

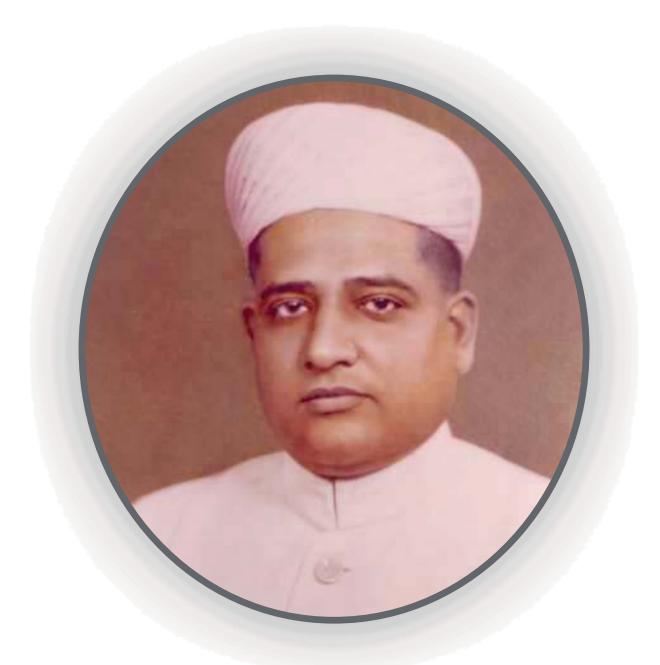
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Our Founder Anandilall Poddar (1914-1961)

ORIENT BEVERAGES LIMITED

(CIN - L15520WB1960PLC024710)

Board of Directors (As on 12th August, 2021)	Sri Narendra Kumar Poddar Sri Akshat Poddar Sri Ballabha Das Mundhra Dr. Gora Ghose	 Chairman (DIN : 00304291) Managing Director (DIN : 03187840) Executive Director (DIN : 01162223) Independent Director (DIN : 00217079)
	Smt. Sarita Tulsyan Sri Vivek Vardhan Agarwalla	 Director (DIN : 05285793) Independent Director (DIN : 00674395)
Chief Financial Officer	Sri Arun Kumar Singhania	
Company Secretary	Sri Jiyut Prasad	
Audit Committee	Sri Vivek Vardhan Agarwalla Dr. Gora Ghose Sri Ballabha Das Mundhra	- Chairman - Member - Member
Nomination and Remuneration Committee	Dr. Gora Ghose Smt. Sarita Tulsyan Sri Vivek Vardhan Agarwalla	- Chairman - Member - Member
Stakeholders Relationship Committee	Smt. Sarita Tulsyan Sri Akshat Poddar Sri Ballabha Das Mundhra	ChairpersonMemberMember
Share Transfer Committee	Sri Narendra Kumar Poddar Sri Akshat Poddar Sri Ballabha Das Mundhra Smt. Sarita Tulsyan	 Chairman Member Member Member
Auditors	D. Mitra & Co. Chartered Accountants 107/1, Park Street, Kolkata - 700 016, W.B.	
Registered Office	"Aelpe Court", 3rd Floor, 225C, A. J. C. Bose Road Kolkata - 700 020, W.B. Phone : (033) 2281 7001 / 70 E-mail : cs@obl.org.in Website : www.obl.org.in	02

Works	 NH-6, Mumbai Highway, Salap More, Howrah - 711 409, W.B. 	
	 Dag No. 418 & 419, Durgapur Expressway, Durgapur Toll Plaza, Dankuni, Hooghly - 712 310, W.B. 	
	 Sankrail Industrial Park, Near Dhulagarh Toll Plaza, Chaturbhujkati, Sankrail, Howrah - 711 313, W.B. 	
	 Rukka Road P.O Chakla, Ormanjhi Ranchi - 835 219, Jharkhand 	
	 Marshit, Pandua, Hooghly - 712 149, W.B. 	
Bankers	Punjab National Bank Union Bank of India Axis Bank HDFC Bank ICICI Bank State Bank of India	
Registrars and Share Transfer Agents	Ire Niche Technologies Pvt. Ltd. 3A, Auckland Place, 7th Floor, Room No. 7A & 7B Kolkata - 700 017, W. B. Phone : (033) 2280 6616 / 17 / 18 Fax : (033) 2280 6619 E-mail : nichetechpl@nichetechpl.com Website : www.nichetechpl.com	

