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To,

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Security Code: 524654

Dear Sir / Madam,

Sub: Annual Report for the Financial Year 2023-24 and Notice of 31st Annual General Meeting of the Company.

Pursuant to Regulation 34(1) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), we are enclosing the Annual Report for the financial year 2023-24 along with Notice of the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company scheduled to be held on Friday, July 26, 2024 at 11:00 A.M. (IST) through Video Conference ("VC") or Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM"), which is also being sent by electronic mode (emails) to the Members.

The Annual Report and AGM Notice is also being uploaded on the website of the Company: www.naturalcapsules.com

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended), the Company has fixed Friday, July 19, 2024, as the cut-off date to ascertain the eligibility of the Members of the Company entitled to vote electronically on the resolutions mentioned in the AGM Notice, as per the procedure and other details mentioned in the AGM Notice.

This is for your information and for the public at large.

Thank you,

Yours Faithfully,

For Natural Capsules Limited

Shilpa Burman Company Secretary & Compliance Officer



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# Geared for Growth



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#### **Key Performance Highlights**

(₹ in Crore)

155.42

Revenue from Operations **FY23:** 172.37

19.91

EBITDA **FY23:** 35.04

5.55

Profit After Tax **FY23:** 18.45

#### **Forward Looking Statement**

Certain statements and opinions with respect to the anticipated future performance of Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) in the report ("forward-looking statements"), which reflect various assumptions concerning the strategies, objectives and anticipated results may or may not prove to be correct. Such forward-looking statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions which could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. These include, among other factors, changes in economic, political, regulatory, business or other market conditions. Such forward-looking statements only speak as at the date the report is provided to the recipient and NCL is not under any obligation to update or revise such forward-looking statements to reflect new events or circumstances. No representation or warranty (whether express or implied) is given in respect of any information in this presentation or that this presentation is suitable for the recipient's purposes. The delivery of this report does not imply that the information herein is correct as at any time subsequent to the date hereof and NCL has no obligation whatsoever to update any of the information or the conclusions contained herein or to correct any inaccuracies which may become apparent subsequent to the date hereof.

Geared for Growth

Natural Capsules Limited has always been a company that thrives on innovation, resilience, and strategic foresight. This year, as we reflect on our journey and look ahead, we are proud to present our annual report under the theme "Geared for Growth". This theme encapsulates our unwavering commitment to overcoming challenges and seizing opportunities to drive sustainable growth.

The past year has been a testament to our resilience. Despite facing a complex operating environment marked by fluctuating raw material prices, logistical disruptions, and currency availability issues in key export markets, we have remained steadfast in our mission. Our strategic sourcing, inventory management, and focus on operational excellence have enabled us to navigate these turbulent tides effectively.

Innovation continues to be at the heart of our growth strategy. The much-anticipated HPMC (vegetarian) capsules segment, although faced with initial delays, is now poised to be a significant growth driver.

The commissioning of new manufacturing lines and the commencement of commercial production mark a pivotal step in our journey. Additionally, our foray into the API segment through Natural Biogenex Private Limited is set to unlock new avenues for growth.

As we move forward, our focus on research and development, market expansion, and quality enhancement remains stronger than ever. We are confident that our strategic initiatives and investments will not only enhance our market position but also deliver long-term value to our stakeholders. With a robust foundation and a clear vision, Natural Capsules Limited is truly Geared for Growth.



Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) stands at the forefront of capsule manufacturing in India, with a legacy spanning over three decades. Established in 1993, NCL has grown from a modest beginning in Bangalore to become a global player in the pharmaceutical industry. Our journey is marked by continuous innovation, unwavering commitment to quality, and a relentless pursuit of excellence.

At NCL, we specialise in manufacturing a wide array of capsules, including hard gelatin capsules, vegetarian capsules, and various specialty variants. Our state-of-the-art facilities in Bangalore and Pondicherry are equipped with cutting-edge technology, ensuring that we meet the highest standards of quality and efficiency.

We take pride in our global presence, exporting our products to over 28 countries. Our commitment to research and development keeps us at the cutting edge of capsule technology, allowing us to offer innovative solutions to our diverse clientele.

Our recent foray into API manufacturing through our subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited, marks a significant milestone in our growth trajectory. This strategic move positions us as the only backwardintegrated manufacturer of select steroidal APIs in India, opening new avenues for growth and innovation.



### Vision

To become the global leader in pharmaceutical manufacturing, providing impeccable products and services across the globe, with a strong focus on both capsules and active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs).



## **Mission**

- To consistently innovate and manufacture products that meet market and customer expectations in both the capsule and API segments.
- To provide the highest quality products to our customers worldwide, ensuring excellence in both capsules and APIs.
- To become an integrated enterprise of global distinction, excelling in the production of capsules and APIs.
- To invest in research and development of new pharmaceutical technologies and applications, enhancing our capabilities in both capsules and APIs.

# 31 years of excellence

In capsule manufacturing

# 18.75<sub>bn</sub> capsules

Annual manufacturing capacity

44% of turnover

From customers associated for over 5 years

# 3 stateof-the-art

Manufacturing facilities

28+ countries

Across 5 continents for exports

**52** R&D team members

Driving innovation

At Natural Capsules, we don't just manufacture capsules; we encapsulate health, innovation, and quality in every product we deliver.

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#### **Our Journey**

# Three Decades of

# **Growth and Resilience**

Natural Capsules Limited's journey is a testament to its resilience, innovation, and strategic growth in the pharmaceutical industry. From its humble beginnings in Bangalore to becoming a global player in capsule manufacturing and venturing into API production, NCL's story reflects a commitment to excellence and adaptability in the face of changing market dynamics.



## **Early Success and Expansion** (1993-2014)

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) was incorporated in 1993 as a Public Limited Company in Bangalore. The company began its operations in 1995 with three capsule manufacturing lines, boasting an annual capacity of 1.03 billion capsules per annum (BCPA). By 2001, NCL had become the first Indian company to manufacture vegetarian capsules, marking a significant milestone in its journey.

The early 2000s were a period of rapid expansion for NCL. In 2003, the company acquired a unit in Pondicherry through a DRT auction, adding two more production lines with a capacity of 770 million capsules per annum (MCPA).

## Renewed Growth and **Expansion (2019 onwards)**

From 2019 onwards, NCL witnessed a resurgence in both domestic and export markets, leading to improved margins. The company continued its focus on technological advancements, upgrading its manufacturing capabilities:

> Upgraded a capsule manufacturing line to produce 2.5 MCPD (from 1.0 MCPD)

> > Installed its first new generation machine in Bangalore, producing 4.8-5.0 MCPD

As of Q4FY24, NCL's installed capacity stands at 18.75 BCPA, with plans to commission two new HPMC lines in FY25. In a significant move towards vertical integration, NCL has ventured into API manufacturing through its subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited. This expansion includes:

> Setting up an API facility in Tumkur, near Bangalore

Focusing on complex steroidal APIs using high-end, patented technology

Securing PLI for Dexamethasone, Betamethasone, and Prednisolone

Between 2005 and 2014, NCL continued to grow through strategic acquisitions and upgrades:

2007

2005- Acquired five lines from IPCL Godhra, installed in Pondicherry (1.80 BCPA)

2009- Acquired nine lines from Qualicaps, 2012 Canada, installed in Pondicherry (3.24 BCPA)

**2011-** Upgraded multiple lines, increasing 2014 individual capacities from 1 MCPD to 1.5 MCPD

By 2014, NCL's annual installed capacity had reached 7.1 BCPD.

## **Navigating Challenges** (2015-2018)

The period from 2015 to 2018 presented significant challenges. The fall in oil and commodity prices led to an economic slowdown in African countries, impacting the export of pharmaceutical products and capsules from India. This resulted in decreased demand and lower selling prices for NCL's products. However, these challenges pushed the company to diversify its markets and strengthen its domestic presence.

## **Charting a Path to Global Leadership**

NCL's journey continues as it focuses on enhancing its capabilities in both capsule and API manufacturing. The company's commitment to innovation, quality, and meeting global healthcare needs remains unwavering. With a robust foundation and a clear vision, Natural Capsules Limited is poised for sustained growth and success in the pharmaceutical industry.

Our Presence

# Trusted Partner for Leading Brands Worldwide

**North America** CIS Georgia Canada | Mexico Russian Federation | Uzbekistan Middle East Asia Iran | Iraq | Kuwait | Bangladesh | Hong Lebanon Kong | Nepal | Oman | Philippines | Sri Lanka | Syria **South America** Brazil | Venezuela **Africa** Algeria | Egypt | Ghana | Kenya | Nigeria | South Africa | Tanzania | Tunisia | Uganda | Zimbabwe

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) has established a robust global presence, exporting its high-quality capsules to 28 countries. With a significant portion of its revenue derived from exports, NCL has positioned itself as a trusted partner for leading pharmaceutical brands worldwide, serving both regulated and emerging markets.

24%

Customers for more than 10 years

89%

Repeat business during FY24

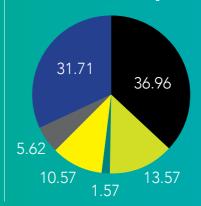
44%

Customers for more than 5 years

11%

New business during FY24

% of Total Exports



# **Serving Marquee Customers**



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#### **Business Model**

# Designed to Create

**ALUE** 

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# Long-term Value

## **INPUTS**

#### Financial capital

Net worth: ₹ 228.80 crore

Net block: ₹ 102.24 crore

Long term borrowings:

₹ 67.93 crore

#### Manufactured capital

2 manufacturing facilities in Bengaluru and Puducherry for capsules business

1 manufacturing facility in Tumkur for API business

Investments in property plant and equipment during the year: ₹ 71.63 crore

#### **Human capital**

Employee strength 600+

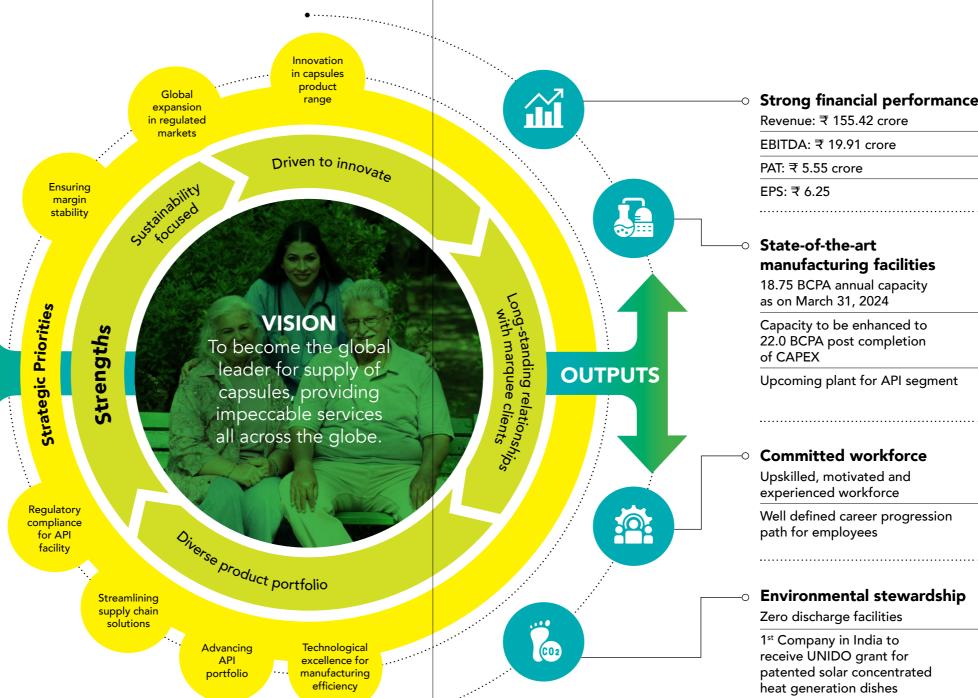
Learning and development training for employees and contractors

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#### Natural capital

Investments in renewable power generation

Investments towards recycling initiatives



#### Strong financial performance

Revenue: ₹ 155.42 crore

EBITDA: ₹ 19.91 crore

PAT: ₹ 5.55 crore

EPS: ₹ 6.25

#### State-of-the-art manufacturing facilities

18.75 BCPA annual capacity as on March 31, 2024

Capacity to be enhanced to 22.0 BCPA post completion of CAPEX

Upcoming plant for API segment

#### **Committed workforce**

Upskilled, motivated and experienced workforce

Well defined career progression path for employees

#### **Environmental stewardship**

Zero discharge facilities

1<sup>st</sup> Company in India to receive UNIDO grant for patented solar concentrated heat generation dishes

Recycling of water from effluent treatment plant

Reduced carbon footprint

#### **OUTCOMES**

#### **Businesses**



#### Capsules

Hard gelatin capsules

(Vegetarian capsules)

Other variants of hard capsules



#### **APIs**

Prednisolone & their derivative salts

Betamethasone & their derivative salts

Dexamethasone & their derivative salts

Hydrocortisone & their derivative salts

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**Business Review** 

# Driving Growth Through **Efficiency and Diversification**

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) has established itself as a leader in the pharmaceutical industry, excelling in capsule manufacturing and recently expanding into API production. With a strong focus on innovation, quality, and growth, NCL continues to expand its capabilities and market presence, driving progress in the healthcare sector.



**Capsules Vertical** 

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) is a leading manufacturer of hard capsules in India, with over three decades of experience. Established in 1993, NCL pioneered the production of vegetarian capsules and has become the second-largest Indian manufacturer of gelatin capsules. With state-of-the-art facilities in Bangalore and Pondicherry, NCL offers a diverse range of high-quality capsule products to both domestic and international markets, serving pharmaceutical and nutraceutical industries.

