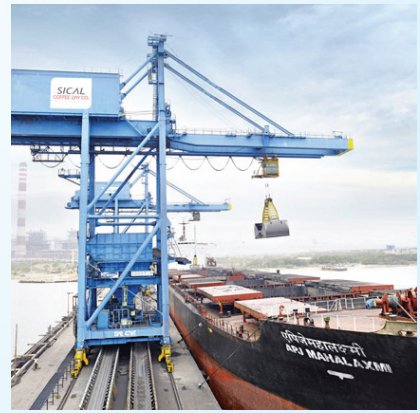


# SICAL LOGISTICS LTD



## ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21



# QUICK INFORMATION

## Board [suspended w.e.f. 10th March, 2021]

T. Subramanian	Managing Director
S. Rajappan	Executive Director
Krish Narayanan	Independent Director
G. Swaminathan	Independent Director
V. Neelaveni	Independent Director

## Interim Resolution Professional [w.e.f 10th March 2021 to 2nd June 2021]

Mr. S.Lakshmisubramanian

IP Registration no. IBBI/IPA-003/IP-N00232/2019-2020/12697

## Resolution Professional [w.e.f. 02nd June, 2021]

Sripatham Venkatasubramanian Ramkumar

IP Registration no. IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P00015/2016-17/10039

## Chief Financial Officer

T. Subramanian

## Company Secretary

V Radhakrishnan

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### BANKERS

Axis Bank  
 Bank of Baroda  
 Canara Bank  
 Corporation Bank  
 DCB Bank  
 IDFC First Bank  
 IndusInd Bank  
 Kotak Mahindra Bank  
 RBL Bank  
 South Indian Bank  
 Standard Chartered Bank  
 YES Bank

### AUDITORS

SRSV & Associates  
 Chartered Accountants  
 "Anmol Palani", Level-2, C-4, III Floor,  
 No.88, G.N.Chetty Road, T.Nagar,  
 Chennai 600 017

### INTERNAL AUDITOR

SUNDAR, SRINI & SRIDHAR  
 CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
 9, RAJAMANNAR STREET  
 PARTHASARATHI PURAM  
 T.NAGAR  
 CHENNAI 600017

### SECRETARIAL AUDITOR

KRA & Associates  
 Firm of Company Secretaries  
 NO.6A, NEW COLONY  
 10TH STREET,  
 ADAMBAKKAM  
 CHENNAI 600088

### DEBENTURE TRUSTEES

IDBI TRUSTEESHIP SERVICES LIMITED  
 ASIAN BUILDING, GROUND FLOOR  
 17, R. KAMANI MARG  
 BALLARD ESTATE  
 MUMBAI 400001

# BUSINESS SNAPSHOT

## Port Operations

Handling of dry and liquid bulk cargo at various ports. Services include customs house agency, shipping agency and stevedoring.

## Container Terminals

Handling of containers at Tuticorin container terminal in association with PSA International Pte Ltd.

## CFS/ICD

Container freight stations at Chennai, Vizag and Tuticorin and ICD at Melpakkam

## Road Logistics

Bulk (dry and liquid), project, ODC, fertilizer, metals and packaged goods transported across India.

## Retail Supply Chain Solutions

Cold chain, warehousing and dry logistics across hospitality, pharma and FMCG industries

## Bulk Terminals

Coal berth at Kamarajar Port  
Coal Cum Iron ore terminal at Kamarajar Port.

## Container Trains

Pan-India container rail operations  
Being operated on pan-India basis for the movement of edible oil, glasses, pipes, scraps, cereals, granite, marbles, tiles and copper concentrates.

## Mining Operations

Surface mining  
Bulk handling solutions at mines  
Mine developing and operating

