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21st February, 2019

BSE Limited  
Corporate Relationship Department  
PJ Towers, Mumbai - 400 001

National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.  
Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex  
Bandra (East), Mumbai – 51

COMPANY CODE No. **524735**

SYMBOL: **HIKAL**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Notice of Postal Ballot

Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations 2015, we are enclosing herewith Postal Ballot Notice which is being sent to Members of the Company for seeking their consent by passing special resolutions for re-appointment of independent Directors as detailed in the enclosed Notice.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,  
For Hikal Ltd.

Mukund Mujumdar  
AGM - Secretarial

**Hikal Ltd.**

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**POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE****HIKAL LTD**

Registered Office :  
717/ 718, Maker Chambers V,  
7th Floor, Nariman Point,  
Mumbai - 400 021

**Notice pursuant to Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013**

Dear Shareholders,

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Management and Administration), Rules 2014 to the members of Hikal Limited to transact the following **Special Business** by passing the Special Resolutions through Postal Ballot.

**1. Re-appointment of Mr. Prakash Mehta as Independent Director.**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, the following resolution as **Special Resolution:**

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") 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 Act, Regulation 16(1)(b) and Regulation 17(1A) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, approval of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded for re-appointment & continuation of Mr. Prakash Mehta (DIN : 00001366), who has attained the age of 75 years, as an Independent Director of the Company for a second consecutive term of 5 (five) years with effect from 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2024 and that he shall not be liable to retire by rotation."

**2. Re-appointment of Mr. Kannan Unni as Independent Director.**

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, the following resolution as **Special Resolution:**

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") 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 Act, Regulation 16(1)(b) and Regulation 17(1A) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, approval of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded for re-appointment & continuation of Mr. Kannan Unni (DIN : 00227858), who has attained the age of 75 years, as an Independent Director of the Company for a second consecutive term of 5 (five) years with effect from 1st April 2019 to 31st March 2024 and that he shall not be liable to retire by rotation."

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By Order of the Board of Directors  
for **HIKAL LTD**

Dated: 1st February, 2019

**Sham Wahalekar**  
Company Secretary



**POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE****NOTES:**

1. An explanatory statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 in respect of the business specified above is annexed hereto.
2. The Company has appointed Shri Ashish C. Bhatt, Practicing Company Secretary as Scrutinizer to conduct the Postal Ballot process in a fair and transparent manner.
3. This notice is being sent to all the Members, whose names appear on the Register of Members / List of Beneficial Owners as received from the National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) / Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) as on **18th February 2019**.
4. The Members are requested to carefully read the instructions printed in the Postal Ballot Form, fill up the Form and return the Form duly completed with the assent (for) or dissent (against), in the enclosed postage pre-paid self-addressed envelope, so as to reach the Scrutinizer, before the closing of working hours on **25th March 2019**; to be eligible for being considered, failing which, it will be strictly treated as if no reply has been received from the Member.
5. In compliance with the provisions of Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Company is also offering e-voting option to all the Members. For this purpose, the Company has signed an agreement with CDSL for facilitating e-voting and is pleased to offer e-voting facility as an alternate, to its shareholders to enable them to cast their votes electronically instead of exercising their votes by physical Postal Ballot forms.
6. In line with the "Green Initiative in the Corporate Governance" launched by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs allowing paperless compliances by recognizing emails as one of the modes of services of Notice/documents on the Shareholders, the Company is sending this Notice electronically on the registered e-mail addresses as opted by the Members. The Company is dispatching Postal Ballot Form to those shareholders who have not opted for Green initiative in accordance with the law.
7. The Scrutinizer will submit the report to Mr. Jai Hiremath / Mr. Ranjit Shahani, Designated Directors of the company after completion of the scrutiny and the results of the Postal Ballot will be announced on or before Wednesday, **27th March 2019**, at the Registered Office of the Company. The results of the Postal Ballot will be posted on the Company's website at [www.hikal.com](http://www.hikal.com) for information of the members, besides being communicated to the Stock Exchanges on which the shares of the Company are listed. The date of declaration of the Postal Ballot results will be taken as the date of passing the Resolutions.
8. The Scrutinizer's decision on the validity of the Postal Ballot shall be final.

**The instructions for shareholders voting electronically are as under:**

- (i) The voting period begins on 24th February, 2019 at 9.00 A.M. and ends on 25th March, 2019 at 5.00 P.M. During this period shareholders' of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date (record date) of 18th February, 2019 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website [www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com).
- (iii) Click on Shareholders.



