

Annual Report 2022 - 23



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#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Dr. M Manickam, ChairmanSri M BalasubramaniamVice Chairman and Managing Director

Sri M Srinivaasan Dr. A Selvakumar Sri P S Gopalakrishnan Smt Priya Bhansali Sri K P Ramakrishnan Dr. S Veluswamy

#### **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

Sri Srinivasan Anand

### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Sri S Venkatesh (Up to 6th March 2023)
Sri C Subramaniam (w.e.f. 6th March 2023)

# REGISTERED OFFICE SAKTHI FINANCE LIMITED

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# REGISTRAR AND SHARE TRANSFER AGENTS SKDC CONSULTANTS LIMITED

"Surya"

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### **BANKERS**

State Bank of India
Central Bank of India
The Karur Vysya Bank Limited
The Karnataka Bank Ltd
Indian Overseas Bank
Bank of India
Canara Bank

#### STATUTORY AUDITORS

IndusInd Bank Ltd

M/s. CSK Prabhu & Co Chartered Accountants Coimbatore

### **INTERNAL AUDITOR**

Sri B Muralidharan FCA Chartered Accountant Coimbatore

## **SECRETARIAL AUDITORS**

M/s. S Krishnamurthy & Co Company Secretaries Chennai / Coimbatore

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#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty Sixth (66th) Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the members of the Company will be held on Thursday, 21st September 2023 at 4.00 p.m ("IST") through Video Conference ("VC") / Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") to transact the following business.

You are requested to make it convenient to attend the meeting.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

### 1. Adoption of Audited Financial Statements

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution, as an **Ordinary Resolution:** 

**RESOLVED THAT** the Audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31st March 2023 and the attached Reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors be and are hereby considered and adopted.

# 2. Confirmation of Interim Dividend on Redeemable, Cumulative, Preference Shares as Final Dividend

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution, as an **Ordinary Resolution:** 

**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to Section 123(3) of the Companies Act 2013 ("the Act"), an Interim Dividend of ₹ 8.25 per share (8.25%) on 15,00,000 numbers of Redeemable, Cumulative, Preference Shares of ₹ 100 each for the financial year ended 31st March 2023 declared by the Board of Directors on 18th March 2023 and paid out of the profits of the company on 30th March 2023 be and is hereby confirmed as final dividend.

### 3. Declaration of dividend on Equity Shares

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution, as an **Ordinary Resolution:** 

RESOLVED THAT a dividend of ₹ 0.70 (7%) per equity share, as recommended by the Board of Directors, be declared for the financial year ended 31st March 2023 on 6,47,05,882 numbers of equity shares of ₹ 10 each out of the profits of the company for the said financial year and the said dividend be paid to those equity shareholders whose names stand on the Register of Members in case the equity shares are held in physical form and also to the beneficial holders of the dematerialised shares as per the details provided by the Depositories in case the equity shares are held in the electronic form, as on Thursday, 14th September 2023.

# 4. Reappointment of Dr M Manickam (DIN: 00102233), Director retiring by rotation, as a Director being eligible, offers himself to be reappointed

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution, as an **Ordinary Resolution:** 

**RESOLVED THAT** Dr M Manickam, holding DIN: 00102233, who retires by rotation and being eligible for reappointment, be and is hereby reappointed as a Director of the Company.

#### SPECIAL BUSINESS

 Issue of Redeemable, Cumulative Preference Shares on private placement basis for an amount not exceeding ₹ 15 Crores

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as **Special Resolutions**:

**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to the provisions of Sections 42, 55 and any other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act read with the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules 2014 and the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules 2014 (including any amendment(s), statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof), the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, any other applicable laws for the time being in force and subject to such other approvals as may be required from regulatory authorities from time to time, approval of the Company be and is hereby given to the Board of Directors ("the Board", which term shall include any Committee thereof which the Board may have constituted or may hereinafter constitute to exercise its powers including the powers conferred by this resolution) to offer, issue and allot, in one or more tranches, 15,00,000 (Fifteen lakhs only) Redeemable, Cumulative, Preference Shares ("Preference Shares") of the face value of ₹ 100 each for cash at par for an amount not exceeding ₹ 1,500 lakh (Rupees One Thousand Five Hundred lakh only) on private placement basis to persons identified by the Board of Directors in their absolute discretion, whether or not such persons are members of the Company, on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Board and subject to the following rights:

