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: BOPPANDA CHENGAPPA PONNAMMA

: NALINI JAIN : ANJANA JAIN

: ANIL KUMAR RAVINDRAN : SAJJAN KUMAR DEORA

CFO : NAGARAJ MRAMACHANDRA RAO

**COMPANY SECRETARY** : TARA RAWAT

**AUDITORS** : VIDIT JAIN & CO. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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KARNATAKA BANK

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# **COMPANY PROFILE**

Octavius Plantations Limited is a leading FMCG company established in the year 1984. The company began its operations with the export of Agri commodities and today it holds a prominent position in the market for its high-quality, sustainable and innovative products.

From a single product company to a multi-segment corporation. Its diverse interests include fast-moving consumer goods like **tea**, **coffee**, **spices**, **fruits**, **and medical herbs & plants**.

The Company owns one of the finest coffee plantations in the beautiful district of Coorg in Karnataka, growing the most excellent quality Arabica and Robusta coffee catering to the needs of Indian coffee exports to the Middle East, European and African markets. Our plantations are ably supported with curing and processing facilities with the latest technology. Apart from the coffee grown in the plantation, it procures premium coffees from other regions in Karnataka and Kerala.



#### Why Octavius?

"We grow it, pluck it, and process it for you to create a perfect cup of coffee."

Our artisanal coffees comprise the finest beans that are hand-picked, naturally fermented to maximize flavour and manually processed at our estates. To enhance the colour and flavour, the beans are soaked overnight and then washed in freshwater before it is slowly dried in natural light. The beans are then hulled and graded for size, shape, colour and density at the curing level. The beans are then graded, packed and are finally ready for dispatch.

Owing to many years of expertise at coffee cultivating, harvesting, roasting and storing, our specialty coffee division offers a remarkably wide range of coffees with a delightfully unique personality and taste profiles like Green Coffee Beans, Roasted Coffee Beans, Filter Coffee, Instant Coffee in the highest quality.

The company also procures tea from plantations in Tamil Nadu and Kerala which are further blended and packed essentially for exports. With its tea processing facilities at Cochin, the company caters to the tea export requirements.

Besides this, one of our group company in West Bengal bears a long historical legacy of tea production of more than 100 flourishing years.





Further to tea and coffee the company produces black pepper and ginger in its plantations and procures cardamom from the farmers in the region. These high-quality graded spices are then sold in the domestic market.

In addition to tea, coffee and spices the company has expanded its segment to popular fruits and medicinal plants grown in the Coorg region.







## **OUR PROMISE OF QUALITY**

There has never been a time when we haven't strived for perfection, and in this process, we have been updating our techniques, our product range, and our quality, so that we can match up to the expectation bar set by our customers, if not being able to cross it. It gives us immense pleasure to mention that our products are of premium quality and are known for their rarity and purity and we deliver products of the highest quality.





#### **CSR ACTIVITIES**

At Octavius Plantations, we care, we believe in improving the living standards of the people associated with us and we take responsibility for doing so.

We ensure the eradication of adversities in the communities working with us for a better society.

We yearn to be acknowledged and valued as an organization that continually upholds its responsibility towards social, economic and environmental development.



## **Sustainable Farming- Rain Water Harvesting & Conservation**

Water is the critical element for the survival of Coffee Plantations. Intensive cultivation practices have required us to initiate rainwater harvesting techniques and we have been successful in doing so by adopting simple harvesting methods like rainwater storage tanks which effectively uses the stored water for coffee farming and helps conserve rivers, streams and tank waters.

#### Care for our Workers

We provide subsidized food grains and have regular food and other necessary commodity distribution for our workers.

#### **Education- Books & Stationary Distribution**

We organize conventions of distributing notebooks and stationery items every year to the children of our garden and factory workers.









#### **OUR VISION**

Octavius Plantations Limited with offerings across food, beverages, retail and exports has emerged as a well-regarded brand. The company continuously aims to promote the Food and Beverage experience for the consumers.

