



# ALKALI METALS LIMITED

AN ISO 9001 & 14001, API COMPANY AND EXPORT HOUSE

# 56<sup>th</sup>

## ANNUAL REPORT

## 2023 – 2024



**Board of Directors & Key Managerial Personnel**

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Dr. J.S. Yadav             | Chairman & Independent Director                               |
| Sri. G. Jayaraman          | Independent Director  |
| Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao    | Managing Director   |
| Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director  |
| Dr. A.R. Prasad            | Director  |
| Smt. Y. Lalithya Poorna    | Director  |
| Mr. Y.V. Prashanth         | Executive Director  |
| Ms. K. Uma Kumari          | Chief Financial Officer (upto 9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024) |
| Mr. Siddharth Dubey        | Company Secretary   |

**Statutory Auditors**

M/s. G. Nagendrasundram & Co.  
Chartered Accountants

**Internal Auditor**

Ramakrishna & Associates  
Chartered Accountants

**Secretarial Auditor**

CS B. Venkatesh Babu  
Practicing Company Secretary

**Bankers**

State Bank of India  
SME Yellareddy Guda Branch,  
8-3-961/B, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Srinagar Colony Main Rd,  
Yellareddy Guda, Hyderabad, Telangana 500073

**Registered Office & Factories****Unit - I**

Plot B-5, Block III, Industrial Development Area,  
Uppal, Hyderabad - 500 039, Telangana, India

**Unit - II**

Sy. No. 299 to 302, DommaraPochampally Village,  
Qutubullapur Mandal, Medchal District - 500 043, Telangana, India

**Unit - III**

Plot No. 36, 37 & 38, JN Pharma City,  
Visakhapatnam - 531 019, Andhra Pradesh, India

**Registrar & Share Transfer Agent**

M/s. Cameo Corporate Services Limited  
Subramanian Building, No.1, Club House Road, Chennai - 600 002.



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**NOTICE OF THE 56<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the **56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting** of M/s. Alkali Metals Limited will be held on **Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 at 11:00 A.M. IST** at Plot B5, Block III, IDA, Uppal, Telangana 500039, India (**through Video Conference(VC) / Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM)**) to transact the following business:

**ORDINARY BUSINESS**

- 1) To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 together with the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2) To declare dividend for the financial year 2023-24.
- 3) To elect a Director in place of Ms. Y. Lalithya Poorna (DIN:00345471) who retires by rotation and is eligible for re-appointment.
- 4) To appoint M/s. C K S Associates, Chartered Accountants, Hyderabad (ICAI Firm Registration Number 007390S) as the statutory auditors of the company and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification the following resolution as an Ordinary resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to provisions of Section 139(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made there under, M/s. C K S Associates, Chartered Accountants, Hyderabad (ICAI Firm Registration Number 007390S) be and are hereby appointed as Statutory Auditors from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting until the conclusion of the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive Annual General Meeting (i.e till the AGM to be held in the year 2029), at a remuneration as may be fixed by the Board, in place of M/s. G. Nagendrasundaram & Co., Chartered Accountants, Hyderabad whose period of office is completed in terms of section 139(2).”

**SPECIAL BUSINESS**

- 5) To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force) read with Schedule IV to the Companies Act and applicable regulations of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 (as amended from time to time), Sri Murali Krishna Chevuturi (DIN: 01770851), who has submitted a declaration that he meets the criteria for independence as provided in the Companies Act and Listing Regulations, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years with effect from this 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 to 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2029.”



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

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force) read with Schedule IV to the Companies Act and applicable regulations of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 (as amended from time to time), Dr. Venkateswara Rao Thallapaka (DIN: 05273533), who has submitted a declaration that he meets the criteria for independence as provided in the Companies Act and Listing Regulations, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years with effect from this 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 to 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2029.”

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT he shall continue to remain a Director even after attaining the age of 75 years on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2027.”

- 7) To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of section 152, 160 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the rules made there under and as per the applicable provisions of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, Dr. J.S. Yadav (DIN:02014136) whose Independent Directorship comes to an end on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 and who will attain the age of 75 years on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2025, be and is hereby appointed as a Non-Executive Non-Independent Director who shall be liable to retire by rotation.”

- 8) To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

“RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of section 152, 160 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the rules made there under and as per the applicable provisions of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, Sri G. Jayaraman (DIN:01461157) whose Independent Directorship comes to an end on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024, be and is hereby appointed as a Non-Executive Non-Independent Director who shall be liable to retire by rotation.”

By order of the Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**NOTES**

1. The Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 in respect of Special Business set out above is annexed hereto and forms part of the Notice.
2. Brief resume of Directors proposed to be appointed/reappointed, (in item nos. 5, 6, 7 & 8) nature of their expertise in specific functional areas, name of companies in which they hold directorships as stipulated under Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 are provided as an Annexure to this notice
3. In compliance with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) and Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) Circulars to conduct their Annual General Meetings on or before 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 through video conferencing (VC) or other Audio Visual Means (OAVMs), the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company shall be conducted through Video Conferencing (VC).
4. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 (as amended), and MCA Circulars dated 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 and 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM/EGM. For this purpose, the Company has entered into an agreement with Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized e-Voting's agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting as well as the e-voting system on the date of the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM will be provided by CDSL. The Company has also appointed CDSL to provide Video Conferencing facility for 56<sup>th</sup> AGM.
5. At the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM through VC the members can attend the meeting through log in credentials provided to them to connect to Video Conference. Physical attendance of the Members at the Meeting venue is not required. While Body Corporates are entitled to appoint authorized representatives to attend the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM through VC and participate thereat and cast their votes through e-voting.
6. The Members can join the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM in the VC/OAVM mode 30 minutes before the Meeting and also after the scheduled time of the commencement of the Meeting by following the procedure mentioned in the Notice.
7. Up to 1000 members will be able to join on a First Come First Serve basis to the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM. Please note that there will be no restrictions on account of First Come First Serve basis entry into e-AGM in respect of large Shareholders (Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Stakeholders Relationship Committee, Auditors etc.. who are allowed to attend the AGM without restriction on account of first come first served basis.
8. The attendance of the Members (members' logins) attending the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
9. Pursuant to MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, the facility to appoint proxy to attend and cast vote for the members is not available for this AGM. However, in pursuance of Section 112 and Section 113 of the Companies Act, 2013, representatives of the members such as the President of India or the Governor of a State or body corporate can attend the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM through VC/OAVM and cast their votes through e-voting.



10. In line with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) Circular No. 17/2020 dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, the Notice calling the AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at **<https://www.alkalimetals.com/notice-of-the-meetings>**. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and [www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com) respectively. The AGM Notice is also disseminated on the website of CDSL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting facility and e-voting system during the AGM) i.e. **[www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com)**.
11. The Register of members and transfer books of the company will remain closed from **Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 to Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024 both days inclusive**.
12. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has mandated the submission of Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in securities market. Members holding shares in electronic form are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN to their depository participants with whom they are maintaining their demat accounts.
13. Members, who hold shares in electronic/Demat form are requested to furnish the update/change of address, details of their bank accounts, viz, name of the bank, full address of the branch, account no. etc., to their respective Depository Participants and who hold shares in physical form to the Company's Registrars and Transfer Agents **M/s. Cameo Corporate Services Ltd., Subramanian Building, No.1, Club House Road, Chennai - 600002** so as to enable the Company to incorporate the bank details on the dividend warrants.
14. Pursuant to Section 72 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules made there under the Members holding shares in single name may, at any time, nominate in form SH-13, any person as his/her nominee to whom the securities shall vest in the event of his/ her death. Nomination would help the nominees to get the shares transmitted in their favor without hassles. Members desirous of making any cancellation/variation in the said nomination can do so in SH-14.
15. Members holding shares in identical order of names in more than one folio are requested to write to the company's Registrars & Transfer Agents enclosing their share certificates to enable consolidation of their shareholdings in one folio. As per the amended Provisions based on the PAN, all different folios of the same PAN will be treated as one folio.
16. Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2020, under Regulation 44 of SEBI (LODR) 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 necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.

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 login credential, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories/ Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote 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.



In compliance with provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time, Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations 2015 and Secretarial Standard on General Meetings (SS2) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, the Company is pleased to provide the members with facility to exercise their right to vote at the AGM by electronic means and the business may be transacted through remote e-voting Services provided by Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL).

The **e-voting period commences on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (9:00 A.M. IST) and ends on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (05:00 P.M. IST)**. During this period shareholders of the Company, holding shares as on **cut-off date of Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2024** either in physical form or in Dematerialized form, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting portal shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the shareholder, the shareholder shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. The voting rights of shareholders shall be in proportion to their shares of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company. A member who has cast his/ her vote by electronic means are entitle to attend the AGM but not entitled to vote again at the AGM.

17. CS B. Venkatesh Babu, Company Secretary in Practice (F6708) has been appointed as the scrutinizer to scrutinize the remote e-voting process. The Scrutinizer shall, immediately after the conclusion of voting at the general meeting, will first count the votes cast at the meeting and thereafter unblock the votes cast through remote e-voting in the presence of at least two witnesses not in the employment of the Company and he will submit his report within the period not exceeding three working days from the conclusion of e-voting. The Chairman will declare the results on or after the AGM of the Company accordingly and will also be placed at the company website and also forward the same to the stock exchanges where the shares has been listed.

**THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING ARE AS UNDER:**

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- i. Shareholders who have already voted prior to the meeting date would not be entitled to vote at the meeting venue.
- ii. Pursuant to above said SEBI Circular, Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meetings for Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode CDSL/NSDL is given below:

| Type of shareholders  | Login Method   |
|---|--|
| <p><b>Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL Depository</b></p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Users who have opted for CDSL <b>Easi / Easiest</b> facility, can login through their existing user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The users to login to Easi / Easiest are requested to visit CDSL website <b>www.cdslindia.com</b> and <b>click on login icon&amp; New System Myeasi Tab.</b></li> <li>b) After successful login 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 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 your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting &amp; voting during the meeting. Additionally, there is also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.</li> </ol> |



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|   | <p>c) If the user is not registered for <b>Easi / Easiest</b>, option to register is available at <b>CDSL</b> website <b>www.cdslindia.com</b> and click on login &amp; New System Myeasi Tab and then click on registration option.</p> <p>d) Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number and PAN No. from a e-Voting link available on <b>www.cdslindia.com</b> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile &amp; 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</p>  |
| <p><b>Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL Depository</b></p>                               | <p>a) If you are already registered for <b>NSDL IDeAS facility</b>, please visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following <b>URL: https://eservices.nsd.com</b> 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 “Login” 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 &amp; voting during the meeting.</p> <p>b) If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at <b>https://eservices.nsd.com</b>. Select “Register Online for IDeAS “Portal or click at <b>https://eservices.nsd.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp</b></p> <p>c) Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following <b>URL: https://www.evoting.nsd.com/</b> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon “Login” 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 hold 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 &amp; voting during the meeting</p> |
| <p><b>Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their Depository Participants (DP)</b></p> | <p>You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After Successful login, 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 website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting &amp; voting during the meeting.</p>   |



**Important note:** Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

**Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. CDSL and NSDL**

| <b>Login Type</b>   | <b>Helpdesk Details</b>   |
|---|---|
| Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with <b>CDSL</b> | Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at <b>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</b> or contact at toll free no. 1800 21 09911 |
| Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with <b>NSDL</b> | Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <b>evoting@nsdl.co.in</b> or call at : 022 - 4886 7000 and 022 - 2499 7000      |

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

**iii. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meetings for Physical shareholders and shareholders other than individual holding in Demat form.**

- a) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website [www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com).
- b) Click on “Shareholders” module.
- c) Now enter your User ID
  - For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
  - For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
  - Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
- d) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.  
If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to [www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com) and voted on an earlier e-voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- e) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below:

| <b>Mode</b>   | <b>For Physical shareholders and other than individual shareholders holding shares in Demat.</b>   |
|---|--|
| <b>PAN</b>  | Enter your 10digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequence number sent by Company/RTA or contact Company/RTA.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Dividend Bank Details OR Date of Birth (DOB)</b> | Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If both the details are not recorded with the depository or company, please enter the member id / folio number in the Dividend Bank details field.</li> </ul>                |



- f) After entering these details appropriately, click on “SUBMIT” tab.
- g) Shareholders holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, shareholders 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. Kindly 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.
- h) For shareholders holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- i) Click on the EVSN for the relevant <Company Name> on which you choose to vote.
  - On the voting page, you will see “RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION” and against the same the 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.
  - Click on the “RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK” if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
  - 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.
  - Once you “CONFIRM” your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
  - You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on “Click here to print” option on the Voting page.
  - If a demat account holder has forgotten the login password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
  - There is also an optional provision to upload BR/POA if any uploaded, which will be made available to scrutinizer for verification.

**iv. Additional Facility for Non – Individual Shareholders and Custodians –For Remote Voting only.**

- a) Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodians are required to log on to **www.evotingindia.com** and register themselves in the “Corporates” module.
- b) A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to **helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com**.
- c) After receiving the login details a Compliance User should be created using the admin login and password. The Compliance User would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
- d) The list of accounts linked in the login will be mapped automatically & can be delink in case of any wrong mapping.
- e) It is Mandatory that, a scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.



- f) Alternatively Non Individual shareholders are required mandatory to send the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer and to the Company at the email address viz; [secretarial@alkalimetals.com](mailto:secretarial@alkalimetals.com) , if they have voted from individual tab & not uploaded same in the CDSL e-voting system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHAREHOLDERS ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM & E-VOTING DURING MEETING ARE AS UNDER:**

19. The procedure for attending meeting & e-Voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for e-voting.
20. The link for VC/OAVM to attend meeting will be available where the EVSN of Company will be displayed after successful login as per the instructions mentioned above for e-voting.
21. Shareholders who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the meeting. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
22. Shareholders are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops / IPads for better experience.
23. Further shareholders will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
24. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to Fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
25. Shareholders who would like to express their views/ask questions during the meeting may register themselves as a speaker by sending their request in advance atleast **3 days** prior to meeting by mentioning their name, demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number at **[secretarial@alkalimetals.com](mailto:secretarial@alkalimetals.com) or [cs.alkalimetals@gmail.com](mailto:cs.alkalimetals@gmail.com)**
26. Those shareholders who have registered themselves as a speaker will only be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the meeting.
27. Only those shareholders, who are present in the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not casted their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-Voting system available during the AGM.
28. If any Votes are cast by the shareholders through the e-voting available during the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM and if the same shareholders have not participated in the meeting through VC/OAVM facility, then the votes cast by such shareholders may be considered invalid as the facility of e-voting during the meeting is available only to the shareholders attending the meeting.

**PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL/MOBILE NO. ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMPANY/DEPOSITORIES.**

29. For Physical shareholders- please provide necessary details like Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to Company/RTA email id.
30. For Demat shareholders -, Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP)
31. For Individual Demat shareholders – Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP) which is mandatory while e-Voting & joining virtual meetings through Depository.



32. If you have any queries or issues regarding attending AGM & e-Voting from the CDSL e-Voting System, you can write an email to [helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com](mailto:helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com) or contact at toll free no. 1800 21 09911

**All grievances connected with the facility for voting by electronic means may be addressed to Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, Sr. Manager, (CDSL, ) Central Depository Services (India) Limited, A Wing, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, Marathon Futurex, Mafatlal Mill Compounds, N M Joshi Marg, Lower Parel (East), Mumbai - 400013 or send an email to [helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com](mailto:helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com) or call toll free no. 1800 21 09911.**

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2013**

### **Item No. 5**

Mr. Murali Krishna Chevuturi (DIN:01770851), is a Chartered Accountant in practice and is currently, Partner & CEO of M. Bhaskara Rao & Co, Chartered Accountants. He completed his B. Com in the year 1975, qualified the final examination of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India in 1978 and the final examination of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India in 1980. He was selected to the Graduate Award of Rotary Foundation, and obtained an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh, USA, specializing in Finance and Management Information Systems. He has served many key positions in his career notably Group CFO Amara Raja Group of companies, Secretary, Vice Chairman and Chairman of Southern India Regional Council, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, he was a co-opted Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India's Auditing Standards Board in 2016, Special Invitee to the Accounting Standards Board from 2019 to 2021 and Member of the Core Group that drafted the Forensic Accounting and Investigation Standards issued by ICAI to name a few.

As per the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board at their meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 recommended that his appointment as Independent Director be considered by the members at the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> AGM.

None of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives is concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 5 of the accompanying Notice of the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM.

### **Item No.6**

Dr. Venkateswara Rao Thallapaka (DIN: 05273533) is a holder of Honorary Doctorate in International Banking from ECOLE SUPERIEURE ROBERT DE SORBON University, France and Graduate in Commerce, S.V. University, Tirupati (A.P). He has Over 40 year's experience in Banking, Foreign Trade and Housing Finance Sectors with specialization in Management of Treasury, Investment and Corporate Finance Operations, Securitization and Structured Finance, product development (Reverse Mortgage etc.), Training, Research, Capacity Building and Regulation and Supervision of Housing Finance Institutions. Director on the Boards of corporates in NBFC, HFC and Manufacturing sectors.

As per the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board at their meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 recommended that his appointment as Independent Director be considered by the members at the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> AGM. Since the appointee is going to attain the age of 75 years during his proposed tenure the said agenda shall be passed as Special Resolution.

None of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives is concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 6 of the accompanying Notice of the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM.

**Item No.7**

Dr. J.S. Yadav (DIN: 02014136) is a holder of a Doctorate degree in Chemistry in the year 1976. He is a Post Doc at Rice University, Houston & UM, Madison in USA for years. His research group successfully developed cost effective technologies for speciality chemicals. His expertise and skills inorganic chemistry are outstanding. He is an eminent scientist with a high level of commitment to the cause of his profession viz. Naturals Products - Organic Chemistry. He was as Director of Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT), Hyderabad during 2003 to 2012. His tenure as Independent Director of the Company is going to end on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

As per the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board at their meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 recommended that his appointment as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director be considered by the members at the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> AGM. Since the appointee is going to attain the age of 75 years on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 the said agenda shall be passed as Special Resolution. The relevant notice proposing the appointment of Dr. J.S. Yadav along with deposit of one lakh rupees has been received.

Except the Director for his own appointment, none of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives is concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 7 of the accompanying Notice of the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM.

**Item No.8**

Sri G. Jayaraman (DIN: 01461157) holds B.Sc., Mathematics degree and is a Fellow member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Institute of Cost Accountants of India and Institute of Company Secretaries of India. He has multi-faceted industrial experience across information technology, textiles, cement and pharmaceuticals in the areas like finance, accounts, secretarial, legal and administration functions. He had been associated with Andhra Pradesh State Board of All India Manufacturers' Organization for 10 years and served as its Chairman during 2003-04 and 2004-05. His tenure as Independent Director of the Company is going to end on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

As per the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board at their meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 recommended that his appointment as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director be considered by the members at the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> AGM. The relevant notice proposing the appointment of Sri G. Jayaraman along with deposit of one lakh rupees has been received.

Except the Director for his own appointment, none of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives is concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 8 of the accompanying Notice of the AGM.

By order of the Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524



**Details of Directors seeking appointment/re-appointment at the  
56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024**

[Pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015]

|   |   |  |   |   |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| Name of the Director  | Mr. Murali Krishna Chevuturi  | Dr. Venkateswara Rao Thallapaka  | Dr. J.S. Yadav*   | Sri. G. Jayaraman*  |
| Age   | 68 years  | 72 years   | 73 years  | 68 years  |
| Relationship with Directors and Key Managerial Personnel                              | No Relationship   | No Relationship  | No Relationship   | No Relationship   |
| Expertise in specific functional area   | Audit, Accounting and Taxation  | Banking, Foreign Trade Treasury Management   | Organic & Inorganic Chemistry   | Finance, Accounting, Secretarial and Taxation   |
| Qualifications  | Fellow Member of ICAI,<br><br>Associate Member of ICSI,<br><br>MBA (USA),<br><br>B. Com | Honorary Doctorate in International Banking from ECOLE SUPERIEURE ROBERT DE SORBON University, France<br><br>Graduate in Commerce, S.V. University, Tirupati (A.P)<br><br>CAIIB (Indian Institute of Bankers, Mumbai)                  | M.Sc Chemistry, Doctor of Philosophy, Doctorate in Chemistry, FNA, FTWAS (Fellow, The World Academy of Sciences and All Indian Academy of Sciences) | B.Sc. In Mathematics,<br><br>Fellow Member of ICAI,<br><br>Fellow Member of ICSI,<br><br>Fellow Member of ICMAI |
| Names of Listed Entities from which the Director has resigned in the past three years | NIL   | NIL  | NIL   | NIL   |
| Board Membership of other Listed Companies as on the date of Notice                   | TCI Express Limited   | Natco Pharma Limited<br>Ladderup Finance Limited<br>Cupid Limited  | NIL   | NIL   |
| Committees Membership of other Listed Companies as on the date of Notice              | Chairman of the Audit Committee and Member of NRC in TCI Express Limited                | Member of Audit Committee and NRC in Ladderup Financial Limited<br><br>Chairman of Audit Committee and Member in NRC and Risk Management Committee of Cupid Limited<br><br>Chairman of Audit Committee and NRC of Natco Pharma Limited | NIL   | NIL   |



|  |     |     |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Number of equity shares held in the Company as on the date of Notice | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|

**\*Notes:**

1. Information pertaining to remuneration paid to the Directors who are being appointed/ re-appointed and the number of Board Meetings attended by them during the year 2023-24 have been provided in the Report on Corporate Governance forming part of the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Report.



## Board's Report

To,  
The Members,  
Alkali Metals Limited

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Report on the business and operations of the Company and the accounts for the Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024.

### 1. Results of our operations

The results of our Operations for the Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 is summarized as below:

(All figures in ₹ Lakhs)

| Particulars   | Financial Year<br>2023-24 | Financial Year<br>2022-23 |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Turnover  | 8,285.59                  | 8,823.27                  |
| Other Income  | 95.43                     | 113.86                    |
| Total Revenue   | 8,381.02                  | 8,937.13                  |
| Profit/(Loss) before finance charges, depreciation and taxation | 911.87                    | 1,081.96                  |
| Less : Finance Charges  | 256.04                    | 266.60                    |
| Depreciation and Amortization expense                           | 459.86                    | 429.30                    |
| Profit/(Loss) before exceptional items and tax                  | 195.97                    | 386.06                    |
| Less: Exceptional items   | 40.81                     | 9.41                      |
| Profit/(Loss) before tax  | 155.16                    | 376.66                    |
| Less : Current Year's tax (MAT)                                 | 14.89                     | 65.12                     |
| Previous Year's Tax   | 3.07                      | (0.02)                    |
| MAT Credit Entitlement  | (0.49)                    | (65.12)                   |
| Deferred Tax  | 24.81                     | 85.39                     |
| Profit/(Loss) After tax   | 112.07                    | 291.28                    |

During the year 2023-24, the Company recorded a turnover of ₹ 8,285.59 Lakhs and Net Profit of ₹ 50.70 Lakhs compared to the turnover of ₹ 8,823.27 Lakhs and Net Profit of ₹ 282.09 Lakhs (after comprehensive items) of previous year 2022-23.

The global Industry slowdown and competition in the domestic market has contributed to a reduction in turnover by 6% as compared to the previous year. The overall Profit Before Tax was lesser by 59% as compared to the previous year which was mainly due to the lesser exports and the product composition.

### 2. Dividend

The Board of Directors recommend dividend of 10% amounting ₹ 1 per equity share of ₹10 each paid-up for the approval of the shareholders at the ensuing Annual General Meeting for the Financial Year 2023-24 and the said dividend will be paid to eligible shareholders as on the record date within 30 days of declaration by the shareholders.

### 3. Reserves

During the year under review, Company had not transferred any amount to General Reserves.