#### **Product Portfolio**

NCL offers a diverse range of capsule products, including:

Hard Gelatin Capsule shells

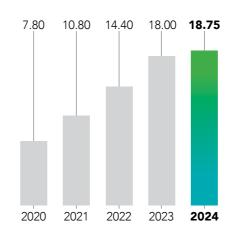
HPMC capsules or Vegetarian capsules

Specialty variants like Shiny Capsules, Sweet Capsules, and Fast Release Capsules

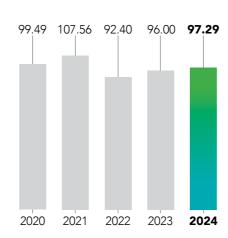
Regulatory variants such as SLS free, Preservative free, and TSE free

#### Capacity (BCPA)

(In Number)

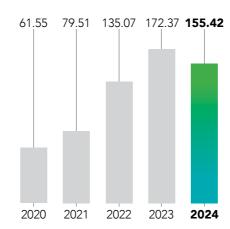


#### **Capacity Utilisation**



#### **Revenue from Operations**

(₹ in Crore)



#### Certifications

NCL's commitment to quality and innovation is evidenced by its numerous certifications:















## **Recent Developments**

NCL has recently invested in new generation machines, developed in technical collaboration with DBDS Robotics Private Limited. These machines are among the fastest available for hard capsule manufacturing, enabling NCL to attract large-volume customers and optimise manufacturing costs.

#### The new generation machines bring significant advancements across multiple fronts:

#### Efficiency and Output

Our new machines operate at unprecedented speeds, dramatically increasing production capacity. This allows us to meet growing market demands more effectively and serve

#### **Advanced Automation**

By incorporating state-of-the-art automation technologies, we've reduced manual interventions in the manufacturing process. This not only optimises our workforce allocation but also leads to substantial reductions in per-unit labour costs.

#### **Energy Efficiency**

Sustainability is at the forefront of our technological upgrades. The new machine consumes significantly less power per unit produced compared to previous generations, resulting in both cost savings and a reduced environmental impact.

#### Rapid Production Cycles

With faster processing capabilities, we've shortened our enables us to deliver products to our valued customers more swiftly than ever before.

#### Quality Assurance

Our new machinery has led to a marked improvement in product quality. We've seen a substantial decrease in rejection rates, ensuring that a higher percentage of our output meets our rigorous quality standards.

**Business Review (Continued)** 



#### **API Vertical**

In a strategic move to diversify its portfolio and strengthen its position in the pharmaceutical value chain, the Company has ventured into API (Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients) manufacturing through its subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited (NBPL).

> NBPL is setting up a state-ofthe-art API manufacturing facility in Tumkur, near Bangalore. This greenfield project aims to produce complex steroidal APIs using high-end, patented technology developed in-house.

#### **Key Products**

The facility will focus on manufacturing the following steroidal APIs and their derivatives:

Prednisolone	Dexamethasone
Betamethasone	Hydrocortisone

#### **PLI Scheme and Incentives**

NCL has been awarded three PLI (Production Linked Incentive) applications for Dexamethasone, Betamethasone, and Prednisolone under the government's scheme to boost domestic API production. The PLI scheme offers the following incentives:

- 20% incentive on incremental sales for FY25 to FY28
- 15% incentive for FY29
- 5% incentive for FY30

## **Capex and Project Details**

Total planned capital expenditure ~₹175 crore

#### **Facility compliance**

Aiming for WHO GMP (Geneva), USFDA, and EU GMP certification guidelines

#### **Import Substitution Opportunity**

The API facility aims to cater to domestic demand by substituting imported inputs. The import values for FY24 highlight the significant market opportunity:



## **Future Export Plans**

Once the company receives USFDA and EU GMP clearances, NCL plans to start exports to regulated markets. This expansion into regulated markets is expected to fetch higher margins for the Company. This process will take approximately 24-30 months from the start of commercial production. This strategy aligns with NCL's goal of becoming a dominant player in the domestic steroidal API market while also positioning itself for future growth in high-value export markets.

Focus on R&D

# Shaping the Future of Healthcare

By fostering a culture of innovation, the company consistently challenges itself to push boundaries, unlock new possibilities, and deliver exceptional value to all its stakeholders. NCL's unwavering commitment to R&D has not only solidified its market position but has also positioned it as a trailblazer within the industry, setting new standards for quality and performance.

NCL's dedication to R&D is evident in its state-of-the-art facilities and significant investments. The company operates two R&D facilities recognised by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), creating an environment conducive to technological advancement. These facilities serve as the breeding ground for innovations that drive NCL's growth and market leadership. NCL recognises the immense potential the API venture holds for business growth and advancement. The API segment focuses on developing complex steroidal APIs using highend, patented technology developed in-house. This strategic move not only diversifies NCL's product portfolio but also positions it as a key player in India's journey towards pharmaceutical



#### NCL's R&D efforts span across several key areas

#### Advancement in steroidal API range

The ongoing research focuses on identifying potential products within the realm of steroidal APIs for future manufacturing. By leveraging its R&D capabilities, NCL strives to introduce new offerings every 18-24 months, contributing to improved patient care and aligning with its commitment to growth.

#### Yield enhancement through process innovations

Through continuous research and development, NCL optimises its manufacturing processes, focusing on enhancing yields. By implementing cutting-edge technologies and refining existing methods, the company maximises production efficiency and minimises resource consumption.

#### Process development for existing products

NCL is dedicated to developing new processes for manufacturing existing products. By leveraging its expertise and exploring newer techniques, the company aims to streamline production, enhance quality, and offer improved solutions that meet the evolving demands of customers.

#### Capsule technology advancements

In the capsules segment, NCL's relentless pursuit of process innovation has yielded remarkable results. By harnessing cutting-edge technologies and pioneering advancements, the company has successfully expanded its production capacity, leading to significantly higher yields and improved operational efficiencies.

NCL's commitment to R&D is further evidenced by its growing patent portfolio. The company's innovative efforts have resulted in three granted patents, with one under approval and two under filing. These patents not only protect NCL's intellectual property but also showcase its technological prowess in the pharmaceutical industry. The company's focus on R&D extends to its human capital as well. NCL boasts a dedicated team of 52 highly skilled R&D professionals, up from 15 in the previous year.

As NCL continues to invest in R&D, it is well-positioned to capitalise on emerging opportunities in both the capsules and API segments. The company's innovative spirit, coupled with its strategic investments in research and development, ensures that it remains at the forefront of pharmaceutical innovation, driving growth and creating value for all stakeholders.

# 2stateof-the-art

R&D facilities recognised by DSIR

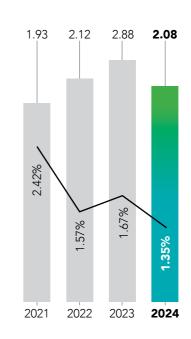
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Dedicated R&D team members

Patents granted, 1 under approval, 2 under filing

#### **Investment in R&D**

(In Crore & %)



# Key **Developments**

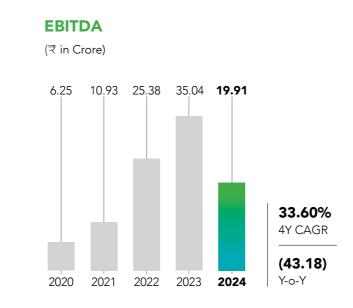
The Company's commitment to R&D is evident through strategic initiatives like issuing ESOPs to senior R&D team members, aligning their interests with the company's goals. The highly qualified R&D team, experienced in scaling up steroidal APIs, is crucial for NCL's expanding API business, Furthermore, collaborative efforts have led to the development of new generation capsule manufacturing technology, demonstrating NCL's innovative prowess and industry leadership.

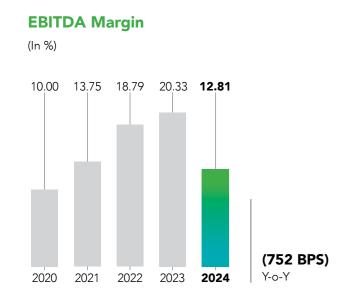
**Key Performance Indicator** 

# Navigating Through Challenging Times

FY24 was a year marked by significant challenges for Natural Capsules Limited (NCL). Despite a difficult operating environment and delays in executing capital expenditure plans, NCL demonstrated resilience and adaptability. The company faced lower realisations in the capsules segment and export challenges due to currency availability issues in key markets. However, NCL's strategic initiatives and focus on expanding into new geographies helped mitigate some of these impacts.

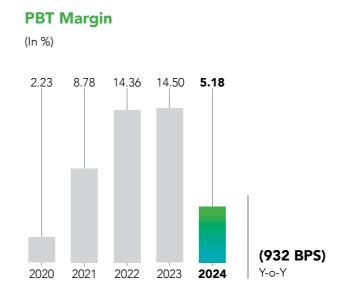
# Revenue from Operations (₹ in Crore) 61.55 79.51 135.07 172.37 155.42 26.06% 4Y CAGR (9.83%) Y-o-Y





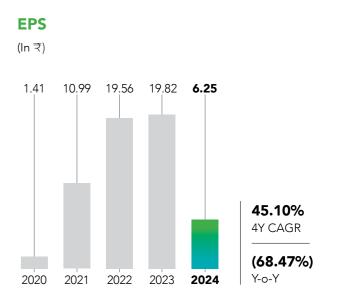












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Navigating challenges and

**Seizing Opportunities** 

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FY24 was a year of resilience and learning for Natural Capsules Limited, marked by both challenges and achievements across its business verticals. While the company faced delays and competitive pressures that impacted its performance, strategic decisions, quality focus, and regulatory achievements laid a foundation for future growth.



#### Dear Shareholders,

It is my privilege to present the Annual Report for FY24 and share insights into Natural Capsules Limited's performance, challenges, and strategic outlook. The year under review was marked by a complex operating environment, testing our resilience and adaptability. Despite the headwinds, we remained steadfast in our commitment to sustainable growth, operational excellence, and innovation.

### **Navigating Turbulent Tides**

FY24 presented a multitude of challenges across various fronts. Domestically, we navigated through fluctuating raw material prices and availability issues, necessitating strategic sourcing and inventory management. On the export front, currency availability constraints in key markets such as Kenya, Ghana, and Nigeria, coupled with logistical disruptions, particularly in the Red Sea area, impacted our performance. These currency issues had a two-fold impact—directly affecting our capsule exports to those markets and indirectly impacting the export of formulations that utilise our capsules. Consequently, the unabsorbed volumes in those markets led to surplus supply in the domestic market, exerting downward pressure on capsule realisations and profitability.

#### Financial Fortitude Amidst Adversity

Against this backdrop, our revenue from operations for FY24 stood at  $\stackrel{?}{=}$  155.42 crore, reflecting a decline of 9.83% compared to the previous financial year. Our EBITDA for FY24 was around  $\stackrel{?}{=}$  19.91 crore, a decrease of 43.18% from FY23, with EBITDA margins at 12.81%, down from 20.33% in FY23. Resultantly, profit after tax stood at  $\stackrel{?}{=}$  5.55 crore, down by 69.92%, and EPS for the year was  $\stackrel{?}{=}$  6.23 compared to  $\stackrel{?}{=}$  19.82 in FY23.

## **Overcoming Obstacles**

The capsules segment, our core business, faced multiple challenges during the year. While domestic demand remained robust, export markets were impacted by currency availability issues and logistical disruptions, leading to pricing pressures and lower realisations. Raw material availability and pricing posed initial challenges but stabilised in later quarters.

The much-anticipated HPMC (vegetarian) capsules segment, expected to be a key growth driver, recorded a subpar performance due to delays in setting up the new manufacturing lines. The commissioning of the first HPMC capsule line faced significant delays owing to installation and modification challenges, impeding our ability to capitalise on the burgeoning demand. Consequently, commercial production of HPMC capsules could only commence towards the end of Q3FY24, hampering the segment's growth potential during the year.

## **Forging Ahead in APIs**

Our foray into the API segment through our subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited, faced delays in FY24. While the kilo lab for small volume production batches was inaugurated in Q2FY24, obtaining necessary clearances and licences from regulatory authorities like the Drug Department and Pollution Control Board remained a bottleneck. We successfully completed inspection by Drug Department for one small kilo scale facility and obtained consent for operations from Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) for the same. We expect to get approval from one of the large Volume API production facility and consent for operation for the same from KSPCB in next 6 to 8 weeks. Despite the delays in executing our CAPEX plans, we remain committed to our investment strategy and are confident in our ability to scale our operations profitably.

# Resilience Paving the Path Forward

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As Natural Capsules Limited navigates through these challenges, its commitment to innovation, operational excellence, and market expansion continues to hold promise for its long-term success.

Looking ahead, we are optimistic about our growth trajectory. The commencement of additional HPMC lines and the ramp-up of our API production will drive top line growth and improve our margin profile. We anticipate higher realisations in FY25 compared to the previous year, supported by a stable pricing environment and increased demand for our products. Our focus on R&D remains strong, with ongoing investments and process improvements. We believe that our commitment to innovation will enable us to stay ahead of the curve and consistently deliver high-quality products to our customers.

In the API segment, we are focused on gaining significant market share domestically, leveraging our position as the only backward-integrated manufacturer of these select steroidal APIs in India. Furthermore, we are actively pursuing regulatory approvals to cater to regulated markets, which will enable long-term customer associations and improved margins.

# **Gratitude for Unwavering Support**

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire NCL team, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our shareholders, customers, suppliers, and all other stakeholders for their unwavering support and trust in us. We remain committed to creating sustainable value for all our stakeholders through our relentless pursuit of excellence, innovation, and responsible business practices.

I would also like to acknowledge the dedication and hard work of our employees, whose resilience and commitment have been instrumental in navigating the challenges we faced during the year. As we look ahead, we are confident in our ability to capitalise on the emerging opportunities and deliver long-term growth and profitability. We remain steadfast in our commitment to sustainable growth, operational excellence, and innovation, and we look forward to sharing our progress and achievements with you in the quarters to come.

Thank you for your continued support and belief in Natural Capsules Limited.

Warm regards,

#### **Sunil Mundra**

Managing Director, Natural Capsules Limited

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## **Strategic Priorities**

# Strategic Vision for **Sustainable Growth**

# Global expansion in regulated markets

NCL is strategically aligning with customers who distribute finished formulations in regulated markets. This alignment unlocks new avenues for growth, and the sales and marketing team is actively targeting untapped geographies to expand the company's global footprint.

# Innovation in capsules product range

NCL is pioneering the development of cutting-edge capsule variants to captivate the market with diverse and unique offerings. The company's strong focus on R&D enables the continuous introduction of new products, ensuring it stays ahead of market trends.

