EMPIRE INDUSTRIES LIMITED CIN: L17120MH1900PLC000176 ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MR. S. C. MALHOTRA Chairman

MR. RANJIT MALHOTRA Vice-Chairman & Managing Director

MR. DILEEP MALHOTRA

MR. KABIR MALHOTRA

Executive Director

MR. RAJBIR SINGH

Independent Directors

MR. C. P. SHAH

MR. SUBODH CHANDRA

Independent Directors

MRS. GEETANJALI NAIDU Woman Independent Director

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

MR. RAJBIR SINGH .. Chairman

MR. C. P. SHAH

MR. SUBODH CHANDRA

STAKEHOLDERS' RELATIONSHIP COMMITTEE

MR. RAJBIR SINGH .. Chairman

MR. C. P. SHAH

MR. SUBODH CHANDRA

NOMINATION & REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

MR. RAJBIR SINGH .. Chairman

MR. C. P. SHAH

MR. SUBODH CHANDRA

CSR COMMITTEE

MR. KABIR MALHOTRA .. Chairman

Appointed w.e.f. 31.07.2020 MR. DILEEP MALHOTRA

MR. RAJBIR SINGH

RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MR. DILEEP MALHOTRA .. Chairman

MR. RAJBIR SINGH

MR. C. P. SHAH

DIRECTOR FINANCE &

COMPANY SECRETARY

MR. SUHAS CHANDRA NANDA

AUDITORS

A.T. JAIN & CO.

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Central Bank of India

Kotak Mahindra Bank

Citi Bank N.A.

REGISTRARS & SHARE TRANSFER AGENTS

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NOTICE

The ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of **EMPIRE INDUSTRIES LIMITED** will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 3.00 P.M. through Video Conferencing ("VC") / Other AudioVisual Means ("OAVM") to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2021, and the Statement of Profit & Loss for the year ended on that date.
- 2. To declare dividend for the financial year ended March 31, 2021.
- 3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Dileep Malhotra, who retires by rotation, and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 4. To ratify appointment of M/s. A. T. Jain & Co. as Statutory Auditors:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 139, 142 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the Rules made there under, (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force) and pursuant to the resolution passed by Members at the 116thAnnual General Meeting appointing M/s. A. T. Jain & Co., Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No.103886W) as Statutory Auditors of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of 121st Annual General Meeting of the Company, the Company hereby ratifies and confirms the appointment of M/s. A. T. Jain & Co., as Statutory Auditors of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March, 2022 on such remuneration as recommended by the Audit Committee and as may be mutually agreed between the Board of Directors of the Company and the Statutory Auditors."

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Re-appointment of Mr. Rajbir Singh as an Independent Non-Executive Director.

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification, the following resolution as a **Special Resolution**:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force) read with Schedule IV to the Act and Regulation 16(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Regulation 17 (IA) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018 Mr. Rajbir Singh (DIN: 00826402), Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company, who has submitted a declaration that he meets the criteria of independence as provided in Section 149 (6) of the Act and Regulation 16 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure

Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time and who is eligible for reappointment, be and is hereby reappointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company to hold office for second term of five consecutive years with effect from the conclusion of 120th Annual General Meeting to the conclusion of 125th Annual General Meeting of the Company and whose office shall not be liable to retire by rotation".

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT any Director and/or the Company Secretary of the Company be and is hereby authorised to do all acts, deeds and things including filings and take steps as may be deemed necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this Resolution and matters incidental thereto".

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

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 148(3) and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 14 of The Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force) the remuneration payable during the financial year 2021-2022 to M/s. Vinay Mulay & Co, Cost Accountants (Registration No. M/8791), appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year 2021-2022 amounting to Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) as also the payment of GST as applicable and reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with the aforesaid audit be and is hereby ratified and confirmed."

By Order of the Board For **EMPIRE INDUSTRIES LIMITED**

S. C. NANDA
DIRECTOR FINANCE &
COMPANY SECRETARY

Registered Office:

Empire Complex, 414, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400 013.