- a. The Preference Shares shall rank for dividend and in repayment of capital in priority to the equity shares for the time being of the Company. The payment of dividend shall be on a cumulative basis.
- b. The said shares shall carry a fixed cumulative preference dividend to be determined by the Board of Directors at the time of issue of preference shares on the capital for the time being paid-up thereon.
- c. The said shares shall, in winding up, be entitled to rank as regards repayment of capital and arrears of dividend, whether declared or not, up to the date of commencement of the winding up in priority to the equity shares, but shall not be entitled to any further participation in the profits or surplus assets or surplus funds.
- d. The said shares will not be converted into equity shares.
- e. The voting rights of the persons holding the said shares shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 47(2) of the Act.
- f. The said shares shall be redeemable not later than the date determined by the Board of Directors at the time of issue or such other date as may be determined by the Board of Directors provided that it does not exceed twenty years.



**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors be and are hereby authorized to delegate all or any of the powers conferred by this resolution to any Director(s) or Committee of Directors or any Officer(s) of the Company, as it may consider appropriate to give effect to the resolution.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors be and is hereby authorized on behalf of the Company to do all such acts, deeds and matters and things as they may, at their discretion, deem necessary or desirable for such purpose and with power on behalf of the Company to settle any questions, difficulties or doubts that may arise in this regard as they may, in their absolute discretion, deem fit and proper to give effect to the resolution.

6. Issue of Secured or Unsecured, Redeemable, Non-Convertible Debentures ("NCDs") and / or other Debt Securities on private placement basis for an amount not exceeding ₹750 crores

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as **Special Resolutions**:

**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to the provisions of Sections 42, 71 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act read with the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules 2014 and the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force) and in accordance with the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations 2021 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force) ("SEBI NCS Regulations"), if applicable, the rules, regulations, guidelines, circulars and RBI directions as amended from time to time, the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and subject to such other requirements as may be prescribed by regulatory authorities from time to time, the approval of the members of the Company be and is hereby given to the Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Board" which term shall be deemed to include any Committee duly constituted/ authorized Committee of the Board) to offer, issue and allot, listed / unlisted, Secured or Unsecured, Redeemable, Non-Convertible Debentures ("NCDs") and / or other Debt Securities on private placement basis, during the period commencing from the conclusion of Sixty Sixth Annual General Meeting until the conclusion of Sixty Seventh Annual General Meeting up to an amount not exceeding ₹ 750 crores, within the overall borrowing limits of the Company.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board be and is hereby authorized to:

- a. decide whether to issue, in one or more series or tranches, as secured or unsecured;
- b. decide whether to list any of the tranches;
- c. finalize the other terms and conditions including the rate of interest, tenor and security cover thereof, the consideration of the issue, utilization of the issue proceeds and all matters connected to it;
- d. decide on the timing of each tranche;

- e. decide on the persons to whom it can be issued, including companies, bodies corporate, statutory corporations, commercial banks, lending agencies, financial institutions, insurance companies, mutual funds, pension / provident funds and individuals or such other person / persons; and
- f. do all such acts, deeds and things and give such directions and further to execute such documents, deeds, instruments and writings as may be deemed necessary, proper and desirable or expedient to give effect to the above Resolution.

## 7. Adoption of New Set of Articles of Association

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as **Special Resolutions**:

**RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to the provisions of Section 14 and all other applicable provisions of the Companies Act 2013 and the Rules made thereunder, (including any statutory modifications or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force) ("Act") a new set of Articles of Association, placed before the members, as hosted in the website of the company, https://www.sakthifinance.com/investor-information/ be and is hereby adopted and substituted in place of the existing Articles of Association of the Company.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors be and is hereby authorised to perform and execute all such acts, deeds and things as is considered necessary, expedient, usual, proper or incidental in relation to the said matter and take such actions and give such directions as they may consider as necessary or desirable to give effect to the above resolution.