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- (iv) Now Enter your User ID
- For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
  - For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
  - Members holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
- (v) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- (vi) 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 voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- (vii) If you are a first time user follow the steps given below:

<b>For Members holding shares in Demat Form and Physical Form</b>	
PAN	<p>Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the first two letters of their name and the 8 digits of the sequence number, which is mentioned as serial number on the Postal Ballot Form, in the PAN field.</li> <li>In case the sequence number is less than 8 digits enter the applicable number of 0's before the number after the first two characters of the name in CAPITAL letters. Eg. If your name is Ramesh Kumar with sequence number 1 then enter RA00000001 in the PAN field.</li> </ul>
Dividend Bank Details <b>OR</b> Date of Birth (DOB)	<p>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.</p> <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 as mentioned in instruction (iv).</li> </ul>

- (viii) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (ix) Members holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, members holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. 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.
- (x) For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e- voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (xi) Click on the EVSN for the relevant <Company Name> on which you choose to vote.
- (xii) 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.



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- (xiii) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (xiv) 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.
- (xv) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xvi) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xvii) 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.
- (xviii) Shareholders can also cast their vote using CDSL's mobile app m-Voting available for android based mobiles. The m-Voting app can be downloaded from Google Play Store. iPhone and Windows phone users can download the app from the App Store and the Windows Phone Store respectively. Please follow the instructions as prompted by the mobile app while voting on your mobile.

**(xix) Note for Non – Individual Shareholders and Custodians**

Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodian are required to log on to [www.evotingindia.com](http://www.evotingindia.com) and register themselves as Corporates.

A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to [helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com](mailto:helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com).

- 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.

The list of accounts linked in the login should be mailed to [helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com](mailto:helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com) and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.

- 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.

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

- (xx) Members have option to vote either through e-voting or through Ballot Form. If a member has opted for e-voting, then he/she should not vote by Postal Ballot also and vice-a-versa. However, in case members cast their vote both via physical ballot and e-voting, then voting through e-voting shall prevail and voting done by Physical Postal Ballot shall be treated as invalid.



**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013****Item No. 1**

The Members of the Company on 26th August 2014, appointed Mr. Prakash Mehta (DIN : 00001366) as Independent Director of the Company for a term of five years commencing from 26th August 2014. As per Section 149(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act), an Independent Director shall hold office for a term of upto five consecutive years on the Board of Directors of a Company, but shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term of upto five consecutive years with approval of shareholders obtained by way of passing a special resolution by the Company. Pursuant to Regulation 17(1A) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended (SEBI - LODR), a person who has attained the age of seventy five years may be appointed/continue as a non-executive Director of a listed company subject to approval of its shareholders by way of a special resolution. Regulation 17(1A) of the SEBI - LODR will come into effect from 1st April, 2019.

Based on the recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 1st February 2019 has, subject to approval of shareholders, re-appointed Mr. Prakash Mehta, who has attained the age of 75 years on 12th February 2017, as an Independent Director for second term of 5 (five) years with effect from 1st April 2019 upto 31st March 2024.

Mr. Prakash Mehta shall not be liable to retire by rotation at every Annual General Meeting. Company has received declaration under Section 149 of the Act from him.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee on the basis of performance evaluation and other eligibility criterions such as experience, skills, knowledge etc., has recommended the appointment of Mr. Prakash Mehta.

In the opinion of the Board, Mr. Mehta fulfils the conditions specified in the Act and rules made thereunder for his appointment as an Independent Director of the Company and is independent of the management.

The Board considers that continued association of Mr. Mehta would be of immense benefit to the Company and it is desirable to continue to avail his services as an Independent Director. He brings a wealth of knowledge covering all facets of the Industry & Business and will add significant value to the future growth and strategy of the Company.

The Directors recommend the resolution mentioned at item No.1 to the members for being passed as special resolution.

Mr. Prakash Mehta may be deemed to be interested in the resolution as mentioned in this notice, since the same relates to his re-appointment as Independent (non-executive) Director of the Company.

Copy of the draft letter for appointment of Mr. Mehta as an Independent Director setting out the terms and conditions would be available for inspection without any fee by the members at the Registered Office of the Company during normal business hours on any working day (excluding Saturday & Sunday).