**4. Future outlook**

As per market forecast the Chemical Industry is expected to grow at a CAGR 12% p.a. However, the market scenario has changed post the global economic slowdown and the geo political environment has contributed to fall in demand in the Eurozone. Thereby the exports have come down leading to a fall in turnover.

The Company is continuously working to improve the performance. There have been efforts to identify new products and devise a better product mix. With the gradual improvement in the US and Europe Markets, the Company anticipates a better performance in the Financial Year 2024-25.

**5. Research & Development**

The Company has spent ₹ 133.63 Lakhs towards Research and Development during the Financial Year under review. The R&D team is putting its efforts to develop the new products and processes to ensure optimum material consumptions and effective yield.

**6. Change in the nature of business, if any**

The Company had not changed its nature of business during the year under review.

**7. Material changes and commitments after the closure of Financial Year**

There are no material changes or commitments affecting the financial position of the Company between the end of the Financial Year and the date of the report.

**8. Significant and Material Orders**

There are no significant and material orders passed by the regulators or court or tribunals impacting the going concern status and Company operations in future.

**9. Internal Financial Controls**

Your Company had adequate internal controls and such procedures adopted by the Company for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including safeguarding of all its assets and prevention/detection of frauds and errors, accuracy and completeness of accounting records.

Auditors have verified the internal financial controls and tested the adequacy and the procedures adopted by the Company and confirm that the controls are adequate to the size of the transactions. The audit committee reviews and monitors the controls and processes on a regular basis.

**10. Risk Management**

The Management of the Company takes adequate steps in identifying, assessing, controlling and mitigating the risks associated with different areas of its business operations.

**11. Details of Subsidiary/Joint Ventures/Associate Companies**

Your Company had no subsidiaries, Joint Ventures and associate companies during the Financial Year under review.

**12. Deposits**

Your Company has not accepted any deposits covered under Chapter V of the Companies Act, 2013 during the year under review and also no outstanding deposits at the beginning of the Financial Year.

**13. Auditors****Statutory Auditor(s)**

The members at the 51<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019 had appointed M/s. G. Nagendrasundaram & Co., Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditors for a term of 5 years beginning from the conclusion of the 51<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting until the conclusion of the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

In this regard, the Audit Committee had identified and recommended to the Board the candidature of M/s. C K S Associates, Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditors. They are eligible to be appointed and have provided a consent letter in this regard. Thereby the Board recommends their appointment to the members at the ensuing 56<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

The Audit Report for the Financial Year 2023-24 does not contain any adverse remark/comment. However, the Auditors have made a self-explanatory factual disclosure in their CARO report which forms a part of the Audit Report. The disclosure was with regard to the technical issue on MCA portal which was being faced while filing IEPF forms.

**Internal Auditor(s)**

The Board of Directors of the Company had appointed M/s. Ramakrishna & Associates, Chartered Accountants as Internal Auditors to conduct the Internal Audit of the company for the Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024.

M/s. Ramakrishna & Associates, Chartered Accountants have been re-appointed as Internal Auditors for FY 2024-25.

**Secretarial Auditor(s)**

The Board of Directors of the Company had appointed CS B. Venkatesh Babu, Practicing Company Secretary as Secretarial Auditor to conduct Secretarial Audit and provide Secretarial Compliance Report of the Company for the Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 and his report as enclosed does not contain any qualification, reservation or adverse remark. He has made a factual disclosure with regard to technical issue on MCA portal which was being faced while file the IEPF forms and this disclosure was self-explanatory.

CS B. Venkatesh Babu, Practicing Company Secretary has been re-appointed as Secretarial Auditor for FY 2024-25.

**14. Share Capital**

Your Company had not issued and raised any share capital including sweat equity, employee stock options during the Financial Year under review. Your Company has also not provided any money for purchase of its own shares by employees or for the benefit of employees.

**15. Extract of the Annual Return**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 92(3) read with Section 134(3) (a) of the Companies Act, 2013, a copy of the Annual Return of the Company is available at the Company's website [www.alkalimetals.com](http://www.alkalimetals.com).

**16. Conservation of energy, technology absorption and foreign exchange earnings and outgo**

The details of conservation of energy, technology absorption, foreign exchange earnings and outgo have been provided in ANNEXURE - 1 and shall form part of this report.

**17. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)**

In terms of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Company has constituted Corporate Social Responsibility Committee to monitor the CSR activities of the Company in terms of the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013. The CSR committee comprises of following members:

- i. Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao- Chairman
- ii. Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao- Member
- iii. Sri. G. Jayaraman- Member

For the Financial Year 2023-24 the provisions of the CSR were not applicable to the Company. However, the Company had voluntarily spent an amount of ₹ 10 Lakhs towards CSR activities. The details of CSR during the year are provided in the ANNEXURE - 5.

**18. Directors****i. Appointment:**

The members had passed a special resolution at the 55<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2023, for re-appointment of Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao, Managing Director w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2024 for a further period of 3 years and for re-appointment of Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao as Independent Director w.e.f 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 for second term of 5 years.

The tenure of Dr. J.S. Yadav and Sri G. Jayaraman as Independent Director(s) is going to end on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2024. Accordingly, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board has recommended to the members at the ensuing AGM:

- appointment of Dr. J.S. Yadav and Sri G. Jayaraman as Non-Independent Non-Executive Director(s) of the Company.
- appointment of Sri Murali Krishna Chevuturi and Dr. Venkateswara Rao Thallapaka as Independent Director(s) of the Company.

**ii. Retire by Rotation:**

Ms. Lalithya Poorna, Director, retires by rotation and is eligible for reappointment at the ensuing Annual General Meeting.

Details of number of Board meetings and profile of Directors are covered under the Corporate Governance section.

**iii. Declaration by an Independent Director:**

Company had received the declarations by all the Independent Directors that they meet the criteria of independence as per the provisions of Section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 and they are registered with Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) as per the amended provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

**iv. Evaluation of the Board and Committees :**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, the Board has devised a policy on evaluation of performance of Board of Directors, Committees and Individual Directors. Accordingly, the Chairman of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee obtained from all the Board members duly filled in evaluation templates for evaluation of the Board as a whole, evaluation of the committees and peer evaluation. The summary of the evaluation reports were presented to the respective Committees and the Board for their consideration.

**19. Key Managerial Personnel**

During the financial year under review, Ms. K. Uma Kumari, Chief Financial Officer resigned due to her personal reasons and the Company is taking steps to fill the vacancy. Apart from her resignation there is no other change in the Key Managerial Personnel during the year under review.

**20. Director's Responsibility Statement**

As per the provisions of clause (c) of sub-section (3) of Section 134 of the Companies Act, 2013, your Directors shall state that-

- i. in the preparation of the annual accounts, the applicable accounting standards have been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures;
- ii. they have selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the Financial Year and of the profit of the company for that period;
- iii. they have taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of this Act for safeguarding the assets of the company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- iv. the annual accounts on a going concern basis; and
- v. they have laid down internal financial controls to be followed by the company and that such internal financial controls are adequate and were operating effectively.
- vi. proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

**21. Committees of Board**

Your Company has Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders Relationship Committee and Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, the details are provided in the Corporate Governance section.

**22. Vigil mechanism for Directors and Employees**

The Company believes in the standard of conduct which all employees are expected to observe in their business endeavors. The Code (Vigil Mechanism) reflects the Company's commitment to principles of integrity, transparency and fairness. The copy of the Code of Vigil Mechanism is available on the Company website [www.alkalimetals.com](http://www.alkalimetals.com) under Investors tab.

The Company has adopted a Whistle Blower Policy, as part of vigil mechanism to provide appropriate avenues to the Directors and employees to bring to the attention of the management any issue which is perceived to be in violation of or in conflict with the fundamental business principles of the Company. The employees are encouraged to voice their concerns by way of whistle blowing and all the employees have been given access to the Audit Committee.

Mr. Y.V. Prashanth, Executive Director is designated as ombudsperson to deal with all the complaints registered under the policy.

**23. Policy on Sexual Harassment**

There has always been an endeavor on the part of the Company to create and provide an environment that is free from discrimination and harassment including sexual harassment. The Company had adopted policy on Prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace in accordance with The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. During the year, the Internal Complaints Committee has not received any complaints pertaining to incident of harassment.

**24. Particulars of loans, guarantees or investments**

The Company had not given any loans, guarantees or made investments as per the provisions of Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 during the Financial Year under review. Also there are no outstanding amounts of loans given, guarantees provided and/or investments made at the beginning of the year as well.

**25. Particulars of contracts or arrangements with related parties**

During the Financial Year under review, Company had entered into certain Related Party Transactions which are all on arms length basis; details of all such transactions as required under section 188 of Companies Act are annexed in Form AOC-2 forming part of the Board's Report as ANNEXURE-2.

The Company has formulated a policy on materiality of Related Party Transactions and dealing with Related Party Transactions which can be accessed at the Company website [www.alkalimetals.com](http://www.alkalimetals.com) under Investors tab.

**26. Managerial Remuneration / Employee Details**

The Details required to be provided pursuant to Rule 5(1) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 are annexed and forming part of the Board's Report as ANNEXURE -3.

The following are the employees in receipt of remuneration as specified under Rule 5(2) of Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time:

| Employee Name   | Qualification    | Age      | Date of Appointment | Designation       | Previous Employer | Experience in years | Remuneration                        |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| YSR Venkata Rao | B.E (Mechanical) | 74 years | 01/07/1991<br>As MD | Managing Director | Not Applicable    | 47 years            | ₹ 106.85 Lakhs including commission |

The top 10 employees' details will be provided upon specific request by the Shareholders of the Company.

**27. Secretarial Audit Report**

Secretarial Audit Report including Secretarial Compliance Report as per SEBI (LODR) Regulations for the Financial Year 2023-24 obtained from CS B. Venkatesh Babu, Company Secretary in Practice is annexed and forming part of the Board's Report as ANNEXURE - 4.

**28. Corporate Governance and Management Discussion and Analysis**

In terms of Regulation 34 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, a Report on Corporate Governance along with Compliance Certificate issued by Statutory Auditor's of the Company and also the Management Discussion and Analysis report is annexed and forms integral part of the Board's Report.

**29. Insurance**

All the properties and insurable interests of the Company including Building, Plant and Machinery and Stocks have been adequately insured. The Company has-Directors & Officers Indemnity Policy- for Directors and Key Managerial Personnel, Group Accidental policy- for staff and workmen and Group Medical Policy - for those who are not covered under ESI.

**30. Listing on Stock Exchanges**

The securities of the Company are continued to be listed on BSE and NSE. The listing fees for these stock exchanges are paid till the current Financial Year.

**31. Cost Records**

The provisions of Section 148 of the Companies Act 2013 for maintaining the Cost Records are not applicable to the Company.

**32. Compliance of Secretarial Standards**

The Company has duly complied with the applicable Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, for the Board and General Meetings.

**33. Acknowledgements**

Your Directors express their gratitude to all Members, Staff and Workers, Bankers, Regulatory Authorities, Government, Customers, Suppliers, Business Associates from India and abroad for their continued support at all times and look forward to have the same in our future endeavours. Directors are pleased to record their appreciation of the sincere and dedicated services of the employees and workmen at all levels.

Your Directors look forward to the long term future with confidence.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136

**ANNEXURE -1**

**Disclosure of particulars with respect to conservation of energy, technology absorption and foreign exchange earnings and outgo as required under provisions of Section 134(3)(m) read with Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014:**

**1. CONSERVATION OF ENERGY**

i. The steps taken or impact on conservation of energy:

Continuous measures are being taken by the Company to conserve the energy. Hydrogen recovery plant and Nitrous oxide generation plant have been installed at all the units, it helps in re-usage of fuels thereby it conserves energy. All the measures taken by the Company has resulted in cost savings.

ii. The steps taken by the Company for utilizing alternate sources of energy:

The Company operations are mainly carried out using electrical power supported by generator back up for continuous operations. However, the Company is evaluating the possibilities of utilizing alternative sources of energy.

iii. The Capital investment on energy conservation equipment:

Not envisaged any additional investment in the coming year.

**2. TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION**

i. The Efforts made towards technology absorption:

Presently, the Company applies its own technology and the indigenous technology for the manufacturing processes carried out. There has been a continuous endeavor to develop the technology required for the Company.

ii. The Benefits derived are:

- maintenance of quality standards
- commercialization of new products
- time saving by automation of repetitive R&D tasks
- reduced dependence on external source for technology adaptation.

iii. Details of technology imported during the past 3 years:

No technology has been imported during the past 3 years.

iv. The expenditure incurred on Research and Development: ₹133.63 Lakhs.

**3. FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO**

(All figures in ₹ Lakhs)

|                               | <i>2023-24</i>  |                 | <i>2022-23</i> |          |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| Earnings                      |                 | <i>4,540.13</i> |                | 5,711.86 |
| Outgo                         |                 | <i>1,080.44</i> |                | 1,195.05 |
| Raw Materials                 | <i>1,048.72</i> |                 | 1,163.74       |          |
| Foreign currency Expenses     | <i>31.72</i>    |                 | 31.31          |          |
| Net Foreign Exchange earnings |                 | <i>3,459.60</i> |                | 4,516.81 |

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136

**ANNEXURE -2  
Form No. AOC-2**

(Pursuant to clause (h) of sub-section (3) of section 134 of the Act and Rule 8(2) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 Form for disclosure of particulars of contracts/arrangements entered into by the company with related parties referred to in sub-section (1) of section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 including certain arms length transactions under third proviso thereto

1. Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions not at arm's length basis: NIL

2. Details of Contract or arrangements or transactions at arm's length basis:

| Name(s) of the related party     | Nature of Relationship                            | Nature of contracts/arrangements/ transactions | Duration of the contracts / arrangements/ transactions | Salient terms of the contracts or arrangements or transactions including the value, if any: | Date(s) of approval by the Board/ Members, if any | Amount paid as advances, if Any   |
|----------------------------------|---|--|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao           | Managing Director                                 | Office Rent (including Deposit)                | Continuous transactions                                | Rent paid amounted to ₹ 5.41 Lakhs  | 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024                     | 3 months rent as rental deposit   |
| Mr. Y.V. Prashanth               | Executive Director                                | Office Rent for 2 Flats (including Deposit)    | Continuous transactions                                | Rent paid amounted to ₹ 10.82 Lakhs   | 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024                     | 3 months rent as rental deposit   |
| CDC Industrial Infras Limited    | Entity in which promoter Directors are interested | Office Rent (including Deposit)                | Continuous transactions till December 2023             | Rent paid amounted to ₹ 3.96 Lakhs  | 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024                     | 3 months rental as rental deposit |
| Asian Herbex Limited             | Entity in which promoter Directors are interested | Godown Rent (including Deposit)                | Continuous transaction                                 | Rent paid amounted to ₹ 106.45 Lakhs  | 5 <sup>th</sup> August, 2022                      | 6 month rental as rental deposit  |
| Zigna Analytics Private Limited  | Entity in which promoter Directors are interested | Sales Commission                               | Continuous transactions                                | Commission paid amounted to ₹ 33.06 Lakhs   | 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024                     | No                                |
| Dr. Y.V.S Murty Charitable Trust | Promoter Directors are Trustees                   | Voluntary CSR Contribution                     | One-Time transactions                                  | Amount given as voluntary CSR contribution ₹ 10.00 Lakhs.                                   | 28 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023                       | No                                |

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**ANNEXURE-3****Statement of particulars as per Rule 5 of Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial personnel) Rules, 2014**

1. The ratio of the remuneration of each director to the median remuneration of the employees of the company for the financial year:

| S.No | Name of the Director                      | Ratio of the remuneration to the median remuneration of the employees |
|------|---|---|
| i.   | Sri. Y.S.R.Venkata Rao, Managing Director | 25.07   |
| ii.  | Mr. Y.V. Prashanth, Executive Director    | 15.92   |

**Note:** No other director is drawing remuneration other than specified above.

2. The percentage increase in remuneration of each Director, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Executive Officer, Company Secretary or Manager in the financial year:

| S.No. | Name of the Director and KMP              | Percentage increase in remuneration |
|-------|---|-------------------------------------|
| i.    | Sri. Y.S.R.Venkata Rao, Managing Director | (1.41)%                             |
| ii.   | Mr. Y.V. Prashanth, Executive Director    | 9.10%                               |
| iii.  | Ms. K. Uma Kumari, CFO                    | 8.13%                               |
| iv    | Mr. Siddharth Dubey, CS                   | 31.98%                              |

**Note:** ED and CFO remuneration is annualised wherever required for the purpose of calculation of increase in remuneration.

3. The percentage increase in the median remuneration of employees in the financial year: 9.25%
4. The number of permanent employees on the rolls of Company:  
There are 107 employees as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024.
5. The explanation on the relationship between average increase in remuneration and company's performance

| Average Increase/(Decrease) in remuneration | Company's performance   |
|---|---|
| 10.87%                                      | Turnover is ₹ 8,285.59 Lakhs and<br>Net Profit is ₹ 51.51 Lakhs |

6. Comparison of the remuneration of the Key Managerial Personnel (KMP) against the performance of the company

|                           |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Turnover                  | ₹ 8,285.59 Lakhs |
| Net Profit                | ₹ 51.51 Lakhs    |
| Total Remuneration to KMP | ₹ 205.78 Lakhs   |



7. Variations in the market capitalization of the company, price earnings ratio as at the closing date of the current financial year and previous financial year and percentage increase or decrease in the market quotations of the shares of the company in comparison to the rate at which the company came out with the last public offer:

| S.No.  | Particulars  | 31.03.2024       | 31.03.2023 |
|--|--|------------------|------------|
| i.   | Market Capitalization  |                  |            |
|  | BSE (amount in ₹ in Lakhs)   | <b>10,543.98</b> | 9327.17    |
|  | NSE (amount in ₹ in Lakhs)   | <b>10,523.62</b> | 9316.99    |
| ii.  | Price Earnings ratio (based on Basic EPS)                                      |                  |            |
|  | BSE  | <b>93.29</b>     | 32.48      |
|  | NSE  | <b>93.11</b>     | 32.45      |
| iii.   | Market quotation of the shares compared to rate at which it came out with IPO. |                  |            |
| The Company came with Initial Public Offer during the period of 2008 at a price of ₹103 per share. As on 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 (last trading day) the closing price of the Company's Share ₹ 103.55 on BSE and ₹ 103.35 on NSE |  |                  |            |

8. Average percentile increase already made in the salaries of employees other than the managerial personnel in the last financial year and its comparison with the percentile increase in the managerial remuneration and justification thereof and point out if there are any exceptional circumstances for increase in the managerial remuneration:

The Average percentage of increase in remuneration of employees other than the managerial personnel is 12.12% and Managerial Personnel is 2.42% (annualised the ED remuneration).

9. Comparison of remuneration of each Key Managerial Personnel against the performance of the company:

| S. No. | Name                        | Remuneration of Key Managerial Person | Performance of the Company during 2023-24             | % to Turnover |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| i.     | Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao, MD | <b>₹ 106.84 Lakhs</b>                 | Turnover ₹ 8,285.59 Lakhs<br>Net Profit ₹ 51.51 Lakhs | 1.29%         |
| ii.    | Mr Y.V. Prashanth, ED       | <b>₹ 67.85 Lakhs</b>                  |   | 0.82%         |
| iii.   | Ms. K. Uma Kumari, CFO      | <b>₹ 16.63 Lakhs</b>                  |   | 0.20%         |
| iv.    | Mr. Siddharth Dubey, CS     | <b>₹ 10.95 Lakhs</b>                  |   | 0.13%         |

10. The key parameters for any variable component of remuneration availed by the directors:

Managing Director and Executive Director are entitled to 5% on profits computed as per Section 198 of the Companies Act 2013, as part of remuneration during the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

11. The ratio of remuneration of the highest paid director to that of the employees who are not directors but receive remuneration in excess of the highest paid director during the year

Not Applicable.



12. Affirmation that remuneration is as per the remuneration policy of the Company. It is hereby affirmed that the remuneration paid is as per the Remuneration Policy for Directors, KMPs and Other Employees.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136

**ANNEXURE-4****FORM MR-3**

**[Pursuant to Section 204(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule No. 9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014]**

**SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT**

**(For the Financial Yearending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024)**

To

**The Members of**

**M/s. Alkali Metals Limited**

Hyderabad.

I have conducted the Secretarial Audit on the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by M/s. Alkali Metals Limited (CIN: L27109TG1968PLC001196) (hereinafter called the Company). Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on my verification of the Alkali Metals Limited, books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also the information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, I hereby report that in my opinion, the Company has, during the audit period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company has proper Board-processes and compliance-mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

The Company is carrying on the business activities of manufacture of Intermediaries such as Organic and Inorganic Chemicals, Fine Chemicals and Bulk Drug.

I have examined the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company for the financial year ended on March 31, 2024 according to the provisions of:

1. The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the Rules made there under;
2. The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA') and the Rules made there under;
3. The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye-laws framed there under;
4. Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the Rules and Regulations made there under to the extent of Foreign Direct Investment, Overseas Direct Investment and External Commercial Borrowings;
5. The following Regulations and Guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act') to the extent applicable to the Company:-
  - a. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
  - b. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;



- c. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- d. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018;
- e. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Employee Stock Option Scheme and Employee Stock Purchase Scheme) Guidelines, 1999;
- f. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008;
- g. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client;
- h. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009; and
- i. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 1998;

I have also examined compliance with applicable clauses of the following:

- i. The Secretarial Standards on the meeting of the Board of Directors and General Meetings issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.
- ii. The Memorandum and Articles of Association.

During the year under review the Company has complied with the provisions of the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Standards etc mentioned above to the extent applicable to the Company subject to as provided below.

However, please note that SEBI's ICDR, ESOS, Listing of Debt Securities, Registrar to an Issue, Delisting and Buyback of Securities are not applicable as there being no such activity/acts/events during the audit period for the Company.

The Company has identified the following laws as specifically applicable to the Company:

- a) Petroleum And Explosives Safety Organisation (Formerly Department of Explosives)
- b) Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940
- c) Prohibition and Excise
- d) Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974
- e) Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981
- f) Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008
- g) Indian Boilers Act, 1923

I further report that based on the information received, explanations given, process explained there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with Sector Specific laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.



I further report that:

1. The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors, Independent Directors and Woman Director.  
There is no change in the composition of the Board of Directors, but CFO had resigned during the year under review and the company is taking measure to fill the vacancy.
2. Adequate notice is given to all directors to conduct the Meetings of Board and its committees. Detailed notes on agenda were sent and financials were sent at shorter period in advance, and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.
3. All decisions at Board Meeting and committee meetings were carried out unanimously as recorded in the minutes of the meeting and there were no instances of dissenting members in the board and committee meetings.
4. During the year, the Company had entered into related party transactions at arm's length price with the approval of the audit committee and Board.
5. The Company has transferred un claimed interim dividend and final dividend for the financial year 2015-16 to Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) during the February 2023 and September 2023 respectively, but due to technical issues in the MCA website, the relevant excel file could not be filed. A ticket had been raised in this regard and the Company Officials are following up with the MCA Authorities and the Bank. During the month of February 2024, the Bank had confirmed that the amount which was transferred in February 2023 was reversed and it was parked in the Suspense Account of the Bank. The Company immediately requested the Bankers to transfer the funds from Suspense Account to IEPF Authorities Account. However, due to technical issue in the MCA portal, the challan is not getting linked due to which the Company is not able to file the relevant excel files.
6. The Company also transferred the shares who had not claimed the dividend for the last 7 years to IEPF on both February and September 2023. However, due to technical issues in the MCA website, the relevant form and excel file could not be filed. A ticket had been raised in this regard and the Company Officials are following up with the MCA Authorities.