## Integrated Logistics

End to end integrated logistics solutions for bulk and containerized cargo

# BUSINESS STRUCTURE

33% | Promoters  
67% | Public

## Sical Logistics

Port operations,  
Trucking and  
Warehousing

- › **Sical Iron Ore Terminal (Mangalore) | 100%**  
Iron ore terminal at Mangalore port
- › **Bergen Offshore Logistics | 100%**  
Offshore logistics
- › **Sickal Connect | 100%**  
Offshore logistics
- › **Sical Supply Chain Solutions | 100%**  
Offshore logistics
- › **Sical Mining | 100%**  
Mining Development and Operation
- › **Sical Washeries | 100%**  
Coal Washeries
- › **Sical Iron Ore Terminal | 63%**  
Iron ore terminal also to handle coal at Ennore
- › **Sical Infra Assets | 53.60%**  
SPV for asset-intensive businesses
  - › **Sical Multimodal and Rail Transport | 100%**  
Pan-India container train operations and CFS/ICD
  - › **Sical Sattva Rail Terminals | 50%**  
Container terminal operations in JV with Sattva
  - › **Sical Bangalore Logistics Park | 100%**  
ICD operations at Bengaluru
- › **Sical Saumya Mining | 65%**  
Overburden removal at mines
- › **Sical Logixpress | 60%**  
Express Logistics
- › **Patchems | 97.5%**  
Integrated Supply Chain
- › **Develecto Mining | 51%**  
Mining Development and Operation
- › **PSA Sical | 37.50%**  
Container terminal in JV with PSA International Pte. Ltd. at Tuticorin

# **Annual Report 2020-21**

## **Directors' Report**

## BOARD'S REPORT

Dear Members,

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 ("IBC/Code"), the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process ("CIRP") of SICAL LOGISTICS LIMITED ("the Company") was initiated by an application filed before the Honourable National Company Law Tribunal ["NCLT"], Chennai Bench by an operational creditor and the same was admitted by the Hon'ble NCLT and ordered initiating Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process ("CIRP") and appointed Mr. S. Lakshmisubramanian (IBBI Registration no. IBBI/IPA-003/IP-N00232/2019-2020/12697) as Interim Resolution Professional ("IRP"), to manage the affairs of the Company vide Order No. CP No. IBA/73/2020 dated 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Pursuant to this, based on the application made by Committee of Creditors of the Company, the Hon'ble NCLT has ordered appointment of Mr. Sripatham Venkatasubramanian Ramkumar (IBBI Registration No. IBBI/IPA-001/IP-P00015/2016-17/10039) as Resolution Professional ("RP") of the Company in disposing of IA no. IA/54/CHE/2021 in IBA/73/2020 on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021. Upon appointment of the IRP / RP the powers of the Board remain suspended and the same vests with the RP.

The RP has invited Expression of Interest on 03<sup>rd</sup> July, 2021 from the prospective Resolution Applicants and received resolution plans by 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. In the meeting of Committee of Creditors ["CoC"] held on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, the members opined to invite fresh Expression of Interest as the resolution plans received are found not compliant to the provisions of the code, regulations and request for resolution plan. Accordingly the RP has published fresh EOI on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 with the probable date for submission of Resolution Plans by 08<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. Upon receipt of the Resolution Plans and concurrence of the CoC of the Company, RP will submit the Resolution Plan to the Honourable NCLT, Chennai Bench as per the provisions of the IBC for approval. In the meantime, the RP also invited bids for sale of stake held by Sical Logistics Limited in two of the subsidiaries viz. Sical Infra Assets Limited and Patchems Private Limited for which on-line bidding process has been completed. However, pursuing the same has been deferred as per the decision of the CoC.

Pending this and the measures to be adopted as part of the Resolution Process, the audited financial results have been prepared on a going concern basis.

With this background, RP and the Board take pleasure in presenting the report on business and operations of your Company along with the audited statement of Standalone and Consolidated accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

The stand-alone financial results for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 are summarised below.

[₹ In lakhs]

Year ended 31 March	2021	2020
Sales and other income	37891	85663
Profit/Loss before interest, depreciation and tax	-2844	-1116
Interest	11773	2787
Cash Profit / Loss	-14616	-3903
Depreciation	6562	7118
Profit / Loss before tax	-21178	-11021
Exceptional Items	-93789	-
Provision for tax	-	-2575
Net profit / Loss	-114967	-11021
Earnings per share [EPS] in Rs. [after exceptional items]	-196.46	-14.43