Place : Mumbai Date : June 23, 2021



NOTES:

- In view of the massive outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing is a norm to be followed and pursuant to the Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, Circular No.17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs followed by Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020 and Circular No. 02/2021 dated January 13, 2021 and all other relevant circulars issued from time to time, physical attendance of the Members to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) venue is not required and general meeting be held through video conferencing (VC) or other audio visual means (OAVM). Hence, Members can attend and participate in the ensuing AGM through VC/OAVM.
- 2. Pursuant to the Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, the facility to appoint proxy to attend and cast vote for the members is not available for this AGM. However, the Body Corporates are entitled to appoint authorised representatives to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM and participate there at and cast their votes through evoting.
- 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 for 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.
- The attendance of the Members attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 5. A member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attendand vote on his/her behalf and the proxy need not be a member of the Company. Since the AGM is being held in accordance with the Circulars through VC, the facility for appointment of proxies by the members will not be available.
- 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 Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs 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 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. The Board has appointed Ms. Deepa Gupta, Practicing Company Secretary, as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the e-voting in a fair and transparent manner.
- 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

- htttp://empiremumbai.com/investor-information. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and is also available on the website of NSDL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting facility) i.e. www.evoting.nsdl.com
- 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 08, 2020 and MCA Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, MCA Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020 and MCA Circular No. 2/2021 dated January 13, 2021.
- 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.
- 10. The information in respect of the business under item Nos. 5 & 6 set out above forms part of the Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 11. Members of the Company under the category of Institutional Investors are encouraged to attend and vote at the AGM through VC. Corporate members intending to authorize their representatives to participate and vote at the meeting are requested to send a certified copy of the Board resolution / authorization letter to the Company or upload on the VC portal / evoting portal.
- 12. The Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding, maintained under Section 170 of the Act, and the Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which the directors are interested, maintained under Section 189 of the Act, will be available electronically for inspection by the members during the AGM. All documents referred to in the Notice will also be available for electronic inspection without any fee by the members from the date of circulation of this Notice up to the date of AGM, i.e. September 29, 2021. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to investor relations@empiremumbai.com.
- 13. Any person holding shares in physical form and non-individual shareholders, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes member of the Company after the notice is send through e-mail and holding shares as of the cut-off date i.e. September 21, 2021, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or Issuer/RTA. However, if you are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting, then you can use your existing user ID and password for casting your vote. If you forgot your password, you can reset your password by using "Forgot User Details/Password" or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no. 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 . In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a Member of the Company after sending of the Notice and holding shares as of the cut-off date i.e. September 21, 2021 may follow steps mentioned in the Notice of the AGM under "Access to NSDL e-Voting system".

- 14. Members whose shareholding is in electronic mode are requested to direct notifications about change of address and updates about bank account details to their respective depository participants(s) (DP). Members whose shareholding is in physical mode are requested to opt for the Electronic Clearing System (ECS) mode to receive dividend on time in line with the Circulars. We urge members to utilize the ECS for receiving dividends. Please refer point No.16 for the process to be followed for updating bank account mandate.
- 15. The facility for voting during the AGM will also be made available. Members present in the AGM through VC and who have not cast their vote on the resolutions through remote evoting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through the e-voting system during the AGM.
- 16. We urge members to support our commitment to environmental protection by choosing to receive the Company's communication through email. Members holding shares in demat mode, who have not registered their email addresses are requested to register their email addresses with their respective depository participants, and members holding shares in physical mode are requested to update their email addresses with the Company's RTA, Bigshare Services Private Limited at investor@bigshareonline.com to receive copies of the Annual Report 2020-21 in electronic mode. Members may follow the process detailed below for registration of email ID to obtain the Annual Report, user ID / password for e-voting and updation of bank account mandate for the receipt of dividend.

bank account mandate for the receipt of dividend.			
Type of	Process to be followed		
Holder	Registering Email Address	Updating bank account details	
Physical	Send a request to the RTA of the Company, Bigshare Services Private Limited athttps://bigshareonline.c om/investorRegistration. aspc providing Folio No., Name of member, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self-attested scanned copy of A a d h a r c a r d) f or registering email address.	Send a request to the RTA of the Company, Bigshare Services Private Limited athttps://bigshareonline. c o m / i n v e s t o r Registration.aspc providing Folio No., Name of member, 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) for updating bank account details. The following additional details need to be provided in case of updating bank account details: Name and branch of the bank in which you wish to receive the dividend, the bank account rumber allotted by their banks after implementation of core banking solutions	

	9 digit MICR Code Number 11 digit IFSC a scanned copy of the cancelled cheque bearing the name of the first member.
Demat	and register your email nt details in your demat advised by your DP.