#### **NOTES:**

 Convening of Annual General Meeting through Video Conferencing ("VC")/ Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") facility

Pursuant to the General Circular number 10/2022 dated 28th December, 2022 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") read with its earlier Circulars 20/2020 dated 5th May 2020, 14/2020 dated 8th April 2020, 17/2020 dated 13th April 2020, 02/2021 dated 13 January 2021, 21/2021 dated 14th December 2021 and 02/2022 dated 5th May 2022 (collectively referred to as "MCA Circulars") and Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") has, by its Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/ CFD/PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/4 dated 5th January, 2023 SEBI/ HO/CFD/ CMD2/CIR/P/2022/62 dated 13th May 2022, SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January 2021 and SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May 2020 respectively, (collectively referred to as "SEBI Circulars"), permitted companies whose AGMs are to be conducted on or before 30th September 2023, to hold their AGMs through Video Conferencing ("VC") / Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") not requiring the physical presence of the Members at a common venue. Accordingly, in compliance with the provisions of the Act and SEBI (Listing



Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 ("Listing Regulations") read with the above circulars issued in this regard, the 66th AGM of the Company is being held through VC/OAVM. The deemed venue for the 66th AGM shall be the Registered Office of the company situated at 62, Dr Nanjappa Road, Coimbatore – 641 018, Tamilnadu, India

Since the AGM will be held through VC / OAVM in accordance with the MCA / SEBI Circulars, the route map is not attached to the Notice.

2. In terms of Clause 3.A.II. of the General Circular No 20/2020 dated 5th May 2020, issued by MCA, the matters of Special Business as appearing at Item Nos. 5 to 7 of the accompanying Notice are considered to be unavoidable by the Board and hence, form part of this Notice.

# 3. Statement under Section 102 of the Act and the details of Director seeking re-appointment

The relevant Statement as required under Section 102 of the Act setting out the material facts in respect of Special Business under Item Nos. 5 to 7 are annexed.

4. The relevant details of Director seeking re-appointment under Item No. 4 pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the Listing Regulations and as required under Secretarial Standard-2 on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India is set out in Annexure-1.

### 5. Proxy(ies)

In terms of 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 behalf of the members and the Proxy need not be a Member of the Company. Since the AGM is conducted through VC/ OAVM only, the requirement of physical attendance of the members at the AGM has been dispensed with. Hence the facility for appointment of Proxy by members will not be available for this AGM and accordingly, 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 AGM through VC / OAVM and participate thereat and cast their votes through e-voting.

#### 6. Quorum

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.

Since the ensuing AGM is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with.

### 7. Corporate Representations

Members of the Company under the category of Institutional Investors, if any, are encouraged to attend and vote at the AGM through VC / OAVM. Corporate members intending to authorize their representatives to participate and vote at the AGM are requested to send a duly certified copy of the board resolution authorizing their representatives to attend and vote on their behalf at the AGM to the scrutinizer at murali@skmcoca.com or info@skdc-consultants.com.

# 8. Electronic dispatch of the AGM Notice and the Annual Report 2023

In terms of Section 101 and 136 of the Act read with the rules made thereunder and Regulation 36 of the Listing Regulations and in compliance of MCA and SEBI Circulars, the Notice of the 66th AGM along with the Annual Report for the year 2023 is being sent by electronic mode only to the members whose e-mail address are registered with the Company / Depository Participants.

Members may also note that the Notice of 66th AGM along with the Annual Report for the year 2023 will also be made available on the Company's website www.sakthifinance. com for their download. Members can request for a physical copy of the Annual Report 2023 by sending a request to the e-mail, investors@sakthifinance.com.