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NOTICE is hereby given that 60th Annual General Meeting of the member(s) of ORIENT BEVERAGES LIMITED will be held on Thursday, 30th December, 2021 at 1:00 P.M.(IST) through Video Conferencing(VC) or Other Audio Visual Means(OAVM) for which purpose the Registered Office of the Company situated at "Aelpe Court", 3rd Floor, 225C, A. J. C. Bose Road, Kolkata - 700 020, W.B. shall be deemed as the venue for the Meeting and the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting shall be deemed to be made thereat, to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the audited standalone financial statements of the Company along with audited consolidated financial statements for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021 and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Smt. Sarita Tulsyan (DIN: 05285793), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers herself for re-appointment.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

3. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolutions as a Special Resolution:

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and approval of the Board of Directors in their respective meetings held on 16th March, 2021 and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 read with Schedule IV and any other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 and Rules made there under and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (hereinafter referred as "Listing Regulations") [including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force], the approval of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded for re-appointment of Sri Vivek Vardhan Agarwalla (DIN 00674395) whose current period of office is expired on 21st March, 2021 and who has submitted a declaration confirming the criteria of Independence under Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Listing Regulations, as amended from time to time, and who is eligible for re-appointment for a second term under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Rules made there under and Listing Regulations as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company, whose term shall not be subject to retirement by rotation, to hold office for a term of 5(five) consecutive years on the Board of Directors of the Company with effect from 22nd March, 2021 up to 21st March, 2026.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 197 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made there under [including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force], Sri Vivek Vardhan Agarwalla be paid such fees, commission and reimbursement of expenses as the Board may approve from time to time and subject to such limits as may be prescribed under the law for the time being in force.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors (which term shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, be deemed to include a duly authorised 'Committee' thereof) be and is hereby authorised to do and perform all such acts, deeds, matters or things as may be considered necessary, appropriate, expedient or desirable to give effect to above resolution."

4. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolutions as a Special Resolution:

RESOLVED in supersession of the earlier resolution(s) passed by the members of the Company and pursuant to the provisions of Section 180(1)(c) and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act"), read with the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 and rules made there under [including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment(s) thereof for the time being in force], consent of the Members be and is hereby accorded, including confirmation of actions taken hitherto, to the Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred to as the "Board", which term shall be deemed to include any person(s) authorised and/or any Committee which the Board may have constituted or hereinafter constitute to exercise its powers including the powers conferred by this resolution), to borrow

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money, from time to time, in any form, from any one or more bodies corporate, banks, financial institutions or from other entity by way of advances, cash credit, term loans, housing loans, other loans or otherwise with or without security or guarantee, at their discretion, for the purpose of business of the Company, together with the money already borrowed by the Company (apart from temporary loans obtained or to be obtained from the Company's bankers in the ordinary course of business), up to an amount of ₹1,00,00,00,000/-(Rupees One hundred crore only) outstanding at any one time, notwithstanding that such borrowings may exceed the aggregate of the paid-up share capital, free reserves and securities premium of the Company and that the Board of Directors be and is hereby empowered and authorised to arrange or finalise the terms and conditions of all such monies to be borrowed from time to time as to interest, repayment, security, guarantee or otherwise as it may think fit.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorised to take all actions and steps, including delegation of authority, as may be necessary and to settle all the matters arising there from and incidental thereto and to sign and execute on behalf of the Company such agreements, deeds, applications, documents and writings, as may be required in this regard and generally to do and perform all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary, desirable or expedient to give effect to this resolution(s)."

5. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolutions as a Special Resolution:

RESOLVED in supersession of the earlier resolution(s) passed by the member(s) of the Company and pursuant to the provisions of Section 186 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 and rules made there under [including any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force], consent of the member(s) be and is hereby accorded, including confirmation of actions taken hitherto, to the Board of Directors of the Company [hereinafter referred to as the "Board", which term shall be deemed to include any person(s) authorised and/or any Committee which the Board may have constituted or hereinafter constitute to exercise its powers including the powers conferred by this resolution], to:

- (a) give loan to any person or other body corporate,
- (b) give any guarantee or provide security in connection with a loan to any other body corporate or person and
- (c) acquire by way of subscription, purchase or otherwise, the securities of any body corporate, listed or unlisted or group/ associate companies or units of mutual funds or other schemes, in India or outside India,

up to the extent of and not exceeding ₹1,00,00,000/- (Rupees One hundred crore only) outstanding at any one time, irrespective of the fact that the aggregate of such loan, guarantee, security or investment in securities exceeds sixty percent of the Company's paid up share capital, free reserves and securities premium account or one hundred percent of the free reserves and securities premium account, on such terms and conditions as the Board may think fit in the interest of the Company.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT for the purpose of giving effect to this resolution(s), the Board be and is hereby authorised to finalise, settle and execute such documents, deeds, writings, papers and agreements as may be required and to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things, as it may in its absolute discretion deem necessary, proper or desirable and to settle any question, difficulty or doubt that may arise in regard to such loan, guarantee, security or investment as aforesaid."

6. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolutions as a Special Resolution:

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 185 and all other applicable provisions, if any of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 and Rules made there under, including any statutory modification(s) thereto or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force, and subject to such other consents, permissions, approvals, as may be required in that behalf, the consent of the members of the Company be and is hereby accorded to the Board of Directors of the Company to provide loan/ financial assistance including any loan

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represented by a book debt, or give any guarantee or provide any security in connection with any loan/financial assistance provided/to be provided to M/s Esenzzaro Beverages Private Limited ("EBPL") in which some Directors of the Company are interested, by any other person or entity upto ₹ 6,00,00,000/- (Rupees Six Crore only) outstanding at any point of time.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT for the purpose of giving effect to this resolution(s), the Board be and is hereby authorised to finalise, settle and execute such documents, deeds, writings, papers and agreements as may be required and to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as may be considered necessary, incidental and ancillary in order to give effect to this Resolution or otherwise considered by the Board of Directors to be in the interest of the Company."

By Order of the Board

Registered Office: "Aelpe Court", 3rd Floor, 225C, A. J. C. Bose Road, Kolkata- 700 020, W.B. Dated: 28th October, 2021

Jiyut Prasad Company Secretary

NOTES:

- The relevant details of Director seeking appointment/re-appointment as required under Regulation 36(3) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") and Clause 1.2.5 of Secretarial Standard on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (SS-2), in respect of the Ordinary Business under Item No. 2 of the Notice along with the Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013("the Act") in respect of the Special Business under Item No. 3 to 6 of the Notice, is annexed hereto.
- 2. In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing is a norm to be followed and Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") has vide its General Circular No. 02/2021 dated 13th January, 2021 read with General Circular 20/2020 dated 5th May, 2020, General Circular No. 17/2020 dated 13th April, 2020 and General Circular No. 14/2020 dated 8th April, 2020 (collectively referred to as "said Circulars") permitted the holding of the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") through VC/OAVM, without the physical presence of the members at a common venue. In this Annual Report, the connotation of "Members" and "Shareholders" is the same.

Accordingly, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") read with the said Circulars and the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), the Company has decided to convene its ensuing 60th AGM through VC/OAVM, and the Members can attend and participate in the ensuing AGM through VC/OAVM.

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. However, since this AGM is being held through VC/OAVM, whereby physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with and in line with Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January, 2021 read with Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May, 2020 ("said SEBI Circulars") issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, THE FACILITY TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND CAST VOTE FOR THE SHAREHOLDERS IS NOT MADE AVAILABLE FOR THIS AGM and hence the Proxy Form and Attendance Slip are not annexed to this Notice.

However, in terms of the provisions of Section 112 and 113 of the Act read with the said Circulars, Corporate Members are entitled to appoint their authorized representatives to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM on their behalf and participate thereat, including cast votes by electronic means (details of which are provided separately, hereinbelow). Such Corporate Members are requested to refer 'General Guidelines for Shareholder's provided in the Point No.20 hereinbelow for more information.

