

#### February 11, 2025

**National Stock Exchange of India Limited** 

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Mumbai - 400 051

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**BSE Limited** 

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: Corporate Relationship Department

Subject

Integrated Filings (Financial) for the third quarter and nine months period ended

December 31, 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-2/CIR/P/2024/185 dated December 31, 2024, read with BSE Circular No. 20250102-4 and NSE Circular No. NSE/CML/2025/02 dated January 2, 2025, we are submitting herewith the Integrated Filing (Financial) for the quarter ended December 31, 2024.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

For Zee Media Corporation Limited

Ranjit Srivastava

Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Membership No: A18577

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Encl. as above



## Zee Media Corporation Limited

CIN: L92100MH1999PLC121506

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Standalone Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December, 2024

Rs. / lakhs

S.		Qu	arter ended	on	Nine month	Year ended on		
No.		Unaudited			Unaudited		Audited	
		31-Dec-24	30-Sep-24	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23	31-Mar-24	
1	Revenue from operations	11,696	9,429	11,578	33,740	32,297	45,769	
2	Other income	51	225	218	406	503	1,852	
	Total Revenue [1+2]	11,747	9,654	11,796	34,146	32,800	47,621	
3	Expenses							
	(a) Operating costs	2,658	2,443	3,533	7,544	9,233	11,858	
	(b) Employee benefits expense	3,919	4,128	4,533	12,027	13,521	17,689	
	(c) Finance costs	734	729	478	2,222	1,536	2,285	
	(d) Depreciation and amortisation expense	2,357	2,381	1,208	7,133	3,646	5,682	
	(e) Other expenses	4,745	5,749	6,986	16,397	17,040	21,081	
	Total Expenses [ 3(a) to 3(e) ]	14,413	15,430	16,738	45,323	44,976	58,595	
4	Profit / (loss) before exceptional items and taxes [1+2-3]	(2,666)	(5,776)	(4,942)	(11,177)			
5	Exceptional items (net) (Refer Note 3)	-			800	775	(321)	
6	Profit / (loss) before tax [4+5]	(2,666)	(5,776)	(4,942)	(10,377)	(11,401)	(11,295)	
7	Tax expense					F-84		
	a) Current tax							
	b) Deferred tax charge / (credit)	(671)	(1,452)	(1,124)	(2,610)	(2,783)	(2,696)	
	Total tax expense [7(a) + 7(b)]	(671)	(1,452)	(1,124)	(2,610)	(2,783)	(2,696)	
8	Profit / (loss) after tax [6-7]	(1,995)	(4,324)	(3,818)	(7,767)	(8,618)	(8,599)	
9	Other comprehensive income / (loss)	100						
	Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss (net of tax)		No. of the last		4000			
	Remeasurement gains / (losses) of defined benefit obligation	46	20	15	62	(45)	(20)	
	Other comprehensive income / (loss) (net of tax)	46	20	15	62	(45)	(20)	
10	Total comprehensive income / (loss) [8+9]	(1,949)	(4,304)	(3,803)	(7,705)	(8,663)		
11	Paid up equity share capital of Re. 1/- each	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	
12	Other equity		11 - 10				41,413	
13	Earnings per share (of Re. 1/- each) (not annualised)				10.00		The same	
	- Basic (Rs.)	(0.32)	(0.69)	(0.61)	(1.24)	2 2	The second secon	
	- Diluted (Rs.)	(0.32)	(0.69)	(0.61)	(1.24)	(1.38)	(1.37)	



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- 1 The above unaudited standalone financial results, prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS), the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and guidelines issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on 11 February, 2025. The statutory auditors have carried out a limited review of the results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December, 2024.
- 2 The Company has only one identifiable business segment viz. News Publishing and Broadcasting Business.