None of the other Directors and/or Key Management Personnel of the Company and their relatives, is interested or concerned in the proposed resolution.

**Item No. 2**

The Members of the Company on 26th August 2014, appointed Mr. Kannan Unni (DIN : 00227858) as Independent Director of the Company for a term of five years commencing from 26th August 2014. As per Section 149(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act), an Independent Director shall hold office for a term of upto five consecutive years on the Board of Directors of a Company, but shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term of upto five consecutive years with approval of shareholders obtained by way of passing a special resolution by the Company. Pursuant to Regulation 17(1A) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure



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Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended (SEBI - LODR), a person who has attained the age of seventy five years may be appointed/continue as a non-executive Director of a listed company subject to approval of its shareholders by way of a special resolution. Regulation 17(1A) of the SEBI - LODR will come into effect from 1st April, 2019.

Based on the recommendation of Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 1st February 2019 has, subject to approval of shareholders, re-appointed Mr. Kannan Unni, who has attained the age of 75 years on 15th July 2016, as an Independent Director for second term of 5 (five) years with effect from 1st April, 2019 upto 31st March 2024.

Mr. Kannan Unni shall not be liable to retire by rotation at every Annual General Meeting. Company has received declaration under Section 149 of the Act from him.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee on the basis of performance evaluation and other eligibility criterions such as experience, skills, knowledge etc., has recommended the appointment of Mr. Kannan Unni.

In the opinion of the Board, Mr. Unni fulfils the conditions specified in the Act and rules made thereunder for his appointment as an Independent Director of the Company and is independent of the management.

The Board considers that continued association of Mr. Unni would be of immense benefit to the Company and it is desirable to continue to avail his services as an Independent Director. He brings a wealth of knowledge covering all facets of Business, Finance & commercial activities and will add significant value to the future growth and strategy of the Company.

The Directors recommend the resolution mentioned at item Nos. 2 to the members for being passed as special resolution.

Mr. Unni may be deemed to be interested in the resolution as mentioned in this notice, since the same relates to his re-appointment as Independent (non-executive) Director of the Company.

Copy of the draft letter for appointment of Mr. Unni as an Independent Director setting out the terms and conditions would be available for inspection without any fee by the members at the Registered Office of the Company during normal business hours on any working day (excluding Saturday & Sunday).

None of the other Directors and/or Key Management Personnel of the Company and their relatives, is interested or concerned in the proposed resolution.

Details of Directors seeking appointments / re-appointment

(pursuant to regulation 36 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015)

Name of Director	Mr. Prakash Mehta	Mr. Kannan Unni
Directors Identification No.	00001366	00227858
Date of Birth	12th February 1942	15th July 1941
Date of appointment	1st June 1994	12th May 2000
Qualification	LLB, Mumbai.	BA - Agriculture, MBA (Jamnalal Bajaj Institute of Management, Mumbai), Diploma in Marketing Management (Mumbai) IMEDE - Loussanne, Switzerland.
Experience in specific functional area	Business, Industry & Legal matters.	Vast experience in business, finance & commercial activities.



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Additional Information	Mr. Prakash V Mehta is Advocate, Notary & Solicitor by profession and a Senior Partner in Malvi Ranchoddas & Co. He is a member of Managing Committee of Bombay Incorporated Law Society.	Mr. Kannan Unni is one of the pioneers in crop protection with over 50 years of experience in the crop protection and animal health industry. Mr. Unni worked in multiple capacities in Hoechst, AgrEvo, Aventis CropScience and Bayer CropScience Group. He was the Chairman and Managing Director of Bilag Industries, a 100% Bayer CropScience - owned company. Mr. Unni has technical and commercial experience in the agricultural and animal health businesses, having worked in a variety of roles.
Relationship with any Director(s) of the Company		
Directorship in other Public Limited Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mukand Sumi Special Steel Ltd.</li> <li>• Mukand Ltd.</li> <li>• Bombay Incorporated Law Society</li> <li>• Bharat Bijlee Ltd.</li> <li>• Mukand Engineers Ltd.</li> <li>• Oriental Aromatics Ltd.</li> <li>• Omega Management Services Ltd.</li> <li>• Advani Hotels &amp; Resorts (India) Ltd.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tanfac Industries Ltd.</li> <li>• T Stanes &amp; Co. Ltd.</li> <li>• Stanes Agencies Ltd.</li> </ul>
Member / Chairman of the committees of the Board of the Public Limited Companies on which he is a Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advani Hotels &amp; Resorts (India) Ltd. : Audit Committee (Chairman)</li> <li>• Bharat Bijlee Ltd. : Stakeholders Relationship Committee (Chairman), Audit Committee (Member)</li> <li>• Oriental Aromatics Ltd. : Audit Committee (Member)</li> <li>• Mukand Ltd.: Audit Committee (Member)</li> <li>• Mukand Engineers Ltd.: Audit Committee (Chairman)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tanfac Industries Ltd. : Audit Committee (Chairman)</li> </ul>
Number of shares held in the Company	14,775	20,000