4. 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

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through VC/OAVM will be made available for 1000 members of first come first served basis. This will not include large Shareholders (i.e. Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairman 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 basis.

5. In view of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, resultant difficulties involved in dispatching of physical copies of the Annual Report and in line with the said Circulars issued by the MCA and said SEBI Circulars, the Annual Report including Notice of the 60th AGM of the Company inter alia indicating the process and manner of e-voting is being sent only by Email, to all the Shareholders whose Email IDs are registered with the Company/ Depository Participant(s) for communication purposes to the Shareholders and to all other persons so entitled as on November 12, 2021.

Further, in terms of the applicable provisions of the Act, SEBI Listing Regulations read with the said Circulars issued by MCA and said SEBI Circulars, the Annual Report including Notice of the 60th AGM of the Company will also be available on the website of the Company at www.obl.org.in. The same can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and The Calcutta Stock Exchange Ltd. at www.cse-india.com and on the website of CDSL at www.evotingindia.com.

- 6. 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 Act.
- 7. The members can cast their votes by way of remote e-voting provided by the Company through CDSL in proportion to their shares of the paid up equity share capital of the Company held as on the **cut-off date December 23, 2021.** Any person, 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 **cs@obl.org.in**. However, if he/she is already registered with CDSL for remote e-voting then he/she can use his/her existing User ID and Password for casting their vote.
- 8. The members, who have casted their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also attend/participate in the AGM through VC/OAVM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again.
- 9. The Register of Member(s) and the Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from **Friday**, **24th December**, **2021 to Thursday**, **30th December**, **2021 (both days inclusive)** for the purpose of ensuing AGM.
- 10. i. Members who are holding shares in physical mode and have not registered their email address with the Company, may get the same registered by providing necessary details like Folio No, Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy), Aadhaar (self attested scanned copy) to the email address of the Company/RTA.
 - ii. Members who are holding shares in Demat mode and have not registered their email address, may get the same registered by providing details like Demat account details (CDSL 16 digit beneficiary ID or NSDL 16 digit DP ID+ Client ID), Name, Client Master or Copy of Consolidated Account Statement, PAN (self attested scanned copy), Aadhaar (self attested scanned copy) to the email address of the Company/RTA. Further, Members holding shares in demat mode are also requested to contact their Depository Participant (DP) for updation of their Email ID in their demat account permanently.
- 11. As per SEBI Notification No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2018/24 dated 8th June, 2018 and SEBI Notification No. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2018/49 dated 30th November, 2019 read with Regulation 40 of LODR, 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 of securities. In view of this and to eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and for ease of portfolio management, members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialized form. Shareholders holding shares in physical form under multiple folios are requested to consolidate their holdings in a single folio enabling the Company to serve effectively.

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- 12. The Board of Directors has not recommended any dividend during the financial year ended 31st March, 2021.
- 13. The Securities and Exchange Board of India vide Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/DOP1/ CIR/P/2018/73 dated 20th April, 2018 has mandated the submission of Permanent Account Number (PAN) and Bank details by every participant in the Securities Market. Member(s) holding shares in electronic mode are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN and Bank details to their Depository Participant(s), with whom they maintain their demat accounts. The member(s) holding shares in physical mode are requested to submit self attested photocopy of their PAN card and Original cancelled cheque leaf with name (if name is not printed on cheque- self attested photocopy of the first page of the Passbook of the bank), to the Company's Registrars and Share Transfer Agents i.e. M/s Niche Technologies Pvt. Ltd., 3A, Auckland Place, 7th Floor, Room No. 7A & 7B, Kolkata- 700017, W.B. or Company Secretary of the Company.

The SEBI has also made it mandatory for all the listed companies to make dividend payments through electronic payment modes to the investors. It is further directed that in case electronic payment is rejected or returned, the Company shall mandatorily print the Bank account details of the investor on payment instrument. Member(s) are requested to provide their updated Bank account particulars allotted after implementation of CBS to enable the Company to electronically credit dividend directly in their respective bank accounts.

