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September 1, 2020

#### **BSE Limited**

Corporate Relationship Department, 1st Floor, New Trading Ring, Rotunda Building, P.J Towers, Dalal Street, Fort, Mumbai – 400 001

Scrip Code: 509438

Sub: Notice of the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company as required under Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations")

Dear Sirs,

Pursuant to Regulation 30 read with Para A, Part A of Schedule III, of SEBI Listing Regulations, attached herewith is the Notice of the 49<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Company to be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 3.00 p.m. (IST) via two-way Video Conference / Other Audio Visual Means. The said Notice forms part of the Annual Report 2019-20.

The Annual Report for the Financial Year 2019-20 is also available on the website of the Company at <a href="https://www.benareshotelslimited.com">www.benareshotelslimited.com</a>.

You are requested to kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

for Benares Hotels Limited

Vanika Mahajan Company Secretary

Registered Office: Nadesar Palace Compound, Varanasi - 221 002 Tel.: 0542 666 0001

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# Notice to the Members

Notice is hereby given that the Forty Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Members of BENARES HOTELS LIMITED will be held on Tuesday, 29th September, 2020 at 3.00 p.m. through Video Conferencing ('VC') / Other Audio Visual Means ('OAVM') to transact the following business:

#### ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2020 together with the Reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors thereon.
- 2. To declare a dividend on Equity Shares for the financial year 2019-2020.
- To appoint a Director in place of Dr. Anant Narian Singh (DIN 00114728), who retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

#### **NOTES**

1. In view of the global outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ('MCA') has vide its General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 5, 2020 in relation to 'Clarification on holding of annual general meeting (AGM) through video conferencing (VC) or other audio visual means (OAVM) read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 8, 2020 and the General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 in relation to 'Clarification on passing of ordinary and special resolutions by companies under the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder on account of the threat posed by Covid-19' (collectively referred to as 'MCA Circulars') and SEBI vide its circular dated May 12, 2020 in relation to 'Additional relaxation in relation to compliance with certain provisions of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 - Covid-19 pandemic' ('SEBI Circular') permitted the holding of the Annual General Meeting ('AGM') through VC / OAVM, without the physical presence of the Members at a common venue. In compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act'), SEBI (Listing

- Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ('SEBI Listing Regulations') and MCA Circulars, the AGM of the Company is being held through VC / OAVM on Tuesday, 29th September, 2020 at 3.00 p.m (IST).
- 2. PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT, A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE AGM IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT A PROXY TO ATTEND AND VOTE ON HIS/HER BEHALF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY. SINCE THIS AGM IS BEING HELD PURSUANT TO THE MCA CIRCULARS THROUGH VC OR OAVM, THE REQUIREMENT OF PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS HAS BEEN DISPENSED WITH. ACCORDINGLY, IN TERMS OF THE MCA CIRCULARS AND THE SEBI CIRCULAR, THE FACILITY FOR APPOINTMENT OF PROXIES BY THE MEMBERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS AGM AND HENCE THE PROXY FORM, ATTENDANCE SLIP AND ROUTE MAP OF AGM ARE NOT ANNEXED TO THIS NOTICE.
- 3. Institutional Investors, who are Members of the Company, are encouraged to attend and vote at the 49th AGM through VC/OAVM facility. Corporate Members intending to appoint their authorized representatives pursuant to Sections 112 and 113 of the Act, as the case maybe, to attend the AGM through VC or OAVM or to vote through remote e-Voting are requested to send a certified copy of the Board Resolution to the Scrutinizer by e-mail at investorrelations @tajhotels.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- 4. In case of joint holders, the Member whose name appears as the first holder in the order of names as per the Register of Members of the Company will be entitled to vote at the AGM.
- The attendance of the Members attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Act.
- 6. The Members can join the AGM in the VC/OAVM mode 30 minutes before and 15

minutes after the scheduled time of the commencement of the Meeting by following the procedure mentioned in the Notice. The Members will be able to view the proceedings on National Securities Depository Limited's ('NSDL') e-Voting website at www.evoting. nsdl.com. The facility of participation at the AGM through VC/OAVM will be made available to at least 1,000 Members on a first come first served basis as per the MCA Circulars.

