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# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

CHAIRMAN H.D. RAMSINGHANI

TÉCHNICAL DIRECTOR

DIRECTORS S S ARORA MAHENDRA LODHA

# REGISTERED OFFICE • 812, RAHEJA CHAMBERS, NARIMAN POINT, MUMBAI 400 021

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### PLANT

VILLAGE VASHIVALLI SAVROLI KHARPADA ROAD PATALGANGA DIST. RAIGAD MAHARASHTRA

### **REGISTRARS & TRANSFER AGENTS**

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AUDITORS HARIBHAKTI & CO. MUMBAI

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# NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty First Annual General Meeting of the members of RAMA PETROCHEMICALS LIMITED will be held on Friday the 14th day of September 2007 at 10.00 a.m at Babasaheb Dahanukar Hall, Oricon House, 12, K Dubhash Marg, Fort, Mumbai 400 001 to transact the following business :

### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the Profit and Loss Account for the year ended March 31, 2007 and the Balance Sheet as on that date together with the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. S.S. Arora who retires by rotation and is eligible for reappointment.
- 3. To appoint Auditors to hold office from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and to fix their remuneration.

### SPECIAL BUSINESS

- 4. To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification, as a Special Resolution the following : "RESOLVED THAT subject to such approvals, consents and sanctions as may be necessary and further subject to such terms, conditions, stipulations and restrictions as may be imposed by the authorities while granting such approvals, consents and sanctions, the consent of the Members be and it is hereby accorded pursuant to the provisions of Sections 198, 269, 309 Schedule XIII and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 1956 for the reappointment of Mr. D N Singh as Whole Time Director designated as 'Technical Director' for a further period of Three Years from May 01, 2007 on the terms and conditions as set out in the draft agreement between the Company and Mr. D N Singh placed before the meeting and for the purpose of identification initialed by the Chairman hereof."
  - "FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to execute the Agreement, in terms of the said draft with such alterations, changes and/or variations as may be agreed between the Directors and Mr.D N Singh."

"FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors be and it is hereby authorised to take such steps as may be necessary to give effect to the above Resolutions."

# NOŢES

- 1. The Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 173 of the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of Special Business as set out above is annexed hereto.
- 2. A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE MEETING IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT ONE OR MORE PROXIES TO ATTEND AND VOTE ON A POLL INSTEAD OF HIMSELF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY. THE INSTRUMENT APPOINTING A PROXY SHOULD HOWEVER BE DEPOSITED AT THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY DULY COMPLETED NOT LESS THAN FORTY EIGHT HOURS BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING.
- →3. The Register of Members and the Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Friday the 7th day of September, 2007 to Friday the 14th day of September , 2007 (both days inclusive).
  - 4. Members desirous of seeking any information concerning the Accounts are requested to address their queries, in writing, to the Company at its Corporate Office at least seven days before the date of the Meeting so that the requested information can be made available at the time of the meeting.
  - 5. Members/Proxies should bring their copies of the Annual Report to the meeting since copies of the Annual Report will not be distributed at the meeting.

By order of the Board For RAMA PETROCHEMICALS LTD.

> H D RAMSINGHANI CHAIRMAN

Place: Mumbai Date : July 31, 2007

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 173 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956 WITH REFERENCE TO THE SPECIAL BUSINESS SPECIFIED IN THE NOTICE CONVENING THE TWENTYFIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY

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### ITEM NO. 4

The Board of Directors of the Company, at their meeting held on May 30,2007, have reappointed Mr. D N Singh as the Whole Time Director designated as 'Technical Director' for a further period of Three Years from May 01, 2007.

The material terms and conditions of his reappointment, as set out in the draft Agreement between the Company and Mr. D N Singh, are as follows :

Designation	:	Whole Time Director de	signated as	'Technical	Director	'.
Date of Appointment	:	May 01,2007.				
Period	:	Three years				•

REMUNERATION:

- (a) Mr D N Singh shall not be entitled to any remuneration as the Technical Director of the Company. He shall, however, be entitled to reimbursement of all expenses incurred for the business of the Company.
- (b) He shall not be entitled to sitting fees for attending meetings of the Board of Directors or any committee thereof.