- 17. In compliance with the Circulars, the Annual Report 2020-21, the Notice of the 120thAGM, and instructions for e-voting are being sent only through electronic mode to those members whose email addresses are registered with the Company / depository participant(s).
- 18. Members may also note that the Notice of the 120th AGM and the Annual Report 2020-21 will also be available onthe Company's website, http://empiremumbai.com/investor information, websites of the Stock Exchanges, i.e. BSE Limited at www/bseindia.com.
- 19. Additional information, pursuant to Regulation 36 of the Listing Regulations, in respect of the directors seeking appointment / reappointment at the AGM, forms part of this Notice.
- 20. SEBI has mandated the submission of the Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in the securities market. Members holding shares in electronic form are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN to their depository participant(s). Members holding shares in physical formare required to submit their PAN details to the RTA.
- 21. As per the provisions of Section 72 of the Companies Act 2013, the facility for making nomination is available for the Members in respect of the shares held by them. Members who have not yet registered their nomination are requested to register the same by submitting Form No. SH-13. Members are requested to submit these details to their DP in case the shares are held by them in electronic form, and to the Bigshare Services Private Limited, in case the shares are held in physical form.
- 22. The Scrutinizer will submit her report to the Chairman of the Company ('the Chairman') or to any other person authorized by the Chairman after the completion of the scrutiny of the e-voting (votes casted during the AGM and votes casted through remote e-voting), not later than 48 hours from the conclusion of the AGM. The result declared along with the Scrutinizer's report shall be communicated to the stock exchange and RTA and will also be displayed on the Company's website, www.empirremumbai.com.
- 23. Since the AGM will be held through VC in accordance with the Circulars, the route map, proxy form and attendance slip are not attached to this Notice.
- 24. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 124 of the Act read with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 (IEPFA Rules) as amended from time to time, the Company has transferred the unpaid or unclaimed dividend for the financial year 2012-2013 to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) established by the Central Government. No dividend has been declared for the years ended 31.03.1991 to 31.03.2003.



The Company has declared dividend in subsequent years as shown below:

S. No	Year	Description	Date of Declaration	Last Date for claiming unpaid Dividend
1.	2003-04	Dividend @ 10%	21.09.2004	Transferred to IEPF
2.	2004-05	Dividend @ 20%	26.08.2005	Transferred to IEPF
3.	2005-06	Dividend @ 40%	25.08.2006	Transferred to IEPF
4.	2006-07	Dividend @ 60%	28.08.2007	Transferred to IEPF
5.	2007-08	Dividend @ 80%	27.08.2008	Transferred to IEPF
6.	2008-09	Dividend @ 100%	27.08.2009	Transferred to IEPF
7.	2009-10	Dividend @ 200%	27.08.2010	Transferred to IEPF
8.	2010-11	Dividend @ 220%	26.08.2011	Transferred to IEPF
9.	2011-12	Dividend @ 240%	28.08.2012	Transferred to IEPF
10.	2012-13	Dividend @ 240%	26.07.2013	Transferred to IEPF
11.	2013-14	Dividend @ 240%	24.07.2014	23.07.2021
12.	2014-15	Dividend @ 240%	24.07.2015	23.07.2022
13.	2015-16	Interim Dividend @ 200%	08.03.2016	07.03.2023
14.	2015-16	Final Dividend @ 40%	30.07.2016	29.07.2023
15.	2016-17	Dividend @ 250%	27.07.2017	26.07.2024
16.	2017-18	Dividend @ 250%	26.07.2018	25.07.2025
17.	2018-19	Dividend @ 250%	26.07.2019	25.07.2026
18.	2019-20	Interim Dividend @ 250% as Final Dividend	03.03.2020	02.03.2027