7. In line with the MCA Circular dated May 5, 2020 and SEBI Circular dated May 12, 2020, the Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2019-20 is being sent only through electronic mode to those Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company / Depositories. The Notice convening the 49th AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at www.benareshotelslimited.com and may also be accessed from the relevant section of the website of the Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com. The AGM Notice is also available on the website of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com.

#### 8. Book Closure and Dividend:

The Company has fixed Tuesday, September 22, 2020 as the 'Record Date' for determining entitlement of Members to final dividend for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2020, if approved at the AGM.

The Register of Members and the Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, September 23, 2020 to Wednesday, September 30, 2020; (both days inclusive)

The dividend of ₹ 7.50 per equity share of ₹ 10 each (75%), if declared at the AGM, will be paid subject to deduction of tax at source ('TDS') on or after Friday, October 9, 2020 as under:

- a) To all the Beneficial Owners as at the end of the day on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 as per the list of beneficial owners to be furnished by the NSDL and Central Depository Services (India) Limited in respect of the shares held in electronic form; and
- b) To all Members in respect of shares held in physical form after giving effect to valid

- transmission and transposition in respect of valid requests lodged with the Company as of the close of business hours on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.
- 9. At the 47th AGM held on August 24, 2018, the Members approved appointment of PKF Sridhar and Santhanam LLP, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No. 003990S/ S200018) as Statutory Auditors of the Company to hold office for a period of five years from the conclusion of that AGM till the conclusion of the 52nd AGM, subject to ratification of their appointment by Members at every AGM, if so required under the Act. The requirement to place the matter relating to appointment of auditors for ratification by Members at every AGM has been done away by the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 with effect from May 7, 2018. Accordingly, no resolution is being proposed for ratification of appointment of Statutory Auditors at the 49th AGM.
- 10. Pursuant to the Finance Act, 2020, dividend income will be taxable in the hands of the Shareholders w.e.f. April 1, 2020 and the Company is required to deduct TDS from dividend paid to the Members at prescribed rates in the Income Tax Act, 1961 ('the IT Act'). In general, to enable compliance with TDS requirements, Members are requested to complete and / or update their Residential Status, PAN, Category as per the IT Act with their Depository Participants ('DPs') or in case shares are held in physical form, with the Company / its RTA by sending documents at its e-mail ID vinay.kumar@linkintime.co.in or update the same by visiting the link: https:// linkintime.co.in/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html on or before Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in order to enable the Company to determine and deduct appropriate TDS/ withholding tax rate. No communication/ documents on the tax determination / deduction shall be considered post 11:59 PM (IST) of Tuesday, September 15, 2020. For the detailed process, please click here: https://www.benareshotelslimited.Com/Com municationonTaxDeductiononDividend.pdf.

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11. Further, in order to receive the dividend in a timely manner, Members holding shares in physical form who have not updated their mandate for receiving the dividends directly in their bank accounts through Electronic Clearing Service or any other means, are requested to follow the below instructions and send the details latest by Tuesday, September 15, 2020:

Physical 1) Holding

Visit the link

https://linkintime.co.in/emailreg/e mail register.html under Bank detail Registration - fill in the following details relating to bank account in which the dividend is to be received:

- Name of Bank;
- Bank Account Number and
- 11 digit IFSC Code;
- a) upload a self-attested scanned copy of the PAN Card;
- b) upload a self-attested scanned copy of any document (such as AADHAR Card, Passport) in support of the address of the Member as registered with the Company;
- c) upload a self-attested scanned copy of cancelled cheque leaf bearing the name of the Member or first holder, in case shares are held jointly

Demat

Members holding shares in demat form Holding are requested to update their Electronic Bank Mandate with their respective DPs.