#### 9. Record Date and Dividend

**Thursday, 14th September 2023** has been fixed as the Record Date for payment of dividend to the equity shareholders.

The dividend on equity shares for the year ended 31st March 2023, as recommended by the Board of Directors and if declared at the AGM, will be paid/dispatched by the Company, through permitted modes, on or after **Thursday**, **21st September 2023** to those shareholders or their mandatees:

- a. whose names appear as Members in the Register of Members of the Company as at the end of the business hours on Thursday, 14th September 2023 in respect of the shares held in physical form, after giving effect to valid request(s) received for transmission/ transposition of shares and lodged with the Company or Registrar and Transfer Agent on or before Thursday, 14th September 2023; and
- b. whose names appear as Beneficial Owners as at the end of the business hours on **Thursday**, **14th September 2023** in the list of Beneficial Owners to be furnished by National Securities Depository Limited and Central Depository Services (India) Limited in respect of the shares held in dematerialised form.

#### 10. Tax Deducted at Source on Dividend

In terms of the provisions of the Income Tax Act 1961 ("IT Act"), dividend paid or distributed by a Company on or after 1st April 2020 shall be taxable in the hands ofthe members. Hence, the Company is required to deduct Tax at Source ("TDS") at the time of payment of dividend to the members at the prescribed rates. Details of the applicable tax rates for various categories of members and documentation required from them to claim exemption/lower tax rates is set out in Annexure-2 forming part of this Notice. Members are requested to update their Permanent Account Number ("PAN") with the Company/SKDC Consultants Limited (in case shares are held in physical mode) and with depositories (in case shares are held in demat mode).



Members are requested to send the forms to the E-mail id, investors@sakthifinance.com, on or before Thursday, 14th September 2023. No documents will be accepted after Thursday, 14th September 2023.

In case the tax on dividend is deducted at a higher rate in the absence of receipt of the above details / documents from the Members, there would still be an option available with the Members to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund, if found eligible.

### 11.ELECTRONIC CREDIT OF DIVIDEND

SEBI has made it mandatory for all Companies to use the bank account details provided by the Depositories and the bank account details maintained by the Registrar and Transfer Agent for payment of dividend to the Members electronically. The Company has extended the facility of electronic credit of dividend directly to the respective bank accounts of the Member(s) through the Electronic Clearing Service ("ECS")/National Electronic Clearing Service ("NECS")/National Electronic Fund Transfer ("NEFT") / Real Time Gross Settlement ("RTGS")/Direct Credit, etc.

The procedure for updation of mandate for receiving dividends directly in bank account through electronic clearing system or any other means in a timely manner is given below:

#### In case Shares are held in physical form

Members are requested to send the following documents in original to SKDC Consultants Limited, "Surya", 35, May Flower Avenue, Behind Senthil Nagar, Sowripalayam Road, Coimbatore - 641 028 for change in / updation of bank details.

- a. Form ISR-1 along with the supporting documents. The Form is available on the website of the Company https://www.sakthifinance.com/investor-information/ and is also given in Annexure - 3.
- b. Form ISR-2 duly signed by the Shareholders
  - i. Copy of Bank Statement with Bank Name, Bank Account Number and IFS code attested by Bank Manager or
  - ii. Original cancelled cheque bearing the name of the Member or first holder, in case shares are held jointly;
  - iii. Self-attested PAN Card copy of all holders; and
  - iv. Self-attested photocopy of any document (such as Aadhaar Card, Driving License, Election Identity Card, Passport) in support of the address of the First holder as registered with the Company.

#### In case Shares are held in electronic form

Members may note that their bank account details as provided by the respective Depositories to the Company will be considered for remittance of dividend as per the applicable regulations of the Depositories and the Company will not be able to accede to any direct request from such Members for change/ addition/deletion in such bank account details. Accordingly, the Members holding

shares in demat mode are requested to update their Electronic Bank Mandate with their respective Depository Participants ("DPs").

Further, please note that the instructions, if any, already given by the Members in respect of shares held in physical form, will not be automatically applicable to the dividend paid on shares held in electronic form.

For Members who are unable to receive the dividend directly in their bank accounts through Electronic Clearing Service or any other means, due to non-registration of the Electronic Bank Mandate, the Company shall dispatch the dividend warrant/ bankers' cheque/demand draft to such Members by post/courier/permitted modes.