I further report that there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

I further report that during the audit period, there were no specific events / actions having a major bearing on the company's affairs in pursuance of the above referred laws, rules, regulations, guidelines, standards, etc. as referred to above.

Place: Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**CS B. Venkatesh Babu**  
Company Secretary  
FCS No. 6708, CP.No. 5103  
Peer Review No. 1954/2022  
UDIN F006708F000445278

Note: This report is to be read with our letter of even date, which is annexed, and form an integral part of this report.

**ANNEXURE TO THE SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT**

To  
**The Members of**  
**M/s. Alkali Metals Limited**  
Hyderabad.

Our Report of even date is to be read along with this letter

1. Maintenance of secretarial records is the responsibility of the management of the Company. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on our audit.
2. We have followed the audit practices and processes as were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the secretarial records. The verification was done on the random test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in secretarial records. We believe that the processes and practices, we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
3. We have not verified the appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the Company.
4. Wherever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
5. The compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of the Management. Our examination was limited to the verification of procedures on the random test basis.
6. The Secretarial Audit report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**CS B. Venkatesh Babu**  
Company Secretary  
FCS No. 6708, CP.No. 5103  
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**Secretarial Compliance Report of ALKALI METALS LIMITED  
for the financial year ended 31.03.2024**

I have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by ALKALI METALS LIMITED (CIN: L27109TG1968PLC001196) (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its Registered Office at B-5, Block III, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad 500039, Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and to provide my observations thereon.

Based on my verification of the listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, I hereby report that the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on 31.03.2024 complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

I CS B. Venkatesh Babu, have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to me and explanation provided by M/s. Alkali Metals Limited ("the listed entity"),
- (b) the filings/submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this report, for the financial year ended 31.03.2024 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:
  - (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
  - (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include:-

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018;
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;



And based on the above examination, I hereby report that, during the Review Period:

- I (a) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below:

| Sr. No. | Compliance Requirement (Regulations / circulars / guidelines including specific clause) | Regulation / Circular No. | Deviations | Action Taken by | Type of Action | Details of Violation  | Fine Amount | Observations/ Re-marks of the Practising Company Secretary | Management Response | Remarks |
|---------|---|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|---|-------------|--|---------------------|---------|
|         | Nil   |                           |            |                 |                | Advisory / Clarification / Fine / Show Cause Notice / Warning, etc. |             |  |                     |         |

- (b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

| Sr. No. | Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars/ guide lines including specific clause) | Regulation/ Circular No. | Deviations | Action Taken by | Type of Action | Details of Violation   | Fine Amount | Observations/ Re-marks of the Practising Company Secretary | Management Response | Remarks |
|---------|--|--------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------|--|-------------|--|---------------------|---------|
|         | Nil  |                          |            |                 |                | Advisory/ Clarification/ Fine / Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc. |             |  |                     |         |

**Note:**

The Company was in the list of Top 2000 Companies as per Market Capitalization during 2019-20 and required to have 6 members in the Board of Directors from April 1, 2020. At the starting of the financial year, the Company was in compliance of the provisions relating to the composition of the Board. In the month of June 2020 one of the Directors of the Company had resigned and the Company had faced challenges to fill the vacant position due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The Company requested the Stock Exchanges to provide time till March 2021 to comply with the said requirement. Meanwhile a Director was appointed in the month of February 2021. Thereafter, the Stock Exchanges had imposed a fine for the intervening period beginning from October 1, 2020 to February 11, 2021.

The Company had made the application for the waiver of the fine and paid part of fine to BSE. NSE had waived off the entire fine and the BSE is waived off the part of the fine.

- II. Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019:

| Sr. No.   | Particulars  | Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA) | Observations / Remarks by PCS*   |
|-----------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>1.</b> | <b>Compliances with the following conditions while appointing/re-appointing an auditor</b>   |                               |  |
| i.        | If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter; or  | NA                            | As there is no change of auditor during the reporting period, this point is not applicable |
| ii.       | If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter; or   | NA                            |  |
| iii.      | If the auditor has signed the limited review/ audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the audit report for such financial year. | NA                            |  |



|   |  |    |   |
|---|--|----|---|
| <b>2. Other conditions relating to resignation of statutory auditor</b> |  |    |   |
|   | i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/its material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:  |    |   |
|   | a. In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity/material subsidiary such as non-availability of information / non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings.  | NA | As there is no resignation of auditor during the reporting period, this point is not applicable |
|   | b. In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation, along with relevant documents has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of information / explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of information/ explanation sought and not provided by the management, as applicable. | NA |   |
|   | c. The Audit Committee / Board of Directors, as the case may be, deliberated on the matter on receipt of such information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor.  | NA |   |
|   | ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information:<br>The auditor has provided an appropriate disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.  | NA |   |
| 3.  | The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the format as specified in Annexure-A in SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019.  | NA | As there is no resignation of auditor during the reporting period, this point is not applicable |

III. I hereby report that, during the review period the compliance status of the listed entity is appended as below :

| Sr. No. | Particulars   | Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA) | Observations / Remarks by PCS* |
|---------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.      | <b>Secretarial Standards:</b><br>The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI).  | Yes                           |                                |
| 2.      | <b>Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities</li> <li>All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed &amp; updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI</li> </ul>   | Yes                           |                                |
| 3.      | <b>Maintenance and disclosures on Website:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website</li> <li>Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website</li> <li>Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re-directs to the relevant document(s)/ section of the website</li> </ul> | Yes                           |                                |



|            |   |     |   |
|------------|---|-----|---|
| <b>4.</b>  | <b>Disqualification of Director:</b><br>None of the Director(s) of the Company is/ are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.   | Yes |   |
| <b>5.</b>  | <b>Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.:</b><br>a) Identification of material subsidiary companies<br>b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries   | Yes | Company don't have any subsidiary Companies, not required to comply this clause |
| <b>6.</b>  | <b>Preservation of Documents:</b><br>The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.  | Yes |   |
| <b>7.</b>  | <b>Performance Evaluation:</b><br>The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year/during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.   | Yes |   |
| <b>8.</b>  | <b>Related Party Transactions:</b><br>a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or<br>b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected by the Audit Committee, in case no prior approval has been obtained.   | Yes |   |
| <b>9.</b>  | <b>Disclosure of events or information:</b><br>The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.   | Yes |   |
| <b>10.</b> | <b>Prohibition of Insider Trading:</b><br>The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.   | Yes |   |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:</b><br>No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**). | Yes |   |
| <b>12.</b> | <b>Additional Non-compliances, if any:</b><br>No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.   | Yes |   |

**Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:**

- Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- Our responsibility is to report based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
- We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial Records and Books of Accounts of the listed entity.
- This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

**CS B. Venkatesh Babu**

Company Secretary

FCSNo.:6708

CPNo.:5103

PRNo.:1954/2022

UDIN : F006708F000445300

Place : Hyderabad

Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**ANNEXURE -5****Annual Report on CSR Activities to be Included in the Board's Report**

## 1. Brief outline on CSR Policy of the Company.

The CSR policy of the Company intends to create a positive societal impact while the economic activities are carried out. This Policy covers current as well as proposed CSR activities to be undertaken by the Company. The activities are in alignment with Schedule VII of the Act as amended from time to time. It covers the CSR activities which are being carried out in India only which include:

- To provide assistance for educational purpose which will aid in all round development of the needy people
- To contribute to the development of the under-privileged.
- To provide health care, medical facilities and financial assistance for health and medical purposes to the needy people
- To carry out such other activities as specified in Schedule VII of the Companies Act,2013

## 2. Composition of CSR Committee:

| S. No. | Name of Director          | Designation / Nature of Directorship | Number of meetings of CSR Committee held during the year | Number of meetings of CSR Committee attended during the year |
|--------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| i.     | Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Non-Executive Director   | 2  | 2  |
| ii.    | Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao    | Managing Director                    | 2  | 2  |
| iii.   | Sri G. Jayaraman          | Independent Non-Executive Director   | 2  | 2  |

## 3. Provide the web-link where Composition of CSR committee, CSR Policy and CSR projects approved by the board are disclosed on the website of the company.

<https://www.alkalimetals.com/uploads/Financials/Corporate-Social-Responsibility-Policy.pdf>

## 4. Provide the details of Impact assessment of CSR projects carried out in pursuance of sub-rule (3) of rule 8 of the Companies (Corporate Social responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014, if applicable (attach the report)- Not Applicable

## 5. Details of the amount available for set off in pursuance of sub-rule (3) of rule 7 of the Companies (Corporate Social responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 and amount required for set off for the financial year, if any

| S. No. | Financial Year | Amount available for set-off from preceding financial years (in Rs In Lakhs) | Amount required to be set-off for the financial year, if any (in Rs In Lakhs) |
|--------|----------------|--|---|
| i      | 2021-2022      | 0  | 0   |
| ii     | 2022-2023      | 0.62   | 0.62  |
|        | Total          | 0.62   | 0.62  |



## 6. Average net profit of the company as per section 135(5)-

*Please note that the provisions of CSR were not applicable to the Company during the year under review. However the Company voluntarily made contribution towards CSR.*

7. (a) Two percent of average net profit of the company as per section 135(5) - Not Applicable  
 (b) Surplus arising out of the CSR projects or programmes or activities of the previous financial years- Nil  
 (c) Amount required to be set off for the financial year, if any - Nil  
 (d) Total CSR obligation for the financial year (7a+7b-7c)- NA
8. (a) CSR amount spent or unspent for the financial year:

| Total Amount Spent for the Financial Year. (in ₹ Lakhs) | Amount Unspent (in ₹)  |                   |  |         |                   |
|---|--|-------------------|--|---------|-------------------|
|   | Total Amount transferred to Unspent CSR Account as per section 135(6). |                   | Amount transferred to any fund specified under Schedule VII as per second proviso to section 135(5). |         |                   |
|   | Amount.  | Date of transfer. | Name of the Fund   | Amount. | Date of transfer. |
| 10  | NIL  |                   | NIL  |         |                   |

## (b) Details of CSR amount spent against ongoing projects for the financial year:

| (1)     | (2)                  | (3)  | (4)                  | (5)                      |          | (6)               | (7)                                     | (8)   | (9)  | (10)                                      | (11)   |                          |
|---------|----------------------|--|----------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| Sl. No. | Name of the Project. | Item from the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act. | Local area (Yes/No). | Location of the project. |          | Project duration. | Amount allocated for the project (in ₹) | Amount spent in the current financial Year (in ₹) | Amount transferred to Unspent CSR Account for the project as per Section 135(6) (in ₹) | Mode of Implementation - Direct (Yes/No). | Mode of Implementation - Through Implementing Agency |                          |
|         |                      |  |                      | State                    | District |                   |   |   |  |   | Name   | CSR Registration number. |
| 1.      |                      |  |                      |                          |          |                   |   |   |  |   |  |                          |
| 2.      |                      |  |                      |                          |          |                   |   |   |  |   |  |                          |
| 3.      |                      |  |                      |                          |          |                   |   |   |  |   |  |                          |
|         | Total                |  |                      |                          |          |                   |   |   |  |   |  |                          |

## (c) Details of CSR amount spent against other than ongoing projects for the financial year:

| (1)     | (2)  | (3)  | (4)                  | (5)  |           | (6)                                       | (7)                                       | (8)   |                          |
|---------|--|--|----------------------|--|-----------|---|---|---|--------------------------|
| Sl. No. | Name of the Project                        | Item from the list of activities in schedule VII to the Act. | Local area (Yes/No). | Location of the project.                           |           | Amount spent for the project (in ₹ Lakhs) | Mode of implementation - Direct (Yes/No). | Mode of implementation - Through implementing agency. |                          |
|         |  |  |                      | State.   | District. |   |   | Name.   | CSR registration number. |
| 1.      | Financial assistance for Education Purpose | (ii)   | Yes                  | Both telugu states of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh |           | 10  | No  | Dr. Y.V.S. Murty Charitable Trust                     | CSR00034920              |
|         | <b>Total</b>                               |  |                      |  |           | 10  |   |   |                          |



- (d) Amount spent in Administrative Overheads- Nil  
(e) Amount spent on Impact Assessment, if applicable- Nil  
(f) Total amount spent for the Financial Year (8b+8c+8d+8e)- ₹10 Lakhs  
(g) Excess amount for set off, if any

| Sl. No. | Particular  | Amount (in ₹ Lakhs) |
|---------|---|---------------------|
| (i)     | Two percent of average net profit of the company as per section 135(5)                                      | NA                  |
| (ii)    | Total amount spent for the Financial Year   | 10.00               |
| (iii)   | Excess amount spent for the financial year [(ii)-(I)]   | 10.00               |
| (iv)    | Surplus arising out of the CSR projects or programmes or activities of the previous financial years, if any | Nil                 |
| (v)     | Amount available for set off in succeeding financial years [(iii)-(iv)]                                     | 10.00               |

9. (a) Details of Unspent CSR amount for the preceding three financial years : Nil

| Sl. No. | Preceding Financial Year. | Amount transferred to Unspent CSR Account under section 135 (6) (in ₹ Lakhs) | Amount spent in the reporting Financial Year (in ₹ Lakhs) | Amount transferred to any fund specified under Schedule VII as per section 135(6), if any. |                     |                   | Amount remaining to be spent in succeeding financial years. |
|---------|---------------------------|--|---|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|
|         |                           |  |   | Name of the Fund   | Amount (in ₹ Lakhs) | Date of transfer. |   |
| 1       |                           |  |   |  |                     |                   |   |
| 2       |                           |  |   |  |                     |                   |   |
| 3       |                           |  |   |  |                     |                   |   |
|         | Total                     |  |   |  |                     |                   |   |

(b) Details of CSR amount spent in the financial year for ongoing projects of the preceding financial year(s): Nil

| (1)     | (2)         | (3)                  | (4)  | (5)               | (6)   | (7)  | (8)  | (9)   |
|---------|-------------|----------------------|--|-------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Sl. No. | Project ID. | Name of the Project. | Financial Year in which the project was commenced. | Project duration. | Total amount allocated for the project (in ₹ Lakhs) | Amount spent on the project in the reporting Financial Year (in ₹ Lakhs) | Cumulative amount spent at the end of reporting Financial Year. (in ₹ Lakhs) | Status of the project - Completed /Ongoing. |
| 1       |             |                      |  |                   |   |  |  |   |
| 2       |             |                      |  |                   |   |  |  |   |
| 3       |             |                      |  |                   |   |  |  |   |
|         | Total       |                      |  |                   |   |  |  |   |



10. In case of creation or acquisition of capital asset, furnish the details relating to the asset so created or acquired through CSR spent in the financial year - Not Applicable  
**(asset-wise details).**
- (a) Date of creation or acquisition of the capital asset(s).
  - (b) Amount of CSR spent for creation or acquisition of capital asset.
  - (c) Details of the entity or public authority or beneficiary under whose name such capital asset is registered, their address etc.
  - (d) Provide details of the capital asset(s) created or acquired (including complete address and location of the capital asset).
11. Specify the reason(s), if the company has failed to spend two per cent of the average net profit as per section 135(5)- Not Applicable

For and on behalf of  
**Alkali Metals Limited**

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN:00345524

**K.V. Suryaprakash Rao**  
Independent Director and  
Chairman of CSR Committee  
DIN: 06934146

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024



## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Management Discussion and Analysis Report sets out developments in the business, environment and company's performance since our last report. The analysis supplements the Directors' Report and Audited Financial Statements which together form part of this Annual Report.

### ECONOMY REVIEW

As per studies, Indian Chemical Industry was anticipating a big leap by estimating a reach of \$300 billions by 2024-25. However, for the past year it has been struggling with several headwinds, including uncertain demand, weak exports and intense competition. During the lockdown the world was looking towards India as an alternate supplier and this prompted many Indian Companies to stock up inventories to meet the opportunistic demand and also the fear of supply chain disruption was a contributor to this decision of over stocking. The result was a temporary boost in sales. However, once markets opened post pandemic, the global supply chain was restored and this led to intense competition in the global markets. Thereafter, the Eurozone and other markets had been under geopolitical stress contribution more problems and reduction in demand. The Indian Companies were facing an Over-Capacity scenario on the operational front due to the build-up in the inventory and sluggish demand. The Companies were also banking on shift from China and were also expecting an increased capex but due to the slowdown the capex plans have been put on hold or pushed to later years.

### OUTLOOK

Despite the challenges, there is a sense of anticipated improvement in the global markets and Indian Chemical Industry holds promise and it is expected to be key contributor for the coming years. With the continuous R&D the product profile of the Indian Market is expected to improve and with-stand the global market demand. With the proposed infrastructure improvements, the Government's efforts to improve current FTA with ASEAN countries and introduction of PLI schemes it is an indication that the Indian Chemical Industry is on the way of improvement and the measure are being deployed to fine-tune it in the coming years in the global race.

### POTENTIAL PITFALLS

- Lack of strategic initiatives to cover the Infrastructural deficit
- Lack of initiatives for diversification
- Regulatory complexities
- Higher tariffs compared to other countries in the same region
- Unfavourable Policy Support
- Sluggish demand due to Geo political situation across the European and other Countries
- Over capacity scenario
- Weak domestic demand
- Difficulty in maintaining margin

**PRODUCT PERFORMANCE**

All the products have performed in similar manner as compared to the previous year. The Company has sold 982 MT of finished products during 2023-24 and realized a turnover ₹ 82.85 crores. The Company sold sodium derivatives, pyridine derivatives and fine chemicals. The Company plans to continue its effort in developing new products.

**INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM AND THEIR ADEQUACY**

The Company has in place effective systems of internal control commensurate to its size and nature of business which provides for:

- Efficient use and safeguarding resources
- Accurate recording and custody of assets
- Compliance with prevalent statutes, policies, procedures, listing requirements, management guidelines and circulars.
- Transactions being accurately recorded, cross verified and promptly reported
- Adherence to applicable accounting standards and policies.
- IT systems which include controls for facilitating the above.

The internal control system provides for well documented policies, guidelines, authorizations and approval procedures. Also, the internal audit reports are laid before Audit Committee and discussions were held periodically by the Audit Committee at its meetings. The observations / findings made in internal audit reports, along with the status of action thereon are reviewed by the Audit committee of the Board of directors on a regular basis. The company has an exhaustive budgetary control system and the management regularly reviews actual performance

**OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE**

- The Company made a comprehensive profit of ₹ 51.51 lakhs
- The Company made a profit before tax and exceptional items of ₹ 195.97 lakhs
- The book value per share stands at ₹ 50.43/- as on 31.03.2024 (₹ 51.16 previous year).
- The exports contributed to 54% of the total turnover
- Net foreign exchange earnings of ₹ 3,459.69 Lakhs

**HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

The management believes that competent and committed human resources are important to attain success in the organisation. The Company believes in creating a pool of talent within its people whose skills, expertise and experience provide the impetus towards market leadership. The Company's human resource practices are widely accepted by the management, staff and workers. During the year under review, the Industrial relations with Employees/ workers at all the Company's locations continued to be harmonious and positive.

**CAUTIONARY AND FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENT**

Statements in the Management Discussion and Analysis Report which describe the Company's objectives, projections, estimates, expectations or predictions may be considered to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable Securities Laws and Regulations. These statements are based on certain assumptions and expectations of future events. Actual results could however materially differ from those expressed or implied. Important factors that could make a difference to the Company's Operations include global and Indian political scenario, economic & demand-supply conditions, finished goods prices, raw materials cost & availability, cyclical demand and pricing in the company's principal markets, changes in Government regulations, Policies, tax regimes, economic developments within India besides other factors such as litigation and industrial relations as well as the ability to implement the strategies.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
**For Alkali Metals Limited**

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136



## REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

**Report Pursuant to Schedule V of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, compliance with the requirements of Corporate Governance is set out below:**

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PHILOSOPHY OF THE COMPANY**

Corporate Governance envisages working towards high levels of transparency, accountability, consistent value systems, delegation across all facets of its operations leading to sharply focused and operationally efficient growth. The Company's approach to corporate governance and the role it plays goes well beyond meeting our compliance obligations. The Company strives to be transparent, ethical and maintain high level of integrity in the conduct of its business and also in its interactions with stakeholders, including shareholders, employees, customers, suppliers and statutory authorities.

The Company follows all the principles of corporate governance in its true spirit and at all times.

### **1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Composition**

The Board is committed to the highest standards of ethics and integrity. The Directors abide by the 'Code of Conduct'. It consists of seven Directors as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 of which;

- three are Non-Executive Independent Directors;
- two Non Executive and Non Independent Directors of which one is a Woman Director
- one is Executive Director and
- one is Managing Director.

The day-to-day management of the Company was carried on by the Managing Director and Executive Director of the Company.

Our Board brings together a wealth of knowledge, perspective, professionalism, divergent thinking and experience. Our members have a good understanding of governance, technical, financial and non-financial issues. Stated below is the specific area of focus of the individual Board Members.

- i. Dr. J.S. Yadav- is expert in the field of Organic and Inorganic chemistry, R&D and Administration.
- ii. Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao- has played pivotal role in the growth of the Company and possesses the expertise in Manufacturing, Pharmaceutical Sector, Marketing, Finance, Business Strategies Administration and Leadership to lead the Company.
- iii. Sri. G. Jayaraman- is multi-faceted and experienced across information technology, textiles, cement and pharmaceutical INDUSTRIES in the areas like finance, accounts, secretarial, legal and administration functions.
- iv. Sri. K.V. Surya Prakash Rao- has vast experience in the field of promoting Research & Development, academia and administration.
- v. Mrs. Y.V. Lalithya Poorna – she has experience in Chemical and Pharmaceutical sector
- vi. Dr A.R. Prasad – is expert in the field of Organic Chemistry and has a vast experience in R&D and formulations in chemical industry.
- vii. Mr. Y.V. Prashanth - has experience in the field of Liquidity Management, Client Development, Marketing, Receivables and Payables Management and administration.



All Independent Directors possess the requisite qualifications and are experienced in their respective fields. The Board also confirms that the Independent Directors fulfil the criteria specified in the regulations and are independent of the management. The Independent Directors are appointed for a period of five years and the Managing Director is not liable to retire by rotation. The other Non Independent Directors and Executive Director are subject to retire by rotation.

All the necessary disclosures have been obtained from all the directors including their other directorships and have also been taken on record by the Board.

### Number of Board Meetings:

During the year (1<sup>st</sup> April, 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024) the Board met four times i.e. on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2023, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 and 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 wherein the gap between two consecutive board meetings was less than 120 days in all cases.

The dates for the board meetings are fixed after taking into account the convenience of majority of the Directors and sufficient notice is given to them.

### Composition, Attendance Record and Directorships held:

| S. No. | Name of the Director       | Category / Status of Directorship.       | No. of Board Meetings attended during the year | No. of Directorship(s) in other Companies | No. of Committee position held in other Listed Companies |        | Attendance at the AGM held on 22 August, 2023 |
|--------|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|--------|---|
|        |                            |  |  |   | Chairman   | Member |   |
| i.     | Dr. J.S. Yadav             | Chairman & Independent Director          | 4  | 2   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |
| ii.    | Sri. G. Jayaraman          | Independent Director                     | 4  | 2   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |
| iii.   | Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao    | Managing Director                        | 4  | 2   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |
| iv.    | Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director                     | 4  | 0   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |
| v.     | Smt. Y. Lalithya Poorna    | Non-Independent & Non-Executive Director | 2  | 3   | 0  | 0      | No  |
| vi.    | Dr. A.R. Prasad            | Non-Independent & Non-Executive Director | 4  | 1   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |
| vii.   | Mr. Y.V. Prashanth         | Executive Director                       | 4  | 3   | 0  | 0      | Yes   |

### Notes:

- Other Directorships exclude foreign companies
- Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao is the Promoter and Managing Director of the Company holding 69,04,715 Equity Shares in the Company, his daughter Smt. Y. Lalithya Poorna is a Non-Executive Woman Director, holds 1,10,000 Equity Shares in the Company and his son Mr. Y.V. Prashanth is an Executive Director and he does not hold any shares.
- Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao was re-appointed for a term of 3 years w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2024 by virtue of Special Resolution passed at the 55<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2023.
- Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao was re-appointed as an Independent Director for second term of 5 years w.e.f. 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 by virtue of Special Resolution passed at the 55<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2023.
- The existing Directors as on date are holding directorship in this listed entity only.

**INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR DATABANK REGISTRATION**

Pursuant to a notification dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, all the Independent Directors have completed the registration with the Independent Directors Databank. Requisite disclosures have been received from the directors in this regard.

**2. COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD****I. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee (AC) of the Board is headed by Sri G. Jayaraman, Independent Director. The other members of the Committee are Dr. J.S. Yadav and Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao. The Composition of the Audit Committee meets the requirement of Section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

The Audit Committee assists the Board in the dissemination of financial information and in overseeing the accounting processes followed by the Company. The terms of reference of the audit committee covers all matters specified in SEBI (LODR) Regulation 2015 and also those specified in section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013. The terms of reference broadly include review of internal audit report, statutory audit report, assessment of the efficacy of the internal control systems/ financial reporting systems and reviewing the adequacy of the financial policies and practices followed by the Company, compliance with legal and statutory requirements, the quarterly and annual financial statements and related party transactions and reports its findings to the Board. The committee also recommends the appointment of internal auditor, statutory auditor and also matters which are specifically referred to it by the Board. It also reviews major accounting policies followed by the Company.

The Chairman of the Audit Committee was present at the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023

During the year, the Audit Committee met 4 (Four) times and the attendance of members is as follows:

| S. No. | Name of the Member         | Category             | No. of Meetings Attended |
|--------|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| a.     | Sri. G. Jayaraman          | Independent Director | 4                        |
| b.     | Dr J.S. Yadav              | Independent Director | 4                        |
| c.     | Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director | 4                        |

**II. NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) is headed by Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao, Independent Director. The other members of the Committee are Dr. J.S. Yadav, Sri G. Jayaraman and Dr. A.R. Prasad.

The NRC has reviewed and evaluated the performance evaluation criteria for Board and its Committees and Directors including Independent Directors as per SEBI Circular dated 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Further, the NRC recommends appointment/ reappointment of Directors and any remuneration/fee to be paid to Directors and also the appointments of employee's one level below the Board of Directors and KMP along with the remuneration to be paid to them. The remuneration is fixed keeping in mind the person's track record, his / her potential individual performance, the market trends and scales prevailing in the similar industry.



During the financial year 2023-24, the NRC had met two times and the attendance of members is as follows:

| S. No. | Name of the Member         | Category                               | No. of Meetings Attended |
|--------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| a.     | Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director                   | 2                        |
| b.     | Sri. G. Jayaraman          | Independent Director                   | 2                        |
| c.     | Dr J.S. Yadav              | Independent Director                   | 2                        |
| d.     | Dr. A.R. Prasad            | Non-Executive Non-Independent Director | 2                        |

### **Nomination and Remuneration policy**

#### **The objectives of the Policy**

- i. To laid down criteria and terms and conditions with regard to identifying persons who are qualified to become Directors (Executive and Non-Executive) and persons who may be appointed in Senior Management and Key Managerial positions.
- ii. To determine remuneration to Directors, KMP and other senior Employees based on the Company's size and financial position and trends and practices on remuneration prevailing in peer companies.
- iii. To carry out evaluation of the performance of Directors.
- iv. To retain, motivate and promote talent and to ensure long term sustainability of talented managerial persons and create competitive advantage.
- v. Any other matter as the Board may decide from time to time.

#### **Mechanism for Evaluation of Board**

Evaluation by the Board members is done on an annual basis. The evaluation is done by the Board, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Independent Directors with specific focus on the performance and effective functioning of the Board and Individual Directors.

Criteria for evaluation Directors/ KMP/ Senior Employees

- Leadership and Stewardship Abilities
- Contribution to Corporate objectives and Plans
- Communication of expectations and concerns with subordinates
- Obtaining of adequate, relevant and timely information from external sources.
- Review and approval of strategic and operational plans, objectives and budgets
- Regular monitoring of corporate results against projections
- Identify, monitor & mitigate significant corporate risks
- Assess policies, structures & procedures
- Direct and monitor Key Managerial Personnel, senior officials
- Review the Management's succession plan
- Ensure meetings of the Board and Committees are effective
- Review of Board structure by ensuring that appropriate Composition, Size, Independence and Structure are maintained
- Defining roles and activities of Committees and also monitoring them from time to time.
- Review and maintenance of Corporation's ethical conduct

**III. STAKEHOLDERS' RELATIONSHIP COMMITTEE:**

The Stakeholders Relationship Committee (SRC) is headed by Sri G. Jayarman, Independent Director. The other members of the Committee are Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao, Dr. J.S. Yadav and Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao.

The SRC deals with the requests for approving share transfer, transmissions, issue of duplicate share certificates, re-materialisation of shares and other specific requests from shareholders. It also addresses the investor grievances if any. Further, it also reviews the performance of the Registrar and Share Transfer Agents. The Company had received requests for revalidation of dividend warrants and for physical copies of the Annual Report. The requests were attended accordingly. Furthermore, the Company is registered under the SCORES SEBI Complaints Redress System (SCORES) (vide Circular Ref: CIR/OIAE/2/2011 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011) which is a web based platform to help investors to lodge their complaints if any. All complaints received by SEBI against listed companies are dealt through SCORES. As such there were no complaints received on the platform against the Company.

During the year under review, SRC met one time and the attendance of members is as follows:

| S. No. | Name of the Member       | Category             | No. of Meetings Attended |
|--------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| a.     | Sri. G. Jayaraman        | Independent Director | 1                        |
| b.     | Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao   | Managing Director    | 1                        |
| c.     | Dr J.S. Yadav            | Independent Director | 1                        |
| d.     | Sri. KV Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director | 1                        |

**IV. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE:**

The provisions of CSR were not applicable to the Company for FY 2023-24. However, the Company made a voluntary contribution towards CSR and also continued the CSR Committee during the FY 2023-24.

The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee (CSR) is headed by Sri K.V.Suryaprakash Rao. The other members of the Committee are Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao and Sri G. Jayaraman.

During the year under review, CSR Committee met two times and the attendance of members is as follows:

| S. No. | Name of the Member       | Category             | No. of Meetings Attended |
|--------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| a.     | Sri. KV Suryaprakash Rao | Independent Director | 2                        |
| b.     | Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao   | Managing Director    | 2                        |
| c.     | Sri. G. Jayaraman        | Independent Director | 2                        |

**3. MEETING OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS:**

As per the Schedule IV of the Companies Act 2013 and the Rule thereunder, the Independent Directors of the Company had met once during the year without the attendance of Non-Independent Directors and members of the Management. They had reviewed the performance of the Board and discussed other important matters.

**4. REMUNERATION PAID TO DIRECTORS**

The remuneration payable to the directors is determined by the Board on the recommendation of the nomination and remuneration committee. This is subject to the approval of the shareholders at the General Meeting. The non executive directors do not draw any remuneration from the Company except sitting fees for attending the meetings of the board and the committees.

**Details of Remuneration paid to Directors during the financial year 2023-24**

(All figures in ₹ Lakhs)

| S. No. | Name of the Director       | Commission/ Consultancy | Remuneration | Sitting Fee | Total  |
|--------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| i      | Dr.J.S.Yadav               | --                      | --           | 4.70        | 4.70   |
| ii     | Sri. G. Jayaraman          | --                      | --           | 4.90        | 4.90   |
| iii    | Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao    | 11.74                   | 95.11        | --          | 106.85 |
| iv     | Smt. Y. Lalithya Poorna    | --                      | --           | 1.50        | 1.50   |
| v      | Sri. K.V. Suryaprakash Rao | --                      | --           | 4.90        | 4.90   |
| vi     | Dr. A.R. Prasad            | 12.00                   | --           | 3.20        | 15.20  |
| vii    | Mr. Y.V. Prashanth         | 11.74                   | 56.12        | --          | 67.86  |

**5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS AND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

The details of the Annual General Meetings / Extraordinary General Meeting held in the last three financial years are as follows:

Annual General Meetings of the Company:

| Year    | Location   | Date                         | Time       |
|---------|--|------------------------------|------------|
| 2020-21 | Through VC hosted at Plot B-5, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad - 500039, Telangana | 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2021 | 11:15 A.M. |
| 2021-22 | Through VC hosted at Plot B-5, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad - 500039, Telangana | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2022 | 11:00 A.M. |
| 2022-23 | Through VC hosted at Plot B-5, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad - 500039, Telangana | 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2023 | 4:30 P.M.  |

Extraordinary General Meeting(s) of the Company:

| Year    | Location   | Date                           | Time       |
|---------|--|--------------------------------|------------|
| 2021-22 | Through VC hosted at Plot B-5, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad - 500039, Telangana | 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | 11:00 A.M. |

- i. No Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders was held during the year.
- ii. No Postal Ballot was conducted during the year. None of the resolutions proposed for the ensuing Annual General Meeting need to be passed by Postal Ballot.
- iii. Special Resolutions passed during the previous three Annual General Meetings:
  - a. 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> August 2021- No Special Resolution was passed.
  - b. 54<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting- 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022- No Special Resolution was passed.
  - c. 55<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting- 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023- Special Resolutions passed for the Re-appointment of Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao as a Managing Director w.e.f 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024 and for Re-appointment of Sri K.V. Suryaprakash Rao as and Independent Director w.e.f. 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- iv. In the last three Financial Years only one Extra Ordinay General Meeting during FY 2022-23 . was held on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. The Special Resolution passed during this EGM was for the appointment of Mr. Y.V. Prashanth as Executive Director w.e.f 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022.



e) **E-Voting/ Poll:**

E-Voting is conducted for all the business items covered in the above 3 Annual General Meetings and Extra Ordinary General Meeting in Compliance with the Listing Agreement. CS B. Venkatesh Babu was appointed scrutinizer in all the meetings .

## **DISCLOSURES**

### **6. SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**

The Company has no subsidiary Company.

### **7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

Periodic assessments to identify the risk areas are carried out to enable the Company to control risk through a properly defined plan. The risks are classified as financial risks, operational risks and market risks. The risks are taken into account while preparing the annual business plan for the year. The Board is also periodically informed of the business risks and the actions taken to manage them.

### **8. WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY**

The Company has an established mechanism for Directors / Employees to report concerns about unethical behavior, actual or suspected fraud, or violation of the code of conduct or ethics policy. It also provides for adequate safeguards against victimization of directors/ employees who avail of the mechanism. The Company affirms that no personnel have been denied access to the audit committee. The Company has formulated a Policy of Vigil Mechanism and has established a mechanism that any personnel may raise Reportable Matters.

### **9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

There have been no materially significant related party transactions with the Company's promoters, directors, KMP or relatives which may have potential conflict with the interests of the Company at large. The necessary disclosures regarding the transactions at arm's length are given in the Board's Report and Notes to accounts.

### **10. ACCOUNTING TREATMENT**

The Company has followed the Ind AS accounting standards in the preparation of its financial statements.

### **11. COMPLIANCES**

There have been no instances of non-compliance by the Company on any matters related to the capital markets, nor have any penalty/ strictures been imposed on the Company by the Stock Exchanges or SEBI or any other statutory authority on such matters.

### **12. MEANS OF COMMUNICATION**

The Quarterly, Half Yearly and Annual financial results are normally published by the Company in the leading newspapers in English version circulating substantially in the whole of India and in Telugu (being the Regional language) where the registered office is situated. The financial results are also placed on Company's website i.e. [www.alkalimetals.com](http://www.alkalimetals.com) to access first-hand information about the financial information of the Company. Besides this as required under the SEBI (LODR) Regulations 2015 the said information is also sent to Stock exchanges (BSE & NSE).

**13. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

The standards for business conduct provide that the directors and the senior management will uphold ethical values and legal standards as the Company pursues its objectives and that honesty and personal integrity will not be compromised under any circumstances. A copy of the said code of conduct is available on Company’s website i.e. [www.alkalimetals.com](http://www.alkalimetals.com). The Board members and senior management personnel have affirmed compliance with the code of conduct for the financial year 2023-2024.

**14. GENERAL SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION****i. Annual General Meeting**

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Date and time:</b>    | 21 <sup>st</sup> August, 2024  |
| <b>Venue</b>             | Through Video Conference   |
| <b>Book Closure Date</b> | 17 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024 to 21 <sup>st</sup> August, 2024 (both days inclusive) |

**ii. Financial Year : 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025**

Financial Calendar 2023 - 2024 (tentative)

First Quarter results (April - June) : On or before 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2024Second Quarter results (July – Sept) : On or before 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2024Third Quarter results (Oct – Dec) : On or before 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2024Annual Results audited (Audited) : On or before 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**iii. Particulars of Dividend for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 ₹ 1/- per share as Final Dividend subject to approval of the shareholders at the ensuing AGM.**

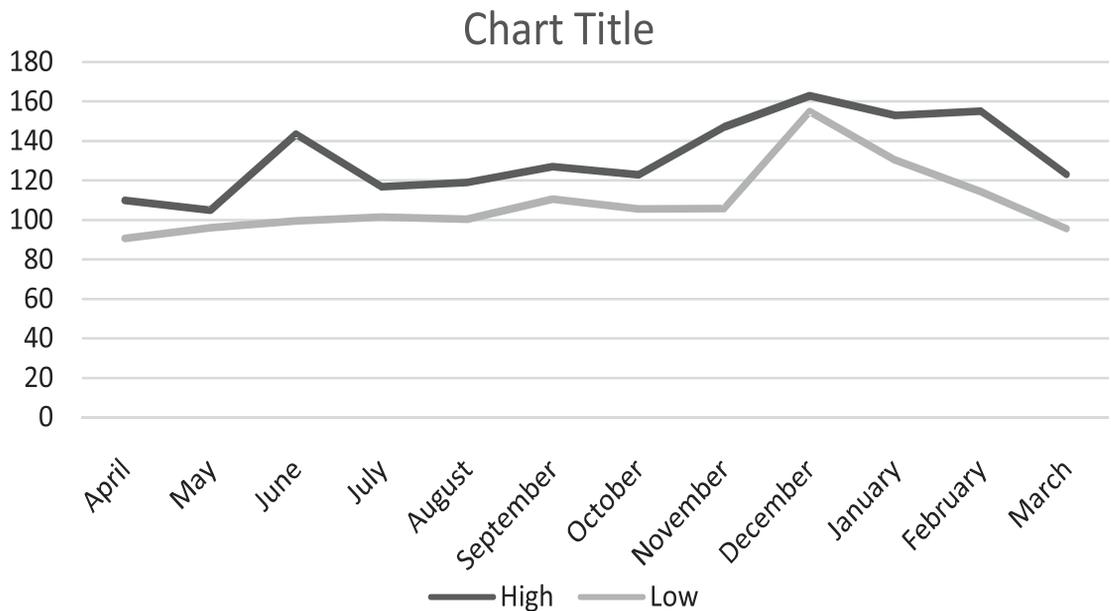
| <b>Name of the Stock Exchange</b>                 | <b>Stock Code</b> |
|---|-------------------|
| Bombay Stock Exchange Limited, Mumbai (BSE)       | 533029            |
| National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE)    | ALKALI            |
| ISIN allotted by Depositories (Company ID Number) | INE773I01017      |

**Note:** Annual Listing fees for the year 2024-25 were duly paid to the above stock exchanges

**a. Stock Market Data for the Financial Year 2023-24**

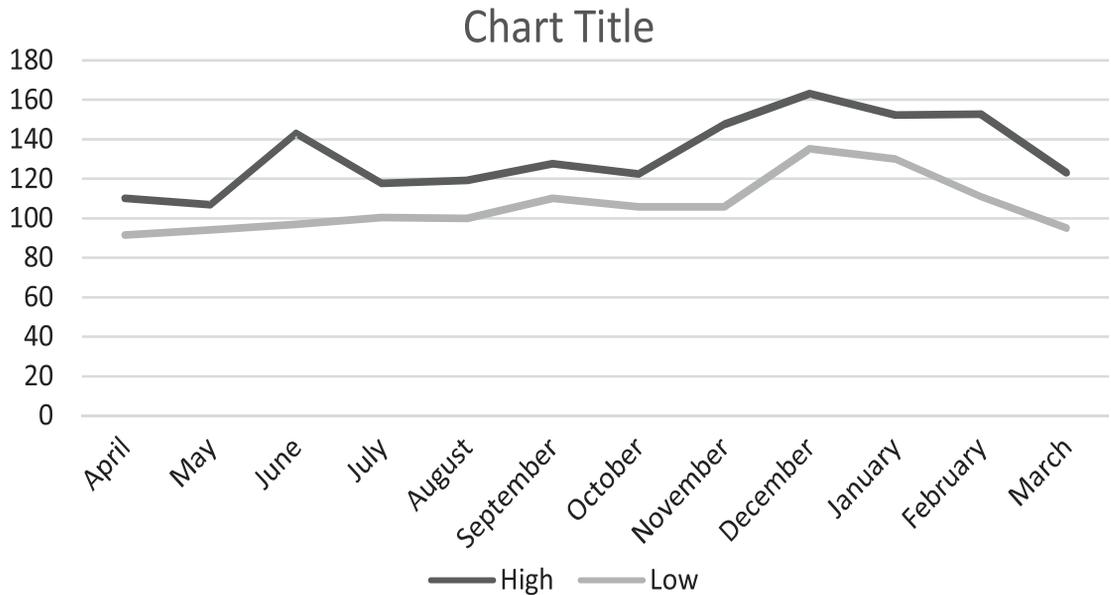
(All figures in ₹)

| Month          | NSE    |        |         | BSE    |        |         |
|----------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
|                | High   | Low    | Closing | High   | Low    | Closing |
| April 2023     | 110.00 | 90.65  | 102.50  | 110.04 | 91.60  | 102.71  |
| May 2023       | 104.95 | 96.10  | 102.10  | 106.80 | 94.10  | 102.00  |
| June 2023      | 143.45 | 99.50  | 115.50  | 143.00 | 97.10  | 117.45  |
| July 2023      | 116.95 | 101.40 | 103.75  | 117.55 | 100.40 | 103.10  |
| August 2023    | 119.00 | 100.35 | 119.00  | 119.10 | 100.00 | 119.10  |
| September 2023 | 127.00 | 110.50 | 114.00  | 127.50 | 110.30 | 112.30  |
| October 2023   | 123.00 | 105.50 | 110.20  | 122.50 | 106.00 | 110.80  |
| November 2023  | 147.20 | 105.75 | 140.85  | 147.60 | 106.00 | 141.30  |
| December 2023  | 162.90 | 155.00 | 136.30  | 163.15 | 135.35 | 136.95  |
| January 2024   | 153.00 | 130.25 | 150.65  | 152.30 | 130.05 | 150.45  |
| February 2024  | 155.05 | 114.25 | 115.75  | 152.85 | 111.05 | 115.75  |
| March 2024     | 123.20 | 95.55  | 103.35  | 123.00 | 95.10  | 103.55  |

**Graphical representation of Share Price Data on NSE for FY 2023-24**



**Graphical representation of Share Price Data on BSE for FY 2023-24**



**b. NSE Share Trade Information during Financial Year 2023-2024**

|                      | April    | May      | June      | July     | August   | September |
|----------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| No. of shares Traded | 4,36,515 | 3,64,012 | 25,44,022 | 2,12,856 | 4,08,985 | 4,61,279  |
| No. of Trades        | 10,512   | 7,483    | 40,175    | 3,379    | 9,275    | 11,764    |

|                      | October  | November  | December  | January  | February | March    |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| No. of shares Traded | 7,33,476 | 20,68,010 | 15,13,421 | 7,31,636 | 6,40,059 | 3,98,850 |
| No. of Trades        | 14,864   | 34,765    | 25,596    | 13,674   | 13,807   | 7,944    |

**c. BSE Share Trade Information during Financial Year 2023-2024**

|                      | April  | May    | June     | July   | August | September |
|----------------------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|
| No. of shares Traded | 62,888 | 86,351 | 4,54,989 | 37,216 | 85,144 | 90,101    |
| No. of Trades        | 2,262  | 2,266  | 10,238   | 636    | 2,766  | 3,853     |

|                      | October  | November | December | January  | February | March  |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|
| No. of shares Traded | 1,01,976 | 3,30,407 | 1,67,808 | 1,33,120 | 83,575   | 61,436 |
| No. of Trades        | 3,008    | 10,813   | 6,106    | 4,321    | 3,800    | 2,317  |

**d. Shareholding Pattern as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024**

| Sl. No. | Category              | Count         | Merged Pan Count | No. of Shares      | Percentage (%)  |
|---------|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1       | Corporate Body        | 55            | 53               | 88,398             | 0.00868         |
| 2       | Directors/relative    | 3             | 3                | 1,80,494           | 0.01773         |
| 3       | FPI                   | 2             | 2                | 15,967             | 0.00157         |
| 4       | IEPF                  | 1             | 1                | 21,965             | 0.00216         |
| 5       | NRI                   | 126           | 125              | 75,103             | 0.00738         |
| 6       | Promoters             | 1             | 1                | 69,04,715          | 0.67810         |
| 7       | Resident              | 12,442        | 12,111           | 28,95,863          | 0.28440         |
| 8       | Stock Broker          | 1             | 1                | 1                  | 0.00000         |
|         | <b>Overall Total:</b> | <b>12,631</b> | <b>12,297</b>    | <b>1,01,82,506</b> | <b>100.0000</b> |

**e. Distribution of Shareholding as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024**

| Category (Amount in ₹) | No. of Share Holders | % of Total Share Holders | No. of Shares      | Value of Shares (₹) | % of Total Value |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Between 10 - 5000      | 11,712               | 92.7242                  | 99,53,410          | 9,95,34,100         | 9.7750           |
| Between 5001 - 10000   | 484                  | 3.8318                   | 38,69,510          | 3,86,95,100         | 3.8001           |
| Between 10001 – 20000  | 226                  | 1.7892                   | 33,21,080          | 3,32,10,800         | 3.2615           |
| Between 20001 – 30000  | 89                   | 0.7046                   | 22,23,690          | 2,22,36,900         | 2.1838           |
| Between 30001 – 40000  | 28                   | 0.2216                   | 10,09,100          | 1,00,91,000         | 0.9910           |
| Between 40001 – 50000  | 23                   | 0.1820                   | 10,88,110          | 1,08,81,100         | 1.0686           |
| Between 50001 -100000  | 43                   | 0.3404                   | 31,56,290          | 3,15,62,900         | 3.0997           |
| > 100000               | 26                   | 0.2058                   | 7,72,03,870        | 77,20,38,700        | 75.8201          |
| <b>Overall Total:</b>  | <b>12,631</b>        | <b>100.0000</b>          | <b>1,01,82,506</b> | <b>10,18,25,060</b> | <b>100.0000</b>  |

**Note:** We have clubbed the number of members having common pan.

**f. Registrar and Share Transfer Agents**

Cameo Corporate Services Limited  
 Subramanian Building, No.1, Club House Road  
 Chennai-600 002, Tamil Nadu  
 044-28460390/948  
 044-28460129  
 cameo@cameoindia.com  
 Contact Person : Mr. Murali

**g. Share Transfer System**

The shares are transferred within the stipulated period as per the listing Agreement. 99.99 % of Company Shares are in the dematerialized form.

**h. Reconciliation of Share Capital Audit**

A quarterly audit was conducted by a practicing Company secretary, reconciling the issued and listed capital of the Company with the aggregate of the number of shares held by investors in physical form and in the depositories and the said certificates were submitted to the stock exchanges within the prescribed time limit.