# Advancing API portfolio

NCL is leveraging its
R&D capabilities to
continuously introduce
high-value molecules in
the steroidal API domain.
This focus on innovation
fosters a culture of
differentiation and
positions NCL as a key
player in the API market.

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# Technological excellence for manufacturing efficiency

NCL is making strategic investments in state-of-the-art technologies and manufacturing processes to optimise efficiency and amplify productivity. These investments provide a distinct competitive advantage and fuel operational excellence.

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL) is committed to shaping the future of its business landscape through strategic priorities that focus on innovation, quality, and growth. By leveraging its strengths and investing in cutting-edge technologies, NCL aims to redefine the capsules business and establish dominance in the domestic steroidal API market, delivering unparalleled value to its stakeholders.

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# Regulatory compliance for API facility

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NCL is diligently implementing stringent quality management systems to ensure compliance with global standards and regulations. Acquiring necessary regulatory approvals for the upcoming API facility will enable long-term customer associations and improved margins.

# **Ensuring** margin stability

NCL is proactively collaborating with buyers who procure large quantities of capsules on a sustained basis to reduce margin volatility. This approach helps stabilise the company's topline and enhances its margins.

# Streamlining supply chain solutions

NCL is actively exploring opportunities to establish capsule manufacturing facilities in both domestic and international markets. This enhances agility and responsiveness in meeting customer demands, strengthening market presence, and offering seamless supply chain solutions worldwide.



#### MD&A

# Management Discussion and Analysis

# Global Economy and Pharmaceutical Industry

The global economy exhibited resilience in FY23, growing at 3.2% despite significant headwinds, according to the IMF's April 2024 World Economic Outlook report. However, growth momentum is projected to remain moderate at 3.2% in 2024 and 2025, with diverging patterns across regions. Advanced economies are forecast to see a slight acceleration, while emerging and developing economies are expected to experience a growth deceleration.

Global inflation is anticipated to decline steadily, from 6.8% in 2023 to 4.5% in 2025, with advanced economies returning to their inflation targets sooner than emerging markets. The report emphasises the need for supply-enhancing reforms and multilateral cooperation to boost growth and facilitate the green energy transition.

Against this backdrop, the global pharmaceutical industry demonstrated remarkable resilience in FY23, driven by robust demand for innovative therapies, ageing populations, and the ongoing fight against COVID-19, according to the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations (IFPMA). The global medicine market is projected to grow at a CAGR of 3%+ until 2027, reaching approximately \$1.9 trillion based on invoice price levels.

However, growth patterns are expected to diverge across regions, with emerging markets in Asia, Latin America, and Eastern Europe anticipated to outpace established markets in volume and spending growth. The industry's focus on sustainability, digital health, and strategic partnerships will shape its future trajectory.

Notably, the Indian pharmaceutical industry has emerged as a major player, offering affordable drugs and vaccines globally. With expertise in generics, biosimilars, and biologics, the industry has grown at a CAGR of 9.4% over the past nine years and is expected to reach \$65 billion by 2024 and \$130 billion by 2030, driven by government initiatives and increasing healthcare accessibility.

# Indian Economy and Pharmaceutical Industry

As per the IMF's April 2024 World Economic Outlook report, India's economy grew by an impressive 6.8% in FY23, defying global headwinds. This growth was supported by robust domestic demand, rising investment, and a strong services sector performance. However, elevated inflation and monetary policy tightening posed challenges.

The Economic Survey 2022-23 highlights that India's pharmaceutical industry turnover in the domestic market was estimated at \$41 billion in FY23. India cemented its position as the "pharmacy of the world", with pharmaceutical exports revenue reaching \$25.3 billion, a nearly 5% growth over the previous year. The country is the largest provider of generic medicines globally, occupying a 20% share in global supply by volume.

Looking ahead, the IMF projects India's economic growth to moderate to around 6.1% in FY24, amid global uncertainties and tighter financial conditions. However, the growth outlook remains robust, supported by structural reforms and public investment push.

The Indian pharmaceutical industry is expected to reach \$65 billion by 2024 and an ambitious \$130 billion by 2030, driven by increasing healthcare access, supportive government policies like the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes, and a shift towards high-value segments like biosimilars and novel drug discovery.

Key growth drivers include reducing import dependence for critical APIs and bulk drugs, promoting local manufacturing through schemes like the Bulk Drug Parks, and incentivizing investment in R&D and innovation.

Sources: IMF World Economic Outlook, April 2024 | IFPMA The Pharmaceutical Industry and Global Health Report | IQVIA Market Prognosis, Sep 2022; IQVIA Institute, Dec 2022 | EFPIA The Pharmaceutical Industry in Figures Report; PwC Global Pharma Report

Sources: IMF World Economic Outlook, April 2024 | Economic Survey 2022-23, Government of India | Pharmexcil data; Invest India - Pharmaceutical Sector Overview | PwC Report - Indian Pharmaceutical Industry: Achieving ANDA Parity



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#### **Company Overview and Business Verticals**

Natural Capsules Limited (NCL), established in 1993 in Bengaluru, is one of the leading manufacturers of hard capsule shells in India. The company introduced vegetarian capsules to the Indian market and is the second-largest manufacturer of gelatin capsules in the country. NCL expanded its operations to Puducherry in 2003, further solidifying its position as a trusted brand in the industry. With the successful foray into API manufacturing under its subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited, NCL now operates two distinct business verticals-Capsules and APIs. The company is committed to delivering high-quality products through technological innovation and process excellence, ensuring customer satisfaction and regulatory compliance.

#### **Verticals and Key Offerings**



#### **Capsules Vertical**

NCL has set new benchmarks in the capsules business through its commitment to process innovation. This has enabled unparalleled manufacturing capacity, reduced turnaround times, rejection rates, and enhanced power efficiency. Prudent capital expenditure over the years has led to significant infrastructure upgrades, resulting in an almost threefold increase in production capacity, positioning NCL to capture a larger market share. The company's facilities are equipped with dedicated manufacturing lines adhering to stringent procedures and functioning as independent units to eliminate cross-contamination risks. NCL's commitment to quality is reflected in its accreditations, including WHO-GMP, ISO 9001:2015, HACCP, and Halal certifications.

#### **Key Offerings**

- Hard Gelatin Capsules
- Hypromellose (HPMC) Vegetarian Capsules
- Other Hard Capsule Variants



#### **APIs Vertical**

NCL's recent endeavour, the API vertical, has been established with the objective of serving the domestic market as an import substitute. By leveraging fermentation technology from KSMs (Key Starting Materials), NCL has become one of the few Indian companies to enter bulk drug production, opening new avenues for growth and expansion. The company has taken a pioneering step by choosing to manufacture steroidal APIs, an area where India previously had no manufacturing base. This positions NCL as a frontrunner in this niche segment, poised to capitalise on its potential. The API vertical is projected to be a key driver of profitability for the company in the future. NCL, via its subsidiary, will be producing a range of APIs, with the first three product offerings falling under the government's Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme.

#### **Key Offerings**

- Prednisolone & Derivative Salts
- Betamethasone & Derivative Salts
- Dexamethasone & Derivative Salts
- Hydrocortisone & Derivative Salts

#### **Industry Performance** and Outlook

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The global capsules market was valued at \$2.9 billion in 2022 and is projected to reach \$4.6 billion by 2030, growing at a CAGR of 6.8% from 2023 to 2030, according to a recent report by Grand View Research. The rising prevalence of chronic diseases, increasing demand for capsule-based drug formulations, and the growing preference for vegetarian capsules are driving this growth.

In India, the domestic capsules market is estimated to be worth \$350 million in FY23, with NCL being one of the leading players. The Indian capsules industry is expected to grow at a CAGR of 9-11% over the next five years, driven by the increasing demand from the domestic pharmaceutical industry, the growth of nutraceuticals and dietary supplements, and rising exports to regulated markets.

Sources: Grand View Research - Capsules Market Analysis | Industry Estimates and Company Reports | IBEF - Indian Pharmaceutical Industry Report | Invest India - Pharmaceutical Sector Overview | PwC Report - Indian | Pharmaceutical Industry: Achieving ANDA Parity | PIB Press Release - Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Bulk Drugs | MarketsandMarkets - Steroidal API Market Report

The gelatin capsules segment currently dominates the global market, accounting for a 63% share in 2022. However, the HPMC (vegetarian) capsules segment is projected to witness the highest growth rate during the forecast period, driven by the rising demand for Halal and Kosher-certified products, and the growing preference for plant-based alternatives.

#### **API Industry Performance** and Outlook

The Indian API industry has emerged as a global leader, contributing to over 30% of the world's drug production by volume and catering to over 200 countries. The domestic API market was estimated to be worth \$16 billion in FY23 and is expected to grow at a CAGR of 9-11% over the next five years, driven by the increasing demand for generic drugs, the growth of the domestic pharmaceutical industry, and the government's initiatives to reduce import dependence.

The Indian government's Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for bulk drugs, with an outlay of ₹ 6,940 crore, has been a significant boost for the API industry, incentivising domestic manufacturing of critical APIs and reducing import dependence. The scheme is expected to attract investments worth ₹ 15,000 crore and generate employment for over 88,000 people.

The steroidal API segment, which NCL has ventured into, is a niche market with significant growth potential. The global steroidal API market was valued at \$2.1 billion in 2022 and is expected to grow at a CAGR of 5.8% during 2023-2028, driven by the increasing demand for anti-inflammatory and immunosuppressant drugs, and the rising prevalence of autoimmune diseases and respiratory disorders.

#### **Company Performance** and Outlook

#### **Capsules Vertical**

The capsules vertical faced multiple headwinds throughout FY24. While domestic demand remained strong, export markets were impacted by currency availability issues in key markets like Kenya, Ghana, and Nigeria, leading to pricing pressures and lower realisations. Raw material availability and pricing posed challenges initially, but stabilised in later quarters.

The HPMC (vegetarian) capsules segment, which was expected to be a key growth driver for Natural Capsules Limited, recorded a subpar performance in FY24 due to delays in setting up the new manufacturing lines. The much-anticipated commissioning of the first HPMC capsule line faced significant delays owing to installation and modification challenges. These unanticipated issues impeded the company's ability to capitalise on the burgeoning demand for plant-based and Halal/Kosher-certified products in a timely manner. Consequently, the commercial production of HPMC capsules could only commence towards the end of Q3FY24, hampering the segment's growth potential during the fiscal year.

Furthermore, intense competition and pricing pressures in certain segments of the gelatin capsules market adversely affected profitability. Supply chain disruptions and input cost inflation also weighed on the overall performance of the capsules vertical. Despite these challenges, NCL's strong brand reputation, quality focus, and operational efficiencies helped mitigate some of the impact.

#### **API Vertical**

Natural Capsules Limited's foray into the API segment through its subsidiary faced delays in FY24. While the kilo lab for small volume production batches was inaugurated in Q2FY24, obtaining necessary clearances and licences from regulatory authorities like the Drug Department and Pollution Control Board remained a bottleneck.

The company successfully completed the first round of inspections by the Drug Department for its API facility but is still awaiting final clearances to commence commercial production of APIs. However, it aims to start manufacturing select intermediates once the Consent for Operations is obtained.

#### Outlook

FY24 was a year of resilience and learning for Natural Capsules Limited, marked by both challenges and achievements across its business verticals. While the company faced delays and competitive pressures that impacted its performance, strategic decisions, quality focus, and regulatory achievements laid a foundation for future growth. As Natural Capsules Limited navigates through these challenges, its commitment to innovation, operational excellence, and market expansion continues to hold promise for its long-term success.

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#### **Key Financial Ratios**

Ratio	FY24	FY23	Change	Reason
Current Ratio	1.62	1.52	6.73%	-
Debt-equity Ratio	64.56%	94.78%	-31.89%	Due to increase in Shareholders equity during the year
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	117.86%	374.51%	-68.53%	Due to increase in debt and decrease in net profit for the year
Return on Equity	0.03	0.16	-80.60%	Due to decrease in net profit
Inventory Turnover Ratio	10.95	23.39	-53.19%	Due to increase in inventory and decrease in sales
Trade Receivables Turnover Ratio	2.92	4.40	-33.66%	Due to increase in receivables and decrease in sales
Trade Payables Turnover Ratio	3.23	4.07	-20.59%	-
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	3.29	4.99	-34.10%	Due to increase in working capital and decrease in sales
Net Profit Ratio	3.57%	10.70%	-66.61%	Due to lower sales realisation
Return on Capital Employed	3.86%	11.47%	-66.31%	Due to lower earning

#### **Human Resources**

At Natural Capsules Limited, we firmly believe that our human capital is the cornerstone of our success and a key enabler of our growth aspirations. Operating in an industry that demands efficiency, innovation, and adherence to stringent quality standards, we recognize the pivotal role played by our skilled and motivated workforce. Our employees are not only instrumental in driving operational excellence but also foster intellectual growth within the organisation.

As we embark on a new fiscal year, our unwavering focus remains on nurturing and developing our human resources while attracting and retaining top industry talent. We are committed to fostering a conducive work environment that encourages personal growth, skill enhancement, and employee well-being. To this end, we continue to conduct regular training programs and workshops aimed at enhancing the capabilities of our workforce across various domains.

Furthermore, our Employee Stock Option scheme serves as a strategic tool to incentivize retention and enable our employees to participate in the company's financial growth trajectory. With a motivated and engaged workforce, we remain confident in our ability to deliver sustainable value to all our stakeholders and capitalise on emerging opportunities.

As of March 31, 2024, Natural Capsules Limited's workforce stood at over 600 employees, united in their commitment to propelling the company's growth and success.

## **Internal Control Systems** and Their Adequacies

At Natural Capsules Limited, we place utmost importance on maintaining a robust internal control framework that safeguards our assets, ensures the integrity of financial records, and promotes operational efficiency. Our management team is committed to upholding the highest standards of corporate governance and internal controls, recognizing their pivotal role in driving sustainable growth and instilling stakeholder confidence.