### 12. ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES ONLY IN DEMAT MODE

As per the Regulations 39 and 40 of the Listing Regulations, the Company shall issue securities in dematerialized form only while processing any requests from shareholders holding shares in physical mode in respect of i. Issue of duplicate securities certificate; ii. Claim from Unclaimed Suspense Account; iii. Renewal / Exchange of securities certificate; iv. Endorsement; v. Sub-division / Splitting of securities certificates; vi. Consolidation of securities certificates/ folios; vii. Transmission and viii.Transposition ("service requests").

The shareholders shall submit duly filled up Form ISR-4 along with requisite documents to RTA. The form ISR-4 is available in the website of the Company at https://www.sakthifinance.com/investor-information/.

The RTA/ Company shall verify and process the service requests and thereafter issue a "Letter of Confirmation" to the shareholders in lieu of the physical share certificates. The "Letter of Confirmation" shall be valid for 120 days from the date of its issuance within which shareholders shall make a request to the Depository Participant for dematerializing the said shares. In case the shareholder fails to submit the demat request within the aforesaid period, RTA / Company shall credit the securities to Suspense Escrow Demat Account of the Company.

# 13. INSTRUCTIONS TO FURNISH/UPDATE PAN, BANK ACCOUNT, KYC AND NOMINATION DETAILS

SEBI vide its Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/37 dated 16th March 2023 has mandated all physical shareholders to furnish their PAN, Nomination and KYC details (Contact Details, Bank Account Details and Specimen Signature) with Companies. Further, linking of PAN and Aadhaar is also mandated by the Central Board of Direct Taxes ("CBDT").

Non-updation of KYC, Bank account and Nomination details on or before 30th September 2023 or such extended date, will result in freezing of the folio of the Physical shareholders by the RTA and the same shall be reverted to normal status only upon receipt of all the KYC and Nomination details and dematerialization of holdings. Brief procedure for updation of PAN, Bank Account, KYC and nomination details is given hereunder:



Type of Holder	Process to be followed		
Shareholders holding shares in physical form	· ' '		
	To register PAN, e-mail address, bank details and other KYC details or updation therein	Form ISR-1	
	To update signature of securities holder	Form ISR-2	
	Declaration to opt out nomination	Form ISR-3	For forms please refer
	Form for requesting issue of Duplicate Certificate and other service requests for securities held in physical mode		Company's website at https://www.sakthifinance.com/
	For nomination as provided in the Rule 19(1) of the Companies (Share Capital and debenture) Rules, 2014	Form SH-13	investor-information/
	Cancellation of nomination by the holder(s) (along with ISR-3)/ Change of Nominee	Form SH-14	

# 14.PROCEDURE FOR INSPECTION OF REGISTERS AND DOCUMENTS

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, Memorandum and Articles of Association (new) and any other relevant documents referred to in the Notice shall be made available electronically for inspection without any fee by the members during the AGM. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send e-mail to csubramaniam@sakthifinance.com

All documents referred to in the Notice are open for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company on all working days between 11.00 a.m and 1.00 p.m. up to the date of the AGM.

# 15. TRANSFER OF UNCLAIMED/UNPAID DIVIDEND AND SHARES TO INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND ("IEPF")

In accordance with Sections 124 and 125 of the Act, all unclaimed dividends up to the financial year ended 31st March 1997 and for the years ended 31st March 2007, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 which remained unclaimed for a period of seven years have been transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund ("IEPF") of the Central Government. Members who have not encashed their dividend warrant(s) for the said years are requested to forward their claims by submitting Form IEPF-5, which is available on the website, www.iepf.gov.in.

The unclaimed dividends in respect of the following years will be transferred to IEPF on various dates as detailed below:

Financial Year	Due date for transfer to IEPF
2015-16: Dividend on Equity Shares	31st October 2023
2016-17: Dividend on Equity Shares	1st November 2024
2017-18: Dividend on Equity Shares	31st October 2025
2018-19: Dividend on Equity Shares	30th October 2026
2019-20: Dividend on Equity Shares	23rd January 2028
2020-21: Dividend on Equity Shares	4th November 2028
2021-22: Dividend on Equity Shares	5th November 2029

The Company urges all the Members to encash/claim their respective dividend(s) during the prescribed period. Members who have not encashed the dividend warrants so far in respect of the above periods are requested to make their claim to SKDC Consultants Limited well in advance of the above due dates.

