansion. We innovated a product by reusing the waste generated during the production process to manufacture

commercial tyre cords. This initiative was underscored by the positive response from our customers, who readily embraced these reprocessed commercial tyre cords. Our focus on innovation allows us to stay ahead of the competition and maintain our leadership position in the industry.

Collaboration is essential for creating shared value for all our stakeholders. We have built strong partnerships with suppliers, customers, employees, and communities to create sustainable and innovative solutions. By collaborating with governments, other businesses, and organizations, we can address shared challenges and create more sustainable and resilient economies and societies. Our collaborative efforts have led to the development of new products and services, improved operational efficiency, and enhanced community engagement.

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CIN	L24304PN1965PLC139075
BSE Code	500280
NSE Symbol	CENTENKA
Dividend Declared	100% i.e., ₹10/- per equity share of ₹10/- each
Book Closure for Dividend	Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 to Wednesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023
Record Date (Cut-off date) for E-voting	Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023
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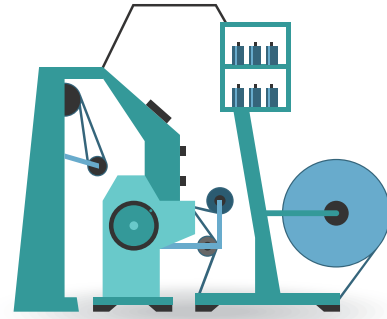








# ABOUT THE REPORT



## APPROACH TO REPORTING

We are pleased to present our second Integrated Report with the theme 'Sustainable. Innovative. Collaborative.' This theme encapsulates our unwavering commitment towards sustainability, innovation, and collaboration. It comprehensively covers our strategic objectives, achievements, governance, and value creation across six capitals of <IR> framework. It offers a summary of our overall progress and potential to help readers make informed judgments about our capacity to create value in the short, medium, and long-term, and the sustainability of our enterprise going forward.







## OUR CAPITALS

At Century Enka, the creation of long-term value is interconnected and relies on various factors such as nature and quantity of inputs, methods utilized to enhance their value, effects on the inputs, and outcomes generated by the value delivered.











## NAVIGATION ICONS

### For Capitals

 Financial Capital	 Manufactured Capital
 Human Capital	 Social & Relationship Capital
 Intellectual Capital	 Natural Capital

### For Stakeholders









 Employees	 Supply Chain Partners
 Future Generation	 Investors
 Contract Laborers	 Customers
 Government and Regulators	 Analyst and Rating Agencies
 Communities	



## STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

Our Board believes that Century Enka Limited's second Integrated Report for FY 2023 covers all important aspects, presents a well-rounded and extensive outlook of our strategy, and demonstrates the capability of the organization to generate sustainable value. The Board has complete oversight over the aspects of the Report that have been developed by senior management in line with input from various key functional teams.

## Frameworks and Guidelines Followed in this Report

-  International Integrated Reporting Council's Integrated Reporting Framework (IR Framework)
-  Global Reporting Initiatives (GRI) 2021 (Report is developed in reference to GRI 2021)
-  National Guidelines on Responsible Business Conduct (NGRBC)
-  Companies Act, 2013 (and the rules made thereunder)
-  Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015
-  Indian Accounting Standards
-  Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India
-  United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs)



## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Report may contain certain forward-looking statements related to our business, which include statements beyond performance highlights and historical facts. These statements pertain to aspects such as market and financial position, business strategy, and objectives for future operations. Stakeholders can generally identify forward-looking statements using terminology such as 'aim', 'anticipate', 'believe', 'expect', 'estimate', 'intend', 'objective', 'plan', 'project', 'may', 'will', 'will continue', 'will pursue', 'contemplate', 'future', 'goal', 'propose', 'will likely result', or other words or phrases of similar import. These statements are contingent on projections and trends, and reflect our present expectations based on reasonable assumptions. However, actual results may differ from those predicted in forward-looking statements due to risks, uncertainties, and external factors.



# LEADERSHIP

## CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE



This year, we have taken a significant step forward in our Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) journey by setting ambitious targets. Throughout this process, we have prioritized our environmental responsibilities, acknowledged our obligations to our diverse stakeholders, and incorporated various aspects of governance, transparency, and accountability.



### Dear Stakeholders,

In FY 2023, we formally put to words our Group's purpose statement. Core to our purpose is the ambition to enrich lives by building dynamic and responsible businesses and institutions that inspire trust.

Our purpose statement remains eternally relevant, yet refreshingly contemporary, standing against the extensive backdrop of our history. Amidst a world burgeoning with opportunities yet punctuated by escalating uncertainties, our purpose statement is intended to serve as a touchstone, underpinning our business decisions.

Armed with this unique vantage point, we navigate the ever-changing global

landscape with resilience. The present state of the global economy makes it evident that we are transitioning through a 'new normal.'

### Global Economy: Finding a New Normal

Due to the lingering effects of recent headwinds including the pandemic and the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war, the global economy continues to navigate a phase of sub-par economic performance. According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), world economic growth is likely to decelerate to 2.8% in FY 2023 from 3.4% in the previous year. The prognosis is particularly subdued for developed economies; and growth for this Group is projected to slowdown

to 1.3% in FY 2023, the slowest pace in a decade – but for the pandemic-affected contraction of FY 2020.

There are, however, some silver linings. First, the central banks in developed countries appear to be approaching the peaks of their respective interest rate hiking cycles on some early signs of moderation in inflation. This is notwithstanding the fact that inflation remains significantly above the central bank targets. Second, global supply chain pressures – which were a key concern about a year ago – have eased off. Accordingly, commodity prices, including energy prices, have cooled from their peaks. Third, China – the world's second largest economy – has exited its zero-Covid policy, enabling resumption of economic