The Draft Agreement between the Company and Mr. D N Singh is open for inspection of the Members on all days except Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays between 11.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

Mr. D N Singh may be deemed to be concerned or interested in this Resolution as it relates to his own reappointment. None of the other Directors of the Company are in any way concerned or interested in the Resolution.

This Explanatory Statement along with the accompanying notice is and shall be deemed to be an abstract under section 302 of the Companies Act, 1956.

By order of the Board For RAMA PETROCHEMICALS LTD.

Place: Mumbai Date : July 31, 2007 H D RAMSINGHANI CHAIRMAN

### **INFORMATION PURSUANT TO CLAUSE 49 (VI) OF THE LISTING AGREEMENT**

As required under the Listing Agreement the particulars of Director who is proposed to be reappointed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting are as follows;

Mr. S.S. Arora retires by rotation at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and is eligible for reappointment:

Mr. S.S. Arora is a Commerce Graduate and has over 23 years of rich and varied experience in the field of Textiles, Fertilizers and Petrochemicals. Mr S.S. Arora has been a Director of the Company since March 2005 and holds 101465 Equity Shares of the Company.

He is a Director of the following Public Limited Companies : Rainbow Denim Ltd. Rainbow Agri Industries Limited

He is a Committee Member / Chairman in the following Companies: – Rainbow Denim Limited Shareholder Committee – Member Share Transfer Committee – Member

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# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the Twenty First Annual Report together with the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2007.

		(Rs. in lacs)
	.YEAR	YEAR
· · · ·	ENDED	ENDED
	31.03.2007	31.03.2006
Profit/(Loss) before Depreciation	(34.51)	• 476.85
Less: Depreciation	174.15	177.76
Profit/(Loss) before tax	(208.66)	299.09
(Provision) / Release of Deferred Tax Liability	18.52	14.31
Fringe Benefit Tax	0.39	0.28
Excess Provision of Depreciation for earlier	•	
years written back	2.51	
Add/(Less) : Prior years Income/(Expenditure)	(2.20)	(7.22)
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	(190.22)	305.90
Balance brought forward from previous year	(2949.17)	(3255.07)
Balance carried to Balance Sheet	(3139.39)	(2949.17)

### DIVIDEND

In view of the accumulated losses, your Directors regret their inability to recommend any dividend for the year under review.

# **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

There was no Sales Turnover of the Methanol Division during the year under review as also in the previous year. The Methanol Plant of the Company continued to be closed during the entire year under review since the operation of the Plant by using Naphtha as feed stock continues to be economically not viable.

### **DELISTING OF SHARES**

During the year under review the Equity Shares of the Company were delisted from Ahmedabad Stock Exchange Limited. The Company has also made an application for delisting from The Delhi Stock Exchange Association Limited which is pending. The Equity Shares of the Company will continue to be listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange Limited.

### **FUTURE PROSPECTS**

As the operation of the plant on naphtha as feed stock is not viable, the management is making all efforts to obtain natural gas and is in constant touch with the natural gas suppliers. It is expected that the pipeline to transport gas to the company's unit at Patalganga will be laid in the near future. Demand of methanol in India is increasing and it is much more than the production capacity at present; the differential quantity being met by imports.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

A Report on Corporate Governance along with the Auditor's Certificate regarding Compliance of the conditions of Corporate Governance as also a Management Discussion and Analysis Report pursuant to clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are annexed hereto.

# DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to Section 217(2AA) of the Companies Act, 1956 the Directors confirm that:

- 1. In the preparation of the annual accounts, the applicable accounting standards have been followed;
- 2. Appropriate policies have been selected and applied consistently and have made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2007 and the loss of the Company for the year ended March 31,2007;
- 3. Proper and sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act,1956 for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities; and
- 4. The annual accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

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In accordance with the provisions of Section 292A of the Companies Act, 1956 and Clause 49 of the Listing Agree-

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ment, the Company has constituted an Audit Committee comprising of the following Directors viz. Mr Mahendra Lodha (Chairman), Mr D N Singh and Mr S S Arora. The Audit Committee acts in accordance with the terms of reference specified from time to time by the Board.

### SUBSIDIARY COMPANY

The Statement as required under Section 212 of the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of the Subsidiary Company viz. Rama Capital and Fiscal Services Pvt. Ltd. is annexed hereto and forms a part of the Report.

### SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL & PROTECTION

The Company has taken all the necessary steps for safety and environmental control and protection. **DISCLOSURE OF PARTICULARS** 

Information as required under the Companies (Disclosure of Particulars in the Report of the Board of Directors) Rules, 1988 relating to the conservation of energy, technology absorption, foreign exchange earning and outgo to the extent applicable, is annexed hereto and forms a part of this Report.

### PERSONNEL

There were no employees drawing remuneration in excess of the limits prescribed under Section 217(2A) of the Companies Act, 1956 read with Companies (Particulars of Employees) Rules, 1975 during the year under review or part thereof.

### DIRECTORS

Mr. S.S. Arora retires from the Board of Directors by rotation and is eligible for reappointment.

# AUDITORS REPORT

Your Directors refer to the observations made by the Auditors in their Report and wish to state as under :

- a) The Company is in the process of reviewing its investment in the Subsidiary Company.
- b) The Company has not provided for interest on working capital loan in view of the difficult financial position and closure of the plant during the entire year under review.
- c) The Company has not provided for interest on Custom Duty in view of the difficult financial position and closure of the plant during the entire year under review.
- d) The Company is in the process of obtaining confirmation from concerned Govt. Authorities in respect of the various statutory liabilities of erstwhile Rama Fertilizers Pvt. Ltd.
- e) As regards the physical condition and valuation of closing stock lying at factory and customs warehouse, the management states that the same are in good physical condition and the value of the said items is not lower than that stated in the books:
- f) As per the practice followed by the Company all transactions of the construction divisions are recorded on technical estimates.
- g) The Company has not paid statutory liability on account of Sales Tax dues<sub>a</sub>due to difficult financial position and closure of the plant during the entire year under review.
- h) The Company is in the process of obtaining confirmation of debit / credit balances referred to in Note No. 4.
- i) The Company has not disclosed information regarding dues to SSI Unit since no information is available regarding their status.

### AUDITORS

M/s. Haribhakti & Company, the Auditors of the Company retire at the conclusion of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and being eligible offer themselves for reappointment. The Company has received a certificate from them certifying that their appointment, if made, would be within the limits specified under Section 224(1-B) of the Companies Act, 1956.

### COST AUDIT

The Cost Accounts Records maintained by the Company for "Chemicals" are subject to yearly audit by qualified Cost Auditors. However, the Company has applied to the Central Government for exemption from cost audit for the year under review in view of the fact that the manufacturing activities of the Company have been closed during the entire financial year.

### INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

The Industrial Relations remained cordial during the year under review.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Your Directors sincerely record their appreciation with gratitude for the continued support and assistance extended to the Company by the Banks and various Government Departments and Agencies.

For and on behalf of the Board

H D RAMSINGHANI CHAIRMAN

Place : Mumbai Date : July 31, 2007

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ANNEXURE TO DIRECTOR	s'	REPORT
STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SEC SUBSIDIARY COMPANY	ΓIO	N 212 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956, RELATING TO
Name of the Subsidiary Company		Rama Capital & Fiscal Services Pvt. Ltd.
Holding Company's Interest	:	5,00,300 Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- each fully paid and 25,00,000 9% Cumulative Convertible Preference Shares of Rs.10/- each fully paid.
Extent of Holding	:	100%
Twelve months period of the Subsidiary company ended on	:	31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2007
Net aggregate amount of the Subsidiary Company's profits/ (losses) dealt with in the holding company's accounts	•	
For the subsidiary's aforesaid period	:	NIL
For the previous financial years since it became a subsidiary	:	NIL
Net aggregate amount of the subsidiary Company's profits/ (losses) not dealt with in the holding company's accounts	:	
For the subsidiary's aforesaid period		(Rs. 2,56,66,108/- )
For the previous financial years since it became a subsidiary	:	(Rs. 21,77,66,898/- )
		For and on behalf of the Board

Place: Mumbai Date : July 31, 2007

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# **ANNEXURE TO DIRECTORS' REPORT**

PARTICULARS PURSUANT TO SECTION 217(1) (e) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956, READ WITH COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF PARTICULARS IN THE REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS) RULES 1988 AND FORMING A PART OF THE DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2007

### I. CONSERVATION OF ENERGY :

A. Energy conservation measures taken :

- B. Additional investment proposals, if any, being implemented for reduction of consumption of energy :
- C. Impact of measures at (A) and (B) above for reduction of Energy Consumption and consequent impact on the cost of production of goods :

Not Applicable as the Plant was closed during the entire year under review.

