

## **Genus Paper & Boards Ltd**



# (A Kailash Group Company) CIN No: L21098UP2012PLC048300 PAN NO-AAECG5483A

#### May 29, 2024

**BSE Limited** 

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Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year 2023-24

Dear Sir/Madam

In compliance of Regulation 24A of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 08, 2019, we hereby enclose herewith the 'Annual Secretarial Compliance Report' for the financial year ended on March 31, 2024.

This is for your kind information and records please.

Thanking You!

Yours truly,
For Genus Paper & Boards Limited

Kunal Nayar Company Secretary

Encl: A/a

# Secretarial Compliance Report of GENUS PAPER & BOARDS LIMITED For the financial year ended 31st March, 2024

(Pursuant to Regulation 24A of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015)

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by Genus Paper & Boards Limited (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its registered office at Kanth Road, Village Aghwanpur, Moradabad, UP-244001. Secretarial review was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/ statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on our verification of the listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, we hereby report that in our opinion, the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the listed entity has proper board processes and compliance mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

#### I have examined:

- a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by GENUS
   PAPER & BOARDS LIMITED having CIN-L21098UP2012PLC048300 ("the listed entity"),
- b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- c) website of the listed entity,
- d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification, for the year ended March 31, 2024 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of
  - a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and

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 the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

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

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements)
  Regulations, 2018;
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018;(N.A)
- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021; (N.A)
- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008; (N.A)
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; (N.A)
- (h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- (i) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018;

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder,

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

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/ No/ NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS
1.	Secretarial Standards:  The Compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under Section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.	Yes	The Company has duly complied with the SS issued by ICSI
2.	Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:  • All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities.  • All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed & updated on time, as per the regulations/ circulars/ guidelines issued by SEBI.	Yes	The Company has updated all applicable policies under SEBI Regulations and the same are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed.
3.	Maintenance and disclosures on Website:  The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website  Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website  Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which redirects to the relevant	Yes	The Company has maintained fully functional website at www.genuspaper.com

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	document(s)/ section of the website		
4.	Disqualification of Director:  None of the Director(s) of the Company is/ are disqualified under Section 164 of the Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.	Yes	None of the director of the Company are disqualified under Section 164 of the Companies Act, 2013.
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.:  (a) Identification of material subsidiary companies (b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries	Yes	The Company has disclosed its material and/or other subsidiary.
6.	Preservation of Documents:  The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.	Yes	The Company has complied with the SEBI Regulations for preserving and maintaining records as prescribed and has duly in place the said policy.
7.	Performance Evaluation:  The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year/ during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	The Company duly conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the

8.	Related Party Transactions:  (a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or  (b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ ratified/ rejected by the Audit Committee, in case no prior approval has been obtained.	Yes	start of every financial year.  The Company has complied all the provisions related to related party transactions.
9.	Disclosure of events or information:  The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.	Yes	The Company has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:  The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	The Company has duly complied with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) of SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:  No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/	NA	No such action has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by

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	subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock		SEBI or by Stock
	Exchanges (including under the Standard		Exchange
	Operating Procedures issued by SEBI		
	through various circulars) under SEBI		
	Regulations and circulars/ guidelines		
	issued thereunder except as provided		
	under separate paragraph herein.		
12.	Additional Non-Compliances, if any:	NA	No additional non-
			compliance observed
	No additional non-compliance observed		for any SEBI
	for any SEBI regulation/ circular/ guidance notes etc.		regulation/ circular/
	guidance notes etc.		guidance notes etc.

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

Sr.	Particulars	Compliance	Observations/ Remarks
No.		Status (Yes/	by PCS
		No/NA)	
1.	Compliances with the following conditions	s while appointing	ng/ re-appointing an auditor
	i. If the auditor has resigned within 45	NA	There was no such
	days from the end of a quarter of a		instance of resignation.
	financial year, the auditor before		instance of resignation.
	such resignation, has issued the		
	limited review/ audit report for such		
	quarter; or		
	ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45		
	days from the end of a quarter of a		
	financial year, the auditor before		
	such resignation, has issued the		
	limited review/ audit report for such		
	quarter as well as the next quarter;		
	or		
	iii. If the auditor has signed the limited		
	review/ audit report for the first		
	three quarters of a financial year,		
	the auditor before such resignation,		
	has issued the limited review/ audit		
	report for the last quarter of such		
	financial year as well as the audit		
	report for such financial year.		

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2. Oth	er Conditions relating to resignation of	of statutory au	ditor
	Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/ its material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:  a. In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity/ material subsidiary such as non-availability of information/ non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings.  b. In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation,	NA	There was no such instance of resignation.
	resign, all concerns with respect		

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	the auditor relating to the		
	proposal to resign as mentioned		
	above and communicate its		
	views to the management and		
	the auditor.		
	ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of		
	information:		
	The auditor has provided an		
	appropriate disclaimer in its audit		
	report, which is in accordance with		
	the Standards of Auditing as		
	specified by ICAI/ NFRA, in case		
	where the listed entity/ its material		
	subsidiary has not provided		
	information as required by the		
	auditor.		
3.	Obligation of the listed entity audit Mate	erial Subsidiary	7
	The listed entity/ its material subsidiary	NA	There was no such instance
	has obtained information from the Auditor		of resignation.
	upon resignation, in the format as		Č
	specified in Annexure-A in SEBI Circular		
	CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18 <sup>th</sup>		
	October, 2019.		

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

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	(Regulatio			by	Clarific			the		
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	circulars/				Fine/			ng		
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	including				Cause			ny		
	specific				Notice/			Secreta		
	clause)				Warni			ry		
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#### **NOT APPLICABLE**

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

NOT APPLICABLE
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Assumptions & Limitation of Scope and Review:

- 1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- 2. Our responsibility is to certify based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the corrections and appropriateness of financial records and books of accounts of the listed entity.
- 4. This report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A(2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and

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is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

#### For Komal & Associates

Company Secretaries

Komal (FCS)

Membership No: 11636

COP: 17597

Peer Review No: 4041/2023 UDIN: F011636F000480302

Place: Delhi Date: 29.05.2024 10