**i. Information in respect of transfer of shares to IEPF and unclaimed dividends due for remittance into Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) is given below:**

Under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 dividends that remain unclaimed for a period of seven years from the date of declaration and under laying shares of unclaimed/unpaid dividend for seven years has to transfer to Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) administered by the Central Government. Company had transferred the unpaid dividend and under laying shares till the FY 2015-16 to IEPF authorities. During the financial year an amount of ₹63,901 unclaimed dividend and 3951 shares of 48 shareholders were transferred to IEPF authorities. But due to technical issue in the MCA portal company is not able file the relevant forms and link the dividend transferred challans and xl files of shareholders details both for interim dividend and final dividend pertains to financial year 2015-16. During the year company received a message from the bank that the February 2022 transferred amount is credited back to their suspense account, then the company again transferred to IEPF the same is also not able to link the NEFT challn in the Portal. Company is trying all the way with bank, mca to resolve the issue and not able to get proper response from the MCA.

Shareholders are required to claim the unpaid dividend if any immediately.

The unclaimed dividend as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 with due date of transfer to IEPF is as follows:

| Financial Year             | Date of declaration            | Date of transfer to IEPF         |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2016-17                    | 4 <sup>th</sup> August, 2017   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2024  |
| 2017-18                    | 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2018    | 29 <sup>th</sup> July, 2025      |
| 2018-19                    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2019   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> September, 2026  |
| 2019-20 (interim dividend) | 29 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020 | 28 <sup>th</sup> February, 2027  |
| 2020-21                    | 21 <sup>st</sup> August, 2021  | 20 <sup>th</sup> September, 2028 |
| 2021-22                    | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August, 2022  | 21 <sup>st</sup> September, 2029 |
| 2022-23                    | 21 <sup>st</sup> August, 2023  | 20 <sup>th</sup> September, 2030 |

**j. Plant Locations**

The Company's plants are located at:

Unit-I : Plot No. B-5, Block-III, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad - 500 039, Telangana.

Unit-II : Survey No. 299 to 302, Dommara Pochampally Village,  
Qutubullapur Mandal, Medchal District - 500043, Telangana.

Unit-III : J.N. Pharma City, Parwada, Visakhapatnam - 531019, Andhra Pradesh.

**k. Address for correspondence:**

Registered office Address : Plot No. B-5, Block-III, IDA, Uppal,  
Hyderabad- 500 039, Telangana.

cs.alkalimetals@gmail.com, secretarial@alkalimetals.com



15. The related party transactions and Auditor remuneration details are provided in the Notes to financial statements which will form part of the Annual Report.

**16. NON-MANDATORY DISCLOSURES**

The Company has complied with the following non-mandatory requirements as per the listing agreement:

- a) Company had appointed separate person to the position of Chairman and Managing Director.
- b) The Statutory financial statements of the Company are unqualified.
- c) The Internal Auditor of the Company directly reports to the Audit Committee.

**DECLARATION ON COMPLIANCE WITH CODE OF CONDUCT**

I declare that the Company has received affirmation of compliance with the “Code of Business conduct for Directors and Senior Executives” laid down by the Board of Directors, from all the Directors and Senior Management Personnel of the Company, to whom the same is applicable, for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024.

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

To

**The Members of**

Alkali Metals Limited

1. We, G Nagendrasundram & CO, Chartered Accountants, the Statutory Auditors of Alkali Metals Limited (“the Company”), have examined the compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance by the Company, for the year ended on March 31, 2024, as stipulated in regulations 17 to 27 and clauses (b) to (i) of regulation 46(2) and para C and D of Schedule V of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended (“SEBI Listing Regulations”).

**Managements' Responsibility**

2. The compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance is the responsibility of the Management. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control and procedures to ensure the compliance with the conditions of the Corporate Governance stipulated in the SEBI Listing Regulations.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

3. Our responsibility is limited to examining the procedures and implementation thereof, adopted by the Company for ensuring compliance with the conditions of the Corporate Governance. It is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion on the financial statements of the Company.
4. We have examined the books of account and other relevant records and documents maintained by the Company for the purposes of providing reasonable assurance on the compliance with Corporate Governance requirements by the Company.
5. We have carried out an examination of the relevant records of the Company in accordance with the Guidance Note on Certification of Corporate Governance issued by the Institute of the Chartered Accountants of India (the ICAI), the Standards on Auditing specified under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, in so far as applicable for the purpose of this certificate and as per the Guidance Note on Reports or Certificates for Special Purposes issued by the ICAI which requires that we comply with the ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics issued by the ICAI.
6. We have complied with the relevant applicable requirements of the Standard on Quality Control (SQC) 1, Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Historical Financial Information, and Other Assurance and Related Services Engagements.

**Opinion**

7. Based on our examination of the relevant records and according to the information and explanations provided to us and the representation provided by the Management, we certify that the Company has complied with the conditions of Corporate Governance as stipulated in regulations 17 to 27 and clauses (b) to (i) of regulation 46(2) and para C and D of Schedule V of the SEBI Listing Regulations during the year ended March 31, 2024.
8. We state that such compliance is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor the efficiency or effectiveness with which the Management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

For **G. Nagendrasundram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
(FRN: 005355S)

**B.N. Bharathi**  
Partner

M.No. 236639

UDIN:24236639BKCZFK4876

Place : Hyderabad

Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**CERTIFICATE OF NON-DISQUALIFICATION OF DIRECTORS**

*(pursuant to Regulation 34(3) and Schedule V Para C clause (10)(i) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015)*

To,

**The Members of**

**Alkali Metals Limited.,**

B-5, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad

I have examined the relevant registers, records, forms, returns and disclosures received from the Directors of Alkali Metals Limited having CIN L27109TG1968PLC001196 and having registered office at B-5, Block III, IDA, Uppal, Hyderabad – 500 039 (hereinafter referred to as ‘the Company’), produced before me by the Company for the purpose of issuing this Certificate, in accordance with Regulation 34(3) read with Schedule V Para-C Sub clause 10(i) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.

In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the verifications (including Directors Identification Number (DIN) status at the portal [www.mca.gov.in](http://www.mca.gov.in)) as considered necessary and explanations furnished to me by the Company & its officers, I hereby certify that none of the Directors on the Board of the Company as stated below for the Financial Year ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 have been debarred or disqualified from being appointed or continuing as Directors of companies by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, or any such other Statutory Authority

| S. No. | Name of Director            | DIN      | Date of appointment in Company |
|--------|-----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 1.     | Dr J.S. Yadav               | 02014136 | 31/03/2008                     |
| 2.     | Sri G. Jayaraman            | 01461157 | 07/07/2007                     |
| 3.     | Sri. K.V. Surya Prakash Rao | 06934146 | 15/10/2018                     |
| 4.     | Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao      | 00345524 | 01/07/1991                     |
| 5.     | Mrs. Y. Lalithya Poorna     | 00345471 | 10/04/2010                     |
| 6.     | Dr. A.R. Prasad             | 08765436 | 10/02/2021                     |
| 7.     | Mr. Y.V. Prashanth          | 00345418 | 10/11/2022                     |

Ensuring the eligibility of, for the appointment / continuity of every Director on the Board is the responsibility of the management of the Company. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these based on our verification. This certificate is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficiency or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

Signature:

**Name: B. Venkatesh Babu**

Membership No.: F6708

CP NO.: 5103, PR NO. 1954/2022

UDIN: F006708F000445322

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Members of

**Alkali Metals Limited**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

**Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of ALKALI METALS LIMITED (“the Company”), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31 2024, the Statement of Profit and Loss (including Other Comprehensive Income), the Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended, (“Ind AS”) and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2024, and its Profit and Other Comprehensive Income, Changes in Equity and its Cash flows for the year ended on that date.

**Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

**Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

**Other Information**

The Company’s Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditors’ report comprises the information included in the Management Discussion and Analysis, Board’s Report including Annexures to Board’s Report and Shareholder’s Information but does not include the financial statements and our auditors’ report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements**

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") with respect to the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance, total comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Ind AS specified under Section 133 of the Act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those Board of Directors are also responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under Section 143(3)(I) of the Companies Act, 2013, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Company has adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

1. As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 issued by the Central Government of India in terms of sub-section (11) of Section 143 of the Act (hereinafter referred to the "Order"), and on the basis of such checks of the books and records of the Company as we considered appropriate and according to the information and explanations given to us, we give in the Annexure-1 a statement on the matters specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Order.
2. As required by section 143(3) of the Act, based on our audit we report that:
  - a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
  - b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
  - c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss (including other comprehensive income), the Statement of Cash flows and the Statement of changes in equity dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
  - d) In our opinion, the aforesaid said financial statements comply with the Ind AS specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.



- e) On the basis of written representations received from the Directors as on March 31, 2024, and taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on March 31, 2024, from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164(2) of the Act.
- f) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in “Annexure -2”.
- g) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditors’ Report in accordance with the requirements of Section 197(16) of the Act, as amended, we report that the remuneration paid by the Company to its directors during the year, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, is in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Act.”
- h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditors’ Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors), 2014, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us;
  - i. The Company has disclosed the impact of pending litigations on its financial position in its IndAS financial statements.
  - ii. In our opinion and as per the information and explanations provides to us, the Company has not entered into any long-term contracts including derivative contracts, requiring provision under applicable laws or accounting standards, for material foreseeable losses, and
  - iii. The Company had transferred the required amounts to Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) without any delay, but as per the explanation given by the Company the challan for transfer of funds is not getting linked on the MCA portal due to technical issues. (Please refer to Note No.56)
  - iv. (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of it’s knowledge and belief, as disclosed in the Note No. 49 to the accounts, no funds have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entities (“Intermediaries”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.  
(b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of it’s knowledge and belief, as disclosed in the Note No. 49 to the accounts, no funds have been received by the Company from any person or entity, including foreign entities (“Funding Parties”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.



- (c) Based on the audit procedures performed that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e) contain any material mis-statement.
- v. The dividend declared and paid during the year by the Company is in compliance of Section 123 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- vi. Based on our examination, which included test checks, the Company has used accounting software for maintaining its books of account for the financial year ended March 31, 2024 which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility and the same has operated throughout the year for all relevant transactions recorded in the software. Further, during the course of our audit we did not come across any instance of the audit trail feature being tampered with.

As proviso to Rule 3(1) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 is applicable from April 1, 2023, reporting under Rule 11(g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 on preservation of audit trail as per the statutory requirements for record retention is not applicable for the financial year ended March 31, 2024.

For **G. Nagendrasundram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
(FRN: 005355S)

**B.N. Bharathi**  
Partner

M.No. 236639

UDIN:24236639BKCZPJ9673

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**ANNEXURE - 1 TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT:****(Referred to in Paragraph 1 under section 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' of our report of even date)**

- 1.1.1. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is maintaining proper records showing full particulars including quantitative details and situation of Property, Plant and Equipment.
- 1.1.2. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is maintaining proper records showing full particulars of intangible assets.
- 1.2. According to the information and explanations given to us, all the Property, Plant and Equipment have been physically verified by the management at reasonable intervals and no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
- 1.3. The title deeds of all the immovable properties disclosed in the financial statements are held in the name of the Company.
- 1.4. According to the information and explanations given to us, the company has not revalued its Property, Plant and Equipment (including Right of Use assets) or intangible assets or both during the year.
- 1.5. According to the information and explanations given to us, no proceedings have been initiated or are pending against the company for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 (45 of 1988) and rules made thereunder.
- 2.1 According to the information and explanations given to us, the inventories have been physically verified at reasonable intervals by the management and in our opinion, the coverage and procedure of such verification by the management is appropriate. No discrepancies of 10% or more in the aggregate for each class of inventory were noticed.
- 2.2 The company has been sanctioned working capital limits in excess of five crore rupees, in aggregate from banks or financial institutions on the basis of security of current assets and the quarterly returns or statements filed by the company with such banks or financial institutions are in agreement with the books of accounts of the Company.
3. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not made investments in, provided any guarantee or security or granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms, Limited Liability Partnerships or any other parties. Hence, the matters to be reported under the sub-clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) are not applicable to the company.
4. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not granted any loans, has not made any investments, nor given any guarantee or security to parties covered under the provisions of Section 185 and 186 of the Companies Act.
5. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not accepted any deposits or amounts which are deemed to be deposits, requiring compliance under the directives issued by Reserve Bank of India and the provisions of Sections 73 to 76 or any other relevant provisions of the Companies Act and the rules framed there under.



6. According to the information given to us, the maintenance of cost records has not been specified by the Central Government under sub-section (1) of Section 148 of the Companies Act and in our opinion, prima facie, such accounts and records have been so made and maintained. However, we have not carried out any detailed examination of such accounts and records.
- 7.1 According to the information and explanations given to us, the company is generally regular in depositing undisputed statutory dues including goods and service tax, provident fund, employees' state insurance, income tax, sales tax, service-tax duty of customs, duty of excise, value added tax, cess and any other statutory dues to the appropriate authorities.

According to the information and explanations given to us, there are no arrears of outstanding statutory dues as at the last day of the financial year under audit for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.

- 7.2 According to the information and explanations given to us, there are no statutory dues referred to in sub-clause (a) which have not been deposited on account of dispute except the following:

| <b>Nature of the Statute &amp; Nature of due</b>  | <b>Amount in ₹ Lakhs</b> | <b>Period</b>                        | <b>Forum where litigation is pending</b>   |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| The department of GST Andhra Pradesh has raised demand regarding Tran-1 credit & Penalties against which appeal has been filed with the Appellate, which has been rejected      | 1.97                     | F Y 2016-17                          | GST tribunal as and when it is constituted |
| The department of GST Telangana has raised demand regarding Input Credit & Penalties against which appeal has been filed with the Appellate Authority, which has been rejected. | 12.01                    | F Y 2017-18 & F Y 2018-19            | GST tribunal as and when it is constituted |
| The department of GST Andhra Pradesh has raised demand regarding ITC & Penalties.   | 0.93                     | FY 2017 – 2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020 | GST Appellate Authority                    |
| The department of GST Telangana has raised demand regarding Tran-1 credit & Penalties   | 4.54                     | FY 2016-2017                         | GST Appellate Authority                    |

(Refer Note No.39.A of notes to accounts)

8. According to the information and explanations given to us, there are no transactions that are not recorded in the books of account, which have been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the income Tax Act, 1961.
- 9.1 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not defaulted in repayment of loans or other borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender.
- 9.2 According to the information and explanations given to us, the company is not declared as a wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender.



- 9.3 According to the information and explanations given to us, the term loans taken during the year were applied for the purpose for which loans were obtained.
- 9.4 According to the information and explanations given to us, the funds raised by the Company on short-term basis have not been utilised for long-term purposes.
- 9.5 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures.
- 9.6 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not raised loans during the year on the pledge of securities held in its subsidiaries, joint ventures or associate Companies.
- 10.1 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not raised any money by way of initial public offer or further public offer, during the year under audit.
- 10.2 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully, partially or optionally) during the year under review. Hence, compliances of reporting requirement under Section 42 and Section 62 of the Companies Act, 2013, whether the funds raised have been used for the purposes for which they were so raised, is not applicable to the Company.
- 11.1 According to the information and explanations given to us and based upon the audit procedures performed by us, any fraud by the Company or any fraud on the Company has not been noticed for reported during the year.
- 11.2 According to the information and explanations given to us and based upon the audit procedures performed by us, no report under sub-section (12) of section 143 of the Companies Act has been filed by the Auditors in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government.
- 11.3 According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not received any whistle-blower complaints during the year, and hence, considering the same by us does not arise.
12. As the Company is not a Nidhi Company under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Nidhi Rules, 2014, the matters to be reported under sub-clauses (a), (b) and (c) of clause (xii) are not applicable to the Company.
13. According to the information and explanations given to us, all transactions with the related parties are in compliance with the provisions of Section 177 and 188 of the Companies Act wherever applicable. According to the information given to us, details of such transactions have been disclosed in the financial statements as required by the applicable accounting standards.
- 14.1 In our opinion, the company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business.
- 14.2 We have considered the reports of Internal Auditors for the period under audit.
15. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with directors or persons connected with him and hence, reporting requirement on compliance with the provisions of Section 192 of the Companies Act is not applicable.



16. According to the information and explanations given to us and in our opinion, the Company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. As the Company is not engaged in any non-banking financial or housing finance activity, nor is a Core Investment Company nor having more than one Core Investment Company as part of the Group, the matters to be reported under sub-clauses (b), (c) and (d) of clause (xvi) are not applicable to the Company.
17. The Company has not incurred cash losses during the financial covered by audit and in the immediately preceding financial year.
18. There is no resignation of the Statutory Auditors during the year.
19. According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realisation of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, other information accompanying the financial statements, our knowledge of the plans of the Board of Directors and the management and in our opinion and based upon our examination of the evidence supporting the assumptions furnished to us, no material uncertainty exists as on the date of audit report that the company is capable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of balance sheet date as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date.
20. According to the information and explanations given to us, during the year the Company has spent required CSR funds and transfer of funds to a Fund specified in Schedule VII to the Companies Act, as the provisions of Sec.135 do not arise.

For **G. Nagendrasundram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
(FRN: 005355S)

**B.N. Bharathi**  
Partner

M.No. 236639

UDIN:24236639BKCZPJ9673

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**ANNEXURE – 2 TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR’S REPORT:****Report on the Internal Financial Controls under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 (“the Act”):**

We have audited the internal financial controls over financial reporting of ALKALI METALS LIMITED (“the Company”) as of March 31, 2024 in conjunction with our audit of the financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

**Management’s Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls**

The Company’s management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to company’s policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

**Auditors’ Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting (the “Guidance Note”) and the Standards on Auditing, issued by ICAI and deemed to be prescribed under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls, both applicable to an audit of Internal Financial Controls and, both issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting was established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company’s internal financial controls system over financial reporting.

**Meaning of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting**

A company's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that

- 1) Pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company;
- 2) Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and
- 3) Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

**Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting**

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

**Opinion:**

In our opinion, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2024, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

For **G. Nagendrasundram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
(FRN: 005355S)

**B.N. Bharathi**  
Partner

M.No. 236639

UDIN:24236639BKCZPJ9673

Place : Hyderabad  
Date : 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2024**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars   | Note No. | As at 31.03.2024 | As at 31.03.2023 |
|---|----------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>1. ASSETS</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| <b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| a. Property, Plant and Equipment  | 4        | 4,334.94         | 4,449.92         |
| b. Right to Use Asset   | 5        | 394.48           | 497.39           |
| c. Capital Work-in-progress   | 6        | 18.73            | 132.67           |
| d. Financial Assets   |          |                  |                  |
| i. Other Financial Assets   | 7        | 104.84           | 101.55           |
| e. Deferred Tax Assets  | 8        | 522.50           | 525.08           |
| f. Other Non Current Assets   | 9        | 38.23            | 23.54            |
|   |          | 5,413.72         | 5,730.16         |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| a. Inventories  | 10       | 3,387.01         | 2,822.40         |
| b. Financial Assets   |          |                  |                  |
| i. Trade Receivables  | 11       | 1,797.44         | 1,369.19         |
| ii. Cash and Cash Equivalents   | 12       | 3.83             | 109.80           |
| iii. Other Bank Balances  | 13       | 19.38            | 21.10            |
| iv. Other Financial Asset   | 14       | 1.30             | 2.26             |
| c. Other Current Assets   | 15       | 314.61           | 498.09           |
|   |          | 5,523.56         | 4,822.85         |
| <b>Total Assets</b>   |          | <b>10,937.29</b> | <b>10,553.01</b> |
| <b>2. EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| <b>EQUITY</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| a. Equity Share Capital   | 16       | 1,018.25         | 1,018.25         |
| b. Other Equity   | 17       | 4,116.31         | 4,268.45         |
|   |          | 5,134.56         | 5,286.70         |
| <b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| a. Financial Liabilities  |          |                  |                  |
| i. Borrowings   | 18       | 42.54            | 97.82            |
| ii. Lease Liabilities   | 19       | 347.27           | 417.24           |
| b. Provisions   | 20       | 76.68            | 25.41            |
| c. Deferred Tax Liability   | 21       | 408.26           | 383.45           |
| d. Other Non Current Liabilities  | 22       | 121.58           | 125.55           |
|   |          | 996.33           | 1,049.47         |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| a. Financial Liabilities  |          |                  |                  |
| i. Borrowings   | 23       | 1,749.78         | 1,760.46         |
| ii. Lease Liabilities   | 24       | 117.10           | 106.45           |
| iii. Trade Payables   | 25       |                  |                  |
| - Total outstanding dues of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises         |          | 29.30            | 59.74            |
| - Total outstanding dues other than Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises |          | 2,479.39         | 1,785.48         |
| iv. Other Financial Liabilities   | 26       | 33.09            | 5.50             |
| b. Other Current Liabilities  | 27       | 324.86           | 408.56           |
| c. Provisions   | 28       | 72.86            | 43.60            |
| d. Current Tax Liabilities  | 29       | -                | 47.05            |
|   |          | 4,806.39         | 4,216.83         |
| <b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>                                     |          | <b>10,937.29</b> | <b>10,553.01</b> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this financial statements.

As per our Report attached  
For **G. Nagendrasundaram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
(FRN 005355S)

For and on Behalf of Board of Directors  
**Alkali Metals Limited**

**B.N. Bharathi**  
Partner  
M. No.236639

**Y.S.R. Venkata Rao**  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
Chairman  
DIN: 02014136

Place : Hyderabad  
Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Siddharth Dubey**  
Company Secretary

**STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024** (₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars  | Note No. | As at 31.03.2024 | As at 31.03.2023 |
|--|----------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>1. Revenue</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| a. Revenue from Operations   | 30       | 8,285.59         | 8,823.27         |
| b. Other Income  | 31       | 95.43            | 113.86           |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>   |          | <b>8,381.02</b>  | <b>8,937.13</b>  |
| <b>2. Expenses</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| a. Cost of Materials Consumed  |          | 3,766.22         | 3,964.62         |
| b. Changes in Inventories of Finished Goods<br>Work-in-Progress and Stock-in-Trade | 32       | (506.69)         | (229.87)         |
| c. Employee Benefits Expense   | 33       | 1,459.70         | 1,316.58         |
| d. Finance Costs   | 34       | 256.04           | 266.6            |
| e. Depreciation & Amortisation Expenses  | 35       | 459.86           | 429.3            |
| f. Corporate Social Responsibility Expenses  | 36       | 10.00            | 5.00             |
| g. Other Expenses  | 37       | 2,739.92         | 2,798.85         |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>  |          | <b>8,185.04</b>  | <b>8,551.07</b>  |
| <b>3. Profit for the year before exceptional items &amp; tax</b>                   |          | <b>195.97</b>    | <b>386.06</b>    |
| <b>4. Exceptional Items</b>  | 38       | <b>40.81</b>     | <b>9.41</b>      |
| <b>5. Profit Before Tax</b>  |          | <b>155.16</b>    | <b>376.66</b>    |
| <b>6. Tax Expense</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| a. Current Tax (MAT)   |          | 14.89            | 65.12            |
| Less: MAT Credit Entitlement   |          | (0.49)           | (65.12)          |
| b. Tax Pertaining to Earlier Years   |          | 3.07             | (0.02)           |
| c. Deferred Tax For The Year   |          | 24.81            | 85.39            |
| <b>Total Tax Expenses</b>  |          | <b>42.28</b>     | <b>85.37</b>     |
| <b>7. Profit / (Loss) for the year</b>   |          | <b>112.88</b>    | <b>291.28</b>    |
| <b>8. Other Comprehensive Income (net)</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| <b>Items that will not be reclassified to P&amp;L a/c</b>                          |          |                  |                  |
| Re-measurement of defined benefit plan   |          | (61.37)          | (9.19)           |
| Current Tax (MAT)  |          | -                | -                |
| Less: MAT Credit Entitlement   |          | -                | -                |
|  |          | <b>(61.37)</b>   | <b>(9.19)</b>    |
| <b>9. Total Comprehensive Income / ( Loss )<br/>for the year (7+8)</b>             |          | <b>51.51</b>     | <b>282.09</b>    |
| <b>10. Earnings Per Share</b>  |          |                  |                  |
| <b>Face Value ₹ 10/- per share</b>   |          |                  |                  |
| i. Basic   |          | 1.11             | 2.86             |
| ii. Diluted  |          | 1.11             | 2.86             |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this financial statements.