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D.		ticulars with respect to energy consumption per unit of productio POWER AND FUEL CONSUMPTION	n: <b>2006–2007</b>	2005-2006
			(12 months)	(12 months)
		1) ELECTRICITY :		
		A) Purchased (MSEB)		
		Units (in Thousand)	78.802	76.655
		Total cost (Rs. in lacs)	4.08	3.38
		Rate per Unit (Rs.)	5.17	4.41
		B) Own Generation :		
	•	Through Diesel Generation	NIL	" NIL
		Units (in Thousand)	NIL	NIL
		Units/KL of Diesel	NIL	NIL
		Cost/Unit (Rs.)	NIL	NIL
• •		Through Steam Turbine/Generator		· · ·
		Units (in thousand)	NIL	NIL
		Units/Lt Of Fuel Oil, Gas	NIL	NIL
		Cost/Unit	NIL	NIL
-		2) Coal	NIL	NIL
		3) Furnace Oil	NIL	NIL
	b)	CONSUMPTION PER UNIT OF PRODUCTION		
		Consumption/ton of Methanol	N.A.	N.A
		Electricity (KWH)	N.A.	N.A
	•	Furnace Oil	N.A.	N.A
		Coal	N.A.	N.A
		Other – Diesel Oil (KL)	<b>N.A.</b>	N.A
. TE		OLOGY ABSORPTION :		
А.	RE	SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R & D)		
	a)	Specific areas in which R & D is carried out by the Company :		
	b)	Benefits derived as a result of R & D:		
	C)			
		Not Applicable as the Plant was closed during the entire year un	nder review.	
	d)	Expenditure on R & D		(Rs. in lacs)
		i) Capital	*	NIL NIL
		ii) Recurring		NIL
		iii) Total		NIL
		iv) Total R & D expenditure as a percentage	• •	N.A
		of total turnover		
<b>B</b> .	TE	CHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, ADAPTATION AND INNOVA	TION :	•
		Efforts in brief made towards technology absorption and innovat	tion :	
	b)	Benefits derived as a result of above efforts :		
	1	Not Applicable as the Plant was closed during the entire year un	nder review.	
	<b>c)</b>	Information of Imported Technology :		
		Technology Imported : Low pressure technology for manufacture	of Methanol from M	l/s. Lurgi GmbH
		Germany.		
	· ,	Year of Import :	• • • •	1987 – 88
		Whether the technology has been fully absorbed.		
		In terms of the scope of agreement with the technical collabo	rator, the technolog	y has been fully
		absorbed.		
I. FO	REI	GN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:		( <b>D</b> )
				(Rs. in lacs)
		Exchange used		. NIL
For	eign	Exchange earned		NIL
		· · · ·	For and on bel	half of the Board
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ace: N		1, 2007		CHAIRMAN

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# **REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

# 1. Company's Philosophy on Corporate Governance

As required by the Listing Agreement with various Stock Exchanges, the Company has implemented the Code of Corporate Governance and it is committed to the philosophy of good Corporate Governance in letter and in spirit.

# 2. Board of Directors

- a. As on the date of this Report, the Board consists of four Directors (One Executive and three Non-Executive Directors of which two Directors are independent. The Company does not have a Managing Director.)
- b. The attendance at Board Meetings and last Annual General Meeting of each of the Directors during the financial year was as under :

Name of Director	Category Attendance at		ce at			Membership/	
•	Executive, Non-executive/ Independent	Board Meetings	Last Annual	of other Board (including alternate Directorship and Directorship in	Chairmanship of other Board Committees.		holding (No. of Shares)
			general meeting	Private Companies)	Chairman	Member	
Mr H.D. Ramsinghani	Non Executive Chairman	Four	Yes	Three	Nil	One	1110
Mr. Deonath Singh	Executive	Four	Yes	Four	One	Two	7303
Mr. Mahendra Lodha	Non Executive Independent	Three	Yes	Seventeen	Two	Five	Nil
Mr S S Arora	Non – Executive Independent	Four	Yes	Three	Nil	One	101465

(c) During the year Four Board Meetings were held on the following dates : June 02, 2006, July 28, 2006, October 31, 2006 and January 31, 2007.