- 25. Members wishing to claim dividends that remain unclaimed are requested to correspond with the RTA as mentioned above, or with the Company Secretary, at the Company's registered office. Members are requested to note that dividends that are not claimed with in seven years from the date of transfer to the Company's Unpaid Dividend Account, will be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF). Shares on which dividend remains unclaimed for seven consecutive years shall be transferred to the IEPF as per Section 124 of the Act, read with applicable IEPF rules.
- 26. As per provisions of Section 125(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 ("the Rules") notified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs effective from September 7, 2016, the Company is required to transfer all shares in respect of which dividend has not been paid or claimed by the shareholders for seven consecutive years or more in the name of Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Suspense Account established by the Central Government. Accordingly, the Company has transferred shares to IEPF Authority. For claiming the shares and unclaimed dividends you have to apply to the Authority by submitting an online application in Form IEPF-5 available on the website www.iepf.gov.inalong with fee specified by the authority.

- 27. NDSL e-Voting System For Remote e-voting and e-voting during AGM
- A. THE INTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDRES FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AREAS UNDER:

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

The remote e-voting period begins on Saturday, September 25, 2021(9:00 a.m.IST) and ends on Tuesday, September 28, 2021(5:00 p.m.IST). During this period, members holding share either in physical or dematerialized form, as on cut-off date, i.e. as on September 21, 2021 may cast their votes electronically. The e-voting module will be disabled by NDSL for voting thereafter. A member will not be allowed to vote again on any resolution on which vote has already been cast. The voting rights of members shall be proportionate to their share of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date, i.e. as on September 21, 2021.

How do I vote electronically using NSDL e-Voting system?

The way to vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system consists of "Two Steps" which are mentioned below:

Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system

A) Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode

In terms of SEBI circular 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.

$\frac{Login\ method\ for\ Individual\ shareholders\ holding\ securities\ in}{demat\ mode\ is\ given\ below\ :}$

Type of shareholders	Login Method
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	1. Existing IDeAS user can visit the e-Services website of NSDL Viz. https://eservices.nsdl.com either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. On the e-Services home page click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' section, this will prompt you to enter your existing User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services under Value added 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 i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

Type of shareholders	Login Method
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	2. If you are 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/ Secure Web/ideasDirectReg.jsp 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 i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting. 4. Shareholders/Members can also download NSDL Mobile App "NSDL Speede" facility by scanning the QR code mentioned below for seamless voting experience. NSDL Mobile App is available on App Store Google Play
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Existing users who have opted for Easi / Easiest, they can login through their 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 www.cdslindia.comand click on

2. After successful login of Easi/Easiest the

3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is

available at https://web.cdslindia.com

/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration

Click on NSDL to cast your vote.

user will be also able to see the E Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL.

New System Myeasi.

	4. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a link in www.cdslindia.com home page. 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 provided links for the respective ESP i.e. NSDL where the e-Voting is in progress.
securities in demat mode) login through	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Upon logging in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. 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 i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL 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. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
	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
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	

B) Login Method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

How to Log-in to NSDL e-Voting website?

- 1. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either on Personal Computer or on a mobile
- 2. 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, your Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen
 - Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL eservices i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at https://eservices.nsdl.com/ with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL eservices after using your log-in credentials, click on e-Voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.



4. Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of holding shares i.e. Demat (NSDL or CDSL) or Physical	Your User ID is:
a) For Members who hold shares in demat account with NSDL.	8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID For example if your DP ID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12***** then your user ID is IN300***12*****.
b) For Members who hold shares in demat account with CDSL.	16 Digit Beneficiary ID For example if your Beneficiary ID is 12********** then y o u r u s e r I D i s 12************************************
c) For Members holding shares in Physical Form.	EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the company For example if folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 101456 then user ID is 101456001***

- 5. Password details for shareholders other than Individual shareholders are given below:
 - a) If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can user your existing password to login and cast your vote.
 - b) If you are using NSDL e-Voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.
 - c) How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
 - (i) If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the email and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the pdf file is your 8 digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
 - (ii) If your email ID is not registered, please follow steps mentioned below in process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered.
- 6. If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the "Initial password" or have forgotten your password:
 - a) Click on "Forgot User Details/Password?" (If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
 - b) <u>Physical User Reset Password?</u>" (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
 - c) If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u> mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address etc.
 - d) Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- 7. After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.