- 14. Shareholders seeking any information/queries with regard to accounts or any matter to be placed at the AGM, are requested to write to the Company at least 10 days in advance of the date of the AGM. The same will be replied by/on behalf of the Company suitably.
- 15. Member(s) are informed that the equity shares of the Company are listed on The Calcutta Stock Exchange Ltd. and BSE Ltd. The equity shares of the Company have been admitted both on NDSL & CDSL and may be dematerialised under the ISIN- INE247F01018.
- 16. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 124 and 125 of the Act, the dividends which remain unclaimed for a period of 7 years will be transferred by the Company to the "Investor Education and Protection Fund" ("IEPF") established by the Central Government as and when they fall due for transfer. Shareholders who have not encashed their dividend warrants/payment instrument(s) so far are requested to make their claim to the Company/RTA before transfer to IEPF. The following table shows the details of tentative date of transfer of unclaimed dividend to IEPF.

Financial Year ended	Date of declaration of Dividend	Tentative Date for Transfer to IEPF
31st March, 2014	22.09.2014	27.10.2021
31st March, 2015	22.09.2015	27.10.2022
31st March, 2016	28.09.2016	31.10.2023
31st March, 2017	18.09.2017	21.10.2024
31st March, 2018	24.09.2018	25.10.2025
31st March, 2019	23.09.2019	25.10.2026
31st March, 2020	30.12.2020	03.02.2027

The Company is required to transfer the shares to the demat account of the IEPF Authority, the shares in respect of which the dividend is not claimed/remains unpaid for seven consecutive years or more and such dividend/shares can be claimed by respective members from IEPF authority by following prescribed procedures.

17. The requirement to place the matter relating to appointment of Auditors for ratification of Auditors by members at every Annual General Meeting is done away with vide notification dated 7th May, 2018 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. Accordingly, no resolution is proposed for ratification of appointment of Statutory Auditors who were appointed in

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the Annual General Meeting held on 18th September, 2017 for a period of 5(five) years with effect from financial year 2017-18, who shall hold office from the conclusion of the 56th Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the 61st Annual General Meeting of the Company.

- 18. Member(s) can avail the facility of nomination in respect of shares held by them. Those holding shares in dematerialised form are requested to submit their nomination details to their respective Depository Participant(s) and in respect of member(s) holding shares in physical form, the prescribed form for making nomination i.e. Form SH-13 can be obtained/submitted (in duplicate) from/to the Company's Registrars and Share Transfer Agents or Registered Office of the Company.
- 19. Since the AGM will be held through VC/OAVM, the route map is not furnished in this Notice.

20. INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING ARE AS UNDER:

- As you are aware, in view of the situation arising due to COVID-19 global pandemic, the general meetings of the companies shall be conducted as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) vide Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 8, 2020, Circular No.17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 and Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020. The forthcoming AGM will thus 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 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 and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), and MCA Circulars dated April 08, 2020, April 13, 2020 and May 5, 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 Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized e-Voting's agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting as well as the e-voting system on the date of the AGM will be provided by CDSL.
- Pursuant to MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, the facility to appoint proxy to attend and cast vote for the members is not available for this AGM. However, in pursuance of Section 112 and Section 113 of the Companies Act, 2013, representatives of the body corporate can attend the AGM through VC/OAVM and cast their votes through evoting.
- 4. In line with the MCA Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, the Notice calling the AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at www.obl.org.in. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges where shares of the Company are listed. The AGM Notice is also disseminated on the website of CDSL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting facility and e-voting system during the AGM) i.e. www.evotingindia.com.
- 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.
- 6. In continuation of this Ministry's General Circular No. 20/2020, dated 5th May, 2020 and after due examination, it has been decided to allow companies whose AGMs were due to be held in the year 2020, or become due in the year 2021, to conduct their AGMs on or before 31.12.2021, in accordance with the requirements provided in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the General Circular No. 20/2020 as per MCA Circular no. 02/2021 dated January 13, 2021.

THE INTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS FOR E-VOTING AND JOINING VIRTUAL MEETINGS ARE AS UNDER:

(i) The voting period begins on Monday, the 27th December, 2021 at 9.00 A.M. and ends on Wednesday, the 29th December, 2021 at 5.00 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 i.e. Thursday, the 23rd December, 2021, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.