The Company's investments in associates i.e. Today Merchandise Private Limited (TMPL) and Today Retail Network Private Limited (TRNPL) were tested for impairment as per Ind-AS 36 - "Impairment of Assets" as at 31 March, 2024, and basis the valuation carried out by an independent valuer, provision had been made towards impairment in the value of investments in TMPL as mentioned below. Further, the Company has recovered and written back the amounts mentioned below to the standalone statement of profit and loss, which were provided for in earlier years:

	Nine month	Nine months ended on Unaudited		
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	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23	31-Mar-24	
Recovery of bad and doubtful receivable from TMPL	800	360	360	
Impairment of investment in associates - TMPL			(1,096)	
Recovery of bad and doubtful receivable - other party		415	415	
Total gain / (loss)	800	775	(321)	

- 4 a) The Board at its meeting held on 27 September, 2024, approved issuance of fully convertible Warrants on preferential basis for an amount not exceeding Rs. 20,000 lakhs. Upon receipt of requisite approvals and receipt of 25% of the Warrant Issue Price ('Warrant Subscription Price"), aggregating to Rs. 5,000 Lakhs, the Company allotted 13,33,33,333 (Thirteen Crores Thirty-Three Lakhs Thirty Three Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Three Only) fully convertible warrants on a preferential basis to three Foreign Portfolio Investors (\*FPIs') (forming part of the Non-Promoter / Non-Promoter Group category) on 7 November, 2024. The allotment of these Warrants entitles the Allottees to seek conversion of the Warrants in one or more tranches, within a maximum period of 18 months from the date of allotment of the Warrants, upon payment of Warrant Exercise Price of Rs. 11.25/- per Warrant (which is 75% of the Warrant Issue Price) into fully paid-up Equity Share of the Company on a 1:1 basis, at a price of Rs. 15/- per share (including a premium of Rs. 14/- per share), against each Warrant
  - b) Subsequent to the quarter / nine months ended 31 December, 2024, the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 13 January, 2025, inter-alia approved raising of funds through all permitted instruments, including but not limited to, by way of issuance of equity shares/ convertible bonds/ debentures/ warrants/ preference shares/ foreign currency convertible bond (FCCB) / any other equity linked securities and/ or any other securities including through preferential issue on a private placement basis, qualified institutional placement or any other methods or combinations thereof, listed or unlisted, for an amount not exceeding Rs. 40,000 Lakhs, in one or more tranches, subject to such approvals as may be required including that of shareholders / regulatory and statutory approvals. The Company has sought approval from the shareholders through Postal Ballot in this regard.
- 5 The Company had allotted 135,000,000 warrants on 5 January, 2022 to Asian Satellite Broadcast Private Limited, a Promoter Group entity, on a preferential basis, at an issue price of Rs. 12.20 per warrant (including premium of Rs. 11.20), in terms of applicable provisions. The said Warrants were inter-se transferred to Elitecast Media Limited ('Elitecast'), another promoter group entity. Subsequently, Elitecast informed that pursuant to the Order(s) passed by Hon'ble Delhi High Court, Debt Recovery Tribunal (DRT) and other courts, Elitecast had been directed to maintain status quo in respect of the said Warrants and accordingly upon advise of the Board, the Company filed appropriate application with SEBI to seek relaxation / extension for receiving the Warrant Exercise Price from Elitecast. SEBI vide its communication dated 24 August, 2023 has advised the company that it may seek the said relaxation / extension post final Order of Hon'ble DRT in the said matter and Company to abide by directions of Hon'ble DRT in this regard.
- 6 The Company has incurred a loss of Rs. 7,767 lakhs during the nine months ended 31 December, 2024 and Rs. 8,599 lakhs during the year ended 31 March, 2024, and the Working Capital stands negative as at these dates. To address the same, the Company has been taking various steps including cost rationalization measures and has obtained credit period extension to discharge some of its contractual obligations. Further, the Company has met all its debt and interest obligations payable to its lenders / banks and financial institutions and has a healthy net worth as at 31 December, 2024. As mentioned in note 4(a), the Company has received warrant subscription price against allotment of fully convertible warrants. Additionally, the Company has sought approval from shareholders for raising funds for an amount not exceeding Rs. 40,000 lakhs subsequent to the quarter / nine months ended 31 December, 2024, as mentioned in note 4(b). Further, as mentioned in note 5, subject to Order of the Hon'ble DRT and other courts, the Company expects receiving the balance monies towards 135,000,000 share warrants issued to a Promoter Group entity. The Company's business plan for the current financial year, as approved by the Board of Directors, exhibits plans to secure higher revenues thereby improving