## IMPACT ON PERFORMANCE

The performance of the company was impacted on account of the financial crunch due to the sudden demise of the Promoter Mr. V.G. Siddhartha on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019. After his demise the company ran into liquidity crisis wherein continuation of availing further working capital facilities was not available from the banks / financial institutions since the Company was unable to service the interest and principal on the due dates. Apart from this, the performance of the various divisions were impacted on account of the global COVID-19 pandemic that erupted during the last week of March, 2020 and which lasted



even until December, 2020 and also due to the second wave of the pandemic. The Company was scouting for investors to tide over the crisis and revival of the operations but could not fructify on account of the pandemic. In the meanwhile, one of the operational creditors had preferred an application before the Honourable National Company Law Tribunal, Chennai Bench for non-payment of their dues and the same was admitted and the NCLT ordered for initiating Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process as per the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 and appointed Mr. S. Lakshmisubramanian as Interim Resolution Professional w.e.f. 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 and as per the application of the CoC, Mr. Sripatham Venkatasubramanian Ramkumar was appointed as the Resolution Professional w.e.f. 02<sup>nd</sup> June, 2021. The Company could operate only in the segment of stevedoring for handling of coal for TANGEDCO and mining activities at Amlohri, Hingula and Jinghurdah..

## DIVIDEND

Since the Company has made negative profits and as the company is undergoing the CIRP, no dividend is recommended for the financial year 2020-21.

## RESERVES

Debenture redemption reserve of ₹25 crores equivalent to 25% of the debenture issue has already been created until the financial year 2017-18 in accordance with the provisions of Rule 18[7] of the Companies [Share Capital and Debenture] Rules, 2014 and hence no fresh amount has been transferred to the Debenture Redemption Reserve for the financial year 2020-21.

## IMPAIRMENT OF INVESTMENT MADE AND LOANS AND ADVANCES GIVEN TO SICAL IRON ORE TERMINALS LIMITED

YES Bank Limited [YBL] had issued a Notice of Financial Default on the Subsidiary Company SIOTL on 07.12.2020 citing the Commercial Operation Date [COD] has not been achieved, default in payment of dues and to clear the outstanding amount of ₹ 236.93 crore. Further to this, vide letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, YBL has sent a letter to Kamarajar Port Limited [KPL] intimating the Financial default of SIOTL on account of non-achievement of COD, default in payment of dues in line with the covenant of the Substitution Agreement entered into between YBL, KPL and SIOTL on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 and to issue the Notice of Intent to Terminate for non-payment of principal and interest. Based on the Lenders communication, KPL vide its letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020 issued the Notice of Intent to Terminate providing a curing time of 90 days to SIOTL. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and delay in disbursement of Term Loan amount resulted in the stoppage of the project activities. The Company defended the position through various communications to YBL and KPL. However, KPL has vide their letter dated 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 issued the Termination Notice and Transfer Information Notice for handing over the project assets on as is where is basis providing a time limit of 90 days period.

Against this, applications have been preferred by one of the shareholders of SIOTL before the Honourable High Court of Madras and by the RP before the Honourable NCLT, Chennai Bench for protecting the interest of the stakeholders. Under the circumstances, the exposure of the company in SIOTL has been impaired fully which forms part of the exceptional items in the accounts and any recovery which would result as an outcome of the said litigations would be recorded as and when such amounts are received.

## CHANGES IN AUTHORISED SHARE CAPITAL

There has been no change in the authorised share capital of the Company during the year under review.

## FRESH ISSUE OF SHARES / DEBENTURES

The Company has not issued any equity shares, any shares / securities which are convertible into equity shares or Non-convertible debentures during the financial year 2020-21.

## FIXED DEPOSITS

The Company has not invited any deposits from the public. There are no unclaimed deposits which were matured as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021.

## UNCLAIMED DIVIDENDS

Pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act any dividend amount which remains unpaid or unclaimed for a period of 7 years will have to be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund of the Central Government. The Company does not have any amount lying under unclaimed dividend as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 and hence the said provisions are not applicable. Under the circumstances, the Company could not identify the shareholders whose name remains on

the unclaimed dividend account over a period of 7 years for transferring such shares to the IEPF account of the Central Government.

## **PERFORMANCE**

The company's revenues for the financial year 2020-21 stood at ₹ 37891 lakh as against ₹ 85663 lakh in the previous year which is lower by 56%. The performance of all the divisions were impacted due to non-availability of adequate working capital and the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

## **SUBSIDIARIES**

The Kamarajar Port Limited issued termination notice for the licence provided to Sical Iron Ore Terminals Limited due to non-completion of the project resulting in financial default in response to YES Bank Limited's notice to Kamarajar Port Limited as per the Financial Documents and hence the project activities which were hampered due to non disbursement of further amounts by the lenders resulting in delay in completing the project activities, could not be continued further.