Our portfolio encompasses a vast variety of products and is continuously growing with every passing year. The company's ambition to grow is secured on multiple strategic levels that keep us consistent & innovative and also vigilant towards the environment.



## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that 38<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Octavius Plantations Limited will be held on Monday, the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of December, 2022, at 12:30 P.M. through video conferencing ("VC")/Other Audio visual Means ("OAVM") to transact the following businesses:

## **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

<u>Item No 1:</u> To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the company for the Financial Year ended on 31st March, 2022 together with the Reports of Board of Directors', Statutory Auditors' and Secretarial Auditors' thereon.

<u>Item No. 2</u>: To consider the re-appointment of Mr. Raj Kumar Jain (DIN: 03505168), who retires by rotation in terms of Section 152(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

<u>Item No. 3</u>: To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modifications, the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 (9) and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, M/s. V. Singhi & Associates, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No.- 311017E), be and are hereby appointed as Statutory Auditors of the company to hold office for a term of 5 (Five) year from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in year 2027, on such remuneration as may be determined and recommended by the Audit Committee and duly approved by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time."

Date: 25.11.2022 Place: New Delhi By Order of the Board For Octavius Plantations Limited

Sd/- Tara Rawat Company Secretary



### **NOTES**

- 1. Pursuant to General Circular Nos. 14/2020, 17/2020, 20/2020, 02/2021, 19/2021, 21/2021 and 02/2022 dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 5, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 08, 2021, December 14, 2021 and May 05, 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 dated May 12, 2020, January 15, 2021 and May 13,2022, 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. 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. However, the Body Corporates are entitled to appoint authorised representatives to attend the EGM/AGM through VC/OAVM and participate thereat and cast their votes through e-voting. In case of joint holders attending the meeting, only such joint holder who is higher in the order of name will be entitled to vote
- 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.
- 4. 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. 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.



## **NOTES**

- 6. For ease of conduct, members who would like to ask questions/express their views on the items of the business to be transacted at the meeting can send in their questions/comments in advance mentioning their name, demat account number/ folio number, email id, mobile number at csdelhi@octavius.in. The same will be replied by the Company suitably. Those Members who have registered themselves as a 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.
- 7. The Notice calling the AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at http://www.octaviusplantations.com/. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and the AGM.
- 8. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 to Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of the AGM.

#### **E-VOTING DETAILS**

#### The instructions for shareholders voting electronically are as under:

- (i) The voting period begins on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022 at 09:00 A.M and ends on 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 at 05:00 P.M During this period shareholders' of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
- (iii) Click on Shareholders / Members
- (iv) Now Enter your User ID
  - a. For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
  - b. For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
  - c Members holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
- (v) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- (vi) If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to <u>www.evotingindia.com</u> and voted on an earlier voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- (vii) If you are a first time user follow the steps given below:

If you are a first time user follow the steps given below:(viii) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.

(ix) Members holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, members holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.



## **NOTES**

	For Members holding shares in Demat Form and Physical Form
PAN	Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)
	<ul> <li>Members who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the first two letters of their name and the 8 digits of the sequence number in the PAN field.</li> <li>In case the sequence number is less than 8 digits enter the applicable number of 0's before the number after the first two characters of the name in CAPITAL letters. Eg. If your name is Ramesh Kumar with sequence number 1 then enter RAO0000001 in the PAN field.</li> </ul>
Dividend Bank Details OR Date of Birth (DOB)	Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login.  • If both the details are not recorded with the depository or company please enter the member id / folio number in the Dividend Bank details field as mentioned in instruction

- (x) For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (xi) On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
- (xii) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (xiii) After selecting the resolution you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- (xiv) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xv) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xvi) If a demat account holder has forgotten the changed login password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xvii) Shareholders can also cast their vote using CDSL's mobile app m-Voting available for android based mobiles. The m-Voting app can be downloaded from Google Play Store. Apple and Windows phone users can download the app from the App Store and the Windows Phone Store respectively. Please follow the instructions as prompted by the mobile app while voting on your mobile.
- (xviii) Note for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians