SAFFRON INDUSTRIES LIMITED



SAFFRON INDUSTRIES LIMITED (CIN: L21010MH1993PLC071683)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

SHRI VINOD MAHESHWARI	-	Chairman
SHRI MANOJ SINHA	-	Executive Director
SMT. MANJULIKA BAJPAI	-	Non-Executive Independent Director

- AUDITORS : M/S.KHATRI & IYER, Chartered Accountants 117, Zal Complex, Residency Road, Sadar NAGPUR - 440 001.
- REGD. OFFICE : NAVA-BHARAT BHAWAN, Chhatrapati Square, Wardha Road, NAGPUR - 440 015 PH : 2284013, 2284014 FAX : 0712-2284015
- PLANT : Village : Manegaon Taluka : Saoner, Dist. : NAGPUR PH : 07113-232398, 232401 FAX : 07113-232400

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Members of SAFFRON INDUSTRIES LIMITED will be held on Saturday, the 30th Day of September, 2017 at 10.00 A.M. at Nava-Bharat Bhavan, Chhatrapati Square, Wardha Road, Nagpur - 440 015, to transact the following business :

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

ITEM NO. 1

To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year ended 31st March 2017 and the Reports of Directors and Auditors thereon.

ITEM NO. 2

To appoint a Director in place of Shri Vinod Maheshwari (holding DIN-00340953) who retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-appointment.

ITEM NO. 3

To appoint Statutory Auditors and to fix their remuneration and in this regard to consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification, the following resolution as an *Ordinary Resolution*:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 and other applicable provisions of Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 made there under M/s. Utsav Sumit Associates, Chartered Accountants, Nagpur, (Firm Registration No.-0165514C) be and are hereby appointed as Auditors of the Company to hold office from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in year 2022 of the Company, on such remuneration as may be fixed in this behalf by the Board of Directors of the company, on recommendation of Audit Committee of the Board of Directors."

By Order of the Board,

Sd/-

Vinod Maheshwari Chairman

Place: Nagpur Dated: August 14, 2017





N O T E S

- 1. A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE MEETING IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND VOTE INSTEAD OF HIMSELF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY.
- 2. The person shall not act as a Proxy for more than 50 members and holding in the aggregate not more than ten percent of the total voting share capital of the Company.
- 3. A member holding more than ten percent of the total share capital of the company may appoint a single person as Proxy provided that such person shall not act as a Proxy for any other member.
- 4. The instrument appointing the Proxy shall be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding the meeting. Proxies submitted on behalf of the companies, societies, etc. must be supported by an appropriate resolution/authority, as applicable.
- 5. The statement pursuant to Section 102 of the companies Act, 2013, setting out, of material facts concerning each item of business specified above is annexed hereto.
- 6 The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 22nd September, 2017 to 30th September, 2017 both days inclusive.
- 7. Electronic copy of the Annual Report and the Notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Company together with the attendance slip and Proxy Form are being sent to all the members whose email IDs are registered with the Company/Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (RTA) of the company/ Depository Participants. For members who have not registered their email address with the Company/ RTA of the company /Depository Participants, physical copies of the above documents are being sent in the permitted mode.
- 8. Members holding shares in physical form are requested to notify immediately any change in their address/ E-mail address to the Company/ its RTA, Members holding shares in electronic form are requested to advice change of address/ Email address to their Depository Participants.
- 9. Members who have multiple folios with identical order of names are requested to intimate the same to the Company so as to enable it to consolidate all shareholdings into one folio.
- 10. Shareholders requiring information about Accounts to be explained in the Meeting are requested to inform the Company at least 7 days in advance from the date of Meeting.
- 11. Members are requested to bring their copies of the Annual Report to the Meeting.



- 12. The Members/Proxies should bring the Attendance Slip sent herewith duly filled in for attending the Meeting. The Members holding shares in dematerialized form are requested to write their Client ID and DP ID numbers and those who hold shares in physical form are requested to write their folio number in the attendance slip for attending the meeting.
- 13. Members may note that the Notice of the Annual General Meeting and the Annual Report will be available on the Company's website www.saffronindustries.in. The physical copies of the aforesaid documents will also be available at the Company's registered office for inspection during normal working days. Members are also entitled to receive the physical copy upon making specific request.
- 14. As per the provisions of Companies act, 2013, nomination facility is available for members. The nomination forms can be obtained from the Company's Share Transfer Agents by the members holding share in physical form, in respect of members holding shares in electronic form the forms may be obtained from the Depository Participants with whom they are maintaining their demat account.
- Members are requested to make all correspondence relating to share transfer (both in Physical & Demat form) to our Share Transfer Agent, M/s. Adroit Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd., 19, Jaferbhoy Industrial Estate, 1st Floor, Makwana Road, Marol Naka, Mumbai 400 059.

16. Remote E voting facility:

a) In compliance with Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and the Provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 20 of Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, the Company offers voting by electronic means through e-voting services provided by Central Depository Services Limited (CDSL).

b) Voting rights are reckoned on the basis of the shares registered in the names of the members/beneficial owners as on the cut off date fixed for this purpose, viz., 22nd September, 2017.

c) The Company has appointed Mr. Milnd Satfale & Associates, Practicing Company Secretary, 29/A Kharbi Road, Shaktimata Nagar Nagpur-440009 as the scrutinizer for conducting the e-voting and physical ballot process in a fair and transparent manner.

d) The instruction for e-voting are as under:

I. Members receiving e-mails from CDSL (for members who have registered their email IDs with the Company/Depository Participants)

i) Open your web browser during the voting period and log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com

ii) Click on Shareholder- Tab.

iii) Now Enter your User Id (For CDSL -16 digit beneficiary ID, For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID), Members holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number



registered with the Company and then enter the Captcha Code/ Image Verification Code as displayed and Click on Login.

iv). If you are holding shares in Demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.co.in and casted your vote earlier for any company, then your existing password is to be used

v) If you are a first time user follow the steps given below: In case of members receiving e-mail:

For Members holding shares in Demat Form and Physical Form

PANEnter your 10 digit alpha-numeric PAN issued by Income Tax Department-(Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders).