The business activities of the subsidiary M/s. Sical Multimodal and Rail Transport Limited continued with the handling of containers and Container Freight Stations located at Chennai, Vizag and Tuticorin and letting on lease the railway rakes.

Further, lack of infusement of capital required for the MDO contracts for the West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited for the Tara mines has resulted in termination of the coal agreement and that for Damodar Valley Corporation for the TUBED mines, the commencement of operations is getting delayed. The said termination notice issued by West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited is being challenged by way of an application filed in Hon'ble NCLT, Chennai Bench.

## **SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

As per Section 129[3] of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 5 of the Companies [Accounts] Rules, 2014, the Company has prepared consolidated financial statement and the same is being placed before the members for their approval at the ensuing Annual General Meeting. Also a separate statement containing the salient features of the financial statement of the subsidiaries and joint ventures in Form AOC-1 is attached along with the financial statements.

## **DIRECTORS**

Since the powers of the Board remain suspended upon initiation of the CIRP, the powers of the Board and Committees vest with the Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional w.e.f. 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.

## **APPOINTMENT / RESIGNATION OF DIRECTORS AND KMPs**

Mr. H. Rathnakar Hegde and Mr. S. Ravinarayanan resigned from the Board effective 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021. Mr. R. Ram Mohan, Ms. Shweta Shetty, Capt KN Ramesh, Mr. Sudhir Kamath and Mr. H.R. Srinivasan resigned from the Board effective 01<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.

Mr. T. Subramanian, Mr. S. Rajappan, Ms. V. Neelaveni, Mr. G. Swaminathan and Mr. Krish Narayanan were appointed as additional directors w.e.f. 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021.

Mr. T. Subramanian who has been the Group CFO has been elevated to the position of Managing Director and Mr. S. Rajappan who has been the President [Public Relations] was elevated to the position of Executive Director effective 01<sup>st</sup> February, 2021.

However, subsequent to the initiation of CIRP, the powers of the Board remain suspended effective 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. In view of the same, the appointment of directors are not being considered in the ensuing AGM.

## **NUMBER OF THE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD**

The Board met 10 [Ten] times during the financial year 2020-21 prior to the commencement of CIRP. Detailed information on the meetings of the Board are included in the report on Corporate Governance which forms part of the Directors Report.

Additionally several committee meetings were held prior to the initiation of CIRP including Audit Committee which met 03 [Three] times during the year. The committee meetings could not be conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic peak periods between April 2020 and August 2020.



## COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

The Company has the following committees of the Board

- Ø Audit Committee
- Ø Stakeholders Relationship Committee
- Ø Corporate Social Responsibility Committee
- Ø Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The powers of the Board remain suspended on account of the Order of the Hon'ble NCLT, Chennai Bench effective 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 and such powers vest with the IRP/RP.

The details with respect to the composition, powers, roles, terms of reference of relevant mandatory committees are given in detail in the Report on Corporate Governance which forms part of the Directors Report.

## CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE

In compliance with Section 135 of the Companies At, 2013 read with Companies [Corporate Social Responsibility Policy] Rules, 2014, the Company has established a Corporate Social Responsibility [CSR] Committee. Since the Company has incurred significant losses during the previous two years and in view of the commencement of CIRP, no contributions have been made towards CSR activity during the previous year under review.

## PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE BOARD

In accordance with Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 17 of the SEBI [Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements] Regulations, 2015 [earlier Clause 49 [IV] of the Listing Agreement], the Company has laid down a Nomination and Remuneration Policy. Further to this, the manner in which formal annual evaluation of the directors is to be carried out for the Board and Board level committees were devised by the Committee. Due to the appointment of new directors in January / February, 2021, CIRP initiation and suspension of the powers of the Board, the performance evaluation for the financial year 2020-21 was not carried out.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

A separate section providing a Report on the Corporate Governance as stipulated under Regulation 34 [3] and Schedule V [c] of the SEBI [Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements] Regulations, 2015 is attached as an Annexure to this report. The said report on corporate governance also contains certain disclosures required under the Companies Act, 2013.