- 8. Now, you will have to click on "Login" button.
- After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

Step 2 : Cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system.

How to cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDLe-Voting system?

- 1. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status.
- 2. Select "EVEN" of company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period and casting your vote during the General Meeting. For joining virtual meeting, you need to click on "VC/OAVM" link placed under "Join General Meeting".
- 3. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- 4. Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify/modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on "Submit" and also "Confirm" when prompted.
- Upon confirmation, the message "Vote cast successfully" will be displayed.
- 6. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

General Guidelines for shareholders

- 1. Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are required to send scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer by e-mail to deepaguptacs@gmail.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- 2. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the "Forgot User Details/Password?" or "Physical User Reset Password?" option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com to reset the password.
- 3. In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 or send a request to evoting@nsdl.co.in

Process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered with the depositories for procuring user id and password and registration of e mail ids for e-voting for the resolutions set out in this notice:

 In case shares are held in physical mode please provide 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 investor_relations@empiremumbai.com.

- 2. In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), 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 investor relations@empiremumbai.com. If you are an Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at step 1 (A) i.e. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.
- Alternatively shareholder/members may send a request to <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u> for procuring user id and password for evoting by providing above mentioned documents.
- 4. In terms of SEBI circular 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 required to update their mobile number and email ID correctly in their demat account in order to access e-Voting facility.

THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR e-VOTING ON THE DAY OF THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:-

- 1. The procedure for e-Voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
- Only those Members/ shareholders, who will be present in the AGM 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 in the AGM.
- Members who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- The details of the person who may be contacted for any grievances connected with the facility for e-Voting on the day of the AGM shall be the same person mentioned for Remote evoting.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGHVC/OAVMAREAS UNDER:

- 1. Member will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access by following the steps mentioned above for Access to NSDL e-Voting system. After successful login, you can see link of "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against company name. You are requested to click on VC/OAVM link placed under Join General Meeting menu. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush.
- Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops for better experience.
- Further Members will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.

- 4. 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.
- 5. Shareholders who would like to express their views/have questions may send their questions in advance mentioning their name demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number at investor_relations@empiremumbai.com. The same will be replied by the company suitably.
- 6. Speaker Registration during e-AGM session: Members who would like to express their views or ask questions during the AGM may register themselves by sending mail to investor relations@empiremumbai.com. You would have to mention the demat account number/folio number, city, email id, mobile number and then click on submit. The speaker registration shall commence on Sunday, the 26th September, 2021 at 9.00 a.m. and close on Monday, the 27th September, 2021 at 5.00 p.m. The Company reserves the rights to restrict the number of speakers depending on availability of time for the AGM.

ANNEXURE TO NOTICE

As required by Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 the following Explanatory statement set out all material facts relating to the business mentioned under Item Nos. 5 & 6 of the accompanying Notice dated June 23, 2021.

ITEM NO.5

Re-appointment of Mr. Rajbir Singh as an Independent Non-Executive Director.

Mr. Raibir Singh was appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company by the members at the 115th AGM of the Company held on 30th July, 2016 for a period of five consecutive years from the conclusion of 115th Annual General Meeting to the conclusion of 120th Annual General Meeting. As per Section 149(10) of the Act, an Independent Director shall hold office for a term of upto five consecutive years on the Board of a Company, but shall be eligible for re-appointment on passing a special resolution by the Company for another term of upto five consecutive years on the Board of a Company. Based on recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee and in terms of the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 read with Schedule IV and any other applicable provisions of the Act and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Regulation 17 (IA) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018, Mr. Rajbir Singh, being eligible for re-appointment as an Independent Director and offering himself for re-appointment, is proposed to be re-appointed as an Independent Director for second term of five consecutive years from 29th September, 2021 upto 28th September, 2026.