As per our Report attached  
For **G. Nagendrasundaram & Co**  
Chartered Accountants  
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Place : Hyderabad  
Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Siddharth Dubey**  
Company Secretary

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY****A. Equity****i. Current Reporting Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Balance At the Beginning of reporting Period | Restated balance at the Beginning of the current Reporting Period | Changes in equity Share capital during the Current Year | Balance at the End of The Current Reporting Period |
|--|---|---|--|
| 1,018.25                                     | -   | -   | 1,018.25   |

**ii. Previous Reporting Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Balance at the beginning of the previous reporting period | Restated balance at the Beginning of the Previous Reporting Period | Changes in equity Share capital during the Previous Year | Balance at the End of The Previous Reporting Period |
|---|--|--|---|
| 1,018.25  | -  | -  | 1,018.25  |

**B. Other Equity****i. Current reporting Year**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars  | Reserves and Surplus |                  |                    |                   |                     |  | Total    |
|--|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--|----------|
|  | Securities Premium   | General Reserves | Investment subsidy | Retained Earnings | Revaluation Surplus | Other items of Other Comprehensive Income (Specify Nature) |          |
| Balance at the beginning of the current reporting period – 1 <sup>st</sup> April, 2023 | 2,371.50             | 913.44           | 10.00              | 890.15            | 83.37               | -  | 4,268.45 |
| Changes in accounting policy or prior period errors                                    | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Restated balance at the beginning of current reporting period                          | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Total Comprehensive Income for the Current Year  | -                    | -                | -                  | 51.51             | -                   | -  | 51.51    |
| Dividends  | -                    | -                | -                  | (203.65)          | -                   | -  | (203.65) |
| Transfer to retained earnings  | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Any other change (to be Specified)   | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Balance at the end of the current reporting period - 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2024      | 2,371.50             | 913.44           | 10.00              | 738.01            | 83.37               | -  | 4,116.31 |



## ii. Previous Reporting Year

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars  | Reserves and Surplus |                  |                    |                   |                     |  |          |
|--|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--|----------|
|  | Securities Premium   | General Reserves | Investment subsidy | Retained Earnings | Revaluation Surplus | Other items of Other Comprehensive Income (Specify Nature) | Total    |
| Balance at the beginning of the previous reporting period -1 <sup>st</sup> April, 2022 | 2,371.50             | 913.44           | 10.00              | 811.71            | 83.37               | -  | 4,190.01 |
| Changes in accounting policy or prior period errors                                    | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Restated balance at the beginning of previous reporting period                         | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Total Comprehensive Income for the previous Year                                       | -                    | -                | -                  | 282.09            | -                   | -  | 282.09   |
| Dividends  | -                    | -                | -                  | (203.65)          | -                   | -  | (203.65) |
| Transfer to retained earnings  | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Any other change (to be Specified)   | -                    | -                | -                  | -                 | -                   | -  | -        |
| Balance at the end of the previous reporting period-31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2023       | 2,371.50             | 913.44           | 10.00              | 890.15            | 83.37               | -  | 4,268.45 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of this financial statements.

As per our Report attached  
For **G. Nagendrasundaram & Co**  
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(FRN 005355S)

For and on Behalf of Board of Directors  
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Managing Director  
DIN: 00345524

**Dr. J.S. Yadav**  
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DIN: 02014136

Place : Hyderabad  
Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Siddharth Dubey**  
Company Secretary

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2024**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars   | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>A. CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>              |                 |                 |
| Net Profit/(Loss) before tax and exceptional items          | 195.97          | 386.06          |
| Exceptional items - income / (expenditure) *                | (40.81)         | (9.41)          |
| Other comprehensive income (net)                            | (61.37)         | (9.19)          |
| <b>Total comprehensive income before tax</b>                | <b>93.79</b>    | <b>367.47</b>   |
| Adjustments for   |                 |                 |
| Depreciation  | 356.95          | 348.31          |
| Amortisation of intangible assets                           | -               | -               |
| Amortisation of Right to Use Assets                         | 102.91          | 80.99           |
| Loss on sale of assets                                      | 30.40           | -               |
| Profit on sale of Fixed Assets                              | (2.55)          | -               |
| Assets written off  | 12.97           | 9.41            |
| Interest income   | (8.34)          | (6.73)          |
| Interest expense  | 256.04          | 266.60          |
| Excess Provision written back                               | (54.77)         | (13.77)         |
| Deferred Grant Written Back                                 | (9.55)          | (9.55)          |
| Other Income  |                 | (0.49)          |
|   | <b>684.05</b>   | <b>674.76</b>   |
| <b>Operating profit before working capital changes</b>      | <b>777.84</b>   | <b>1,042.23</b> |
| (Increase)/decrease in sundry debtors                       | (428.25)        | (29.56)         |
| (Increase)/decrease in inventories                          | (564.60)        | (252.45)        |
| (Increase)/decrease in loans & advances                     | 170.02          | 1.04            |
| Increase/(decrease) in current liabilities                  | 625.96          | 378.66          |
| Increase/(decrease) in Provision                            | 51.28           | 0.02            |
| (Increase)/decrease in Other Financial Assets               | (3.28)          | (20.98)         |
|   | <b>(148.89)</b> | <b>76.73</b>    |
| <b>Cash generated from operations</b>                       | <b>628.95</b>   | <b>1,118.96</b> |
| Income tax paid net of refunds                              | -               | -               |
| Income tax adjustments                                      | -               | -               |
| <b>Net cash flow from operating activities (A)</b>          | <b>628.95</b>   | <b>1,118.96</b> |
| <b>B. CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>               |                 |                 |
| Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment                   | (173.00)        | (314.37)        |
| Sale proceeds of Property, Plant and Equipment              | 4.15            | -               |
| Interest received   | 5.27            | 0.39            |
| <b>Net cash flow from investing activities (B)</b>          | <b>(163.57)</b> | <b>(313.98)</b> |
| <b>C. CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>               |                 |                 |
| Repayment/proceeds of long-term borrowing                   | (55.29)         | (102.69)        |
| (Increase)/decrease in working capital borrowing            | -               | -               |
| Repayment of loans  | (3.96)          | (298.83)        |
| Repayment of Lease Rent                                     | (106.45)        | (85.73)         |
| Dividend payment  | (203.65)        | (203.65)        |
| Interest paid   | (202.00)        | (205.16)        |
| <b>Net cash flow used in financing activities (C)</b>       | <b>(571.35)</b> | <b>(896.06)</b> |
| <b>Net Increase In Cash And Cash Equivalents (A+B+C)</b>    | <b>(105.98)</b> | <b>(91.07)</b>  |
| Cash and cash equivalents as at the beginning of the period | 109.80          | 200.88          |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period</b>       | <b>3.83</b>     | <b>109.80</b>   |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>                            |                 |                 |
| Cash on hand  | 3.80            | 5.40            |
| Balances with banks in current account                      | 0.03            | 104.40          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>3.83</b>     | <b>109.80</b>   |

Notes to the cash flow statement for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

- This statement is prepared as per Ind AS-7 (Indirect method), whereby profit for the year is adjusted for the effects of transactions of a non-cash nature, any deferrals or accruals of past or future operating cash receipts or payments and item of income or expenses associated with investing or financing cash flows.
- Previous year's figures were re-grouped wherever necessary.

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## 1. COMPANY OVERVIEW

Alkali Metals Limited, which was established in 1968, at Hyderabad, Telangana, India, as a closely held Company. It became a Public Listed Company on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2008 being listed on BSE & NSE. Originally set up for manufacturing of Sodium Metal, the Company subsequently diversified into manufacturing of Sodium Derivatives, Pyridine Derivatives, Fine Chemicals and APIs etc. The Company is recognised as an “Export House” by DGFT and is also recognised by the Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi as an approved “In house R & D Facility”. The Company has three manufacturing units, at Uppal, Dommara Pochampally at Hyderabad and JNPC Visakhapatnam.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MEASUREMENT

### 2.1. Statement of Compliance

The financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (“Ind AS”) prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, read with Rule 3 of the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 and relevant amendment rules issued thereafter.

### 2.2. Accounting Convention and Basis of Measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention and on an accrual basis, except for the following material items that have been measured at fair value as required by relevant IndAS:

- a. Certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value (refer accounting policy on financial instruments)
- b. Defined benefit and other long-term employee benefits.

### 2.3. Functional and Presentation Currency

The financial statements are presented in Indian rupees, which is the functional currency of the Company and the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Company operates. All financial information presented in Indian rupees has been rounded off to the nearest lakh, except for number of shares and Earnings Per Share data.

### 2.4. Use of Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Ind AS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year and the disclosure of contingent liabilities and assets. Actual results may differ from these estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on a periodic basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Information about critical judgements in applying accounting policies, as well as estimates and assumptions in respect of the following areas, that have most significant effect to the carrying amounts within the next financial year are included in the relevant notes.

- a. Useful lives of property, plant, equipment and intangibles
- b. Measurement of defined benefit obligations
- c. Measurement and likelihood of occurrence of provisions and contingencies
- d. Recognition of deferred tax assets/liabilities
- e. Impairment of intangibles
- f. Expenditure relating to research and development activities.



## 2.5. Operating Cycle

Based on the nature of products/ activities of the Company and the normal time between acquisition of assets and their realisation in cash or cash equivalents, the Company has determined its operating cycle as 12 months for the purpose of classification of its assets and liabilities as current and non-current.

## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### 3.1. Property Plant and Equipment

- a. Property Plant and Equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.
- b. The cost of property, plant and equipment includes those incurred directly for the construction or acquisition of the asset, and directly attributable to bringing it to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by the management and includes the present value of expected cost for dismantling/ restoration wherever applicable.
- c. The cost of major spares is recognised in the carrying amount of the item of property, plant and equipment in accordance with the recognition criteria set out in the Standard. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised at the time of actual replacement. The cost of the day-to-day servicing of the item are recognised in statement of profit and loss account.
- d. Depreciation on Property, Plant and Equipment is provided under straight line method over the useful life of the assets as specified in Part C of Schedule II to the Companies Act, 2013 and the manner specified therein. Assets costing less than ₹ 10,000 are fully depreciated in the year of purchase.
- e. Expenditure attributable / relating to PPE under construction / erection is accounted as below:
  - To the extent directly identifiable to any specific plant / unit, trail run expenditure net of revenue is included in the cost of property plant and equipment.
  - To the extent not directly identifiable to any specific plant / unit, it is kept under “expenditure during construction” for allocation to property plant and equipment and is grouped under capital work in progress.
  - Advances paid towards the acquisition of property, plant and equipment outstanding at each Balance Sheet date is classified as capital advances under other non-current assets.

### 3.2. Intangible Assets

- a. Intangible Assets are recognised when it is probable that future economic benefits that are attributable to the asset will flow to the enterprise and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. Expenditure incurred for creating infrastructure facilities where the ownership does not rest with the Company and where the benefits from it accrue to the Company over a future period is also considered as Intangible Asset.
- b. New product development expenditure, software licenses, technical knowhow fee, infrastructure and logistic facilities etc., are recognised as Intangible Assets upon completion of development and commencement of commercial production.
- c. Intangible Assets are amortised on straight line method over their technically estimated useful life.
- d. Residual values and useful lives for all Intangible Assets are reviewed at each reporting date. Changes if any are accounted for as changes in accounting estimates.



### 3.3. Impairment of Asset

#### a. Financial Assets

The Company applies expected credit loss (ECL) model for measurement and recognition of impairment loss on the following financial assets and credit risk exposure:

- Financial assets that are debt instruments and are measured at amortised cost whether applicable for e.g. loans debt securities, deposits, and bank balances.
- Trade Receivables

The Company follows 'simplified approach' for recognition of impairment loss allowance on trade receivables which do not contain a significant financing component. The application of simplified approach does not require the Company to track changes in credit risk. Rather, it recognises impairment loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date, right from its initial recognition.

#### b. Non – financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a non-financial asset or a group of non-financial assets is impaired. If any such indication exists, the Company estimates the amount of impairment loss.

### 3.4. Inventories

Items of inventories are valued at lower of cost or net realisable value after providing for obsolescence, if any. Cost of inventories comprises of cost of purchase, cost of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing them to their respective present location and condition. Cost of raw material is determined on FIFO method.

The factors that the Company considers in determining the provision for slow moving, obsolete and other non-saleable inventory include estimated shelf-life, ageing of inventory and to the extent each of these factors impact the Company's business and markets. The Company considers all these factors and adjusts the inventory provision to reflect its actual experience on a periodic basis.

### 3.5. Foreign Currency Transactions

- a. Transactions relating to non-monetary items and purchase and sale of goods /services denominated in foreign currency are recorded at the exchange rate prevailing or a rate that approximates the actual rate on the date of transaction.
- b. Assets and liabilities in the nature of monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated and restated at prevailing exchange rates as at the end of the reporting period.
- c. Exchange differences arising on account of settlement / conversion of foreign currency monetary items are recognised as expense or income in the period in which they arise.
- d. Foreign currency gains and losses are reported on a net basis.

### 3.6. Revenue Recognition

While recognizing the revenue under Ind AS-115, in respect of Contracts which meet the defined criteria, due consideration has been given to identify all the performance obligations stated therein including transfer of goods or services as well as term of payment. The transaction price is allocated to each distinct and identifiable performance obligation and is also adjusted for the time value of money. In respect of goods, revenue is recognised on transfer of significant risks and rewards of the ownership including effective control of the buyer. In respect of all other services/performance obligations, revenue is recognised upon of completion of such performance. The revenue so measured is stated net of trade discounts / rebated and other price allowances, wherever applicable. Other income including interest is recognised on accrual basis.



### 3.7. Government Grants:

The incentives received on Exports/Imports of Goods are deducted from the respective expense head on receipt basis.

### 3.8. Employee Benefits

#### a. Short term Benefits

All employee benefits falling due wholly within twelve months of rendering the service are classified as short-term employee benefits. The cost of the benefits like salaries, wages, medical, leave travel assistance, short term compensated absences, bonus, exgratia etc., are recognised as an expense in the period in which the employee renders the related service.

#### b. Post -employment benefits

##### • Defined Contribution Plans

The contribution paid /payable under provident fund scheme, ESI scheme, and employee pension scheme is recognised as expenditure in the period in which the employee renders the related service.

##### • Defined Benefit Plans

The Company's obligation towards gratuity is a defined benefit plan. The present value of the estimated future cash flows of the obligation under such plan is determined based on actuarial valuation using the projected unit credit method. Any difference between the interest income on plan asset and the return actually achieved and any changes in the liabilities over the year due to changes in actuarial assumptions or experienced adjustments within the plan are recognised immediately in other comprehensive income and subsequently not reclassified to the statement of profit and loss.

All defined benefit plans obligations are determined based on valuation as at the end of the reporting period, made by independent actuary using the projected unit credit method. The classification of the Company's net obligation into current and non-current is as per the actuarial valuation report.

#### c. Long term Employee Benefits

The obligation for long term employee benefits such as long-term compensated absences, is determined and recognised in the similar manner stated in the defined benefit plan.

### 3.9. Borrowing Cost

- a. Borrowing costs incurred for obtaining assets which take substantial period to get ready for their intended use are capitalised to the respective assets wherever the costs are directly attributable to such assets and in other cases by applying weighted average cost of borrowings to the expenditure on such assets.
- b. Other borrowing costs are treated as expense for the year.
- c. Significant transaction costs in respect of long-term borrowings are amortised over the tenor of respective loans using effective interest method.



### **3.10. Provision for Current Tax and Deferred Tax**

#### **a. Current Tax**

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profits differ from the profit as reported in the statement of profit and loss because of items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Company's current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the end of the reporting period. In the event of Tax computed as stated is less than the tax computed under section 115JB of the Income tax Act., 1961, provision for current tax will be made in accordance with such provisions.

#### **b. Deferred Tax**

Deferred Tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred Tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred Tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

The carrying amount of Deferred Tax asset is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred Tax liabilities and assets are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of Deferred Tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Company expects, at the end of the reporting period to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

#### **c. Current Tax and Deferred Tax for the year**

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit and loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Deferred Tax resulting from "timing difference" between taxable and accounting income is accounted for using the tax rates and laws that are enacted or substantively enacted as on the balance sheet date. Deferred Tax asset is recognised and carried forward only to the extent there is reasonably certain that there will be sufficient future income to recover such Deferred Tax Asset.

### **3.11. Minimum Alternate Tax Credit**

Minimum Alternate Tax Credit Entitlement is recognized in the books of account when there is convincing evidence that the Company will pay normal income tax during the specified period. The Entitlement is reviewed at each balance sheet date with regard to the correctness of the carrying amount.

### **3.12. Research and Development**

Capital expenditure incurred has been disclosed under separate heads of account and revenue expenditure incurred is charged off as a distinct item in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

**3.13. Financial Instruments (Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities):**

All Financial Instruments are recognized initially at fair value. The classification of Financial Instruments depends on the objective of the business model for which it is held and the contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding. For the purpose of subsequent measurement, Financial Instruments of the Company are classified into (a) Non-Derivate Financial Instruments and (b) Derivative Financial Instruments.

**a. Non-Derivative Financial Instruments:**

- Security Deposits, Cash and Cash Equivalents, Other Advances, Trade Receivables and Eligible Current and non-current financial assets are classified as financial assets under this clause.
- Loans and borrowings, trade and other payables including deposits collected from various parties and eligible current and non-current financial liabilities are classified as financial liabilities under this clause.
- Financial instruments are subsequently carried at amortized cost.
- Transaction costs that are attributable to the financial instruments recognized at amortized cost are included in the fair value of such instruments.

**b. Derivative Financial Instruments:**

- The policy in respect of Derivatives will be formulated as and when required.

**3.14. Claims**

Claims by and against the Company, including liquidated damages, are recognised on acceptance basis.

**3.15. Leases:**

The Company's lease asset classes primarily consist of leases for land and building. The Company assesses whether a contract contains a lease, at inception of a contract. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company assesses whether: (i) the contract involves the use of an identified asset (ii) the Company avails itself substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset through the period of the lease and (iii) the Company has the right to direct the use of the asset. At the date of commencement of the lease, the Company recognizes a right-of-use asset ("ROU") and a corresponding lease liability for all lease arrangements in which it is a lessee, except for leases with a term of twelve months or less (short-term leases) and low value leases. For these short-term and low value leases, the Company recognizes the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

As a lessee, the Company determines the lease term as the non-cancellable period of a lease adjusted with any option to extend or terminate the lease, if the use of such option is reasonably certain.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated from the commencement date on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and useful life of the underlying asset. The lease liability is initially measured at amortized cost at the present value of the future lease payments. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease.

Lease liability and Right to Use assets have been separately presented in the Balance Sheet and lease payments have been classified as financing cash flows.



(₹ in Lakhs)

**4. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

| S. No        | Description                     | Gross Carrying Amount |               |                       | Accumulated Depreciation |                  |                | Net Carrying Amount   |                  |                  |
|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|              |                                 | As on 01.04.2023      | Additions     | Adjustments/deletions | As on 31.03.2024         | As on 01.04.2023 | For the period | Adjustments/deletions | As on 31.03.2024 | As on 31.03.2023 |
| i.           | Land                            | 692.30                | -             | -                     | 692.30                   | -                | -              | -                     | 692.30           | 692.30           |
| ii.          | Building                        | 2,783.18              | 135.08        | -                     | 2,918.26                 | 1,053.16         | 108.89         | 1,162.06              | 1,756.20         | 1,730.01         |
| iii.         | Plant & Equipment               | 4,112.68              | 112.93        | 188.47                | 4,037.14                 | 2,434.17         | 189.53         | 2,470.67              | 1,566.46         | 1,678.51         |
| iv.          | Pollution Control Equipment     | 24.70                 | -             | -                     | 24.70                    | 23.42            | 0.05           | 23.46                 | 1.23             | 1.28             |
| v.           | Vehicles                        | 32.96                 | 21.13         | 7.93                  | 46.17                    | 19.43            | 4.26           | 16.16                 | 30.01            | 13.54            |
| vi.          | Furniture & Fixture             | 59.13                 | 8.52          | -                     | 67.65                    | 39.31            | 5.45           | 44.76                 | 22.89            | 19.81            |
| vii.         | Lab Equipment                   | 170.10                | -             | -                     | 170.10                   | 37.18            | 16.16          | 53.34                 | 116.76           | 132.92           |
| viii.        | Office Equipment                | 19.54                 | 0.82          | -                     | 20.36                    | 14.63            | 1.81           | 16.44                 | 3.92             | 4.92             |
| ix.          | Computers                       | 24.98                 | 8.46          | -                     | 33.45                    | 14.96            | 5.10           | 20.06                 | 13.39            | 10.02            |
| x.           | R & D Equipment                 | 835.65                | -             | 176.20                | 659.45                   | 712.45           | 21.09          | 566.46                | 92.99            | 123.21           |
| xi.          | R & D Lab Equipment             | 76.00                 | -             | -                     | 76.00                    | 41.24            | 3.75           | 44.99                 | 31.00            | 34.76            |
| xii.         | Safety Equipment                | 26.62                 | -             | -                     | 26.62                    | 17.97            | 0.86           | 18.82                 | 7.79             | 8.65             |
| <b>Total</b> |                                 | <b>8,857.84</b>       | <b>286.94</b> | <b>372.59</b>         | <b>8,772.18</b>          | <b>4,407.92</b>  | <b>356.95</b>  | <b>4,437.24</b>       | <b>4,334.94</b>  | <b>4,449.92</b>  |
|              | Carrying Value as of 31.03.2023 | 8,801.56              | 244.43        | 188.16                | 8,857.84                 | 4,238.36         | 348.31         | 4,407.92              | 4,449.92         | 4,563.20         |

**5. RIGHT TO USE OF ASSET**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| S. No        | Description                     | Gross Carrying Amount |           |                       | Accumulated Amortization |                  |                | Net Carrying Amount   |                  |                  |
|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|              |                                 | As on 01.04.2023      | Additions | Adjustments/deletions | As on 31.03.2024         | As on 01.04.2023 | For the period | Adjustments/deletions | As on 31.03.2024 | As on 31.03.2023 |
| i.           | Right to use asset              | 617.51                | -         | -                     | 617.51                   | 120.12           | 102.91         | -                     | 223.03           | 497.39           |
| <b>Total</b> |                                 | <b>617.51</b>         | <b>-</b>  | <b>-</b>              | <b>617.51</b>            | <b>120.12</b>    | <b>102.91</b>  | <b>-</b>              | <b>223.03</b>    | <b>497.39</b>    |
|              | Carrying Value as on 31.03.2023 | 102.97                | 514.54    | -                     | 617.51                   | 39.13            | 80.99          | -                     | 120.12           | 63.84            |



**6. CAPITAL WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Description                     | As on 01.04.2023 | Additions During the Year | Capitalized During the Year | As on 31.03.2024 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Civil Works in Progress         | 51.71            | 83.38                     | 135.08                      | -                |
| Other Assets                    | 80.96            | 89.62                     | 151.86                      | 18.73            |
| <b>Total</b>                    | 132.67           | 173.00                    | 286.94                      | 18.73            |
| Carrying Value as of 31.03.2023 | 62.74            | 265.91                    | 195.98                      | 132.67           |