The Company believes that the aforementioned capital infusion in addition to the cost rationalisation measures along with business plan will enable it to settle its liabilities as they fall due, and accordingly, these unaudited standalone financial results have been prepared on a going concern basis

7 The Company has incorporated a Wholly Owned Subsidiary Company viz. 'Zee Media Inc' on 4 April, 2024, in the State of Delaware, United States of America. Pending approvals for Overseas Direct Investment (ODI), no investment has been made by the Company till 31 December, 2024.

ee Media Corporation Limited

Dinesh Kumar Garg Executive Director - Finance and CFO

DIN: 02048097



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Consolidated Financial Results for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December, 2024

Rs. / lakhs

		(	Nine months ended on Unaudited		Year ended on Audited		
S. No.		Unaudited					
		31-Dec-24	30-Sep-24	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-24	31-Dec-23	31-Mar-24
1	Revenue from operations	15,945	13,070	16,731	46,611	45,931	63,829
2	Other income	133	242	319	514	918	2,474
	Total Revenue   1 + 2	16,078	13,312	17,050	47,125	46,849	66,303
3	Expenses						
	(a) Operating costs	3,548	3,238	4,308	10,059	11,771	15,254
	(b) Employee benefits expense	5,345	5,586	6,274	16,445	19,015	24,847
	(c) Finance costs	782	739	493	2,309	1,574	2,414
	(d) Depreciation and amortisation expense	2,988	3,013	1,919	9,024	5,794	8,494
	(e) Other expenses	6,403	7,389	8,692	21,124	21,684	27,646
	Total Expenses [ 3(a) to 3(e) ]	19,066	19,965	21,686	58,961	59,838	78,655
4	Profit / (loss) before share of profit / (loss) of associates, exceptional item and taxes [1 + 2 - 3]	(2,988)	(6,653)	(4,636)	(11,836)	(12,989)	(12,352)
5	Share of profit / (loss) of associates			(5)	-	35	28
6	Profit / (loss) before exceptional items and tax [4+5]	(2,988)	(6,653)	(4,641)	(11,836)	(12,954)	(12,324)
7	Exceptional items (net) (Refer Note 3)	-			800	775	(350
8	Profit / (loss) before tax [6+7]	(2,988)	(6,653)	(4,641)	(11,036)	(12,179)	(12,674
9	Tax expense		1				
	a) Current tax	44	(11)	39	88	92	106
	b) Deferred tax charge / (credit)	(790)	(1,656)	(1,089)	(2,858)	(3,079)	(2,937
	Total tax expense [ 9(a) + 9(b) ]	(746)	(1,667)	(1,050)	(2,770)	(2,987)	(2,831
10	Profit / (loss) after tax[ 8 - 9 ]	(2,242)	(4,986)	(3,591)	(8,266)	(9,192)	(9,843
11	Other comprehensive income / (loss)					5 8	
	(a) Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss (net of tax)						
	Remeasurement gain / (loss) of defined benefit obligation	56	17	23	70	(0)	40
	Share of other comprehensive income of associates				-		0
	(b) Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss (net of tax)					1112	
	Exchange differences on translation of financial results of foreign operations	-			-	-	-
	Other comprehensive income / (loss) (net of tax)	56	17	23	70	(0)	40
.12	Total comprehensive income / (loss) [ 10 + 11 ]	(2,186)	(4,969)	(3,568)	(8,196)	(9,192)	(9,803
13	Profit / (loss) for the period attributable to :						
	Owners of the parent	(2,242)	(4,986)	(3,591)	(8,266)	(9,192)	(9,843
14	Total comprehensive income / (loss) attributable to :					W-0.000	
	Owners of the parent	(2,186)	(4,969)	(3,568)	(8,196)	(9,192)	(9,803
15	Paid up equity share capital of Re. 1/- each	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254	6,254
16	Other equity						22,676
17	Earnings per share (of Re. 1/- each) (not annualised)						
	- Basic (Rs.)	(0.36)	(0.79)	(0.57)	(1.32)	(1.47)	(1.57
	- Diluted (Rs.)	(0.36)	(0.79)	(0.57)	(1.32)	(1.47)	(1.57