Registered Office:  
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Mumbai - 400 021

Dated: 1st February, 2019

Encl: 1) Self-addressed and pre-paid postage envelop  
2) Postal Ballot Form

By Order of the Board of Directors  
for **HIKAL LTD**

**Sham Wahalekar**  
Company Secretary



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**POSTAL BALLOT FORM**

**HIKAL LTD.**

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 CIN : L24200MH1988PTC048028

**Serial No.:**

Name and Registered Address of the  
 Sole/ First named Shareholder / Member :

Name(s) of the Joint Shareholder(s) /  
 Member(s), if any, (in block letters) :

Registered Fólío No./ :

DP ID No./ Client ID No. \*  
 (\*Applicable to members holding  
 shares in dematerialized form)

Number of share(s) held :

I/We hereby cast my / our votes in respect of the following Resolutions to be passed through Postal Ballot for the business stated in the Notice dated 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019 of the Company by conveying my / our assent / dissent to the said Resolutions by placing the tick (✓) mark in the appropriate box below:

Sr. No.	Description	No. of Shares	I/We assent to the resolution (For)	I/We dissent to the resolution (Against)
1.	Special Resolution under Section 149, 150 & 152 of the Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time, to seek the shareholders /members approval to re-appoint and continue Mr. Prakash Mehta (DIN : 00001366) as Independent Director of the Company for the period of 5 (five) years commencing from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024.			
2.	Special Resolution under Section 149, 150 & 152 of the Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time, to seek the shareholders /members approval to re-appoint and continue Mr. Kannan Unni (DIN : 00227858) as Independent Director of the Company for the period of 5 (five) years commencing from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024.			

Date

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 (Signature of the Shareholder/Member)

Notes: (i) If the voting rights are exercised electronically, there is no need to use this form.  
 (ii) Please read carefully the instructions printed overleaf before exercising your vote.



**POSTAL BALLOT FORM****INSTRUCTIONS**

1. A Shareholder/ Member desiring to exercise his/her vote by Postal Ballot may complete this Postal Ballot Form and send it to the Scrutinizer in the attached self-addressed postage pre-paid envelope. However, envelopes containing Postal Ballot Forms if deposited in person or sent by courier at the expense of the shareholder will also be accepted.
2. Please convey your assent/dissent in this Postal Ballot Form. The assent/dissent received in any other form shall not be considered valid.
3. The self-addressed envelope bears the name and address of the Scrutinizer appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company.
4. This Postal Ballot Form should be completed and signed by the Shareholder/ Member. In case of joint-holding, this Form should be completed and signed as per the specimen signature registered with the Company/Depository Participants by the first named Shareholder and in his/her absence, by the next named Shareholder/Member.
5. Unsigned Postal Ballot Forms will be rejected. The Scrutinizer's decision on the validity of the Postal Ballot shall be final and binding.
6. In case of shares held by companies, trusts, societies etc., the duly completed Postal Ballot Form should be accompanied by a certified true copy of Board resolution/Authority together with attested specimen signature(s) of the authorised signatory(ies).
7. A Shareholder/Member need not use all his/her votes nor he/she needs to cast all his/her votes in the same way.
8. Duly completed Postal Ballot Form should be received by the Scrutinizer not later than the close of working hours on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Postal Ballot Forms received after this date will be treated as if no reply from the Shareholders/Member has been received.
9. Voting rights shall be reckoned on the paid-up value of the shares registered in the name of the Shareholders/Members on the date of dispatch of the notice.
10. The Scrutiniser will submit his final report as soon as possible after the last date of receipt for Postal Ballot but not later than Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019.
11. Shareholders/Members are requested not to send any other paper along with the Postal Ballot Form in the enclosed self addressed postage pre-paid envelope addressed to the Scrutinizer and any extraneous paper found in such envelope would be destroyed by the Scrutinizer.