The members may note that in case dividend is not claimed for seven consecutive years, besides transfer of the unclaimed dividend to IEPF, the Company shall transfer the shares in respect of which the dividend was so unclaimed to the dematerialized account of IEPF under Section 124(5) of the Act and the IEPF Rules. Accordingly, the Company has transferred 5,28,407 equity shares of ₹ 10 each to the dematerialized account of IEPF authority during the financial years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

The Company had sent individual notices to all the members whose shares were due to be transferred to IEPF Authority and had also published newspaper advertisements in this regard.

The details of such unclaimed dividends and shares for the financial years are available on the company's website at **www.sakthifinance.com** and on the website of Ministry of Corporate Affairs at **https://www.iepf.gov.in.** 

#### **16. GREEN INITIATIVE**

Members are requested to support the Green Initiative by registering / updating their e-mail address, with the Depository Participant (in case of shares held in dematerialized form) or with SKDC Consultants Limited (in case of shares held in physical form).

#### 17. SCRUTINIZER

Sri. K. Murali Mohan, Chartered Accountant (ICAI Membership No. 14328) has been appointed as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.

The Results declared along with Scrutinizer's Report shall be placed on notice board of the Company, the Company's website, www.sakthifinance.com, and on the website of CDSL, www.evotingindia.com within two days after the voting on the Resolutions at the Sixty Sixth AGM of the Company, viz. on or before Saturday, 23rd September 2023 and communicated to BSE Limited, where the equity shares of the Company are listed.



To facilitate Members to receive this Notice electronically and cast their votes electronically, the Company has made special arrangement with SKDC Consultants Limited for registration of e-mail address in terms of the MCA Circulars. Eligible Members who have not submitted their e-mail address to SKDC Consultants Limited are required to provide their e-mail address to SKDC Consultants Limited on or before 5:00 p.m. ("IST") on Thursday, 14th September 2023. This Notice and the procedure for remote e-Voting along with the log-in ID and password for remote e-Voting will be sent to the e-mail address provided by the member.

**18.** In case of any queries, Members may write to **investors@ sakthifinance.com or helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com**.

#### 19. PERMANENT REGISTRATION OF THEIR E-MAIL ADDRESS

Members are requested to register their e-mail address, in respect of electronic holdings with their Depository Participants concerned and in respect of physical holdings with the Company's RTA, SKDC Consultants Limited, "Surya", 35, Mayflower Avenue, Behind Senthil Nagar, Sowripalayam Road, Coimbatore – 641 028, Phone: (0422) 4958995, 2539835-836, Fax: (0422) 2539837, E-mail: green@skdc-consultants.com, Website:www.skdc-consultants.com.

20. Those Members who have already registered their e-mail address are requested to keep their e-mail address validated with their Depository Participants / SKDC Consultants Limited to facilitate servicing of notices/ documents / Annual Reports and other communications electronically to their e-mail address in future.

# THE INSTRUCTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AND JOINING VIRTUAL MEETINGS ARE AS UNDER

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Act 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 the Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs dated 13th January 2021, in continuation and read with its Circulars dated 8th April 2020, 13th April 2020 and 5th May 2020, the Company is providing the 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 authorised e-Voting agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting as well as e-voting during the AGM will be provided by CDSL.

Members whose names are recorded in the Register of Members or in the Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as on the cut-off date i.e. **Thursday, 14th September 2023,** shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting as well as e-voting during the AGM. Any recipient of the Notice, who has no voting rights as on the cut-off date shall treat this Notice as intimation only.

A person who has acquired the shares and has become a member of the Company after the dispatch of the Notice of the AGM and prior to the cut-off date i.e. **Thursday**, **14th September 2023**, shall be entitled to exercise his / her vote either electronically i.e. remote e-voting or e-voting during the AGM by following the procedure mentioned in this part.