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Rs / lakhs

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- 6 The Holding Company has incorporated a Wholly Owned Subsidiary Company viz. 'Zee Media Inc' on April 4, 2024, in the State of Delaware, United States of America. Pending approvals for Overseas Direct Investment (ODI), no investment has been made by the Holding Company till 31 December, 2024. Further, the Holding Company has incorporated another Wholly Owned Subsidiary Company viz. 'Pinews Digital Private Limited' in India on July 3, 2024. Accordingly, the Holding Company has the following Subsidiaries and Associates as at 31 December, 2024:

Name of the Company	Relationship
Zee Akaash News Private Limited	Subsidiary
Indiadotcom Digital Private Limited	Subsidiary
Pinews Digital Private Limited	Subsidiary
Today Merchandise Private Limited	Associate
Today Retail Network Private Limited	Associate





The Group has incurred a loss of Rs. 8,266 lakhs during the nine months ended 31 December, 2024, and Rs. 9,843 lakhs during the year ended 31 March, 2024, and the Working Capital stands negative as at these dates. To address the same, the Group has been taking various steps including cost rationalization measures and has obtained credit period extension to discharge some of its contractual obligations. Further, the Group has met all its debt and interest obligations payable to its lenders / banks and financial institutions and has a healthy net worth as at 31 December, 2024. As mentioned in note 4(a), the Holding Company has received warrant subscription price against allotment of fully convertible warrants. Additionally, the Holding Company has sought approval from shareholders for raising funds for an amount not exceeding Rs. 40,000 lakhs subsequent to the quarter / nine months ended 31 December, 2024, as mentioned in note 4(b). Further, as mentioned in note 5, subject to Order of the Hon'ble DRT and other courts, the Holding Company expects receiving the balance monies towards 135,000,000 share warrants issued to a Promoter Group entity. The Group's business plan for the current financial year, as approved by the Board of Directors, exhibits plans to secure higher revenues thereby improving operational cash flows.

The Holding Company believes that the aforementioned capital infusion in addition to the cost rationalisation measures along with business plan will enable it to settle its liabilities as they fall due, and accordingly, these unaudited consolidated financial results have been prepared on a

going concern basis.

or Zee Media Corporation Limited

Dinesh Kumar Garg Executive Director - Finance and CFO

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Noida, 11 February, 2025

## **FORD RHODES PARKS & COLLP**

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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Independent Auditor's Review Report

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To
The Board of Directors,
Zee Media Corporation Limited

Re: Limited Review Report for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024

- 1. We have reviewed the accompanying Statement of unaudited standalone financial results of Zee Media Corporation Limited (the "Company") for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 ("the Statement") being submitted by the Company pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended.
- 2. This Statement, which is the responsibility of the Company's Management and approved by the Company's Board of Directors, has been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" ("Ind AS 34"), prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with rules issued thereunder and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Statement based on our review.
- 3. We conducted our review of the Statement in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements (SRE) 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Standards on Auditing specified under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.
- 4. Based on our review conducted as above, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Statement prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in the aforesaid Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) and other recognised accounting principles generally accepted in India, has not disclosed the information required to be disclosed in terms of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, including the manner in which it is to be disclosed, or that it contains any material misstatement.

A Partnership Firm with Registration No: BA61078 converted into a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) namely FORD RHODES PARKS & CO LLP w.e.f August 4, 2015 - LLP Identification No. AAE4990

Also at: BENGALURU - CHENNAI - KOLKATA - HYDERABAD

#### **FORD RHODES PARKS & CO LLP**

5. Material uncertainty related to going concern

As stated in Note 6 of the Statement, the Company has incurred a loss of Rs. 7,767 lakhs during the nine months ended 31 December 2024 and Rs. 8,599 lakhs during the year ended 31 March, 2024, and the working capital stands negative as at these dates. These conditions indicate existence of material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. However, considering the Board of Directors' approved business plan for the current financial year, capital infusion measures, cost rationalisation measures along with other measures taken by the Company as stated in the said note, these unaudited standalone financial results have been prepared on going concern basis.