Members who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequence number provided at the attendance slip enclosed herewith in the PAN field.

Enter your at least one detail amongst Bank Account Number and DOB or Date of Incorporation in dd/mm/yyyy format has to be mentioned. Kindly provide your details as available on the demat account / folio number provided, then click on submit

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

vii) For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.

viii) Click on "EVEN' of Saffron Industries Limited.

ix) On the voting page, you will see Resolution Description and against the same the Choice option "YES/NO" for voting.

Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.

(x) Click on the "Resolutions File Link" if you wish to view the entire Resolution

xi) After selecting the resolution you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.



(xii) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote

(xiii) You can also take out print of the voting done by you by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.

(xiv) If Demat account holder has forgotten the changed password then Enter the User ID and Image verification Code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.

- Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are required to log on to https://www.evotingindia.com and register themselves as Corporates.
- .They should submit a scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.
- After receiving the login details they have to create a user who would be able to link the account(s) which they wish to vote on.
- The list of accounts should be mailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.
- They should upload a scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

II. In case of members receiving the physical copy :

(A) Please follow all steps from Sl. No. (i) to Sl. No. (xiv) above to cast vote.

(B) The voting period begins on 26th September, 2017 at 9.00 a.m and ends on 28th September, 2017 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 of Friday, 22nd September, 2017 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.

(C) In case you have any queries or issues regarding e-voting, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and e-voting manual available at www.evotingindia.com under help section or write an email to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u>

III. In case of members desiring to exercise vote by Postal Ballot:

A Member desiring to exercise vote by Postal Ballot should complete the Postal Ballot Form and send it to the Scrutinizer in the enclosed self-addressed business reply envelope properly sealed.

Members are requested to read the instructions contained on the reverse of the Postal Ballot Form and follow the same.

(i) the Scrutiniser shall within a period of not exceeding three working days from the conclusion of the e-voting period unblock the votes in the presence of at least two witnesses not in the employment of the



company and prepare a Scrutinser's Report and submit the report to the Chairman of the company.

(ii) The result shall be declared at the Annual General Meeting of the Company. The results declared along with the Scrutiniser's Report will be posted on the Company's website <u>www.saffronindustries.in</u> and on the website of CSDL within two days of passing of the resolution at the AGM and communicated to the stock exchanges.

(iii) All relevant documents referred to in the accompanying Notice and Statement of material facts will be open for inspection at the Registered office of the Company during normal working days upto and including the date of the AGM.

17. As per the provisions of Section 20 of the Companies Act, 2013, a member may request for any document through a particular mode, for which the member shall pay such fees as may be determined by the Company in its annual general meeting. Since the cost of providing, dispatching documents may vary according to the mode of service, weight, its destination, etc., therefore it is proposed that estimated actual expense, charges borne by the Company for such dispatch will be paid in advance by the member to the company.

By Order of the Board,

Sd/-

Place: Nagpur Dated: August 14, 2017 Vinod Maheshwari Chairman

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Information pursuant to Regulation 36 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 regarding the Directors seeking appointment/re-appointment in Annual General Meeting.

Name of Director	Shri Vinod Maheshwari	
Date of Birth	17.10.1944	
Date of Appointment	20.04.1993	
Expertise in specific functional areas	Shri Vinod Maheshwari is the Chairman of Saffron Industries Ltd. He is also Managing Editor of "Nava Bharat" the renowned Hindi Daily Newspaper, covering three major states namely Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh & Chhatisgarh. The activities related to printing & publishing of Newspaper "Nava Bharat" for Nagpur & Mumbai editions are handled by Shri Vinod Maheshwari. He is a dynamic & intelligent Industrialist possessing rich experience of over 45 years in the Newspaper Industry.	
Directorships of other Public Limited/Listed Companies as on 31 st March, 2017	 Nava Bharat Press Ltd. Navabharat News Media Ltd. Navabharat Infraventures Ltd. 	
Chairman/Member of the Committees of other Companies as on 31 st March, 2017	Nil	
No. of shares held	17,85,800	



DIRECTORS' REPORT

To the Members of 'SAFFRON INDUSTRIES LIMITED'

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting their Twenty Fourth Annual Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2017.

FINANCIAL RESULTS:

		(Amount in Hundred)
SALES AND OTHER INCOME		<u>33,54,446.36</u>
Profit/(Loss) before Finance Cost & Depreciation		1,83,567.92
Less : Finance Cost Depreciation	31.98 1,41,079.08	
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax and Exceptional items		$-\frac{1,44,277.08}{42,456.86}$
Less : Tax Expenses - Current Tax Less : Prior Period Expenses		NIL (2793.56)
Profit/(Loss) after Tax Prior year adjustments -Income Tax		39,663.30
Profit/(Loss) for the year		39,663.30
Add: Profit/(Loss) Balance brought forward from pervious year Balance Sheet		(14,59,182)
Balance carried forward		(14,19,519)

REVIEW OF OPERATIONS:

During the year under review the Sales Turnover of your company was Rs. 33.54 Crore as against Sales Turnover of Rs. 36.89 Crore in the previous financial year. The high cost and scarce availability of raw material in the market continued this year also, resulting into reduction in sales turnover during the period under review as compare to the last year. However, in absence of heavy finance cost the company has earned Rs.39.66 Lacs as profit for the year under review as compared to profit for the previous year Rs. 111.37 Lacs.