The remote e-voting will commence on Monday, 18th September 2023 at 9.00 a.m. and will conclude on Wednesday, 20th September 2023 at 5.00 p.m. During this period, the members of the Company holding shares either in physical mode or in demat mode as on the cut-off date i.e. Thursday, 14th September 2023 may cast their vote electronically. The members will not be able to cast their vote electronically beyond the date and time mentioned above and the remote e-voting module shall be disabled for voting by CDSL thereafter.

Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the member, he/she shall not be allowed to change it subsequently or cast the vote again.

The voting rights of the members shall be in proportion to their shares on the paid up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date i.e. **Thursday**, **14th September 2023**.

The Company has appointed Sri. K. Murali Mohan, Chartered Accountant (Membership No. 14328) to act as the Scrutinizer for conducting the remote e-voting process as well as the e-voting during the AGM, in a fair and transparent manner.

### PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE E-MAIL/ MOBILE NUMBER ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMPANY /DEPOSITORIES

For members holding shares in Physical form: Please provide 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) by e-mail to investors@sakthifinance.com / info@skdc-consultants.

For members holding shares in Demat form: Please update your e-mail id and mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant ("DP").

For Individual Demat Shareholders: Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective depository participant ("DP") which is mandatory while e-Voting and joining virtual meetings through Depository.

# THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE VOTING ARE AS UNDER

- Step 1: Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.
- Step 2: Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.
- a. The voting period begins on Monday, 18th September 2023 at 9:00 a.m. and ends on Wednesday, 20th September 2023 at 5:00 p.m. During this period, shareholders of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialised form, as on the cut-off date i.e. Thursday, 14th September 2023, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.



- b. Members who have already voted prior to the meeting date would not be entitled to vote during the Meeting.
  - Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9th December 2020, under Regulation 44 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, listed entities are required to provide remote e-voting facility to its shareholders, in respect of all shareholders' resolutions. However, it has been observed that the participation by the public non-institutional shareholders/retail shareholders is at a negligible level.
  - Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers ("ESPs") providing e-voting facility to listed entities in India. This requires registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.
- c. In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders, by way of

- a single log-in credentials, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories / Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their votes without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.
- Step 1: Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.
- d. In terms of SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/ CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9th December 2020 in respect of e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account(s) maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Members are advised to update the details of their mobile number and e-mail Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.
- e. Pursuant to above SEBI Circular, log-in method for e-Voting and joining virtual meetings for Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL / NSDL is given below:

Type of Member	Log-in Method
Individual Members holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL	1. Users who have opted for CDSL's Easi / Easiest facility, can log-in through their existing user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to log-in to Easi / Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or visit www.cdslindia.com and click on log-in icon and select New System Myeasi.
	2. After successful log-in, the Easi / Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting option for eligible companies where the e-Voting is in progress as per the information provided by the company. On clicking the e-Voting option, the user will be able to see e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for casting their vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and voting during the meeting. Additionally, there is also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers i.e. CDSL/NSDL/KARVY/LINKINTIME, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.
	3. If the user is not registered for Easi / Easiest, option to register is available at https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/ Registration/Easi Registration.
	4. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number and PAN No. from e-Voting link available in www.cdslindia.com home page or click on https://evoting.cdslindia.com/Evoting/Evoting login.  The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile and Email as recorded in the Demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be able to see the e-Voting option where the e-Voting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting service providers.



Individual Members holding securities in Demat mode with <b>NSDL</b>	1. If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, please visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com 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 "Log-in" which is available under 'IDeAS' section. 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" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be re-directed to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and voting during the meeting.
	<ol> <li>If the user is 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/ SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp.</li> </ol>
	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 "Log-in" 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. 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 name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and voting during the meeting.
Individual Members (holding securities in Demat mode) log-in through their Depository Participants	You can also log-in using the log-in credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After successful log-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. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider's website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and 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 log-in through Depository i.e. CDSL and NSDL

Log-in type	Helpdesk
Individual Members holding securities in Demat mode with <b>CDSL</b>	Members facing any technical issue in log-in can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact toll free no. 1800 22 55 33
Individual Members holding securities in Demat mode with <b>NSDL</b>	Members facing any technical issue in log-in can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <b>evoting@nsdl.co.in</b> or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

Step 2 : Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.