12. Members holding shares in electronic form may please note that their bank details as furnished by the respective Depositories to the Company will be considered for remittance of dividend as per the applicable regulations of the Depositories and the Company will not entertain any direct request from such Members for change/addition/deletion in such bank details. Accordingly, the Members holding shares in demat form are requested to update their Electronic Bank Mandate with their respective DPs. Further, please note that instructions, if any, already given by Members in respect of shares held in physical form, will not be automatically applicable to the dividend paid on shares held in electronic form.

- 13. The Members who are unable to receive the dividend directly in their bank accounts through Electronic Clearing Service or any other means, due to non-registration of the Electronic Bank Mandate, the Company shall within 30 days of normalisation of the postal services dispatch the dividend warrant/ Bankers' cheque/ demand draft to such Members.
- 14. As per Regulation 40 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from April 1, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition of securities. In view of this and to eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and for ease of portfolio management, Members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialized form. Members can contact Company's Registrars and Transfer Agent, Link Intime India Private Limited ('RTA') at delhi@ linkintime.co.in for assistance in this regard.
- 15. Transfer of Unclaimed / Unpaid dividend and Shares to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF):

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 124, 125 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act, read with the Investor Education Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 ('IEPF Rules') (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force), the amount of dividends remaining unclaimed or unpaid for a period of seven years from the date of transfer to the unpaid dividend account are liable to be transferred to the Investor Education Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA).

In pursuance of this, the dividends remaining unclaimed or unpaid in respect of dividends declared upto the financial year ended March 31, 2012 have already been transferred to the IEPF. The details of the unclaimed dividends so transferred are available on the Company's website at www.benareshotelslimited.com and on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs at www.mca.gov.in.

It may be noted that unclaimed dividends for the financial year 2012 -13 declared on August 16, 2013 is due to be transferred to the IEPF by September 2020. The same can, however, be claimed by the Members latest by the end of August 2020. Members who have not encashed the dividend warrant(s) from the financial year ended March 31, 2013 may forward their claims to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agents before they are due to be transferred to the IEPF, details of which are given in the Corporate Governance Report.

Further, in accordance with Section 124(6) of the Act, read with the IEPF Rules, all the shares in respect of which dividend has remained unclaimed or unpaid for seven consecutive years or more are required to be transferred to the demat Account of the IEPF Authority. Accordingly, all the shares in respect of which dividends were declared upto the financial years ended March 31, 2012 and remained unpaid or unclaimed were transferred to the IEPF.

The Company has sent notices to all such Members in this regard and thereafter transferred the shares to the IEPF during Financial Year 2019-20. The details of such shares transferred is available on the Company's website at www.benareshotelslimited.com.

The Members, whose unclaimed dividends or shares have been transferred to IEPF, may claim the same after complying with the procedure prescribed under the IEPF Rules, by making an application to the IEPF Authority, in Form No. IEPF-5 available on www.iepf.gov.in. The Member/Claimant can file only one consolidated claim in a financial year as per the IEPF Rules.

16. Members are requested to intimate changes, if any, pertaining to their name, postal address, email address, telephone/mobile numbers, Permanent Account Number (PAN), registering of nomination, power of attorney registration, Bank Mandate details, etc., to their DPs in case the shares are held in electronic form and to the RTA at delhi@linkintime.co.in in case the shares are held in physical form, quoting your folio no. Further, Members may note that Securities and Exchange Board of

- India ('SEBI') has mandated the submission of PAN by every participant in securities market.
- 17. To prevent fraudulent transactions, Members are advised to exercise due diligence and notify the Company of any change in address or demise of any Member as soon as possible. Members are also advised not to leave their demat account(s) dormant for long. Periodic statement of holdings should be obtained from the concerned DP and holdings should be verified from time to time.
- 18. As per the provisions of Section 72 of the Act, the facility for making nomination is available for the Members in respect of the shares held by them. Members who have not yet registered their nomination are requested to register the same by submitting Form No. SH-13. If a Member desires to cancel the earlier nomination and record fresh nomination, he/she may submit the same in Form No. SH-14. Members are requested to submit the said form to their DP in case the shares are held by them in electronic form and to the RTA at delhi@linkintime.co.in in case the shares are held in physical form, quoting your folio no.
- 19. Members holding shares in physical form, in identical order of names, in more than one folio are requested to send to the Company or RTA, the details of such folios together with the share certificates for consolidating their holdings in one folio. A consolidated share certificate will be issued to such Members after making requisite changes.
- 20. Relevant documents for inspection will be available electronically, without any fee, from the date of circulation of the Notice of AGM up to the date of AGM. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an e-mail to investorrelations@tajhotels.com stating their DP ID / Client ID / or Folio No.s
- 21. To support the 'Green Initiative', Members who have not yet registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with their Depository Participants (DPs) in case the shares are held by them in electronic form and with the Company's Registrars and Transfer Agents (Link Intime India Private Limited), in case the shares are held by them in physical form.

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- 22. Process for registering e-mail addresses to receive this Notice of AGM and Annual Report electronically and cast votes electronically:
  - (i) Registration of e-mail addresses with Link Intime India Private Limited: The Company has made special arrangements with the RTA for registration of e-mail addresses of those Members (holding shares either in electronic or physical form) who wish to receive this Notice electronically and cast votes electronically. Eligible Members whose e-mail addresses are not registered with the Company / DPs are required to provide the same to the RTA on or before 5:00 p.m. IST on Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

Process to be followed for registration of e-mail address is as follows:

a)	Visit the link: https://linkintime.co.in/emailreg/email_register.html
b)	Select the company name viz. Benares Hotels Limited;
c)	Enter the DP ID & Client ID / Physical Folio Number and PAN number. In the event the PAN details are not available on record for Physical Folio, Member to enter one of the Share Certificate numbers;
d)	Upload a self-attested copy of PAN card for authentication. If PAN details are not available in the system, the system will prompt the Member to upload a self-attested copy of the PAN card for updation;
e)	Enter your e-mail address and mobile number;
f)	The system will then confirm the e-mail address for receiving this AGM Notice.

After successful submission of the e-mail address, NSDL will e-mail a copy of this AGM Notice and Annual Report for Financial Year 2019-20 along with the e-Voting user ID and password. In case of any queries, Members may write to delhi@linkintime.co.in or evoting@nsdl.co.in.

- (ii) Registration of e-mail address permanently with Company/DP: Members are requested to register the same with their concerned DPs, in respect of electronic holding and with the RTA, in respect of physical holding, by writing to them at delhi@linkintime.co.in. Further, those Members who have already registered their e-mail addresses are requested to keep their e-mail addresses validated/updated with their DPs / RTA to enable servicing of notices / documents / Annual Reports and other communications electronically to their e-mail address in future.
- (iii) Alternatively, those Shareholders who have not registered their e-mail addresses are required to send an e-mail request to evoting@nsdl.co.in along with the following documents for procuring user id and password and registration of e-mail ids for e-Voting for the resolutions set out in this Notice:
  - In case shares are held in physical mode, please provide Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), self-attested scanned copy of PAN card, self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card.
  - In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-Client ID (8 digit DPID + 8 digit Client ID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, self-attested scanned copy of PAN card, self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card.