Our conclusion on the Statement is not modified in respect of this matter.

6. Other Matter

The Company had allotted 135,000,000 warrants on 5 January 2022 to Asian Satellite Broadcast Private Limited, a Promoter Group entity, on a preferential basis, at an issue price of Rs. 12.20 per warrant (including premium of Rs. 11.20), in terms of applicable provisions. The said Warrants were inter-se transferred to Elitecast Media Limited ('Elitecast'), another promoter group entity. Subsequently, Elitecast informed the Company that pursuant to the Order(s) passed by Hon'ble Delhi High Court, Debt Recovery Tribunal (DRT) and other courts, Elitecast had been directed to maintain status quo in respect of the said Warrants and accordingly upon advise of the Board, the Company filed appropriate application with SEBI to seek relaxation / extension for receiving the Warrant Exercise Price from Elitecast. SEBI vide its communication dated 24 August, 2023 has advised the Company that it may seek the said relaxation/extension post final Order of Hon'ble DRT in the said matter and Company to abide by directions of Hon'ble DRT in this regard.

For Ford Rhodes Parks & Co. LLP

Chartered Accountants

Firm Registration Number: 102860W/W100089

Nitin Jain

Partner

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Noida, 11 February 2025

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## Independent Auditor's Review Report

To, The Board of Directors, Zee Media Corporation Limited

Re: Limited Review Report for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024

- 1. We have reviewed the accompanying Statement of unaudited consolidated financial results of Zee Media Corporation Limited ("the Holding Company"), its subsidiaries (the Holding Company and its subsidiaries together referred to as "the Group"), and its share of the net profit/(loss) after tax and total comprehensive income/(loss) of its associates for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 ("the Statement") being submitted by the Holding Company pursuant to the requirement of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended.
- 2. This Statement, which is the responsibility of the Holding Company's Management and approved by the Holding Company's Board of Directors, has been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" ("Ind AS 34"), prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with rules issued thereunder and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Statement based on our review.
- 3. We conducted our review of the Statement in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements (SRE) 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all opinion.

We also performed procedures in accordance with the circular issued by the SEBI under Regulation 33(8) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, to the extent applicable.

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## FORD RHODES PARKS & CO LLP

4. The Statement includes the results of the following entities:

Holding Company - Zee Media Corporation Limited

Wholly owned subsidiary - Zee Akaash News Private Limited, Indiadotcom Digital Private Limited and Pinews Digital Private Limited

Associates - Today Retail Network Private Limited and Today Merchandise Private Limited

5. Based on our review conducted and procedures performed as stated in Paragraph 3 above, and based on the consideration of the review reports of the other auditors referred to in Paragraph 7 (i) below, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying Statement, prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in the aforesaid Indian Accounting Standard and other accounting disclosed in terms of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, including the manner in which it is to be disclosed, or that it contains any material misstatement.

6. Material uncertainty related to going concern

As stated in Note 7 of the Statement, the Group has incurred a loss of Rs. 8,266 lakhs during the nine months ended 31 December 2024, and Rs. 9,843 lakhs during the year ended 31 March, 2024, and the working capital stands negative as at these dates. These conditions indicate existence of material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. However, considering the business plan for the current financial year approved by the Board of Directors of the Holding Company, capital infusion measures, cost rationalisation measures along with other measures taken by the Holding Company as stated in the said note, these unaudited consolidated financial results have been prepared on going concern basis.

Our conclusion on the Statement is not modified in respect of this matter.

