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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman Mr. Bijon Bhushan Nag

Joint Executive Chairman Mr. Bikramjit Nag

Executive Vice Chairman Mr. Arup Kumar Banerjee

Managing Director & CEO Mr. Amitabha Mukhopadhyay

Independent Directors Mr. Sudip Kumar Mukherji Mr. Hari Ram Agarwal Mr. Manoj Kumar Vijay Dr. Runu Chakraborty Mr. Malay Kumar Das

• CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER Mr. Rahul Choudhary

 COMPANY SECRETARY Mr. Ritesh Agarwal

AUDITORS

BSR&Co.LLP Chartered Accountants

REGISTERED OFFICE

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■ REGISTRAR & SHARE TRANSFER AGENT

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WORKS

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Marine Preprocessing Centre Village & P.O. – Dakshin Kalamdan, Dist. – Purba Medinipur- 721430

BANKERS

HDFC Bank Limited ICICI Bank Limited FEDERAL Bank Limited

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Notice to the Members

Notice is hereby given that the 41st Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the members of IFB Agro Industries Limited will be held on 31st day of July, 2023, Monday at 12:30 P.M (IST) through Video Conferencing / Other Audio - Visual Means (VC/OAVM), in conformity with the Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India to transact the following business: -

AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt :
 - a. the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2023, together with the Reports of the Board of Directors ("the Board") and Auditors thereon; and
 - b. the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2023 together with the Report of the Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Arup Kumar Banerjee (DIN: 00336225), who retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment as Director.

AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

3. <u>Re-appointment of Mr. Arup Kumar Banerjee (DIN:-00336225) as Executive Vice Chairman</u>

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

"**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to provisions of Sections 196, 197, 198, 203 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("The Act") read with Schedule V to the Act and the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), and the relevant provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company, Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 including any amendment, modification, variation or reenactment thereof and based on the recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Mr. Arup Kumar Banerjee (DIN: 00336225), be and is hereby reappointed as Executive Vice Chairman of the Company for a further period of 2 (two) years w.e.f. 30th July, 2023, liable to retire by rotation on the terms and conditions including remuneration as set out in explanatory statement attached hereto and forming part of this resolution notwithstanding that the remuneration may exceed the limits prescribed in the provisions of Section 197, 198 and Schedule V to the Companies Act, 2013 in case of no profits / inadequate profits during any financial year / period in between."

"**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** notwithstanding anything contained in Sections 197, 198 and Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013 or any amendments / re-enactment thereof or any revised/ new schedule thereof, in the event of absence of profits or inadequate profits in any financial year, the salary and benefits as set out in the explanatory statement forming part of this resolution be paid as minimum remuneration to Mr. Arup Kumar Banerjee, Executive Vice Chairman (DIN: 00336225) of the Company even if it exceeds the limits stipulated under the Companies Act, 2013 or the rules related thereto during any financial year/period in between."

"**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board (the term "Board" includes Board of Directors of Company) and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company be and is hereby authorized to vary and / or modify the terms and conditions including valuation in remuneration benefits payable / made available to the appointee in such manner as may be agreed upon between the Board/Committee and the appointee."

"RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorised to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as may be necessary for obtaining necessary approvals in relation to the above and to execute all such

documents, instruments and writings as may be required in this connection and to delegate all or any of its powers herein conferred to any Director, Company Secretary or any other officer(s) of the Company."

By the Order of the Board

Registered Office: Plot No. IND-5, Sector - 1 East Calcutta Township, Kolkata - 700 107 CIN: L01409WB1982PLC034590 Email: complianceifbagro@ifbglobal.com Website: www.ifbagro.in Date: 30 May, 2023

Ritesh Agarwal Company Secretary (ACS 17266)

NOTES:

- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") has vide its circular dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 5, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 8, 2021, December 14, 2021, May 5, 2022 and December 28, 2022 (collectively referred to as "MCA Circulars") and in compliance with the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations") permitted the holding of the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") through Video Conferencing/Other Audio Visual Means (VC /OAVM), without the physical presence of the Members at a common venue. In compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act"), SEBI Listing Regulations and MCA Circulars, the AGM of the Company is being held through VC/OAVM. The registered office of the Company shall be deemed to be the venue for the AGM.
- 2. Relevant details, pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations") and Secretarial Standard on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, in respect of Director seeking re-appointment at this AGM are also annexed to this Notice.
- 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. Since this AGM is being held through VC / OAVM, the facility for appointment of proxies by the Members will not be available for this AGM and hence the Proxy Form, Attendance Slip and Route Map are not annexed to this Notice.
- 4. As per Regulation 40 of SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from, April 1, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition and relodged transfers of securities. Further, SEBI vide its circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/RTAMB/CIR/P/2020/236 dated December 2, 2020 had fixed March 31, 2021 as the cut-off date for re-lodgement of transfer deeds and the shares that are re-lodged for transfer shall be issued only in demat mode. SEBI vide it's notification dated January 24, 2022 has mandated that all requests for transfer of securities including transmission and transposition requests shall be processed only in dematerialized form. 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's Registrars and Transfer Agents i.e., CB Management Services (P) Ltd ("CBMSL") or can email to the email-id i.e., rta@cbmsl.com for assistance in this regard. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books shall remain closed from 25th July, 2023 to 31st July, 2023 (both days inclusive).
- 5. Members are requested to intimate changes, if any, pertaining to their name, postal address, email address, telephone/ mobile numbers, Permanent Account Number (PAN), mandates, nominations, power of attorney, bank details such as, name of the bank and branch details, bank account number, MICR code, IFSC code, etc., to their DPs in case the shares are held by them in electronic form and to the Registrar of the Company in case the shares are held by them in physical form. On or after 1 April, 2023, in case any of the above, cited documents are not available in the Folio(s), RTA shall be constrained to freeze such Folio(s).

- 6. The Company has sent individual letters to all the members holding shares of the Company in physical form for furnishing their PAN, KYC details and Nomination pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/655 dated November 3, 2021. The ISR-1 is also uploaded in the website of the Company www.ifbagro.in. Attention of the members are sought to submit the said form ISR-1.
- 7. Members may also note that SEBI vide its Circular No. SEBI/ HO/ MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR /2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 has mandated the listed Companies to issue securities in dematerialized form only while processing service requests viz. Issue of Duplicate Securities certificate, claim from unclaimed suspense account, renewal/exchange of securities certificate, endorsement, sub-division/splitting of securities certificate, consolidation of securities certificates/folios, transmission and transposition. Accordingly, members are requested to make service requests by submitting a duly signed and filled ISR-4_and ISR-5 as the case may be, the format for which is available on the Company's website at <u>www.ifbagro.in</u>.
- 8. Members are also informed that in in case the securities holder/ claimant fails to submit the demat request within 120 days from the date of issuance of letter of confirmation, then the Registrar & Share Transfer Agent (RTA) shall credit the securities to the Suspense Escrow demat Account of the Company. The Company has opened a SUSPENSE ESCROW DEMAT ACCOUNT in accordance with SEBI Circular SEBI /HO /MIRSD /MIRSD _RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated 25th January, 2022.
- 9. In case of Joint holders, there will be one vote for every Client ID / registered folio number irrespective of the number of joint holders. The facility for making nomination is available for the members in respect of the shares held by them and those who have not done the same are advised to do so by submitting SH-13. If a member desires to opt out or cancel the earlier nomination and record a fresh nomination he/she may submit the same in form ISR-3/SH-14 as the case may be.
- 10. Non-Resident Indian Members are requested to inform the Registrar any change in the Residential Status consequent to return to India for permanent settlement, and update particulars of the Bank account maintained in India with complete name, Branch, account type, account number and address of the Bank.
- 11. Members seeking any information with regard to the Financial Statements or any matter to be placed at the AGM, are requested to write to the Company on or before 27th July, 2023 through email to complianceifbagro@ifbglobal.com. The same will be replied by the Company suitably.
- 12. In compliance with the aforesaid MCA Circulars and SEBI Circulars 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 and Annual Report 2022-23 will also be available on the Company's website http://www.ifbagro.in, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com respectively, and on the website of NSDL https://www.evoting.nsdl.com.
- 13. Members attending the AGM through VC / OAVM shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Act.
- 14. Explanatory Statement, pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act'), relating to the Special Business to be transacted at this Annual General Meeting ('AGM'), is annexed.
- 15. All documents referred to in the Notice and the Explanatory Statement shall be made available for on-line inspection by the Members of the Company, without payment of fees upto and including the date of AGM. Members desirous of inspecting the same may send their requests at <u>complianceifbagro@ifbglobal.com</u> with a copy marked to <u>rta@cbmsl.com</u> from their registered e-mail addresses mentioning their names and folio numbers / demat account numbers.
- 16. During the AGM, 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 Directors are interested maintained under Section 189 of the Companies Act, shall be made available for on-line inspection upon login at NSDL e-Voting system at www.evoting.nsdl.com.

