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# CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY

## 1. Preamble

Corporate responsibility towards the stakeholders is fast emerging as one of the major considerations for businesses in the country. Organisations are gradually shifting their attention towards a wider view of social concerns while conducting their businesses. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) aims at connecting business to the society. CSR is traditionally driven by a moral obligation and philanthropic spirit. Over time it has become an integral part of business The broader objective of CSR is to contribute with a responsibility, towards a better society and a cleaner environment.

## 2. Objectives

The main objective of the Policy is to establish the basic principles and the general framework of action for the management to undertake and fulfil its corporate social responsibility.

## 3. Activities and Implementation

#### a. Areas for Activities

The Company shall identify projects / activities which will fall in any one or more of the following areas /sector for its CSR spending:

- Eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting health care including preventinve health care and sanitation including contribution to the Swach Bharat Kosh set-up by the Central Government for the promotion of sanitation] and making available safe drinking water;
- promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects;
- promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centres and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups.
- 4. ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and



fauna, animal welfare, agroforestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water including contribution to the Clean Ganga Fund set-up by the Central Government for rejuvenation of river Ganga;

- protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional art and handicrafts;
- contribution to the prime minister's national relief fund or Prime Minister's Citizen Assistance and Relief in Emergency Situations Fund (PM CARES Fund)] or any other fund set up by the central govt. for socio economic development and relief and welfare of the schedule caste, tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women;
- 7. Rural development projects; and
- 8. The CSR Committee may include such other activities which are specified in Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013 and amendments thereto from time to time.

The CSR projects or programs or activities undertaken by the company as per Company's CSR Policy in India only shall amount to CSR Expenditure in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (5) of section 135 of the Act.

All expenses and contributions for CSR activities will be made after approval from the Board of Directors of the Company upon the recommendations of the CSR Committee, which would then be placed before the forthcoming CSR committee for noting and record. The Chairman of the CSR Committee will ensure that the expenses/contribution and donation will be in full compliance of the CSR Policy.

## b. Implementing Agency

The company may decide to undertake its CSR activities directly or through an Implementing Agency/Registered Trust or a registered society or a company established by the company under section 8 of the Act. Provided that –

If such trust, society or company is not established by the company or its holding or subsidiary or associate company, it shall have an established track record of three years in undertaking similar programs or projects;

The Company shall specify the project or programs to be undertaken through these entities, modalities of utilization of funds on such projects and programmes.

#### 4. Resources

The corpus for the purpose of carrying on the aforesaid activities would include the followings:

- 2% of the average Net Profit made by the Company during immediately preceding three Financial Years.
- any income arising there from.



 surplus arising out of CSR activities carried out by the company and such surplus will not be part of business profit of the company.

#### 5. Annual Action Plan:

The CSR Committee shall formulate and recommend to the Board, an annual action plan which shall include the following, namely:-

- (a) the list of CSR projects or programmes that are approved to be undertaken in areas or subjects specified in Schedule VII of the Act;
- (b) the manner of execution of such projects or programmes ;
- (c) the modalities of utilisation of funds and implementation schedules for the projects or programmes;
- (d) monitoring and reporting mechanism for the projects or programmes; and
- (e) details of need and impact assessment, if any, for the projects undertaken by the company:

However, the Board may alter such plan at any time during the financial year, as per the recommendation of CSR Committee, based on the reasonable justification to that effect.

# 6. Monitoring

The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee will provide a progress report to the Board of Directors as and when required.

The Board shall seek a short progress report from the CSR Committee on an yearly basis

#### 7. General

In case of any doubt with regard to any provision of the policy and also in respect of matters not covered herein, a reference to be made to CSR Committee. In all such matters, the interpretation & decision of the Committee shall be final.

Any or all provisions of the CSR Policy would be subject to revision/amendment in accordance with the guidelines on the subject as may be issued from Government, from time to time.

The CSR Committee reserves the right to modify, add, or amend any of provisions of this Policy subject to approval of the Board.

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