The overarching responsibility of our internal control system lies with the management, who diligently oversee the implementation and continuous monitoring of control measures across the organisation. To further strengthen this framework, we have engaged the services of an independent Chartered Accountant firm to conduct internal audits and validate the accuracy and reliability of our transactions recording and reporting processes.

Our comprehensive internal control system ensures that all transactions are duly authorised, recorded, and reported in compliance with established protocols. We continuously strive to enhance our control measures, undertaking regular asset protection exercises and implementing stringent safeguards against unauthorised access or misuse of resources.

The Audit Committee plays a crucial role in our internal control framework, conducting a thorough review of financial our internal control systems. This oversight function ensures that our financial reporting adheres to the highest standards of transparency and accuracy.

Furthermore, we have implemented a state-of-the-art CCTV surveillance system that monitors our entire factory premises, reinforcing our commitment to asset protection and ensuring a safe and secure operating environment. Our management team remains vigilant, continuously evaluating and refining our internal control measures to address emerging risks and maintain the highest levels of operational excellence. We are unwavering in our pursuit of fostering a culture of accountability, ethical conduct, and rigorous risk management across all aspects of our operations.

#### **Cautionary statement**

describing the objectives, projections, estimates and subsidiaries and its associates, may be 'forward-looking statements' within the meaning of applicable laws and regulations. Actual results might differ substantially or materially from those expressed or implied. Important factors include, among others, economic conditions affecting demand/supply, price conditions in the domestic and overseas markets in which the Company operates, changes in the Government regulations, tax laws and other statutes and incidental factors.



## **Corporate Information**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Shri. C. P. Rangachar

Chairman & Independent Director

Shri. Laxminarayan Moondra

Whole-Time Director

Shri. Satyanarayana Mundra

Whole-Time Director

Shri. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra

Managing Director

Shri. S. G. Belapure

Independent Director

Shri. Pramod Kasat

Independent Director

Shri. Sushil Kumar Mundra

Director

Smt. Jyoti Mundra

Director

Shri. T. Y. Prabhu

Additional Director (w.e.f. 19.06.2024)

Shri. R. K. Prasad

Chief Financial Officer

Smt. Shilpa Burman

Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

**BANKERS** 

State Bank of India

Commercial Branch Bengaluru.

**HDFC Bank** 

No. 56, Sai Arcade, Opp. Intel, Marathahalli, Sarjapur Ring Road, D.B. Halli, Bengaluru.

**SECRETARIAL AUDITOR** 

R. Parthasarathy

STATUTORY AUDITOR

M/s. P. Chandrasekar LLP

**REGISTERED OFFICE** 

M/s. Natural Capsules Limited Trident Towers, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, No. 23

100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block,

Bengaluru-560 011.

CIN: L85110KA1993PLC014742

E-mail ID: Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com

**REGISTRAR AND SHARE TRANSFER AGENTS** 

M/s. Cameo Corporate Services Limited Subramanian Building, No. 1 Club House Road,

Chennai-600 002.

E-mail ID: Kandhimathi@cameoindia.com

#### **Notice**

Notice is hereby given to all the members of the Company, that the 31st Annual General Meeting of Natural Capsules Limited will be held on Friday, July 26, 2024 at 11.00 A.M. through video conferencing ("VC"), or Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") at the registered office of the Company at Trident Towers, 4th Floor, No. 23 100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block Bengaluru-560011, to transact the following business:

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS:**

- To receive, consider and adopt the Consolidated and Standalone Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024 together with the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a director in the place of Smt. Jyoti Mundra (DIN: 07143035), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers herself for re-appointment.
- 3. To appoint a director in the place of Shri Laxminarayan Moondra (DIN: 00214298), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

 To consider reappointment of Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra (DIN: 00214304) as Managing Director

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

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Sections 196, 197 and 203 read with Schedule V and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 (amended from time to time), SEBI (Listing obligation & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, Clause 92 and Clause 95 of the Company's Articles of Association and as recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board, the consent of the Members be and is hereby accorded for re-appointment of Shri Sunil Laxminarayan Mundra, as a Managing Director of the Company for a period of 5 years with effect from June 01, 2024, on the same terms and conditions of the earlier agreement and that his remuneration shall be as per the following terms (as approved by Nomination and Remuneration Committee) for a period of 3 years w.e.f. April 01, 2023:

- Salary of ₹ 4,50,000/- per month on the scale of pay of ₹ 4,50,000-25,000-5,00,000;
- 2. Car with the driver for official work;
- 3. Medical re imbursement for self and dependent family members not exceeding 1 month's Salary in a year or 3 month's salary in block of 3 years;
- LTC once in a year not exceeding 1 month's salary for self and dependent family;

- PF and Gratuity as applicable to the other officers of the Company;
- 6. 1% commission on Profit.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the aforesaid remuneration shall be construed as minimum remuneration in the absence of profits/inadequate profits, except that the overall remuneration including perquisites will be restricted to the maximum permissible limit as per Schedule V and that no commission will be paid.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of directors be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary for giving effect to this Resolution."

5. To re-appoint Shri Pramod Kasat as independent director (DIN: 00819790) for a period of 5 years:

To consider and if thought fit, to convey assent or dissent to the following **Special Resolution**:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 149 and 152 read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and Companies (Appointment and Qualifications of Directors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force) and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time Shri Pramod Kasat who was appointed as an Additional Director (Independent) with effect from May 01, 2024 and having given declaration that he fulfills the criteria for the Independent Directors be and is hereby re-appointed as an Independent Director of the Company for a second term of five years with effect from May 01, 2024 and that his tenure of appointment shall not be liable to retire by rotation."

6. To Appoint Mr. Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu Independent Director:

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

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 152, 160 and all other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder (including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment thereof for the time being in force) read with Schedule IV to the Companies Act, 2013, and a notice having been received from a member, Mr. Tekkar

Yashwanth Prabhu (DIN: 02113527) who was appointed as an Additional Director (Independent) with effect from June 19, 2024 and having given declaration that he fulfills the criteria for the Independent Directors be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company subject to the approval of members in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, to hold office for a period of five years w.e.f. June 19, 2024 and that his period of office shall not be liable to retire by rotation.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Managing Director of the Company be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary for giving effect to this Resolution."

## 7. To Consider and approve Related Party transactions with subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited

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

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 188(1) and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the Companies

(Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 and Regulation 23 and other applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modification(s) or reenactment(s) thereof), approval of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded to enter into any contract/arrangement/transactions with 'Natural Biogenex Private Limited' (Subsidiary of the Company), the value of which not exceeding ₹ 50 Crores for a period from August 01, 2024 to July 31, 2025, as per the details provided in the Explanatory Statement attached to this Notice, and on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Board of Directors of the Company, from time to time.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors of the Company and/or any Committee thereof be and is hereby authorised to settle any question, difficulty or doubts that may arise and to do all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary, usual, proper or expedient in this regard."

By ORDER OF THE BOARD

Sd/-**Shilpa Burman** Company Secretary

Place: Bangalore Date: June 28, 2024

#### **Notes:**

- The Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 (1) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act"), Secretarial Standard-2 on General Meetings and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 in respect of the Special Business is annexed hereto.
- In view of the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing norms and pursuant to the General Circular Nos. 14/2020, 17/2020, 20/2020,02/2021, 10/22, 09/23 dated April 08, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 05, 2020, January 13, 2021, December 2022 and September 2023 respectively read with the General Circular No. 02/2022 dated May 05, 2022 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (collectively "MCA Circulars") and SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2022/62 dated May 13, 2022 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ("Listing Regulations"), the 30th Annual General Meeting of the Company ("30th AGM"/"AGM") is being held through VC/OAVM Facility, which does not require physical presence of Members at the venue. The proceedings of the 31st AGM shall be deemed to be made at the Registered Office of the Company situated at No. 23, Trident Towers, 100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block, Bangalore, Karnataka-560011, India.
- Members who have not claimed/received their dividend paid by the Company in respect of earlier years are requested to write to the Company's Registrar and Transfer Agent, Cameo Corporate services Limited. Members are requested to note that in terms of Section 125 of the Companies Act, 2013, any dividend unpaid/ unclaimed for a period of 7 years from the date these first became due for payment is to be transferred to the Central Government to the credit of the Investor Education & Protection Fund (IEPF). The details of the unclaimed dividends and the underlying shares that are liable to be transferred to IEPF are also available at the Company's website www.naturalcapsules.com. In view of this, members/claimants are requested to claim their dividends from the Company, within the stipulated timeline. The Members whose unclaimed dividends/ shares have been transferred to IEPF may claim the same by making an application to the IEPF Authority, in Form No. IEPF-5 is available on www.iepf.gov.in.
- 4. The 31st Annual Report along with Notice of the AGM including general guidelines for participation at the 31st AGM through VC/OAVM, procedure for remote e-Voting including during the AGM, is being sent by electronic mode to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company/Depository. The same has also been uploaded on the website of the Company, i.e. <a href="www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a>. To support the 'Green Initiative' and in accordance with the MCA Circulars and SEBI Circular, copy of the Annual Report is being sent

- only through emails to the Members of the Company. Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with the Company or with the R&T Agent/respective Depository Participant(s).
- 5. Corporate Members intending to attend the meeting through VC/OAVM are requested to send a scanned copy of the certified true copy of Board Resolution/Power of Attorney from the Corporate Member's registered email address authorizing their representatives to attend the AGM on their behalf, at the email ID, <a href="Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com">Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com</a>. Further, the Corporate Members are requested to also state the Client ID/DP ID in which the Company's shares are held.
- 6. Record date for the 31st AGM is fixed as July 19, 2024.
- Members holding shares in physical form can avail the nomination facility by filing Form SH-13, as prescribed under Section 72 of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder, with the Company. Members holding shares in demat form may contact their respective Depository Participant(s) for availing this facility. The Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") vide its Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/ CIR/2021/655 dated November 03, 2021 and circular SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/687 dated December 14, 2021, has made it mandatory for the shareholders/Members holding securities in physical form to furnish PAN, KYC details and Nomination to the Registrar and Transfer Agent ('RTA') of the Company. The folios wherein any one of the cited document/details are not available on or after April 01, 2024, shall be frozen by the RTA of the Company. In this regard, the letter was sent to the concerned Members at the registered address available, and the brief process to update along with relevant forms are available on the website of the Company http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pages/bes-compliance.
- 8. In compliance with Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013, Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, the Company has provided a facility to the members to exercise their votes electronically through the electronic voting service facility arranged by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and instructions for e-Voting are given herein below. A resolution passed by members through e-Voting is/are deemed to have been passed as if they've been passed at the AGM.
- Members may also note that the Notice of the 31<sup>st</sup> AGM of Natural Capsules Limited and the Annual Report 2024-25 will be available on the Company's website <u>www.naturalcapsules.com</u>.
- Additional information, as per SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, in respect of the directors seeking appointment/reappointment at the AGM is furnished as annexure to the

Notice. The directors have furnished consent/declaration for their appointment/re-appointment as required under the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules framed thereunder.

- 11. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has mandated the submission of the Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in the securities market. Members holding shares in electronic form are, therefore, requested to submit their PAN to their Depository participant(s). Members holding shares in physical form are required to submit their PAN details to the Company's Registrar and Transfer Agent. As per Regulation 40 of SEBI listing Regulations (as amended), request for effecting transfer of securities, except in case of transposition or transmission of securities shall not be processed effective from April 01, 2019 unless the securities are held in dematerialized form. Hence, the Members holding equity shares of the Company in physical form are requested to take action to dematerialize the same promptly.
- 12. The Members are encouraged to furnish/update their PAN, KYC details including contact details & bank account details, Nomination and specimen signature with the RTA/the Company in specified forms. The Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") vide Master Circular dated May 17, 2023 and subsequent circular dated September 26, 2023 specified December 31, 2023 as the cut-off date by which Members holding shares in physical mode were required to furnish their PAN, KYC details including contact details & bank account details, Nomination and specimen signature with the RTA/the Company. Please note that unless the above details are updated with the RTA/the Company, Members would not be able to receive any correspondence(s)/information/intimation from the RTA/the Company.

Please note that it is also mandatory to link PAN with Aadhar number. Investors who are yet to link the PAN with Aadhar number are requested to complete the same. Securities held in physical folios which have no PAN registered/have invalid PAN registered/no PAN linked with their Aadhar numbers in the records of the RTA/Company shall be considered inoperative/inactive/incomplete. The formats for nomination and updation of KYC details in accordance with the SEBI circular are available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a> Effective January 01, 2022, Grievance Redressal/Service Requests can be availed with the RTA only after the required documents/complete data as mandated are furnished for physical folios.

The duly filled-in Forms along with supporting documents may be sent to the RTA at their address: M/s Cameo Corporate Services Limited, Subramanian Building, No. 1 Club House Road, Chennai-600 002.

13. The Equity Shares of the Company are listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange Limited (BSE) and the Company has already paid the annual listing fees for the Financial Year 2024-25 to BSE as well as custodian fees to the National Securities Depository Limited and

Central Depository Services (India) Limited within the prescribed time.

- 14. The Register of Directors' and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Act, and the Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which the Directors are interested under Section 189 of the Act will be available for inspection during the AGM electronically.
- 15. All the relevant documents referred in this Notice shall be available for inspection by the Members upto the date of 31st Annual General Meeting electronically and the Member(s) may send a request for inspection of documents to the Company Secretary (Email ID: Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com) and mention the details of Folio No. or Client ID/DP ID wherein the shares of the Company are held by the Member(s).
- 16. General instructions for accessing or participating at the 31st AGM through Electronic Means (VC/OAVM)
  - Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 (as amended), and the Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs 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 National Securities Depository Limited (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 venue voting on the date of the AGM will be provided by NSDL.
  - b) The Members can join the AGM in the VC/OAVM mode 15 minutes before and after the scheduled time of the commencement of the Meeting by following the procedure mentioned in the Notice. The facility of participation at the AGM through VC/OAVM will be made available for 1000 members on first come first served basis. This will not include large Shareholders (Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Stakeholders Relationship Committee, Auditors etc. who are allowed to attend the AGM without restriction on account of first come first served basis.
  - c) 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 Companies Act, 2013.
  - d) Pursuant to the SEBI Circular dated May 13, 2022, the requirement of sending proxy forms under Regulation 44(4) of the Listing Regulations is

dispensed with up to December 31, 2022, in case of general meetings held through electronic mode only. Pursuant to the MCA Circulars, the facility to appoint proxy to attend and cast vote for the Members is not available for this AGM being conducted through VC/OAVM. However, in pursuance of Section 112 and Section 113 of the Act, representatives of the Members such as the President of India or the Governor of a State or Body Corporates can attend the AGM through VC/OAVM and cast their votes through e-Voting, subject to the applicable conditions.