# 3. Code of Conduct

The Company has framed a Code of Conduct for the members of the Board of Directors and Senior Management personnel of the company. The declaration by the Chairman regarding compliance by the members of the Board and the Senior Management personnel with the said code of conduct is annexed hereto.

# 4. Audit Committee

Role of the Audit Committee and its terms of reference include reviewing the financial statements, overseeing the Company's Annual Report process and discussions with auditors.

The Committee presently comprises of Mr Mahendra Lodha – Chairman, Mr D. N. Singh and Mr S. S. Arora. – Four meetings of the Audit Committee were held during the year on June 02, 2006, July 28, 2006, October 31, 2006 and January 31, 2007. The attendance at the Audit committee meetings of each of the Directors is as under:

Name of the Director	Attendance at Audit Committee meetings		
Mr Mahendra Lodha	Three		
Mr. D. N. Singh	Four		
Mr. S. S. Arora	Four		

In the absence of the Company Secretary, Mr R D Jog acts as the Secretary of the Audit Committee.

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### 5. Share Transfer Committee

The Board has delegated the power of share transfers to a Committee of Directors comprising of Mr. D.N. Singh (Chairman) and Mr. H. D. Ramsinghani as also to the Registrars and Transfer Agents of the Company who attend to the Share Transfer formalities, transmission of shares, issue of duplicate certificates and issue of certificates on split/ consolidation/renewal etc. at least once in a fortnight. The transfers etc. approved by the Registrars and Transfer Agents and the Share Transfer Committee are also noted at every meeting of the Board of Directors.

Barring certain cases pending in Courts relating to disputes over the title of shares in which the Company has been made a party, no investor complaint is pending for a period exceeding one month.

### 6. Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee determines the managerial remuneration including perquisites payable to Directors and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors.

The Committee presently comprises of Mr Mahendra Lodha – Chairman, Mr H D Ramsinghani and Mr S. S. Arora. No Remuneration Committee Meeting was held during the year.

#### 7. Shareholders'/Investors' Grievances Committee

The Shareholders/Investors Grievances Committee specifically looks into the redressing of Shareholder's and Investor's complaints relating to Share transfers, Non receipt of Balance Sheet and Dividend etc. In terms of Clause 47 of the Listing Agreement the Company has appointed Mr R. D. Jog as the Compliance Officer and the investors are requested to register their complaints, if any, on the exclusive email ID : rdjog@ramagroup.co.in

The committee presently comprises of Mr. Mahendra Lodha (Chairman) and Mr. D.N. Singh.

A summary of complaints received and resolved by the Company during the year under review is given below :

	Received	Cleared
Non-Receipt of Share Certificates duly transferred	15	15
Non-Receipt of Dividend Warrants	5	5
Miscellaneous	15	15
Letters from Stock Exchanges, SEBI and Department of Company Affairs	Nil	Nil

### 8. Remuneration of Directors

## (a) Executive Director

No remuneration was paid to the Wholetime Director during the year under review.

### (b) Non-Executive Directors :

The Non-Executive Directors are not paid any remuneration except sitting fees for attending meetings of the Board or committees thereof. Details of Sitting Fees paid to the Non-Executive Directors are as follows :

Name of the Director	Sitting Fees (Rs.)
Mr. H D Ramsinghani	8000/-
Mr. Mahendra Lodha	12000/-
Mr. S S Arora	16000/-
TOTAL	36000/-

### 9. General Body Meetings

	<b>Financial Year</b>	Date	Time	Location
	2003-2004	24/09/2004	10.00 A.M.	Ashoka Hall, Nariman Point, Mumbai 40002'l
-	2004-2005	23/09/2005	10.00 A.M.	Ashoka Hall, Nariman Point, Mumbai 400021
	2005-2006	15/09/2006	10.00 A.M.	Ashoka Hall, Nariman Point, Mumbai 400021