A certificate from the Statutory Auditors M/s. SRSV & Associates, Chartered Accountants conforming compliance to the conditions of Corporate Governance as stipulated under Regulation 34[3] of the SEBI [Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements] Regulations, 2015 is annexed to the Report.

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

A Management Discussion and Analysis Report pursuant to Schedule V [B] of the SEBI [Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements] Regulations, 2015 is furnished as an Annexure to this report.

## VIGIL MECHANISM

The Company has implemented a Vigil Mechanism / Whistle Blower Policy pursuant to which Whistle Blowers are allowed to raise concerns relating to Reportable Matters [as defined in the Policy]. Further the policy encourages whistle blowers to bring the genuine concerns or grievances and provides for adequate safeguards against victimisation of Whistle Blower who avail of such mechanism and also provides for direct access to the Chairman of the Audit Committee, in exceptional circumstances. The functioning of the vigil mechanism is reviewed by the Audit Committee from time to time. None of the whistle blowers were denied access to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors / IRP / RP. The details of Vigil Mechanism / Whistle Blower Policy are available on the website of the Company [www.sical.in](http://www.sical.in).

## RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Board has implemented the risk management policy for effective management of risks that are envisaged on the conduct of business wherein all material risks faced by the company are identified and assessed and evolves assessment of controls and policies and put in place procedure for monitoring, mitigating and reporting risk on a periodic basis.

## CONTRACTS OR ARRANGEMENTS WITH RELATED PARTIES

All related party transactions that were entered into during the financial year were in the ordinary course of business of the Company and were on arm's length basis. There were no materially significant related party transactions entered into by the Company with the Promoters, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel or other persons which may have a potential conflict with the interest of the Company. The details of such related party transactions forms part of the standalone and consolidated financials which can be referred to.

The policy on Material Related Party Transactions and also on dealing with the Related Party.

Transactions as approved by the Board of Directors is uploaded on the website of the Company and the link for the same is <http://www.sical.in/policy>.

## PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 186 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

Corporate guarantees were provided to banks / financial institutions / Port authorities for the financial facilities availed by the company's subsidiaries / due performance of contracts by the subsidiaries, after obtaining due approval from the shareholders through postal ballot wherever such transactions are considered to be material related party transactions. Considering the financial crunch faced by the Company, no loans / guarantees were given or any investments made to any other companies during the financial year 2020-21. The details of the related party transactions that took place during the year 2020-21 is furnished as Annexure-1.

## INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROL SYSTEMS AND THEIR ADEQUACY

The Company has laid down set of standards, processes and structure which enables to implement internal financial control across the organisation and ensure that the same are adequate and operating effectively. The statutory auditors M/s. SRSV& Associates LLP have provided their report on the internal financial control as part of their audit report.

Further more, the Company has appointed M/s. Sundar, Srini, Sridhar, Chartered Accountants as the internal auditors for carrying out internal audit functions based on the comprehensive plans formulated in advance.

### [a] Statutory Auditor

M/s. SRSV & Associates LLP, Chartered Accountants retire at the conclusion of the ensuing Annual General Meeting. In this connection, the Audit Committee and Board of Directors / IRP /RP have recommended for the approval of the shareholders at the ensuing AGM the appointment of SRSV & Associates, Chartered Accountants with Firm Registration No.: 0150415 as the Statutory Auditors of the Company for the current financial year 2021-22 at the same remuneration as is paid for the previous financial year.

### [b] Secretarial Auditor and Secretarial Audit Report

Pursuant to Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013, KRA & Associates, Chennai was appointed the Secretarial Auditor for the financial year 2020-21. The report of the Secretarial Auditor for the FY 2020-21 is annexed to this report as Annexure – 2. As required by Regulation 24A of the SEBI [LODR] Regulations, 2015, the Secretarial Audit Reports of KRA & Associates for the material subsidiaries viz. Sical Infra Assets Limited, Sical Multimodal and Rail Transport Limited and Sical Iron Ore Terminals Limited are also annexed to Annexure – 2.

Statutory Auditors have expressed qualified opinions. The details of the audit qualification and the response of the Board are furnished below.