- e) Notice calling the AGM has been uploaded on the website of the Company at <a href="www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a> The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited at <a href="www.bseindia.com">www.bseindia.com</a> and the AGM Notice is also available on the website of NSDL (agency for providing the Remote e-Voting facility) i.e. <a href="www.evoting.nsdl.com">www.evoting.nsdl.com</a>.
- f) AGM has been convened through VC/OAVM in compliance with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with MCA Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and MCA Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, MCA Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020, MCA Circular No. 2/2021 dated January 13, 2021, MCA Circular No. 10/22 dated December 28, 2022 and MCA Circular No. 09/23 dated September 25, 2023.
- g) As provided in the MCA General Circular No. 09/23 dated September 25, 2023, the MCA has allowed the companies whose AGMs are due in the year 2024 to conduct their AGMs on or before September 30, 2024 in accordance with the requirements provided

- in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020 i.e. conduct AGMs through VC/OAVM.
- h) The recorded transcript of the 31st AGM shall be made available on the website of the Company.

# THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AND JOINING GENERAL MEETING ARE AS UNDER:

The remote e-Voting period begins on July 23, 2024 at 09:00 A.M. and ends on July 25, 2024 at 05:00 P.M. The remote e-Voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members/Beneficial Owners as on the record date (cut-off date) i.e. July 19, 2024 may cast their vote electronically. The voting right of shareholders shall be in proportion to their share in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date, being July 19, 2024.

# How do I vote electronically using NSDL e-Voting system?

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

#### Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system

# A) Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode

In terms of SEBI circular dated December 09, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and e-mail Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

#### Login method for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

#### Type of shareholders **Login Method** Individual Shareholders Existing IDeAS user can visit the e-Services website of NSDL Viz. https://eservices.nsdl.com holding securities in demat either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. On the e-Services home page click on the mode with **NSDL** "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' Section, this will prompt you to enter your existing User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services under Value added services. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on Company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be re-directed to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting. If you are not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at https:// eservices.nsdl.com Select "Register Online for IDeAS Portal" or click at https://eservices. nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp.

#### Type of shareholders

#### **Login Method**

- 3. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either">https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either</a> on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' Section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on Company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.
- 4. Shareholders/Members can also download NSDL Mobile App "NSDL Speede" facility by scanning the QR code mentioned below for seamless voting experience.



#### Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with **CDSL**

- 2. After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be also able to see the e-Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL. Click on NSDL to cast your vote.
- 3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at <a href="https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration">https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration</a>
- 4. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a link in <a href="www.cdslindia.com">www.cdslindia.com</a> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP i.e. NSDL where the e-Voting is in progress.

#### Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their **Depository Participant**

You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. upon logging in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on Company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

**Important note:** Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with <b>NSDL</b>	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <a href="mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a> or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

Individual Shareholders	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at
holding securities in demat mode with <b>CDSL</b>	helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at 022-23058738 or 022-23058542-43

B) Login Method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

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

- 1. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either">https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either</a> on a Personal Computer or on a mobile.
- 2. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/ Member' Section.
- 3. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.

Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL eservices i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com/with">https://eservices.nsdl.com/with</a> your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL eservices after using your log-in credentials, click on e-Voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.

4. Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of holding shares i.e. Demat (NSDL or CDSL) or Physical	Your User ID is	
a) 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*****.	
b) 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*********	
c) 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 101456 then user ID is 101456001***.	

- Password details for shareholders other than Individual shareholders are given below:
  - a) If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can user your existing password to login and cast your vote;
  - 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;
  - c) How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
    - (i) If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the email 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';

- (ii) If your email ID is not registered, please follow steps mentioned below in process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered.
- 6. If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the "Initial password" or have forgotten your password:
  - a) 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;
  - b) **"Physical User Reset Password?"** (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com">www.evoting.nsdl.com</a>;
  - c) If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at <a href="mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a> mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address etc;

- d) Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- 7. After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.
- 8. Now, you will have to click on "Login" button.
- 9. After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

## Step 2: Cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system.

## How to cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system?

- After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status.
- 2. Select "EVEN" of Company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period and casting your vote during the General Meeting. For joining virtual meeting, you need to click on "VC/OAVM" link placed under "Join General Meeting".
- 3. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- 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.
- 5. Upon confirmation, the message "Vote cast successfully" will be displayed.
- 6. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- 7. Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

#### General Guidelines for shareholders

- Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI 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 csdeepak.sadhu@gmail.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- 2. 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 <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com">www.evoting.nsdl.com</a> to reset the password.

3. In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-Voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download Section of <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com">www.evoting.nsdl.com</a> or call on toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 or send a request to Mr. Thejas Narasimhamurthy at <a href="https://evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a>.

Process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered with the depositories 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), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to <u>Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com</u>.
- 2. In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) to (Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com). If you are an Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at step 1 (A) i.e. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.
- 3. Alternatively shareholder/members may send a request to <a href="mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a> for procuring user id and password for e-Voting by providing above mentioned documents.
- 4. In terms of SEBI circular dated December 09, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are required to update their mobile number and email ID correctly in their demat account in order to access e-Voting facility.

## THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR E-VOTING ON THE DAY OF THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:

- 1. The procedure for e-Voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-Voting.
- 2. Only those Members/shareholders, who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not casted 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.
- 3. Members who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- 4. The details of the person who may be contacted for any grievances connected with the facility for e-Voting on the

day of the AGM shall be the same person mentioned for Remote e-Voting.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM ARE AS UNDER:

1. Member will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access by following the steps mentioned above for Access to NSDL e-Voting system. After successful login, you can see link of "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against Company name. You are requested to click on VC/OAVM link placed under Join General Meeting menu. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. 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 the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush.

- 2. Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops for better experience.
- 3. Further Members will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
- 4. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop 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 kind of aforesaid glitches.
- 5. Shareholders who would like to express their views/ have questions may send their questions in advance mentioning their name demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number at (Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com). The same will be replied by the Company suitably.

# Explanatory Statement to Section 102(2) of the Companies Act, 2013

# ITEM NO. 4: RE-APPOINTMENT OF SHRI SUNIL L MUNDRA (DIN: 00214304) AS MANAGING DIRECTOR:

Shri Sunil L Mundra, 59 years, is Promoter and Managing Director of the Company since inception and having professional qualification as "Chartered Account", he has full knowledge on various aspects relating to the business of the Company and has more than 3 decades of long business experience. Considering his significant contribution to the progress of the Company since inception, in the interest of the Company, the Board of Directors recommends his reappointment for a further period of 5 years with effect from June 01, 2024 on the same remuneration approved earlier.

As approved by Nomination, remuneration and compensation committee, the Board of Directors in their meeting held on May 21, 2024 re-appointed him as Managing Director of the Company (subject to the approval of members) for a further period of 5 years with effect from June 01, 2024 on the same terms and conditions of the earlier agreement and that his remuneration shall be as per the following terms for a period of 3 years w.e.f. April 01, 2023:

- 1. Salary of ₹ 4,50,000/- Per month on the scale of pay of ₹ 4,50,000-25,000-5,00,000;
- 2. Car with the driver for official work;
- Medical re imbursement for self and dependent family members not exceeding 1 month's Salary in a year or 3 month's salary in block of 3 years;
- 4. LTC once in a year not exceeding 1 month's salary for self and dependent family;
- 5. PF and Gratuity as applicable to the other officers of the Company;
- 6. 1% commission on Profit.

The aforesaid remuneration shall be construed as minimum remuneration in the absence of profits/inadequate profits, except that the overall remuneration including perquisites will be restricted to the maximum permissible limit as per Schedule V and that no commission will be paid. Except Shri Sunil L Mundra and promoter Directors, none of the other directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives, is/are in any way concerned/interested in the resolution set out at item No. 4 of the accompanying Notice of the AGM. The Board recommends the passing of the resolution as set out at Item No. 4 of the Notice of the AGM as a **Special resolution**.

# ITEM NO. 5: TO RE-APPOINT SHRI PRAMOD KASAT (DIN: 00819790) AS INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS:

Mr. Pramod Kasat holds an Engineering Degree from BITS, Pilani and a Master's degree in Finance from Sydenham Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai University. He is currently the Managing Director of Intellecap Advisory Services. He holds diverse experience in a leadership role across various reputed organisations such as IndusInd Bank, Pioneer Investcorp, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Citibank NA and IL&FS Group. He serves as an Independent Director on the Board of Advanced Enzyme Technologies Limited, Fermenta Biotech Limited, Sai Silks (Kalamandir) Limited.

Hence the Nomination remuneration and Compensation Committee recommends the re-appointment of Shri Pramod Kasat for a second term of five years with effect from May 01, 2024 and that his tenure of appointment shall not be liable to retire by rotation. Except Shri Pramod Kasat, being appointee, none of the directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives, is/are in any way concerned/interested in the resolution set out at item No. 5 of the accompanying Notice of the AGM. The board recommends the passing of the resolution as set out at Item No. 5 of the Notice of the AGM as a **Special resolution**.

## ITEM NO. 6: TO APPOINT OF MR. T Y PRABHU, AS INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR:

on recommendation of Nomination Remuneration Committee and in terms of the provisions of Sections 149, 152 read with Schedule IV and any other applicable provisions, if any of the Act and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and Regulation 16(1)(b) of SEBI Listing Obligation Requirement (LODR) Regulation, 2015, being eligible, he offers himself for appointment as an Non-Executive Independent Director Mr. Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu (DIN: 02113527), was appointed by the Board of Directors as an Additional Director with effect from June 19, 2024 and he holds office up to the date of this Annual General Meeting of the Company in terms of Section 161 of the act and who has submitted a declaration that he meets the criteria for independence as provided in Section 149(6) of the Act and the Board also considers that his continued association would be of immense benefit to the Company and it is desirable to avail his services as an Independent Non-Executive Director. In compliance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013, the appointment of Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu as Independent Non-Executive Director is now placed before the Members at the General Meeting for approval. Accordingly, the Board recommends special resolution in relation to the appointment of Shri T Y Prabhu as a Non-Executive

Independent Director for a term of 5 (five) consecutive years with effect from June 19, 2024 not liable to retire by rotation, for the approval by the shareholders of the Company. Copies of draft letters for appointment of Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu as Independent Non-Executive Director setting out terms and conditions of appointment would be available for inspection without any fee by the members at the registered office of the Company during office hours on all working days except public holidays between 10.00 A.M. to 12.00 noon, up to and including the date of AGM. Except Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu being appointee, none of the directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their relatives, is/are in any way concerned/interested in the resolution set out at item No. 6 of the accompanying Notice of the AGM. Shri T Y Prabhu is not related to any director(s) of the Company. The board recommends the passing of the resolution as set out at Item No. 6 of the Notice of the AGM as a Special resolution.

# ITEM NO. 7: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS WITH SUBSIDIARY, NATURAL BIOGENEX PRIVATE LIMITED:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with Rule 15 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force) ("Act"), approval of the Members of the Company is required for the Related Party Transactions on account of the sales, purchase or supply of any goods or materials amounting to 10% of the turnover of the Company, only if the transaction

is either not in ordinary course or not at an arm's length basis i.e. the Act provides for an exemption from obtaining the approval, in case such transactions are entered into the ordinary course of business and at arm's length basis.

As per Regulation 23 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015 (as amended) ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), approval of the Members of the Company is required in case of material Related Party Transactions. As per the SEBI Listing Regulations, a transaction with a Related Party shall be considered material, if the transaction(s) to be entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year, exceeds ₹ 1000 Crores or 10% of the annual consolidated turnover of the listed entity as per the last audited financial statements of the listed entity, whichever is lower. The proposed transaction limit of the Company with the Wholly owned Subsidiary-M/S Natural Biogenex Private Limited shall exceed the limits prescribed under the SEBI Listing Regulations for material Related Party Transactions. The proposed transaction of the Company with M/S Natural Biogenex Private Limited to be in the ordinary course of business of the Company and should be on an  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathsf{arms'}}}$ length basis. However, there may be some transactions that may be done in the interest of the Company based on the justification provided below. Hence, inter alia, in view of the aforementioned provisions and as it's a material Related Party transaction under the SEBI Listing Regulations, approval of the Members of the Company for the proposed transactions, with M/S Natural Biogenex Private Limited is being obtained.

# The disclosures and particulars of related party contracts, arrangements or transactions as required to be given under the provisions of the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations are as follows:

Name of the Related Party	Natural Biogenex Private Limited	
Name of Directors or Key Managerial Personnel who is related	Sunil L Mundra & Laxminarayan Moondra (Directors in holding Company)	
Nature of Relationship	Subsidiary	
Material terms of the contract/arrangement/transactions	Investment in subsidiary Company	
Monetary value and period of approval	₹ 50 Crores (Period August 2024 to July 2025)	
Justification for why the proposed transaction is in the interest of the listed entity	Since it is a subsidiary of listed Company, it will increase consolidated top-line and bottom line of the listed entity	
Summary of the information provided by the management of the Company to the Audit Committee	Listed entity will provide unsecured loan to the extent of ₹ 50 Crores to subsidiary Company	
A copy of the valuation or other external party report, if any such report has been relied upon	NA	
Percentage of the counter-party's annual consolidated turnover that is represented by the value of the proposed RPT on a voluntary basis	20%	
Any other information relevant or important for the Members to take the decision on the proposed resolution	It will increase the shareholders wealth in long term.	

The Board of Directors of the Company recommends the resolution set out at Item No. 9 to be passed as an Ordinary Resolution.

None of the Directors or Key Managerial Personnel of the Company or their Relatives are concerned or interested financially or otherwise in the resolution, except as mentioned above.