#### Process and manner for Members opting for e-Voting is as under:-

23. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Act read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of the SEBI Listing Regulations (as amended), and the MCA Circulars, the Company is providing facility of remote e-Voting to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM. For this purpose, the Company has entered into

- an agreement with NSDL for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-Voting system as well as remote e-Voting during the AGM will be provided by NSDL.
- 24. Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in electronic form as on the cut-off date of Tuesday, September 22, 2020 may cast their vote by remote e-Voting. The remote e-Voting period commences on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 9.00 a.m. (IST) and ends on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 5.00 p.m. (IST). The remote e-Voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, the Member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. The voting rights of the Members (for voting through remote e-Voting before the AGM and remote e-Voting during the AGM) shall be in proportion to their share of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date of Tuesday, September 22, 2020.
- 25. Members will be provided with the facility for voting through electronic voting system during the video conferencing proceedings at the AGM and Members participating at the AGM, who have not already cast their vote by remote e Voting, will be eligible to exercise their right to vote during such proceedings of the AGM. Members who have cast their vote by remote e-Voting prior to the AGM will also be eligible to participate at the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again on such resolution(s) for which the member has already cast the vote through remote e-Voting.
- 26. A person whose name is recorded in the Register of Members or in the Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the depositories as on the cut-off date only shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-Voting before the AGM as well as remote e-Voting during the AGM. Any person who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a Member of the Company after the dispatch of the Notice and holding shares as on the cut-off date, i.e. Tuesday, September 22, 2020 may obtain the User ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in
- 27. The Chairman shall, at the AGM, at the end of discussion on the resolutions on which voting is to be held, allow voting, by use of remote e-Voting system for all those Members who are present during the AGM through VC/OAVM but have not cast their votes by availing the remote e-Voting facility. The remote e-Voting module during the AGM shall be disabled by NSDL for voting 15 minutes after the conclusion of the Meeting.
- 28. The Scrutinizer will submit his report to the Chairman or to any other person authorized by the Chairman after the completion of the scrutiny of the e-Voting (votes cast during the AGM and votes casted through remote e-Voting), not later than 48 hours from the conclusion of the AGM. The result declared along with the Scrutinizer's report shall be communicated to the stock exchange on which the Company's shares are listed, NSDL, and RTA and will also be displayed on the Company's website at www.benareshotelslimited.com.
- Instructions for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM and remote e-Voting (before and during the AGM) are given below.

# A. INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM

i. The Members will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system and they may access the same at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com under the Shareholders/Members login by using the remote e-Voting credentials, where the EVEN of the Company will be displayed. On clicking this link, the Members will be able to attend and participate in the proceedings of the AGM through a live webcast of the meeting and submit votes on announcement by the Chairman. Please note that the Members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve

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the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the Notice to avoid last minute rush. Further, Members may also use the OTP based login for logging into the e-Voting system of NSDL.

- ii. Members may join the Meeting through Laptops, Smartphones, Tablets and iPads for better experience. Further, Members will be required to use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the Meeting. Members will need the latest version of Chrome, Safari, Internet Explorer 11, MS Edge or Firefox. Please note that participants connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptops 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 glitches.
- iii. Members are encouraged to submit their questions in advance with regard to the financial statements or any other matter to be placed at this AGM, from their registered e-mail address, mentioning their name, DP ID and Client ID number / folio number and mobile number, to reach the Company's e-mail address at **investorrelations@tajhotels.com** before 3.00 p.m. (IST) on Saturday, September 26, 2020. Queries that remain unanswered at the AGM will be appropriately responded by the Company at the earliest post the conclusion of the AGM.
- iv. Members who would like to express their views/ask questions as a speaker at the Meeting may pre-register themselves by sending a request from their registered e-mail address mentioning their names, DP ID and Client ID/folio number, PAN and mobile number at investorrelations@tajhotels.com between Wednesday, September 23, 2020 (9:00 a.m. IST) and Saturday, September 26, 2020 (5:00 p.m. IST). Only those Members who have pre-registered themselves as a speaker will be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the AGM. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of speakers depending on the availability of time for the AGM.
- v. Members who need assistance before or during the AGM, can contact NSDL on evoting@nsdl.co.in or call on toll free no.: 1800-222-990 or contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Senior Manager NSDL at amitv@nsdl.co.in or call on +91 22 24994360 or contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL at pallavid@nsdl.co.in or call on 022-24994545.