## 7. Other matters

- reflect total revenues of Rs. 3,294 lakhs and Rs 9,970 lakhs for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 respectively, loss after tax of Rs 343 lakhs and Rs 720 lakhs for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 respectively and total comprehensive loss of Rs. 336 lakhs and Rs 703 lakhs for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024 respectively and interim financial results of two associates which reflects Group's share of loss after tax / total comprehensive loss of Rs. Nil for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024, as considered in the Statement. These interim financial results have been reviewed by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us by the Management and our conclusion on the Statement, in so far as it relates to the based solely on the reports of other auditors and the procedures performed by us as stated in Paragraph 3 above.
- ii) The Statement includes the interim financial results of a subsidiary which is certified by the management, whose interim financial results reflect total revenues, profit after tax and total comprehensive income of Rs. Nil for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2024.

Our conclusion on the Statement is not modified in respect of the above matters.

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iii) The Holding Company had allotted 135,000,000 warrants on 5 January 2022 to Asian Satellite Broadcast Private Limited, a Promoter Group entity, on a preferential basis, at an issue price of Rs. 12.20 per warrant (including premium of Rs. 11.20), in terms of applicable provisions. The said Warrants were inter-se transferred to Elitecast Media Limited ('Elitecast'), another promoter group entity. Subsequently, Elitecast informed the Holding Company that pursuant to the Order(s) passed by Hon'ble Delhi High Court and other courts, Elitecast had been directed to maintain status quo in respect of the said Warrants and accordingly upon advise of the Board, the Holding Company filed appropriate application with SEBI to seek relaxation / extension for receiving the Warrant Exercise Price from Elitecast. SEBI vide its communication dated 24 August, 2023 has advised the Holding Company that it may seek the said relaxation/extension post final Order of Hon'ble DRT in the said matter and the Holding Company to abide by directions of Hon'ble DRT in this regard.

For Ford Rhodes Parks & Co. LLP Chartered Accountants Firm Registration No. 102860W/W100089

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Membership Number 215336

Noida, 11 February 2025

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# B. STATEMENT ON DEVIATION OR VARIATION FOR PROCEEDS OF PUBLIC ISSUE, RIGHTS ISSUE, PREFERENTIAL ISSUE, QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONS PLACEMENT ETC.

1. Statement on deviation / variation in utilisation of funds raised

Name of listed entity	Zee Media (	Corporation Limited				
Mode of Fund Raising	Prefere	ential Warrants				
Date of Raising Funds	7 Nov	vember 2024				
Amount Raised	Rs. 4	19.99 Crores				
Report filed for Quarter ended	31 De	cember 2024				
Monitoring Agency	A	pplicable				
Monitoring Agency Name, if applicable	CARE F	Ratings Limited				
Is there a Deviation / Variation in use of funds raised	No					
If yes, whether the same is pursuant to change in terms of a contract or objects, which was approved by the shareholders	Not	applicable				
If Yes, Date of shareholder Approval	Not	applicable				
Explanation for the Deviation / Variation	Not	applicable				
Comments of the Audit Committee after review	Not	applicable				
Comments of the auditors, if any	Not	applicable				
Objects for which funds have been raised and where there has been a deviation, in the following able						
Original Object	Modified Object, if any	Original Allocation	Modified allocation, if any	Funds Utilised	Amount of Deviation/Variation for the quarter according to applicable object	Remarks if any
Payment of current liabilities, Capital Expenditure and General Corporate Purpose	Not applicable	Rs. 49.99 Crores	Not applicable	Rs. 49.99 Crores	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Deviation or variation could mean:

(a) Deviation in the objects or purposes for which the funds have been raised or

(b) Deviation in the amount of funds actually utilized as against what was originally disclosed or

(c) Change in terms of a contract referred to in the fund raising document i.e. prospectus, letter of offer, etc.

Dinesh Kumar Garg

Executive Director - Finance and CFO DIN: 02048097

C. Format for Disclosing Outstanding Default on Loans and Debt Securities: There has been no default during the quarter under review.

D. Format for Disclosure of Related Party Transaction (applicable only for half-yearly filings (i.e. 2nd and 4th quarter)): Not applicable

E. Statement of Impact od Audit Qualifications (For Audit Report with Modified Opinion) Submitted Along with Annual Audited Financial Results (Standalone and Consolidated Separately) (applicable only for Annual Filing i.e. 4th quarter) - Not applicable