17. Instructions for e-voting and joining the AGM are as follows:

A. VOTING THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS

- i. In compliance with section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013, Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules 2014, substituted by Companies (Management and Administration) Amendment Rules 2015 and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015, and in terms of SEBI vide circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/ CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 9, 2020 in relation to e-Voting Facility Provided by Listed Entities, the Members are provided with the facility to cast their vote electronically, through the e-Voting services provided by NSDL, on all the resolutions set forth in this Notice.
- ii. The remote e-voting will commence on Friday, 28th July, 2023 at 9:00 AM (IST) and will end on Sunday, 30th day of July, 2023 at 5:00 PM (IST). During this period, members of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date of 24th July, 2023, may cast their vote by remote e-voting. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Those Members, who will be present in the AGM through VC / OAVM facility and have not cast 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 during the AGM.

Any person holding shares in physical form and non-individual shareholders, 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, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u>. If the member forgets the password, the member can reset his password by using "Forget User Details/password or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on hyperlink "http://www.evoting.nsdl.com" www.evoting.nsdl.com. However, if he / she is already registered with NSDL for remote e-Voting then he /she can use his / her existing User ID and password for casting the vote. In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode and 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 may follow steps of remote e-voting as mentioned below under.

iii. The process and manner for remote e-voting are as under:

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

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

Details on Step 1 are mentioned below:

1. Pursuant to 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 e-mail ID with their DPs in order to access e-Voting facility.

Type of Shareholders	Login Method	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	A. NSDLIDeAS facility If you are already registered, follow the below steps:	
	 Visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com/</u> 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. 	

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Type of Shareholders	Login Method	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	 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" appearing on the left hand side under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e- Voting page. 	
	 Click on options available against company name or e- Voting service provider - NSDL and you will be re-directed to NSDL e-Voting website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and e- Voting during the meeting. 	
	If you are not registered, follow the below steps:	
	1. Option to register is available at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com.</u>	
	 Select "Register Online for IDeAS" Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp. 	
	3. Please follow steps given in points 1-5 of Pt. A.	
	B. e-Voting website of NSDL	
	 Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://<u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>/ either on a personal computer or on a mobile phone. 	
	 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 held with NSDL), Password / OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. 	
	4. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL website wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider - 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 and e-Voting during the meeting.	
	C. e-Voting through NSDLApp	
	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	

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Type of Shareholders	Login Method		
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	 Existing users who have opted for Easi / Easiest, 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.com and click on New System Myeasi. 		
	2. After successful login of Easi / Easiest the user will be also able to see the e- Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of E-Voting Service Provider i.e. NSDL portal. Click on NSDL to cast your vote.		
	3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https: //web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration / Easi Registration. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN from a link in <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile and e-mail as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective E-Voting Service Provider i.e. NSDL where the e-Voting is in progress.		
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in	1. You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your DP registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility.		
demat mode) logging through their depository participants	2. Once logged-in, 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.		
	3. Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider - 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 and e-Voting during the meeting.		

Important note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID / Password are advised to use Forgot User ID and Forgot Password option available at respective websites.

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
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at toll free no.: 022-48867000 and 022-24997000
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at 1800-225533.

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 a personal computer or laptop.