#### **Listing Requirements:**

As mandated under Regulation 36(3) of SEBI Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements (LODR) Regulation 2015 and Secretarial Standards on General Meetings (SS-2), the required details are given below:

Information Relating to Re-Appointment of Whole-Time Director and Director/s Retiring by Rotation & Seeking Re-appointment:

Name	Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Shri Laxminaryan Moondra	Smt. Jyothi Mundra	Shri Pramod Kasat	Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu
Age	59 Years	83 years	56 years	55 Years	74 years
Date of Birth	30.11.1964	27.04.1941	31.07.1967	06.08.1969	30.12.1950
Date of Appointment	01.06.2011	01.06.2011	27.08.2015	30.05.2019	19.06.2024
Purpose	Re-appointment as Managing Director	Retiring director seeking re- appointment	Retiring director seeking re- appointment	Reappointment as Independent Non- Executive Director	Appointment as Independent director
Type of Business and Resolution	Special Business - Special Resolution	Ordinary Business - Ordinary Resolution	Ordinary Business - Ordinary Resolution	Special Business - Special Resolution	Special Business - Special Resolution
DIN	00214304	00214298	07143035	00819790	02113527
Qualification	Chartered Accountant	B.Com	B.Com	B.E, MBA	B.Com, LL. B, CAIIB
Expertise and Experience	40 years of experience in Accounts and Finance as well as in Pharma Industry.	34 years of experience in Banking, Finance, Human Resource and Management.	24 years of experience in Accounts and Finance.	25 years of experience in finance and investment Banking.	40 Years of experience in banking.
Brief Resume	Shri Sunil L Mundra serves as Managing Director of Natural Capsules Limited. He is responsible for entire commercial operations and the backbone of Marketing activities He is charge of the day to day affairs of the Company subject to the supervision and control of the Board of Directors.	Mr. Laxminarayan Mundra serves as Whole-Time Director of Natural Capsules Limited. He is a Commerce graduate. He advises the Company on matters relating to finance, management and control of human resource.	Smt. Jyoti Mundra serves as Non-Executive Director of Natural Capsules Limited. She has extensive experience in the areas of business administration, financial control.	Mr. Pramod Kasat holds an Engineering Degree from BITS, Pilani and a Master's degree in Finance from Sydenham Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai University. He is currently the Managing Director of Intellecap Advisory Services. He holds diverse experience in a leadership role across various reputed organisations such as IndusInd Bank, Pioneer Investcorp, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Citibank NA and IL&FS Group.	Mr. T Y Prabhu has over 4 decades of banking experience, having worked in 3 of the country's great banks viz; 1. Canara Bankdesignated as General Manager, 2. Union Bank of India-designated as Executive Director; 3. Oriental Bank of Commercedesignated as Chairman & Managing Director. He also worked as chairman in Dhanlaxmi Bank Limited.

Name	Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Shri Laxminaryan Moondra	Smt. Jyothi Mundra	Shri Pramod Kasat	Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu
				He serves as an Independent Director on the Board of Advanced Enzyme Technologies Limited, Fermenta Biotech Limited, Sai Silks (Kalamandir) Limited and Safepack Industries Limited.	He has worked extensively in various facets of banking including Corporate Credit, Treasury, Forex, International Operations. As an Executive Director of Union Bank of India, Mumbai, he introduced many reforms. He is widely acknowledged for his erudition and scholarship in the fields of Banking and Institutional Finance.
					He has also undergone extensive trainings in renowned institutions in India and abroad. He was actively associated with Southern India Banks' Staff Training College in Bangalore as a guest faculty. Currently, he serves as director of the boards of Manipal Business Solutions Limited, Simplepay Finance Private Limited, Vridhi Finserv Home Finance Limited and Brickwork Ratings India Private Limited.

Name	Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Shri Laxminaryan Moondra	Smt. Jyothi Mundra	Shri Pramod Kasat	Shri Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu
Committee Membership In Listed Entities	Audit Committee     Stakeholder     Relationship     Committee     CSR Committee     Performance     Evaluation     Committee     Shareholder's     Grievance     Committee     Share Transfer     Committee	1. Stakeholder's Relationship Committee 2. Share Transfer Committee 3. Performance & Evaluation Committee 4. Shareholder's Grievance Committee	NIL	CSR Committee     Audit Committee     Nomination,     Remuneration     and     Compensation     Committee	NIL
Directorship in Companies	<ol> <li>Natural Capsules Limited</li> <li>Natural Biogenex Private Limited</li> <li>Square Plus Life Sciences Private Limited</li> <li>Tajos Investments Private Limited</li> <li>Natura Phyto Pharma Private Limited</li> </ol>	1. Natural Capsules Limited 2. Tajos Investments Private Limited 3. Square Plus Life Sciences Private Limited 4. Natural Biogenex Private Limited	<ol> <li>Natural Capsules Limited</li> <li>Nandi Synthetics Private Limited</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Advanced         Enzyme         Technologies         Limited</li> <li>JC Biotech         Private Limited</li> <li>Natural Capsules         Limited</li> <li>Natural Biogenex         Private Limited</li> <li>Sai Silks         (Kalamandir)         Limited</li> <li>Fermenta         Biotech Limited</li> <li>Safepack         Industries         Limited</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Manipal Business Solutions Limited</li> <li>Simplepay Finance Private Limited</li> <li>Vridhi Finserv Home Finance Limited</li> <li>Brickwork Ratings India Private Limited</li> </ol>
Share Holdings in The Company as on March 31, 2024	5288160 equity shares of ₹ 10/- each	240441 equity shares of ₹ 10/- each	306694 equity shares of ₹ 10/- each	10,000 shares (held by Pramod Kasat HUF - in capacity of Karta)	NIL

#### Relationship amongst Promoter Directors and Other Directors:

Sr. No.	Name of Promoter Director	Other Promoter Director	Relationship Between Director and Other Directors
1.	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	Sri Sathyanarayan Mundra	Brother
		Sri Sunil L Mundra	Son
		Sri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Son

Sr. No.	Name of Promoter Director	Other Promoter Director	Relationship Between Director and Other Directors	
2.	Shri Sathyanarayana Mundra	Sri Laxminarayan Mundra Sri Sunil L Mundra Sri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Brother Brother's Son Brother's Son	
3.	Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Sri Laxminarayan Mundra Sri Sathyanarayan Mundra Sri Sunil Laxminarayan Mundra	Father Father's Brother Brother	
4.	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Sri Laxminarayan Mundra Sri Sathyanarayan Mundra Sri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Father Father's Brother Brother	
5.	Smt. Jyoti Mundra	Sri Sunil L Mundra Sri Laxminarayan Mundra Sri Sathyanarayan Mundra Sri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Husband Husband's Father Husband's Uncle Husband's Brother	
6.	Shri C P Rangachar, Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director			
7.	Shri S G Belapure, Independent Non-Executive Director	There is no Inter-se relationship among Executive Directors and Independent Non-Executive Directors.		
8.	Shri Pramod Kasat, Independent	_ '		
9.	Shri T. Y. Prabhu, Additional Director	_		

## **Directors' Report to the Members**

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting their 31st Annual Report together with the Audited Accounts of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2024.

#### **FINANCIAL RESULTS:**

The Company's financial performance, for the year ended March 31, 2024 is summarized here below:

(₹ in Lakhs)

Particulars	Standalone		Consolidated	
	Financial Year 2023-24	Financial Year 2022-23	Financial Year 2023-24	Financial Year 2022-23
Gross Sales	17,195.94	20,525.52	17,387.19	20,476.14
Less: GST	1,815.31	3,238.72	1,845.19	3,238.72
Net Sales	15,380.63	17,286.80	15,542.00	17,237.42
Other Income	314.57	106.59	193.62	56.54
Total	15,695.20	17,393.39	15,735.62	17,293.96
Profit before Depreciation & Taxation	1,896.32	3,294.09	1,671.97	3,220.08
Less: Depreciation	856.85	719.61	866.78	720.81
Less: Provision for Current Tax	197.13	545.77	197.13	545.77
Less: Prior Period Adjustment		-	-	_
Less: Deferred Tax Liability	61.84	108.88	52.71	108.88
Add: Exceptional Items-Income/(Expense)	-		-	
Add: Other Comprehensive Income/(Expense)	26.08	(6.48)	26.08	(6.48)
Profit after Taxation	806.58	1,913.35	581.43	1,838.14
Add: Balance b/f from Previous Year	7,335.57	5,585.92	7,252.88	5,578.44
Surplus available for Appropriation	8,142.15	7,499.27	7,834.31	7,416.58
Appropriations	-	-	-	_
General Reserve	-	-	-	-
Proposed Dividend	-	92.76	-	92.76
Tax on Dividend	-	-	-	_
Additional Depreciation on Fixed Asset as per Companies Act, 2013	-	-	-	-
Balance carried to Balance Sheet	8,142.15	7,406.51	7,834.31	7,323.82

#### THE CHANGE IN THE NATURE OF BUSINESS, IF ANY:

There was no change in the nature of business for the period under review.

#### **TRANSFER TO RESERVES:**

The Company does not propose to transfer any amount to the General Reserves.

#### **DIVIDEND:**

Based on the performance of the Company and the need for conservation of internal accruals for capacity expansion, your Directors have not recommended any dividend for the year 2023-24.

# TRANSFER OF UNCLAIMED DIVIDEND TO INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND & TRANSFER OF SHARES TO INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND:

In terms of the Companies Act, any unclaimed or unpaid Dividend relating to the financial year 2016-17, will be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund established by the Central Government, after the conclusion of 31st Annual General Meeting.

Pursuant to Section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 all shares in respect of which Dividend has not been paid or claimed for seven consecutive years or more has been transferred to IEPF. Further shares required to be transferred to IEPF for the financial year 2016-17 to 2023-24 will be transferred as per the provisions of the Act.

The details of the said shares transferred are provided on the website of the Company at <a href="http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pages/bes-compliance.html">http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pages/bes-compliance.html</a>.

#### **SHARE CAPITAL:**

During the year under consideration, there was change in the paid up capital. During December, 2021, the Company had issued rights shares of 31,16,350 partly paid equity shares

face value of ₹ 10/- each for cash at a price of ₹ 100/- each right equity share including premium of ₹ 90/- per rights equity shares, resulting into change in equity share capital to ₹ 9,33,17,643/- Comprising of 93,21,578 Equity Shares of ₹ 10/- each fully paid, 13,273 Equity shares of ₹ 10/- each paid up ₹ 5/- each and 14,199 equity shares of ₹ 10/- each paid up ₹ 2.50/- each as on March 31, 2024.

#### **STATUS OF EXPANSION & API PROJECTS:**

During the year Company has installed 1 HPMC capsule making machine at Bengaluru unit, resulting in increase of installed capacity of the Company from 16.02 billion to 18.75 billion capsules per annum.

Construction is on full swing in the API project of the Company which is being implemented by its subsidiary M/s Natural Biogenex Private Limited. We are expecting to start the trial productions by 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the financial year 2024-25.

#### **EXTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURN:**

Pursuant to Section 92(3) and Section 134(3)(a) of the Act read with Rule 12(1) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, an extract of the Annual Return is uploaded on the website of the Company web link <a href="https://www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a>.

#### BOARD MEETINGS AND ITS COMMITTEES CONDUCTED DURING THE PERIOD UNDER REVIEW:

<b>Board Meeting Number</b>	Date of Board Meeting	Board Strength	No. of Director's Present	
151st	Saturday, April 22, 2023	8	7	
152 <sup>nd</sup>	Friday, May 26, 2023	8	8	
153 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday, August 09, 2023	8	8	
154 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday, September 23, 2023	8	8	
155 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday, November 09, 2023	8	7	
156 <sup>th</sup> Friday, February 09, 2024		8	8	

Further details of the same have been enumerated in the Corporate Governance Report annexed in Annexure-5 to this report.

#### **DEPOSITS:**

Company has not accepted any deposits within the meaning of Section 73 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Acceptance of Deposits) Rules, 2014.

## DETAILS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS:

The Company has given corporate guarantees of ₹70/- Crores to its subsidiary M/s Natural Biogenex Private Limited covered under the provisions of Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013. The details of the investments made by Company are given in the notes to the financial statements.

## INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS AND THEIR ADEQUACY:

Internal financial controls means the policies and procedures adopted by the Company for ensuring the orderly and efficient

conduct of its business, including adherence to Company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information; The Company has adequate internal control systems to monitor business processes, financial reporting and compliance with applicable regulations. The systems are periodically reviewed for identification of control deficiencies and formulation of time bound action plans to improve efficiency at all the levels. The Audit Committee of the Board constantly reviews internal control systems and their adequacy, significant risk areas, observations made by the internal auditors on control mechanism and the operations of the Company and recommendations made for corrective action through the internal audit reports. The Committee reviews the statutory auditors' report, internal audit reports, secretarial audit reports, project repots, quarterly budgets, significant processes and accounting policies and other key issues from time to time.

#### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT:**

The Directors confirm that:

- (a) In the preparation of the annual accounts, the applicable accounting standards have been followed and there are no material departures from those standards;
- (b) They have selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the financial year and of the profit of the Company for that period;
- (c) They have taken proper and sufficient care for maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- (d) They have prepared the annual accounts on a going concern basis;
- (e) The directors had devised proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and that such system were adequate and operating effectively. Based on the framework of internal financial controls established and maintained by the Company, work performed by theInternal, Statutory and Secretarial Auditors, reviews performed by the management and the relevant Board Committees, the Board, in concurrence with the Audit Committee, is of the opinion that the Company's internal financial controls were adequate and effective as on March 31, 2024;
- (f) They have duly complied with Secretarial Standards issued by Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) from time to time.

## INFORMATION PERTAINING TO AUDITORS AND OTHER ALLIED MATTERS:

# Details In Respect of Frauds Reported By Auditors under Section 143(12) Other Than Those Which Are Reportable To the Central Government

There were no instances of frauds identified or reported by the Statutory Auditors during the course of their audit pursuant to Section 143(12) of the Companies Act, 2013.