**DISCLOSURE:**

**6.1 CAPITAL WORK IN PROGRESS (CWIP) AGEING SCHEDULE**

| CWIP                           | Amount in CWIP for a period of |           |           |                   | Total |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|                                | Less than 1 year               | 1-2 Years | 2-3 Years | More Than 3 years |       |
| Projects in progress           | -                              | -         | 18.73     | -                 | 18.73 |
| Projects Temporarily suspended | -                              | -         | -         | -                 | -     |

**6.2 CAPITAL WORK IN PROGRESS COMPLETION SCHEDULE**

| CWIP                           | To be Completed in |           |           |                   | Total |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|                                | Less than 1 year   | 1-2 Years | 2-3 Years | More Than 3 years |       |
| Projects in progress           | -                  | -         | -         | -                 | -     |
| South west plant expansion     | -                  | 18.73     | -         | -                 | 18.73 |
| <b>Total</b>                   | -                  | 18.73     | -         | -                 | 18.73 |
| Projects Temporarily suspended | -                  | -         | -         | -                 | -     |

**7. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|                   | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Security Deposits | 104.84        | 101.55        |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>104.84</b> | <b>101.55</b> |

**8. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS (NET)**

|                        | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| MAT Credit Entitlement | 522.50        | 525.08        |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>522.50</b> | <b>525.08</b> |

**9. OTHER NON CURRENT ASSETS**

|                              | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023   |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Income Tax Refund Receivable | 2.32         | 0.77         |
| Prepaid Expenses             | 25.91        | 22.77        |
| Capital Advances             | 10.00        | -            |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>38.23</b> | <b>23.54</b> |

**10. INVENTORIES**

|  | 31.03.2023      | 31.03.2023      |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Valued at Cost or Net Realisable Value, whichever is lower<br/>(As Certified by Management)</b> |                 |                 |
| Raw Materials  | 614.76          | 599.23          |
| Work-in-progress   | 2,280.29        | 1,812.54        |
| Finished Goods   | 136.17          | 97.22           |
| Stores, spares, fuels and consumables  | 329.14          | 155.20          |
| Stock in Transit (Raw-Material & Packing Material)   | 47.92           | 179.48          |
|  | 3,408.28        | 2,843.67        |
| Less: Provision for Slow-Moving Inventory  | (21.27)         | (21.27)         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>3,387.01</b> | <b>2,822.40</b> |

**11. TRADE RECEIVABLES**

|                             | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Considered good - Unsecured | 1,797.44        | 1,369.19        |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>1,797.44</b> | <b>1,369.19</b> |

**Trade Receivable Ageing Schedule**

| Particulars                                    | Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment |                   |           |           |          |
|--|--|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
|  | Less than 6 months   | 6 months - 1 year | 1-2 Years | 2-3 Years | Total    |
| Undisputed Trade Receivables - considered good | 1,795.64   | 1.81              | -         | -         | 1,797.44 |
| Previous Year                                  | 1,369.19   | -                 | -         | -         | 1,369.19 |

**12. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

|                                   | 31.03.2024  | 31.03.2023    |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Balances with Banks- EEFC Account | 0.03        | 104.40        |
| Cash on Hand                      | 3.80        | 5.40          |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>3.83</b> | <b>109.80</b> |

**13. OTHER BANK BALANCES**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|                               | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023   |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Margin Money Deposit in Banks | 13.81        | 15.60        |
| Unpaid Dividend Accounts      | 5.57         | 5.50         |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>19.38</b> | <b>21.10</b> |

**14. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSET**

|                     | 31.03.2024  | 31.03.2023  |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Interest Receivable | 1.30        | 2.26        |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>1.30</b> | <b>2.26</b> |

**15. OTHER CURRENT ASSETS**

|                                   | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Balances With Revenue Authorities | 249.69        | 420.52        |
| Prepaid Expenses                  | 56.47         | 63.87         |
| Advances to Suppliers             | 4.12          | 7.74          |
| Other Advances                    | 4.33          | 5.97          |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>314.61</b> | <b>498.09</b> |

**16. SHARE CAPITAL**

|  | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Authorised Share Capital</b>                            |                 |                 |
| 1,50,00,000 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 Par Value                | 1,500.00        | 1,500.00        |
| <b>Issued, Subscribed and Paid-up Capital</b>              |                 |                 |
| 1,01,82,506 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 Par Value, fully paid up | 1,018.25        | 1,018.25        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,018.25</b> | <b>1,018.25</b> |

**Disclosures:**

16.1 All the equity shares carry equal rights and obligations including for dividend and with respect to voting rights.

16.2. Names of shareholders holding more than 5% of the Share capital and their shareholding.

| S.No. | Name of shareholder     | No. of shares | No. of shares |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| i     | Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao | 69,04,715     | 69,04,715     |
|       | % of Holding            | 67.81%        | 67.81%        |

**16.3 Reconciliation of number of shares**

| Particulars                            | As at 31.03.2024 |                     | As at 31.03.2023 |                     |
|--|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|
|  | No. of Shares    | Amount (in ₹ Lakhs) | No. of Shares    | Amount (in ₹ Lakhs) |
| Equity Shares                          |                  |                     |                  |                     |
| Opening Balance                        | 1,01,82,506      | 1,018.25            | 1,01,82,506      | 1,018.25            |
| Add: Issue of shares/Buyback of shares | -                | -                   | -                | -                   |
| Closing Balance                        | 1,01,82,506      | 1,018.25            | 1,01,82,506      | 1,018.25            |

**16.4 Shareholding of Promoters**Shares held by promoters at the quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

| S.No. | Promoter Name                  | No. of Shares    | % of total Shares | % Change During the year |
|-------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| i.    | Sri. Y.S.R. Venkata Rao        | 69,04,715        | 67.81             | -                        |
| ii.   | Y.Krishna Veni                 | 28,994           | 0.28              | -                        |
| iii.  | Y. Lalithya Poorna             | 1,10,000         | 1.08              | -                        |
| iv.   | Y. Nagalakshmi Kumari*         | 41,500           | 0.41              | -                        |
| v.    | CDC Industrial Infrass Limited | 633              | 0.01              | -                        |
|       | <b>Total</b>                   | <b>70,85,842</b> | <b>69.59</b>      | <b>-</b>                 |

\* The Shares belonging to Late Y.Krishna Rao were transmitted to his nominee Y. Nagalakshmi Kumari during the Q4 of FY 2023-24

**17. OTHER EQUITY**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|  | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>i. Securities Premium</b>                             |                 |                 |
| Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year      | 2,371.50        | 2,371.50        |
| <b>ii. Revaluation Reserve on Land</b>                   |                 |                 |
| Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year      | 83.37           | 83.37           |
| <b>iii. Capital Reserve - Investment Subsidy</b>         |                 |                 |
| Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year      | 10.00           | 10.00           |
| Add: Amount received during the year                     | -               | -               |
| Balance at the beginning and at the end of the year      | 2,464.87        | 2,464.87        |
| <b>iv. General Reserve</b>                               |                 |                 |
| Balance at the beginning of the year                     | 913.44          | 913.44          |
| Balance at the closing of the year                       | 913.44          | 913.44          |
| <b>v. Surplus</b>  |                 |                 |
| Balance of surplus in the statement of changes in Equity | 738.01          | 890.15          |
| Balance available for Appropriations                     | 738.01          | 890.15          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>4,116.31</b> | <b>4,268.45</b> |

**18. BORROWINGS**

|   | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023   |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| <b>i. Unsecured</b>   |              |              |
| Deferred payment liability - Interest Free Sales Tax Loan<br>( Refer Note 18.1) | 40.34        | 60.72        |
| <b>ii. Secured</b>  |              |              |
| Long term Debt from Bank (Refer Note 18.2)                                      | 2.20         | 37.11        |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>42.54</b> | <b>97.82</b> |

**Disclosures:****18.1 Deferred payment liability - Interest Free Sales Tax Loan (IFST)**

The Company was sanctioned Interest Free Sales Tax Deferment of ₹ 345.86 lakhs under Target – 2000 Scheme by the State Government vide final eligibility Certificate No.LR 4/2001/0878/0878/ID dt. 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2001 for a period of 14 years starting from 20<sup>th</sup> March 1999 to 19<sup>th</sup> March 2013. The Company has availed itself of total Sales Tax Deferment of ₹ 269.79 Lakhs up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 and the same is shown as liability in the Balance Sheet. The repayment started from March, 2016 and the Company has made the payments as per the final eligibility certificate. An amount of ₹ 27.52 Lakhs is payable in the financial year 2024-25 hence shown under the Other Financial Liabilities under Current Liabilities Pursuant to requirement under Ind AS 109 on financial instruments and in view of the option exercised under Ind AS 101 on first time adoption of Ind AS, un-winding of interest using effective interest rate was made and the deferred grant carved out, from the said loan, is being amortised in equal installments over the remaining repayment period of the IFST loan.

**18.2 Secured Loans from Banks**

| Particulars               | Loan Amount Drawn<br>(₹ in Lakhs) | No. of Installments Due | Rate of Interest P.A | Outstanding as on 31.03.2024<br>(₹ in Lakhs) |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--|
| State Bank India - GECL * | 334.85                            | 4                       | 9.25%                | 38.32  |
| HDFC Bank **              | 4.00                              | 32                      | 9.25%                | 3.37   |

\* **Note:** The above Government Emergency Credit Line (GECL) loan is secured Paripassu with the security furnished for working capital loan.

\*\*The loan is secured by the mortgage of the vehicle.

**19. LEASE LIABILITIES**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|                 | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Lease Liability | 347.27        | 417.24        |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>347.27</b> | <b>417.24</b> |

**20. PROVISIONS**

|  | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023   |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Provision for Employee Benefits Gratuity (Net of Funded) | 55.41        | 1.45         |
| Provision for Earned Leave Encashment (Non funded)       | 21.27        | 23.95        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>76.68</b> | <b>25.41</b> |

**21. DEFERRED TAX LIABILITY**

|                        | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Deferred Tax Liability | 408.26        | 383.45        |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>408.26</b> | <b>383.45</b> |

**22. OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES**

|   | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Deferred Government Grant (Note 19.1)         | 28.66         | 38.21         |
| Capital Creditors                             | 66.75         | 66.89         |
| Unpaid Interest to MSME Creditors (Note 26.1) | 26.17         | 20.44         |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>121.58</b> | <b>125.55</b> |

**23. BORROWINGS**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|  | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| i. Loans repayable on demand from Banks-Secured (Note 23.1)              |                 |                 |
| Cash Credit Facility   | 1,429.65        | 865.67          |
| Export Packing Credit  | 281.81          | 781.88          |
| ii. Current Maturities of Long Term Debt from Bank - Secured (Note 18.2) | 38.32           | 112.90          |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,749.78</b> | <b>1,760.46</b> |

**Disclosures:****23.1 Terms and Conditions of Cash Credit**

|      |  |                                |                          |
|------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| i.   | Period of Maturity with reference to Balance Sheet date  | <b>Renewable every year</b>    | Renewable every year     |
| ii.  | Number of Instalments Due  | <b>Nil</b>                     | Nil                      |
| iii. | Amount Outstanding   | <b>1,429.65</b>                | 865.67                   |
| iv.  | Rate of Interest   | <b>EBLR plus 1% PA -10.15%</b> | Base Rate plus 5.60% P.A |
| v.   | Overdue amount and period  | <b>Nil</b>                     | Nil                      |
| vi.  | <b>Security</b><br>Working Capital Loan from Bank and Interest Accrued thereon are secured on hypothecation of raw materials, work in progress, finished goods, stores & spares and book debts of the Company and a first charge on all Movable and Immovable Properties and personal guarantee of the Managing Director of the Company. |                                |                          |

**23.2 Terms and Conditions of Export Packing Credit**

EPC limit of ₹ 1, 250 Lakhs is a sub limit to the Cash Credit limit of ₹ 1, 800 Lakhs.

|      |  |                                    |                          |
|------|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| i.   | Amount Outstanding   | <b>281.81</b>                      | 781.88                   |
| ii.  | Rate of Interest   | <b>T-Bill plus 1.15% PA- 7.88%</b> | Base Rate plus 5.60% P.A |
| iii. | Overdue amount and period  | <b>Nil</b>                         | Nil                      |
| iv.  | <b>Security</b><br>Working Capital Loan from Bank and Interest Accrued thereon are secured on hypothecation of raw materials, work in progress, finished goods, stores & spares and book debts of the Company and a first charge on all Movable and Immovable Properties and personal guarantee of the Managing Director of the Company. |                                    |                          |

**24. LEASE LIABILITIES**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|                 | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Lease Liability | <b>117.10</b> | 106.45        |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>117.10</b> | <b>106.45</b> |

**25. TRADE PAYABLES**

|  | 31.03.2023      | 31.03.2022      |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total outstanding dues of:                   |                 |                 |
| Micro enterprises & Small Enterprises (MSME) | <b>29.30</b>    | 59.74           |
| Payables other than MSME                     | <b>2,479.39</b> | 1,785.48        |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>2,508.69</b> | <b>1,845.22</b> |

**25.1 Details relating to micro enterprises and small enterprises** (₹ in Lakhs)

| MSME  | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|---|------------|------------|
| i. Principal amount outstanding   | 29.30      | 59.74      |
| ii. Interest outstanding at the beginning of the year                     | 20.44      | 29.04      |
| iii. Amount of interest paid  | 2.90       | 11.99      |
| iv. Amount of interest due and payable for the year                       | 8.63       | 3.39       |
| v. Amount accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of the accounting year. | 26.17      | 20.44      |

**Note:**

The information has been given in respect of those suppliers who have intimated the Company that they are registered as Micro and Small Enterprises.

**25.2 Trade Payable Ageing Schedule** (₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars            | Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment |                   |             |             |          |
|------------------------|--|-------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
|                        | Less than 6 months   | 6 months - 1 year | 1 - 2 years | 2 - 3 years | Total    |
| MSME - Current year    | 29.30  | -                 | -           | -           | 29.30    |
| MSME - Previous Year   | 59.74  | -                 | -           | -           | 59.74    |
| Others - Current Year  | 2,353.54   | 50.70             | 75.14       | -           | 2,479.39 |
| Others - Previous Year | 1,785.48   | -                 | -           | -           | 1,785.48 |

**26. OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES** (₹ in Lakhs)

|  | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023  |
|--|--------------|-------------|
| Current Maturities of Deferred Payment Liability - Interest Free Sales Tax Loan (refer Note No.19.1) | 27.52        | -           |
| Unpaid Dividends   | 5.57         | 5.50        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>33.09</b> | <b>5.50</b> |

**27. OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES**

|                        | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Statutory Dues Payable | 32.48         | 53.28         |
| Deposit                | 0.00          | 123.38        |
| Advance against Sales  | 100.69        | 43.04         |
| Outstanding Expenses   | 191.69        | 188.86        |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>324.86</b> | <b>408.56</b> |

**28. PROVISIONS**

|  | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023   |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Provision for Employee Benefits Gratuity (Net of Funded) | 4.28         | 2.52         |
| Provision for Earned Leave Encashment (Non funded)       | 68.59        | 41.08        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>72.86</b> | <b>43.60</b> |

**29. CURRENT TAX LIABILITIES (NET)**

|                         | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023   |
|-------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Current Tax Liabilities | -          | 47.05        |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>-</b>   | <b>47.05</b> |

**30. REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS** (₹ in Lakhs)

|                         | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sale of Products        | 8,230.46        | 8,638.53        |
| Other Operating Revenue | 55.13           | 184.74          |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>8,285.59</b> | <b>8,823.27</b> |

**31. OTHER INCOME**

|   | 31.03.2024   | 31.03.2023    |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| Interest earned                                       | 5.27         | 4.11          |
| Other Non-operating Income                            |              |               |
| Gain on Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions | 12.89        | 83.32         |
| Miscellaneous Receipts                                | 9.87         | 0.49          |
| Balances / Excess Provisions Written Back             | 54.77        | 13.77         |
| Deferred Government Grant Written Back                | 9.55         | 9.55          |
| Interest on Rent Deposit                              | 3.06         | 2.62          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>95.43</b> | <b>113.86</b> |

**32. CHANGES IN INVENTORIES OF FINISHED GOODS, WORK-IN-PROGRESS AND STOCK-IN-TRADE**

|                       | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Opening Stock         | 1,909.77        | 1,679.89        |
| Closing Stock         | 2,416.45        | 1,909.77        |
| Decrease / (Increase) | (506.69)        | (229.87)        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>(506.69)</b> | <b>(229.87)</b> |

**33. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE**

|   | 31.03.2024      | 31.03.2023      |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Salaries & Wages                          | 1,393.77        | 1,253.71        |
| Contribution to Provident and Other Funds | 44.95           | 41.81           |
| Staff Welfare Expenses                    | 20.98           | 21.06           |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>1,459.70</b> | <b>1,316.58</b> |

**34. FINANCE COSTS**

|                             | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023    |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Interest                    | 199.82        | 204.86        |
| Interest on Income Tax      | 1.45          | 4.25          |
| Other Borrowing Costs       | 7.64          | 8.14          |
| Interest on Lease Liability | 47.13         | 49.35         |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>256.04</b> | <b>266.60</b> |

**35. DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSE**

(₹ in Lakhs)

|                                    | <i>31.03.2024</i>    | 31.03.2023 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Depreciation of Tangible Assets    | <i>356.95</i>        | 348.31     |
| Amortisation of Right to Use Asset | <i>102.91</i>        | 80.99      |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b><i>459.86</i></b> | 429.30     |

**36. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY EXPENSES**

|                                     | <i>31.03.2024</i>   | 31.03.2023 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Payment Made to Other Organisations | <i>10.00</i>        | 5.00       |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b><i>10.00</i></b> | 5.00       |

**Disclosures:**

|  | <i>31.03.2024</i> | 31.03.2023 |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Gross Amount required to be spent by the Company         | -                 | 5.00       |
| Amount approved by the Board to be spent during the year | <i>10.00</i>      | 5.00       |
| Amount spent during the year towards CSR Activities      | <i>10.00</i>      | 5.00       |

**37. OTHER EXPENSES**

|                                 | <i>31.03.2024</i>      | 31.03.2023 |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Consumption of Stores & Spares  | <i>498.01</i>          | 350.24     |
| Power & Fuel                    | <i>1,066.66</i>        | 1,184.83   |
| Rent                            | <i>25.00</i>           | 24.48      |
| Repairs to Buildings            | <i>32.83</i>           | 20.69      |
| Repairs to Machinery            | <i>157.67</i>          | 156.78     |
| Insurance                       | <i>42.23</i>           | 39.59      |
| Production & Processing charges | <i>44.96</i>           | 56.89      |
| Rates and Taxes                 | <i>35.89</i>           | 42.06      |
| Research and Development        | <i>133.63</i>          | 111.42     |
| Freight on Sales                | <i>244.92</i>          | 389.40     |
| Miscellaneous Expenses          | <i>458.11</i>          | 422.48     |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b><i>2,739.92</i></b> | 2,798.85   |

**38. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS**

|                              | <i>31.03.2024</i>   | 31.03.2023 |
|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Assets Written off           | <i>12.97</i>        | 9.41       |
| Loss on Sale of Assets (Net) | <i>27.85</i>        | -          |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b><i>40.81</i></b> | 9.41       |

**39. DISCLOSURE AS PER SCHEDULE III OF THE ACT AND IND AS-37 ON PROVISIONS, CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS:****A. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES****Claim against the Company not acknowledged as debts:**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| <b>Particulars</b>   | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Customs Duty - Unfulfilled Export Obligation if any  | <b>47.77</b>      | 30.14             |
| The department of GST Andhra Pradesh has raised demand pertaining to FY 2016-2017 regarding Tran-1 credit & Penalties against which appeal has been filed with the Appellate Authority, which has been rejected. The Company proposes to contest before GST Tribunal, as and when it is constituted.       | <b>1.97</b>       | 1.97              |
| The department of GST Telangana has raised a demand pertaining to FY 2017-18 & 2018-2019 regarding Input Credit & Penalties against which appeal has been filed with the Appellate Authority, which has been rejected. The Company proposes to contest before GST Tribunal, as and when it is constituted. | <b>12.01</b>      | 15.24             |
| The department of GST Andhra Pradesh has raised a demand pertaining to FY 2017 - 2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020 regarding ITC & Penalties against which appeal has been filed with the Appellate Authority.  | <b>0.93</b>       | 0.93              |
| The department of GST Telangana has raised a demand pertaining to FY 2016-2017 regarding Tran-1 credit & Penalties against which appeal has been filed.  | <b>4.54</b>       | 4.54              |
| Bank Guarantees Furnished  | <b>4.00</b>       | 4.00              |

**B. COMMITMENTS**

| <b>Particulars</b>   | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Estimated amount of contracts remaining to be executed on capital account and not provided for (net of advances) | <b>31.30</b>      | 84.49             |

**40. DISCLOSURE AS PER IND AS - 12 INCOME TAX****A. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENTS**

The Company's income tax assessments were completed up to AY 2022-2023.

**B. THE TAX EFFECTS OF SIGNIFICANT TEMPORARY DIFFERENCES THAT RESULTED IN DEFERRED INCOME TAX LIABILITY ARE AS FOLLOWS**

| Particulars  | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|--|------------|------------|
| Difference in WDV of PPE and Intangible Assets                   | (1,722.85) | (1,784.50) |
| Differences in carrying value of ROU Assets & Lease Liabilities  | (69.89)    | 26.31      |
| Carried Forward Losses   | -          | 206.91     |
| Post-Employment Benefits   | 164.19     | 132.52     |
| Other Disallowances  | 21.27      | 40.44      |
| Net Deferred Taxes Assets / (Liabilities)                        | (1,467.50) | (1,378.33) |
| Deferred Taxes Asset / (Liabilities) thereon at applicable rates | (408.26)   | (383.45)   |

**41. DISCLOSURES AS PRESCRIBED BY INDIAN ACCOUNTING STANDARD (INDAS)****41.1. DISCLOSURE AS PER INDAS 7**

Statement of reconciliation for changes in liabilities arising from financial activities

| Particulars              | Working capital borrowings | Interest free sales tax loan | Unsecured loans |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Opening balance          | 1,647.56                   | 98.93                        | -               |
| Borrowed during the year | 63.90                      | -                            | 4.00            |
| Repaid during the year   | -                          | -                            | (0.63)          |
| Net movement             | -                          | -                            | -               |
| Closing Balance          | 1,711.46                   | 98.93                        | 3.36            |

**41.2. DISCLOSURE AS PER INDAS 19 – EMPLOYEE BENEFITS****A. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN**

Contribution to Defined Contribution Plan recognised as expenses for the year as under:

| Particulars                               | 2023-24 | 2022-23 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Employer's Contribution to Provident Fund | 26.30   | 28.88   |

**B. DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN****i. Gratuity obligation of the Company**

The employees' gratuity fund scheme managed by a Trust is a defined benefit plan. The present value of obligation is determined based on actuarial valuation using the Projected Unit Credit Method, which recognised each period of service as giving rise to additional unit of employee benefit entitlement and measures each unit to build up the final obligation. The obligation for leave encashment is recognised in the books as per Actuarial Valuation.