The Company has received declaration from him stating that he meets the criteria of Independence as prescribed under sub-section (6) of Section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation16(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. He has also given his consent to continue to act as Director of the Company, if so appointed by the members. In the opinion of the Board, Mr. Rajbir Singh fulfils the conditions specified under Section 149 (6) of the Act, the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and Regulation 16(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements)



Regulations, 2015 for his reappointment as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company and is independent of the management. The Board considers that his continued association would be of immense benefit to the Company and it is desirable to continue to avail services of Mr. Rajbir Singh as an Independent Director.

Accordingly, the Board recommends passing of the Special Resolution in relation to re-appointment of Mr. Rajbir Singh as an Independent Director for another term of five consecutive years with effect from 29th September, 2021 upto 28th September, 2026, for the approval by the shareholders of the Company.

Except Mr. Rajbir Singh, being an appointee, none of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Companyand their relatives is concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 5 of the accompanying Notice of the AGM. Mr. Rajbir Singh is not related to any Director of the Company.

ITEM NO.6

Appointment of M/s. Vinay Mulay & Co, Cost Accountants

In pursuance of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 14 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, the Board shall appoint an individual/ firm of cost accountant(s) in practice on the recommendations of the Audit Committee, which shall also recommend remuneration for such cost auditor. The remuneration recommended by Audit Committee shall be considered and approved by the Board of Directors and ratified by the shareholders.

On recommendation of the Audit Committee at its meeting held on June 23, 2021 the Board has considered and approved appointment of M/s.Vinay Mulay & Co., Cost Accountants (Registration No. M/8791), for the conduct of the Cost Audit of the Company's Construction including development activities at a remuneration of Rs.1,50,000/- plus GST as applicable and reimbursement of actual travel and out-of-pocket expenses for the Financial Year ending on March 31, 2022.

The resolution of Item No.6 of the Notice is set out as an Ordinary Resolution for approval and ratification by the members in terms of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013.

None of the Directors and/or Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives is concerned or interested in the resolution set out at Item No. 6.

Disclosure in terms of Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013

All the relevant documents in respect of accompanying notice for Resolution Nos. 5 & 6 are open for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company during normal business hours on any working day, excluding Sunday. You are requested to communicate your assent or dissent for the aforesaid resolution, in accordance with the instructions set out herein.

By Order of the Board

For EMPIRE INDUSTRIES LIMITED

Registered Office:

Empire Complex,
414, Senapati Bapat Marg,
Lower Parel,

S. C. NANDA
DIRECTOR FINANCE &
COMPANY SECRETARY

Mumbai: 400 013

Place : Mumbai Date : June 23, 2021

ANNEXURE TO NOTICE

Particulars of the Directors seeking **appointment/re-appointment** pursuant to Regulation 26(4) and Regulation 36(3) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Secretarial Standard - 2

 Mr. Dileep Malhotra is an MBA from LE High University, U.S.A. He is the son of Mr. S. C. Malhotra, Chairman of the Company. Mr. Dileep Malhotra joined November 28, 1991. He is on the Board of the Company as Whole-time Director designated as Joint Managing Director since October 1, 1999. He has substantially contributed for the development of the Agency business of the Company.

He is the Chairman of the Risk Management Committee of the Company and Member of Corporate Social Responsibility Committee.

His Directorship in Other Companies:

- i. Randil Trading Company Private Limited
- ii. Empire Technical Services Private Limited

His shareholding in the Company as at 31st March, 2021 was 1475975 equity shares

He is relative to the other directors namely Mr. S. C. Malhotra, Mr. Ranjit Malhotra and Mr. Kabir Malhotra.

 Mr. Rajbir Singh is a Director of the Company since June 28, 2007.

He has wide contacts with the key personnel in financial institutions and banks. He has vast experience in arranging funds for financing projects. He is a successful financial consultant having more than 29 years' experience and well known in the field. He is a Director of Kelly Handerson Private Limited. He is a partner in Anandini Solutions LLP.

He is the Chairman of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders Relationship Committee and the Member of Corporate Social Responsibility Committee and Risk Management Committee of the Company.

His Shareholding in the Company as at 31st March, 2021 was 15 equity shares.

He is not relative to any of the director of Empire Industries Limited.