## EXPLANATION AND COMMENTS ON AUDITOR REPORTS:

The reports of the Statutory Auditors (annexed elsewhere in the Annual Report) and that of the Secretarial Auditors (annexed hereto as **Annexure-2**) and the explanations on the observations of Secretarial Audit Report is given below:

## Comments/Observations of the Secretarial Auditor

Few shareholders holding 400 equity shares belonging to promoters group is yet to demat their shares.

#### Company's Response/ Explanations

Company is in process for getting the shares dematerialized

Comments/Observations				
of the Secretarial Auditor				

Delay in filing of few MCA forms

#### Company's Response/ Explanations

Due to technical issue. However, the forms were filed with additional fee

#### **STATUTORY AUDITORS:**

M/s P. Chandrasekar LLP, Chartered Accountants, were appointed as the Statutory Auditors of the Company for a term of five consecutive years at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on September 20, 2022. However with the advent of Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 the requirement of annual ratification of the appointment of the Statutory Auditors of the Company by the shareholders at the Annual General meeting has been done away with.

#### **SECRETARIAL AUDITORS:**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) the Company has appointed Shri R. Parthasarathy, Company Secretary in practice to undertake the Secretarial Audit of the Company. The Secretarial Audit report is annexed herewith as **Annexure-2**.

#### **COST AUDITORS:**

The provisions of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Amendment Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) is currently not applicable to the Company.

## SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS PASSED BY THE REGULATORS OR COURTS:

There are no significant material orders passed by the Regulators/Courts which would impact the going concern status of the Company and its future operations.

#### **DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS:**

The Company has received declarations from all the Independent Directors of the Company confirming that they meet the criteria of independence as stipulated in Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 so as to qualify themselves to act as Independent Directors under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the relevant rules.

#### **DIRECTORS:**

Shri.Laxminarayan Moondra and Smt. Jyoti Mundra, Directors retire by rotation and being eligible, offer themselves for re appointment.

Mr. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra tenure as Managing director is ending on May 31, 2024 Considering his immense contribution to the progress of the Company as a promoter and executive director since inception, the Board recommends his reappointment for a further period of 5 years and also to revise his remuneration subject to the approval of members.

Mr. Pramod Kasat tenure as Independent Director ended on April 30, 2024. The Nomination remuneration and

Compensation Committee recommended the re-appointment of Shri. Pramod Kasat for a second term of five years with effect from May 01, 2024 (subject to shareholders approval) and that his tenure of appointment shall not be liable to retire by rotation.

Further, Considering the vast business experience and qualification, Mr. Tekkar Yashwanth Prabhu has been appointed as an Additional Non-Executive Independent Director with effect from June 19, 2024, for a term of 5 years subject to the approval of the shareholders.

During the year under consideration All independent directors have given declarations that they meet the criteria of independence as laid down under Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 25(3) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015. All Directors have given declaration relating to compliance with code of conduct.

## NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION 8 COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AND POLICY:

As per the requirements of the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, a Nomination and Remuneration & Compensation Committee of Directors was constituted by the Board of Directors and the details of the Members of the Committee are disclosed elsewhere in this Annual Report. The Board has, on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee framed a policy on Director's appointment and remuneration including criteria for determining qualification, positive attributes, independence of a Director and other matters provided under sub-section (3) of Section 178. The said Policy is available on the website of the Company, various web links of the Company's policy is detailed under the head Policy.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:**

During the financial year ended March 31, 2024, all the contracts or arrangements or transactions entered into by the Company with the related parties were in the ordinary course of business and on 'arm's length' basis and were in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, read with Regulation 23 of SEBI (LODR), 2015.

The Policy on Related Party Transactions (including the revised policy applicable for related party transactions effective April 01, 2019), is available on the Company's website and can be accessed at <a href="http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pdf/policy-on-related-party-transactions.pdf">http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pdf/policy-on-related-party-transactions.pdf</a>.

All related-party transactions are placed before the Audit Committee for review and approval. Prior omnibus approval of the Audit Committee and the Board is obtained for the transactions which are of a foreseen and repetitive nature. A statement giving details of all related-party transactions is placed before the Audit Committee for their noting/approval every quarter. As prescribed by Section 134(3)(h) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 8(2) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014, particulars of material contracts/arrangements with related parties are given in Form AOC-2, annexed as **Annexure-1** to this report.

All related party transactions are mentioned in the notes to the accounts. The Directors draw attention of the members to the Notes to the financial statements which sets out the disclosure for related party transactions.

# MATERIAL CHANGES AND COMMITMENTS AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY:

There is no any material changes and commitments occurred between the end of the financial year ended as on March 31, 2024 and the date of the report which can affect the financial position of the Company.

# CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:

The information pertaining to conservation of energy, technology absorption, Foreign Exchange Earnings and Outgo as required under Section 134 (3) (m) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 8(3) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) is attached herewith as **Annexure-3** to this report.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT:**

The Company follows a comprehensive and integrated risk management process. The risk management process is designed to safeguard the organization from various risks through adequate and timely actions. It is designed to anticipate, evaluate and mitigate risks in order to minimize its impact on the business. The potential risks are inventoried and integrated with the management process such that they receive the necessary consideration during decision making and are periodically reviewed and revised by the Board of Directors

#### **CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:**

The CSR Committee members are Shri Pramod Kasat, Shri Sunil L Mundra and Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra. The Annual Report on Company's CSR activities of the Company is furnishedin the prescribed format as **Annexure-4** and attached to this report.

#### **BOARD EVALUATION:**

The Companies Act, 2013 states that a formal annual evaluation needs to be made by the Board of its own performance and that of its committees and individual directors. Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013, states that the performance evaluation of independent directors shall be done by the entire Board of Directors, excluding the director being evaluated. Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, the Board has carried out an annual evaluation of its own performance, the individual Directors (including the Chairman) as well as an evaluation of the working of all Board Committees. The performance evaluation was carried out on the basis of inputs received from all the Directors/Members of the Committees, as the case may be.

The Independent Directors of the Company have also convened a separate meeting for this purpose. All the results

of evaluation have been communicated to the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, mandates that the Board shall monitor and review the Board evaluation framework. The framework includes the evaluation of directors on various parameters such as:

- Board dynamics and relationships;
- Information flows;
- Decision-making;
- Relationship with stakeholders;
- Company performance and strategy;
- Tracking Board and committees effectiveness;
- Peer evaluation.

The evaluation process has been explained in the corporate governance report. The Board approved the evaluation results as collated by the nomination and remuneration committee.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE:**

Pursuant to Regulation 34 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, Report on Corporate Governance, Management Discussion and Analysis Report and Auditors Certificate regarding compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance provided in **Annexure-5** in this Report and the same forms part of the Directors' Report.

## COMPOSITION OF AUDIT COMMITTEE AND VIGIL MECHANISM/WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY:

The present Committee members are Mr. C P Rangachar, Mr. Pramod Kasat, Mr. S G Belapure & Mr. Sunil L Mundra, details of which are enumerated in the Corporate Governance Report. The Company has devised a vigil mechanism in the form of a Whistle Blower Policy in pursuance of provisions of Section 177(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the policy is explained in corporate governance report. During the year under review, there were no complaints received under this mechanism.

# DISCLOSURE UNDER THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013:

The Company has in place a policy on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace in line with the requirements of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. An Internal Complaint Committee has been set up to redress complaints received. All employees (permanent, contractual, temporary, trainees) are covered under this policy. There were no complaints received from any employee during the financial year 2023- 24.

#### **OTHER DISCLOSURE:**

a) details of establishment of vigil mechanism, whistle blower policy, and affirmation that no personnel has been denied access to the audit committee;

- b) details of compliance with mandatory requirements and adoption of the non-mandatory requirements;
- web link where policy for determining 'material' subsidiaries is disclosed;
- d) web link where policy on dealing with related party transactions;
- e) a certificate from a Company secretary in practice that none of the directors on the board of the Company have been debarred or disqualified from being appointed or continuing as directors of companies by the Board/Ministry of Corporate Affairs or any such statutory authority.

#### **PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES:**

Disclosures with respect to the remuneration of Directors and employees as required under Section 197 of Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 5 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 has been appended as **Annexure-6** to this Report.

#### **EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION SCHEMES:**

Pursuant to Rule 12(9) of the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014 read with Regulation 14 of the SEBI (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014 The Company has implemented ESOP Scheme 2018, to reward and retain the qualified and skilled employees and to give them an opportunity to participate in the growth of the Company. These Schemes are administered by the Nomination, Remuneration and Compensation Committee of the Company has been appended as **Annexure-7** to this Report

## SUBSIDIARIES, JOINT VENTURES AND ASSOCIATE COMPANIES:

The Company has 2 subsidiaries- M/S Natural Biogenex Private Limited & M/S Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited.

## INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEMS AND THEIR ADEQUACY:

The Company has an adequate Internal Control System commensurate with its size and operations. Management has overall responsibility for the Company's Internal Control System to safeguard the assets and to ensure reliability of financial records. Audit Committee reviews all financial statements and ensures adequacy of internal control systems. The Company has engaged the services of an Independent Chartered Accountant to carry out the internal audit and ensure that recording and reporting are adequate and proper, the internal controls exist in the system and that sufficient measures are taken to update the internal control system. The system also ensures that all transaction are appropriately authorized, recorded and reported. Exercises for safeguarding assets and protection against unauthorized use are undertaken from time to time. The Company has also installed an extensive CCTV Surveillance system to cover the entire factory premises. All these measures are continuously reviewed by the management and as and when necessary improvements are affected.

#### DISCUSSIONS ON FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE WITH RESPECT TO OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE:

The Net Sales during the year was ₹ 15,380.63 Lakhs and your Company could make Net Profit of ₹ 806.58 after tax.

#### **NO. OF EMPLOYEES:**

	March 3	31, 2024		March 31, 2023			
PLACE	REGULAR	TRAINEE	TOTAL	PLACE	REGULAR	TRAINEE	TOTAL
НО	30	0	30	НО	29	0	29
UNIT-1	64	0	64	UNIT-1	58	0	58
UNIT-2	75	0	75	UNIT-2	85	0	85
UNIT-3	0	0	0	UNIT -3	5	0	5

## **Annexure - I**

#### **FORM AOC-1**

(Pursuant to first proviso to sub-section (3) of Section 129 read with rule 5 of Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014) Statement containing salient features of the financial statement of subsidiaries/associate companies/joint ventures

#### Financial Year 2023-24

**Subsidiaries** 

Sr. No	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Subsidiary	Natural Biogenex Private Limited
2	Reporting period for the subsidiary concerned, if different	FY 2023-24
3	Reporting currency and exchange rate as on the last date of the relevant financial year in case of subsidiaries	INR
4	Share capital	68,89,06,760
5	Reserves & surplus	50,88,96,035
6	Total assets	1,90,63,09,995
7	Total Liabilities	1,90,63,09,995
8	Investments	-
9	Turnover	1,62,07,700
10	Profit/(Loss) before taxation	(23,35,101)
11	Provision for taxation	(9,13,226)
12	Other comprehensive income for the period	
13	Profit/(Loss) after taxation	(14,21,875)
14	Proposed Dividend	-
15	% of shareholding	69.23%
16	Names of subsidiaries which are yet to commence operations	Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited
17	Names of subsidiaries which have been liquidated or sold during the year	NA

#### **FORM AOC-2**

[Pursuant to clause (h) of sub-section (3) of Section 134 of the Act and Rule 8(2) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014]

Form for disclosure of particulars of contracts/arrangements entered into by the Company with related parties referred to in sub-section (1) of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 including certain arm's length transactions under third proviso thereto.

- 1. Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions not at arm's length basis: There were no contracts or arrangements or transactions entered into during the year ended March 31, 2024 which were not at arm's length basis.
- 2. Details of material contracts or arrangement or transactions at arm's length basis:

a)	Name(s) of the related party and nature of relationship	M/s Natural Biogenex Private Limited Subsidiary Company
_b)	Nature of contracts/arrangements/transactions	NA
_c)	Duration of the contracts/arrangements/transactions	During April 01, 2023 - March 31, 2024
d)	Date on which the special resolution was passed in general meeting as required under first proviso to Section 188	July 15, 2023
e)	Amount (₹)	NIL
f)	Advance (If any)	NIL

For and on behalf of the Board

Place: BengaluruSunil L. MundraLaxminarayan MundraDate: May 21, 2024Managing DirectorWhole-Time Director

### **Annexure - II**

#### Form No. MR-3

#### **Secretarial Audit Report**

For the financial year ended March 31, 2024

[Pursuant to Section 204(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule No. 9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014]

Τo,

The Members,

#### **Natural Capsules Limited**

I have conducted the secretarial audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by Natural Capsules Limited (hereinafter called the Company). Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing my opinion thereon.

Based on my verification of the Natural Capsules Limited (name of the Company's) books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also the information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, I hereby report that in my opinion, the Company has, during the audit period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024 has in general complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company 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 the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by **Natural Capsules Limited** ("the Company") for the financial year ended on March 31, 2024 according to the provisions of:

- (i) The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the rules made thereunder;
- (ii) The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA') and the rules made thereunder;
- (iii) The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Byelaws framed thereunder;
- (iv) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made thereunder;
- (v) The following Regulations and Guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act'):
  - (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
  - (b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;

- (c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014;
- (d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations And Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- (e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client;
- (f) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2009 (SEBI ICDR Regulations, up to September 10, 2018 and SEBI ICDR Regulations, 2018 w.e.f. September 11, 2018.

The Company has not dealt with Issue and Listing of Debt Securities, Delisting of Equity Shares, Buyback of Securities and therefore the following regulations are not applicable:

- (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008;
- (b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009; and
- (c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018.
- (d) Company specific Laws as per the representations made by the management;
  - Drug Control Act, 1950;
  - Drugs and Cosmetic Act, 1940;
  - Karnataka Pollution Control Act.

I have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of the following:

- (i) Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India;
- (ii) The Listing Agreement entered by the Company with Bombay Stock Exchange.