#### B. INSTRUCTIONS FOR E-VOTING BEFORE / DURING THE AGM

# • INSTRUCTIONS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING BEFORE THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:

The way to vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system consists of 'Two Steps' which are mentioned below:

# Step 1: Log-in to NSDL e-Voting system at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/

### How to Log-in to NSDL e-Voting website?

- A. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile.
- B. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon 'Login' which is available under 'Shareholders' section.
- C. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.
  - Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL e-services i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at https://eservices.nsdl.com/ with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL e-services after using your log-in credentials, click on e-Voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.

#### D. Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of holding shares i.e. Demat (NSDL or CDSL) or Physical	Your User ID is:
I) For Members who hold shares in demat account with NSDL.	8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID For example if your DP ID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12***** then your user ID is IN300***12*****.
ii) For Members who hold shares in demat account with CDSL.	16 Digit Beneficiary ID  For example if your Beneficiary ID is  12************ then your user ID is  12***********************************
iii) For Members holding shares in Physical Form.	EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the company For example if folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 113648 then user ID is 113648001***

#### E. Your password details are given below:

- i. If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.
- ii. If you are using NSDL e-Voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.
- iii. How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
  - If your e-mail ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your e-mail ID. Trace the e-mail sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the e-mail and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the .pdf file is your 8 digit Client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of Client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
- F. If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the 'initial password' or have forgotten your password:
  - i. Click on 'Forgot User Details/Password?' (If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
  - ii. 'Physical User Reset Password?' (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
  - iii. If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address.
- G. After entering your password, tick on Agree to 'Terms and Conditions' by selecting on the check box.
- H. Now, you will have to click on 'Login' button.
- I. After you click on the 'Login' button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

# Step 2: Cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system.

# How to cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system?

A. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see the Home page of e-Voting. Click on e-Voting. Then, click on Active Voting Cycles.

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- B. After clicking on Active Voting Cycles, you will be able to see all the companies 'EVEN' in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle is in active status.
- C. Select 'EVEN' of the company which is 113648 to cast your vote.
- D. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- E. Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify/modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on 'Submit' and also 'Confirm' when prompted.
- F. Upon confirmation, the message 'Vote cast successfully' will be displayed.
- G. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- H. Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR E-VOTING DURING THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:

- i. The procedure for remote e-Voting during the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-Voting since the Meeting is being held through VC/OAVM.
- ii. Only those Members/ Shareholders, who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not cast 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 in the AGM.

#### General Guidelines for Members

- i. Institutional/ Corporate Shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRIs, etc.) are required to send scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution/Authority letter etc. with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer by e-mail to investorrelations@tajhotels.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- ii. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-Voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the 'Forgot User Details/Password?' or 'Physical User Reset Password?' option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com to reset the password.
- iii. In case of any queries /grievances pertaining to remote e-Voting (before the AGM and during the AGM), you may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for shareholders and e-Voting user manual for shareholders available in the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on the toll-free number: 1800-222-990 or send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in. In case of any grievances connected with facility for e-Voting, please contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL, 4th Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamala Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400 013. E-mail: evoting@nsdl.co.in / Tel no: 022-24994545 / Toll free no.: 1800-222-990.

By order of the Board of Directors

Vanika Mahajan Company Secretary (A34515)

Varanasi, May 28, 2020

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# Profile of Directors seeking Re-Appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company (Pursuant to the SEBI Regulations)

Name of Director	Dr. Anant Narain Singh
Date of Birth	August 26, 1960
Date of Appointment	January 31, 2001
Expertise in specific functional area	Agriculture
Qualifications	B.Com (Hons.) in Company Law
Details of shares held in the Company	24,000
List of Companies in which outside Directorships held as on 31.03.2020 (excluding foreign companies, private companies and Section 8 companies)	Vibhuti Glass Works Ltd.
Chairman/Member of the Committees of other Companies on which he is a Director as on 31.03.2020	Audit Committee None Stakeholders Relationship Committee None