**Assets and Liability (Balance sheet position)**

| Particulars                 | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Present value of obligation | 307.63     | 236.93     |
| Fair value of plan assets   | 183.63     | 194.40     |
| Net asset / (liability)     | (124.00)   | (42.53)    |

**Expense recognised during the year**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| <b>Particulars</b>            | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| In Income Statement           | 15.62             | 12.90             |
| In other comprehensive income | (66.84)           | (15.86)           |

**Changes in the Present Value of Obligation**

| <b>Particulars</b>                               | <b>For the period ending</b> |                   |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------|
|  | <b>31.03.2024</b>            | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
| Present value of obligations as at the beginning | 236.93                       | 213.59            |
| Interest cost                                    | 15.49                        | 14.59             |
| Current Service Cost                             | 13.26                        | 11.77             |
| Past service cost – (Vested benefits)            |                              |                   |
| Benefits Paid                                    | (22.04)                      | (15.31)           |
| Actuarial (Gain) / Loss on obligation            | 63.99                        | 12.29             |
| Present value of obligations as at the end       | 307.63                       | 236.93            |
| Bifurcation of net liability                     |                              |                   |
| Current liability (Short Term)                   | 68.59                        | 41.08             |
| Non-current liability (Long Term)                | 239.05                       | 195.85            |
| Net liability                                    | 124.00                       | 42.53             |

**Changes in the Fair Value of Plan Assets**

| <b>Particulars</b>                              | <b>For the period ending</b> |                   |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------|
|   | <b>31.03.2024</b>            | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
| Fair value of plan assets as at the beginning   | 194.40                       | 185.14            |
| Adjustment to opening Fair value of plan asset  | -                            | -                 |
| Return on plan assets excluding Interest Income | (2.85)                       | (3.56)            |
| Contribution by Employer                        | 1.00                         | 14.68             |
| Interest Income                                 | 13.13                        | 13.45             |
| Benefits Paid                                   | (22.04)                      | (15.31)           |
| Fair value of plan assets as at the end         | 183.63                       | 194.40            |

**Expense recognised in the Income Statement**

| <b>Particulars</b>                         | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current Service Cost                       | 13.26             | 11.77             |
| Past Service Cost                          | -                 | -                 |
| Interest Cost                              | 2.36              | 1.13              |
| Expense recognised in the Income statement | 15.62             | 12.9              |

**Other Comprehensive Income**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars                               | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Actuarial (gains) / losses                | -          | -          |
| Actuarial (gains) / losses on obligations | 63.99      | 12.3       |
| Actuarial (gains) / losses on plan assets | 2.85       | 3.56       |
| Total Other Comprehensive Income          | 66.84      | 15.86      |

**ii. Long Term Compensated Absences – Leave Encashment Assets and Liability (Balance Sheet position)**

| Particulars                 | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Present value of obligation | 26.47      | 28.32      |
| Fair value of plan assets   | -          | -          |
| Surplus / (deficit)         | (0.92)     | (0.2)      |
| Net asset / (liability)     | 25.55      | 26.47      |

**Expense Recognised During the Year**

| Particulars         | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|---------------------|------------|------------|
| In Income statement | 6.42       | 6.47       |

**Changes in the Present Value of Obligation**

| Particulars                                      | For the period ending |            |
|--|-----------------------|------------|
|  | 31.03.2024            | 31.03.2023 |
| Present value of obligations as at the beginning | 26.47                 | 28.32      |
| Interest cost                                    | 1.81                  | 1.82       |
| Current Service Cost                             | 4.61                  | 4.65       |
| Benefits Paid                                    | (1.87)                | (1.65)     |
| Actuarial (Gain) / Loss on obligation            | (5.47)                | (6.67)     |
| Present value of obligations as at the end       | 25.55                 | 26.47      |
| Bifurcation of net liability                     | -                     | -          |
| Current liability (Short Term)                   | 4.28                  | 2.52       |
| Non-current liability (Long Term)                | 21.27                 | 23.95      |
| Net liability                                    | 25.55                 | 26.47      |

**Changes in the Fair Value of Plan Assets**

| Particulars                                     | For the period ending |            |
|---|-----------------------|------------|
|   | 31.03.2024            | 31.03.2023 |
| Fair value of plan assets as at the beginning   | -                     | -          |
| Adjustment to opening Fair value of plan asset  | -                     | -          |
| Return on plan assets excluding Interest Income | -                     | -          |
| Interest Income                                 | -                     | -          |
| Contribution by employer                        | 1.87                  | 1.65       |
| Benefits Paid                                   | (1.87)                | (1.65)     |
| Fair value of plan assets as at the end         | -                     | -          |

**Expense recognised in the Income Statement**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| <b>Particulars</b>                         | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current Service Cost                       | <b>4.61</b>       | 4.65              |
| Past Service Cost                          | -                 | -                 |
| Interest Cost                              | <b>1.81</b>       | 1.82              |
| Expense recognised in the Income statement | <b>6.42</b>       | 6.47              |

**iii. Actuarial**

| <b>Particulars</b>                                 | <b>Gratuity (Funded) 2023-24</b> | <b>Leave Encashment (Non-funded) 2023-24</b> | <b>Gratuity (Funded) 2022-23</b> | <b>Leave Encashment (Non-funded) 2022-23</b> |
|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Mortality Table (LIC)                              | <b>6.97%</b>                     | <b>6.97%</b>                                 | 7.16%                            | 7.16%  |
| Discount rate (per annum)                          | <b>3.00%</b>                     | <b>3.00%</b>                                 | 3.00%                            | 3.00%  |
| Expected rate of return on plan assets (Per annum) | <b>8.66%</b>                     | <b>6.74%</b>                                 | 8.62%                            | 7.27%  |
| Employee Attrition rate (per annum)                | <b>5.00%</b>                     | <b>5.00%</b>                                 | 5.00%                            | 5.00%  |

The estimates of rate of escalation in salary considered in actuarial valuation, take into account inflation, seniority, promotion and other relevant factors including supply and demand in the employment market. The above information is certified by the actuary.

The expected rate of return on plan assets is determined considering several applicable factors, mainly the composition of plan assets held, assessed risks, historical results of return on plan assets and the Company's policy for plan assets management.

**41.3. DISCLOSURE AS PER IND AS21 - THE EFFECTS OF CHANGES IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES****Un-hedged foreign currency exposure at the year-end**

| <b>Particulars</b> | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Trade payables     | <b>577.95</b>     | 261.37            |
| Trade receivables  | <b>1,035.70</b>   | 1,171.42          |

| <b>Particulars</b>   | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Exchange differences arising out of settlement / translation on account of export sales for the year | <b>12.89</b>      | 83.32             |
| Exchange differences arising out of settlement / translation on account of imports for the year      | -                 | -                 |
| Exchange differences arising out of settlement / translation on account of others                    | -                 | -                 |
| Net gain / (loss) recognised during the year   | <b>12.89</b>      | 83.32             |

**41.4. DISCLOSURE AS PER IND AS 33 - EARNING PER SHARE** (₹ in Lakhs)

| Particulars   | 31.03.2024 | 31.03.2023 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Total No. of Shares   | 101.83     | 101.83     |
| Profit/(Loss) for the Year  | 112.88     | 291.28     |
| Total Comprehensive Income /(Loss) for the Year                   | 51.51      | 282.09     |
| Earnings Per Share (before OCI)– Basic & Diluted (₹ 10 per share) | 1.11       | 2.86       |
| Earnings per share (after OCI)– Basic & Diluted (₹ 10 per share)  | 0.51       | 2.77       |

**41.5. DISCLOSURE AS PER IND AS 108 - OPERATING SEGMENTS:**

As the Company is predominantly engaged in the manufacture and sale of chemicals where the risks and returns associated with the products are uniform, the Company has identified geographical segments based on location of customers as reportable segments in accordance with Ind AS 108 issued by ICAI.

**a. Segment Revenue**

| Geographical Location | 31.03.2024 |        | 31.03.2023 |        |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
|                       | ₹ in Lakhs | %      | ₹ in Lakhs | %      |
| Domestic              | 3,745.46   | 45.20  | 2,926.67   | 33.88  |
| External              | 4,540.13   | 54.80  | 5,711.86   | 66.12  |
| Total                 | 8,285.59   | 100.00 | 8,638.53   | 100.00 |

**b. Segment Assets (Trade Receivables)**

| Geographical Location | 31.03.2024 |        | 31.03.2023 |        |
|-----------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
|                       | ₹ in Lakhs | %      | ₹ in Lakhs | %      |
| Domestic              | 761.74     | 42.38  | 197.77     | 14.44  |
| External              | 1,035.70   | 57.62  | 1,171.42   | 85.56  |
| Total                 | 1,797.44   | 100.00 | 1,369.19   | 100.00 |

**C. OTHER DISCLOSURES**

| Geographical Location | Carrying Amount of Segment Assets |            | Additions to Fixed Assets |            |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
|                       | 31.03.2024                        | 31.03.2023 | 31.03.2024                | 31.03.2023 |
| Un-allocable Assets   | 9,901.59                          | 9,381.59   | 286.94                    | 244.43     |

**Note:** The Company has no assets outside India other than the External Trade Receivables. All the assets, other than trade receivables, are shown as unallocable assets

**41.6. DISCLOSURE AS PER IND AS24 – RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Directors' Interested Companies</b> | Asian Herbex Limited   |
|  | Zigna Analytics Private Limited                              |
|  | CDC Industrial Infrass Limited                               |
| <b>Key Management Personnel</b>        |  |
| Sri Y.S.R. Venkata Rao                 | Managing Director  |
| Mr. Y.V. Prashanth                     | Executive Director   |
| Ms. K. Uma Kumari                      | Chief Financial Officer upto 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024   |
| Mr. Siddharth Dubey                    | Company Secretary  |
| <b>Non - Key Management Personnel</b>  |  |
| Dr. J. S. Yadav                        | Chairman & Independent Director                              |
| Sri G. Jayaraman                       | Independent Director   |
| Sri K. V. Surya Prakash Rao            | Independent Director   |
| Ms. Y. Lalithya Poorna                 | Non-Executive Non-Independent Director                       |
| Dr. A.R. Prasad                        | Non-Executive and Non-Independent Director                   |
| <b>Others</b>                          |  |
| Dr. Y.V.S. Murty Charitable Trust      | Charitable Trust in which the Managing Director is a trustee |

**Disclosure of transactions with related parties**

(₹ in Lakhs)

| S.No | Nature of Relationship          | Nature of Transaction | 31.03.2024    | 31.03.2023 |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| i.   | Directors' Interested Companies | Rent                  | <b>3.96</b>   | 4.92       |
|      |                                 | Sales Commission      | <b>33.06</b>  | 37.49      |
|      |                                 | Godown Rent           | <b>106.45</b> | 85.73      |
|      |                                 | Rent Deposit          | -             | 32.85      |
| ii.  | Key Managerial Personnel        | Remuneration          | <b>178.80</b> | 134.52     |
|      |                                 | Commission on profits | <b>23.48</b>  | 30.10      |
|      |                                 | Rent                  | <b>16.24</b>  | 14.76      |
| iii. | Non - Key Managerial Personnel  | Sitting Fees          | <b>19.20</b>  | 17.65      |
|      |                                 | Professional Fee      | <b>12.00</b>  | 12.00      |
| iv.  | Others                          | Donation              | <b>10.00</b>  | 5.00       |

**41.7. DISCLOSURE AS PER INDAS 116 – LEASES**

Changes in lease liabilities arising from financing activities

| <b>Particulars</b>                        | <b>31.03.2024</b> | <b>31.03.2023</b> |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Opening lease liability                   | 523.70            | 63.62             |
| Net addition / (deletion) during the year | -                 | 496.47            |
| Finance cost                              | 47.13             | 49.35             |
| Lease payments                            | (106.45)          | (85.73)           |
| Closing lease liability                   | 464.37            | 523.70            |
| Non-Current                               | 347.27            | 417.24            |
| Current                                   | 117.10            | 106.45            |

**42. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS****A. Capital management**

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, in light of changes in economic condition. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders. No changes were made in the objectives, policies and procedures in the past three years.

The Company monitors capital using a gearing ratio, which is net debt divided by total capital plus net debt. The Company includes within net debt, borrowings, trade and other payables, other liabilities, less cash and cash equivalents Capital includes issued equity capital, share premium and all other equity reserves attributable to the equity holders.

**B. Financial instruments by category**

The carrying and fair value of financial instruments by categories of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 were as follows

| <b>Particulars</b>          | <b>31.03.2024</b>     |                             |                         | <b>31.03.2023</b> |                      |                  |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|                             | <i>Amortised Cost</i> | <i>Total carrying value</i> | <i>Total fair value</i> | Amortised Cost    | Total carrying value | Total fair value |
| <b>Assets</b>               |                       |                             |                         |                   |                      |                  |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | 3.83                  | 3.83                        | 3.83                    | 109.80            | 109.80               | 109.80           |
| Other bank balances         | 19.38                 | 19.38                       | 19.38                   | 21.10             | 21.10                | 21.10            |
| Trade receivables           | 1,797.44              | 1,797.44                    | 1,797.44                | 1,369.19          | 1,369.19             | 1,369.19         |
| Other financial assets      | 106.14                | 106.14                      | 106.14                  | 103.81            | 103.81               | 103.81           |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>1,926.79</b>       | <b>1,926.79</b>             | <b>1,926.79</b>         | 1,603.90          | 1,603.90             | 1,603.90         |
| <b>Liabilities</b>          |                       |                             |                         |                   |                      |                  |
| Trade payables              | 2,508.69              | 2,508.69                    | 2,508.69                | 1,845.22          | 1,845.22             | 1,845.22         |
| Borrowings                  | 1,792.32              | 1,792.32                    | 1,792.32                | 1,858.28          | 1,858.28             | 1,858.28         |
| Other financial liabilities | 33.09                 | 33.09                       | 33.09                   | 5.50              | 5.50                 | 5.50             |
| Lease Liability             | 464.37                | 464.37                      | 464.37                  | 523.70            | 523.70               | 523.70           |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>4,798.47</b>       | <b>4,798.47</b>             | <b>4,798.47</b>         | 4,232.70          | 4,232.70             | 4,232.70         |

**C. Financial Risk Management****Financial Risk Factors :**

The Company is exposed to financial risks arising from its operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks include market risk, and liquidity risk. The management reviews and design policies and procedures to minimize potential adverse effects on its financial performance. The primary market risk to the Company is foreign exchange risk. The Company's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the customer repayments. The Company's exposure to liquidity risks are on account of interest rate risk on borrowings. The following sections provide details regarding the Company's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the management thereof.

**Market Risk:**

The Company operates internationally, and a portion of the business is transacted in foreign currencies and consequently the Company is exposed to foreign exchange risk through its sales and services in those countries. The exchange rate between the rupee and foreign currencies has changed substantially in recent years and may fluctuate substantially in the future. Consequently, the results of the Company's operations are affected as the rupee appreciates/depreciates against these currencies. The Company leaves exchange rate risk with regard to foreign exposures unhedged when the local currency is appreciating against the foreign currency.

The following table analyses foreign currency risk from financial instruments:

(in Lakhs)

| Particulars                 | 31.03.2024 |        | 31.03.2023 |        |
|-----------------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
|                             | USD        | Euro   | USD        | Euro   |
| Trade receivables           | 12.42      | -      | 14.24      | -      |
| Other financial assets      | -          | -      | -          | -      |
| Trade payables              | 6.09       | 0.77   | 2.73       | 0.42   |
| Other financial Liabilities | -          | -      | -          | -      |
| Net assets/(liabilities)    | 6.33       | (0.77) | 11.50      | (0.42) |

**Credit Risk:**

Credit risk is the risk of loss that may arise on outstanding financial instruments when counter party defaults on its obligations. The Company's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from loans extended, security deposits, balances with bankers and trade and other receivables. The Company minimises credit risk by dealing exclusively with high credit rating counterparties. The Company's objective is to seek continual revenue growth while minimising losses incurred due to increased credit risk exposure. The Company trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Company's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Company's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

**Credit Risk Exposure:**

At the end of the reporting period, the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each class of financial assets recognised in the statement of financial position. No other financial assets carry a significant exposure to credit risk.

**Liquidity Risk:**

The Company's principal sources of liquidity are cash and cash equivalents and the cash flow that is generated from operations. The Company has short term borrowings from banks. Short term loans repayable on demand from banks are obtained for the working capital requirements of the Company.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024, the Company had a working capital of ₹ 717.17 Lakhs including cash and cash equivalents of ₹ 3.83 Lakhs. As of 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023, the Company had a working capital of ₹ 606.02 Lakhs including cash and cash equivalents of ₹ 109.80 Lakhs.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024, and 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023, the outstanding gratuity liability was ₹ 307.63 Lakhs and ₹ 236.93 Lakhs, respectively, which have been substantially funded. Accordingly, no liquidity risk is perceived.

**Interest Rate Risk:**

The interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or the future cash flows of the Company's financial instruments will fluctuate because of the change in market interest rates. The Company is exposed to interest rate risks as it has significant interest-bearing working capital loans from bank. Short term loans repayable on demand are subject to prevailing market rate fluctuations and sanctioned facilities are availed on a need to borrow basis to ensure minimum exposure to interest rate fluctuations.

**43. DIVIDEND:**

The final dividend on shares is recorded as a liability on the date of approval by the shareholders and interim dividends are recorded as a liability on the date of declaration by the Company's Board of Directors. Income Tax consequences of dividends on financial instruments classified as equity will be recognized according to where the entity originally recognized those past transactions or events that generated distributable profits. The Company declares and pays dividends in Indian rupees. Companies are required to pay/distribute dividend after deducting applicable withholding income taxes.

The amount of per share dividend recognized as distribution to equity shareholders in accordance with Companies Act 2013 is as follows:

(₹)

| Particulars    | 2023-24 | 2022-23 |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Final Dividend | 1.00*   | 2.00    |

(\*Subject to approval of Shareholders at the ensuing AGM)

**44. REMUNERATION TO AUDITORS (EXCLUDING GST):**

| Particulars      | 2023-24 | 2022-23 |
|------------------|---------|---------|
| Statutory Audit  | 8.00    | 8.00    |
| Taxation Matters | 2.50    | 2.50    |
| Other Services   | 3.83    | 1.50    |

**45. CONFIRMATION OF BALANCES:**

The Company had sent letters seeking confirmation of balances to various parties under trade payables, trade receivables, advance to suppliers and other advance from customers. Based on the confirmations received and upon proper review, corrective actions have been initiated and the amounts have been tried up, accounting adjustments have been made wherever found necessary.

**46. BORROWINGS SECURED AGAINST CURRENT ASSETS:**

The Company files Monthly Stock Statements and Quarterly Declarations to Bank regarding the End Use of Funds and Unhedged Foreign Currency and Investments.

The data provided by Company is in line with the Books of Accounts. The Company has not been declared as Wilful Defaulter as per the relevant RBI Circular.

**47. RELATIONSHIP WITH STRUCK OFF COMPANIES:**

The Company has verified Debtors and Creditors Companies status with respect to being Struck Off and none of them are being shown as Struck Off in the records of MCA.

**48. RATIOS**

| <b>Ratios</b>                    | <b>Numerator</b>   | <b>Denominator</b>          | <b>Current Period</b> | <b>Previous Period</b> | <b>% Variance</b> |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Current Ratio                    | Current Assets   | Current Liabilities         | <b>1.15</b>           | 1.14                   | 0.48              |
| Debt-Equity Ratio                | Total Outside Liabilities                                    | Shareholder's Equity        | <b>5.70</b>           | 5.17                   | 10.19             |
| Debt Service Coverage Ratio      | Earnings Available for Debt Services/ interest + instalments | Debt Service                | <b>1.83</b>           | 2.15                   | (14.72)           |
| Return on Equity Ratio           | Net profit after taxes                                       | Equity Shareholders funds   | <b>0.11</b>           | 0.29                   | (61.25)*          |
| Inventory turnover ratio         | Cost of goods Sold or Sales                                  | Average inventory           | <b>2.67</b>           | 3.27                   | (18.45)           |
| Trade Receivables turnover ratio | Sales  | Average Trade Receivables   | <b>5.23</b>           | 6.51                   | (19.67)           |
| Trade payables turnover ratio    | Purchases  | Average Trade Payables      | <b>1.99</b>           | 2.90                   | (31.40)**         |
| Net capital turnover ratio       | Sales or Cost of goods sold                                  | Working Capital/ Net Assets | <b>11.55</b>          | 14.56                  | (20.65)           |
| Net profit ratio                 | Net profit   | Sales                       | <b>0.01</b>           | 0.03                   | (58.73)*          |
| Return on Capital employed       | Earnings Before interest and tax                             | Capital employed            | <b>7.37</b>           | 10.30                  | (28.43)*          |

\*Due to reduction in turnover during the current year.

\*\*Due to reduction in purchases and Increase in Trade Payables.

**49. UTILISATION OF BORROWED FUNDS AND SHARE PREMIUM:**

- i. No funds have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or, any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entities (“Intermediaries”) with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall lend or invest in party identified by or on behalf of the Company (Ultimate Beneficiaries). The Company has not received any fund from any party(s) (Funding Party) with the understanding that the Company shall whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified by or on behalf of the Company (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
  - ii. No funds have been received by the Company from any person or entity, including foreign entity (“Funding Parties”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
- 50.** The Company has used the borrowings from Banks and Financial institutions for their specific purpose for which they have been taken.
- 51.** In the opinion of the Board of Directors, all the Assets (Other than Property, Plant, Equipment, Intangible Assets and Non-Current Investments) are expected to realise a value which is at least equivalent to the amount at which they are stated in the financial statements, in the ordinary course of the business. The Board is also of the opinion that no material uncertainty exists regarding the capability of the Company in meeting its liabilities existing as on the date of Balance Sheet as and when they fall due.
- 52.** As the Company does not have any downstream companies, the compliance with regard to the number of layers prescribed under Clause (87) of Section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Restrictions on Number of Layers), Rules, 2017 and the disclosure requirements of the names of such Companies and their CIN, beyond specified layers and the relation and extent of holding, are not applicable.
- 53.** With regard to Charge Creation or Satisfaction, no documents are pending for filing with Registrar of Companies beyond the specified Statutory period.
- 54.** The Company does not have any transaction which is not recorded in the books of account that has been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in tax assessments under the Income Tax, 1961. The Company does not also have any previously unrecorded income and related assets that are properly required to be recorded in the books of account during the year.
- 55.** The Company has not traded or invested in crypto currency or any virtual currency during the financial year.



56. • During the financial year, the Company had transferred an Unclaimed Dividend amount of ₹ 0.64 lakhs (Final Dividend for FY 2015-16) and 3,951 shares of 48 shareholders to IEPF authorities. As per the procedure, the Company has transferred the Unclaimed Dividend to IEPF Authorities through NEFT and tried to link the NEFT challan but due to technical issue in the MCA portal, the challan is not getting linked thereby the e-Form IEPF-1 (*Statement of amounts credited to IEPF or transfer of amounts on account of shares transferred to the fund*) is not approved and the relevant excel file containing the breakup of Unclaimed Dividend is also not getting uploaded. As a result of this, the Company is also not able to file e-Form IEPF-4 (*Statement of shares transferred and information of shares & unclaimed or unpaid dividend not transferred to the IEPF*) and the relevant excel containing break up of Unclaimed Shares despite completing the transfer of shares to IEPF.
- The Unclaimed Dividend amount of ₹1.24 lakhs pertaining to Interim Dividend of FY 2015-16 which was originally transferred in February 2023 was also reversed and the said amount was parked in Suspense Account of the Bank. The Company was made aware of this fact only in the Month of February 2024 by the Bankers. The Company immediately requested the Bankers to transfer the funds from Suspense Account to IEPF Authorities Account and the same was transferred on 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2024. However, due to technical issue in the MCA portal, the Company is facing similar issue as stated above.
  - The Company is in continuous contact with the authorities and Bankers to resolve the issue at the earliest.
57. Previous Year's figures have been regrouped / reclassified wherever necessary to correspond with the Current Year's classification/ disclosure.

As per our Report attached  
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