During the period under review and as per the explanations and representations received from the Management, the Company has generally complied with the provisions of the Act, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Standards, etc. mentioned above subject to the following Observations:

- a) During the year under consideration, the Company has not fully spent the amount as prescribed under Section 135 of the Companies Act 2013 and the rules framed thereunder, relating to Corporate Social Responsibility. However, the unspent amount of CSR has since been transferred to separate unspent CSR account within the stipulated time. The unspent amount is yet to be spent or transferred to specified account as on the date of this report;
- b) Some of the promoter's physical shares to the extent of 400 equity shares are yet to be Dematerialised;
- c) Though the Company has applied to BSE for listing of 14159 fully paid equity shares as per rights issue committee Resolution dated January 11, 2024, listing approval and trading approval are yet to be obtained from BSE and PAS-3 for the same (partly paid into fully paid shares) is yet to be filed with MCA;
- d) On the basis of information made available, there were some delays in filing of e-forms with additional fees as per information furnished hereunder:
  - (i) MGT-14 dated April 22, 2023 relating to Board matter was filed on June 19, 2023;
  - (ii) MGT-14 dated May 26, 2023 relating to Board maters was filed on June 29, 2023;
  - (iii) CHG-1 dated December 21, 2023 relating to modification of charge for ₹ 30.75 Crores was filed on February 16, 2024;
  - (iv) CHG-1 dated December 21, 2023 relating to modification of charge for ₹ 35 Crores was filed on February 16, 2024.
- e) Consolidated financials for the first 3 quarters of financial year 2023-24 did not include the review of interim financial results of Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited, though the management is of the view that the same is not material.

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024 I further Report that the Compliance by the Company on applicable financial laws such as Direct and Indirect laws, maintenance of financial records and books of accounts have not been reviewed since the same has been subject to review by the Statutory financial Auditors and Tax Auditors.

I further report that based on the information provided and representation made by the Company and on the basis of Compliance report taken on record by the Board, in my opinion adequate systems and processes exist in the Company to monitor and ensure Compliance with Other applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors. The changes in the composition of the Board of Directors during the period under review were carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

In general, adequate notice is given to all directors to schedule the Board Meetings, agenda and detailed notes on agenda were sent at least seven days in advance and wherever Board Meeting was held at short notice, consent from Directors were obtained and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.

As per the Minutes of the Meetings recorded, the decisions of the Board were unanimous, and no dissenting views have been recorded.

I further report that there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

I further Report that during the Audit period,

The Company's paid up capital increased from  $\ref{thmspace}$  9,27,55,360 to  $\ref{thmspace}$  9,34,21,572.50 during the year under consideration after issue of call notices on rights shares as per the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI Regulations. However, listing/trading approval is yet to be obtained for 14159 fully paid shares as per rights committee resolution dated January 11, 2024.

R. Parthasarathy

ACS No.: 3667 C P No.: 838

UDIN: A003667F000413626

P/R No.: 768/2020

Note: This report is to be read with our letter of even date which is annexed as Annexure A and forms An integral part of this report

#### **ANNEXURE - A**

To,

The Members

#### **Natural Capsules Limited**

Our report of even date is to be read along with this letter.

- 1. Maintenance of secretarial record is the responsibility of the management of the Company.
  - Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on our audit.
- 2. We have followed the audit practices and processes were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the Secretarial records. The verification was done on test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in secretarial records. We believe that the processes and practices, we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the Company and the applicable financial laws such as Direct and Indirect tax laws have not been reviewed since the same are subject to review under Statutory Audit and Other Audit/s by designated professionals.
- 4. Wherever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
- 5. The compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of management. Our examination was limited to the verification of procedures on test basis.
- 6. The Secretarial Audit report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

R. Parthasarathy

ACS No.: 3667 C P No.: 838

UDIN: A003667F000413626

P/R No.: 768/2020

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

## **Secretarial Audit Report of Material Subsidiary**

#### Form No. MR-3

#### **Secretarial Audit Report**

For the financial year ended March 31, 2024

[Pursuant to Section 204(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule No.9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014]

To,

The Members,

#### **Natural Biogenex Private Limited**

I have conducted the secretarial audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by Natural Biogenex Private Limited (hereinafter called the Company). Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing my opinion thereon.

Based on my verification of the Natural Biogenex Private Limited (name of the Company's) books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also the information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, I hereby report that in my opinion, the Company has, during the audit period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024 has in general complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company 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 the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by Natural Biogenex Private Limited for the financial year ended on March 31, 2024, according to the provisions of:

- (i) The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the rules made thereunder;
- (ii) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made thereunder
- (iii) Company specific Laws as per the representations made by the management:
  - Drug Control Act, 1950;
  - Drugs and Cosmetic Act, 1940;
  - Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981;
  - Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act.

I have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

During the period under review and as per the explanations and representations received from the Management, the Company has generally complied with the provisions of the Act, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Standards, etc. mentioned above subject to the following:

#### **OBSERVATIONS**

- a) On the basis of information made available, there were some delays in filing of e-forms with additional fees as per information furnished hereunder:
  - (i) MGT-14 dated May 26, 2023 relating to Board matters was filed on June 29, 2023.
  - (ii) MGT-14 dated June 23, 2023 relating to Board matters was filed on August 18, 2023.
  - (iii) MGT-14 dated April 22, 2023 relating to Board matters was filed on June 29, 2023.
  - (iv) MGT-14 dated May 08, 2023 relating to Adoption of policy was filed on June 15, 2023.
  - (v) MGT-14 dated March 31, 2023 relating to Resolution passed in EGM was filed on February 15, 2024.

I further Report that the Compliance by the Company on applicable financial laws such as Direct and Indirect laws, maintenance of financial records and books of accounts have not been reviewed since the same has been subject to review by the Statutory financial Auditors and Tax Auditors.

I further report that based on the information provided and representation made by the Company and on the basis of Compliance report taken on record by the Board, in my opinion adequate systems and processes exist in the Company to monitor and ensure Compliance with Other applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors. The changes in the composition of the Board of Directors during the period under review were carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

In general, adequate notice is given to all directors to schedule the Board Meetings, agenda and detailed notes on agenda were sent at least seven days in advance and wherever Board Meetings were held at short notice, consent from Directors were obtained and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.

As per the Minutes of the Meetings recorded, the decisions of the Board were unanimous, and no dissenting views have been recorded.

I further report that there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

I further Report that during the Audit period:

- a) The Company has increased its authorised capital from ₹ 60 Crores to ₹ 72.25 Crores and the paid up capital increased from ₹ 22,22,40,000 to ₹ 68,89,06,760 by issue of Cumulative Compulsorily Convertible Preference shares (CC PS), by way of preferential issue of shares, during the year under consideration as per the provisions of Companies Act, 2013.
- b) The Company is a material subsidiary of Natural Capsules Limited, a listed entity.
- c) 92,500 equity stock options at an exercise price of ₹ 10/per option were granted to some of the employees as per ESOP scheme adopted by the Company.

R. Parthasarathy

ACS No.: 3667 C P No.: 838

UDIN: A003667F000413802

P/R No.: 768/2020

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

**Note:** This report is to be read with our letter of even date which is annexed as Annexure A and forms An integral part of this report.

#### **ANNEXURE - A**

To,

The Members

#### **Natural Biogenex Private Limited**

Our report of even date is to be read along with this letter:

- 1. Maintenance of secretarial record is the responsibility of the management of the Company.
  - Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on our audit.
- 2. We have followed the audit practices and processes which were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the Secretarial records. The verification was done on test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in secretarial records. We believe that the processes and practices, we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the Company and the applicable financial laws such as Direct and Indirect tax laws have not been reviewed since the same are subject to review under Statutory Audit and Other Audit/s by designated professionals.
- 4. Wherever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
- 5. The compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of management. Our examination was limited to the verification of procedures on test basis.
- 6. The Secretarial Audit report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

R. Parthasarathy

ACS No.: 3667 C P No.: 838

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P/R No.: 768/2020

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

### **Annexure - III**

Conservation of Energy, Technology Absorption and Foreign Exchange Earning and Outgo [Section 134(3)(m) of The Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 8(3) of The Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time)

#### A. CONSERVATION OF ENERGY:

- i. Steps taken for conservation of energy: Company has installed heat exchangers with condenser heat and has made conscious efforts to use of LED lights throughout the Factories.
- ii. Steps taken by the Company for utilizing alternate sources of energy: Company has installed Concentrated Solar Thermal (CST) and Photo Voltaic (PV) systems to generate the water for its heating systems. Solar panels are also installed for use of same in ensuring continuous generation of hot water and its circulation in the loop. Company has invested into solar power generation. Company used group captive scheme of government of Karnataka and has been using solar power for almost all the requirements of Attibele unit.
- iii. Capital investment on energy conservation: ₹ 531 Lakhs

#### **B. TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION:**

- i. Company during the year has installed new high speed HPMC Capsule manufacturing machine jointly developed by DBDS Robotics Private Limited, Nasik, Maharashtra.
- ii. Expenditure incurred on Research & Development: ₹ 2,07,96,339/-

#### C. FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO:

Foreign Exchange Earnings: ₹ 27,32,75,886/-

Foreign Exchange Outgo: ₹ 12,14,07,729/-

### **Annexure - IV**

#### 1. Brief outline on CSR Policy of the Company:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 (As amended from time to time), the Company has constituted the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee.

#### **CSR Policy**

Our aim is to be one of the respected companies in India delivering superior and everlasting value to all our customers, associates, shareholders, employees and Society at large. The CSR initiatives focus on holistic development of host communities and create social, environmental and economic value to the society. To pursue these objectives, we will continue to:

Work actively in areas of eradication of hunger and poverty, provide opportunity and financial assistance for the promotion of education, provide medical aid to the needy and down trodden. Collaborate with likeminded bodies like Voluntary organizations, charitable trusts, governments and academic institutes in pursuit of our goals. Interact regularly with stakeholders, review and publicly report our CSR initiatives.

#### 2. Composition of CSR Committee:

The terms of reference of this Committee, assigned by their Board encompasses:

- a. To formulate and recommend to the Board, a CSR policy which shall indicate the activities to be undertaken by the Company as specified in schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013.
- b. To recommend the amount of expenditure to be incurred on the activities referred to in clause a.
- c. To monitor the CSR policy of the Company from time to time
- d. Any other matter that may be referred by the Board from time to time or as may be necessary for compliance with the Companies Act, 2013 or Rules made thereunder or any other statutory laws of India.

Sr. No.	Name of Director	Designation/Nature of Directorship	Number of meetings of CSR Committee held during the year	Number of meetings of CSR Committee attended during the year
1	Shri Pramod Kasat	Chairman	3	3
2	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Member	3	3
3	Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Member	3	3

3. Web-link where Composition of CSR committee, CSR Policy and CSR projects approved by the board are disclosed on the website of the Company:

www.naturalcapsules.com

4. Details of Impact assessment of CSR projects carried out in pursuance of sub-rule (3) of rule 8 of the Companies (Corporate Social responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014, if applicable (attach the report):

NΑ

 Details of the amount available for set off in pursuance of sub-rule (3) of rule 7 of the Companies (Corporate Social responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 and amount required for set off for the financial year, if any.

Sr. No.	Financial Year	Amount available for set-off from preceding financial years (in ₹)	Amount required to be set-off for the financial year, if any (in ₹)
1	2019-20	NIL NIL	NIL
2	2020-21	NIL	NIL
3	2021-22	NIL	NIL
4	2022-23	NIL	NIL
	Total		

6. Average net profit of the Company as per Section 135(5): ₹ 18,12,67,506/-

#### 7.

- (a) Two percent of average net profit of the Company as per Section 135(5): ₹ 36,25,350/-
- (b) Surplus arising out of the CSR projects or programmes or activities of the previous financial years: NIL
- (c) Amount required to be set off for the financial year, if any:  ${f NIL}$
- (d) Total CSR obligation for the financial year (7a+7b-7c): 36,25,350/-

#### 8

(a) CSR amount spent or unspent for the financial year:

Total Amount Spent for the Financial Year (in ₹)						Aı	mount Uns	pent (in ₹	)				
		l Year	Total Amount transferred to Unspent C Section 135(6)			SR Accoun	t as per	Amount transferred to any fund specified under Schedule VII as per second proviso to Section 135(5)					
			A	Amount	Date of	transfer	Nam	e of the Fund		Amount	Date of	transfer	
	33,62,39	4	2	2,63,300		29.04.24	P.M. Ca	are Fund		2,63,300		22.05.24	
(1) Sr. No.	(2)	ct the list of activities in	(3)	f (Yes/No) in	(5) Location of the project		(6) (7) Project Amou alloca the project	(7) (Amount allocated for the project	(8) (9)  nount Amount Amount transferred to Unspent	Amount transferred to Unspent	(10)  Mode of Implementation - Direct (Yes/	(11)  Mode of Implementation - Through Implementing Agency	
		to the Act	•	State	District	_	( v	,		Name	CSR Registration number		
									(in ₹)				
1.									(in ₹)				
1. 2.									(in ₹)				

(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(3)		(5)		_ (6)	(7)	(8)	
Name of the Project	Item from the list of activities in Schedule VII	Local area (Yes/No)	Location of t		Implementation	Mode of Implementation - Through Implementing Agency									
	to the Act		State District			Name	CSR Registration number								
				_											
Total															
	Name of the Project	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act  State	Name of the Project    Item from the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act    Location of the project    Location of the project    State    District	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act State District    Name of the Ist of activities in Schedule VII to the Act   Location of the project allocated for the project (in ₹)	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act	Name of the Project the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act    Name of the list of activities in Schedule VII to the Act   State   District   Amount allocated for the project (in ₹)   Mode of Implementation the project (in ₹)   Name   N							

- (d) Amount spent in Administrative Overheads: NIL
- (e) Amount spent on Impact Assessment, if applicable: NIL
- (f) Total amount spent for the Financial Year (8b+8c+8d+8e): **NIL**

#### (g) Excess amount for set off, if any: ₹ 344/-

Sr. No.	Particular	Amount (in ₹)
(i)	Two percent of average net profit of the Company as per Section 135(5)	36,25,350
(ii)	Total amount spent for the Financial Year	36,25,694
(iii)	Excess amount spent for the financial year [(ii)-(i)]	344
(iv)	Surplus arising out of the CSR projects or programmes or activities of the previous financial years, if any	NIL
(v)	Amount available for set off in succeeding financial years [(iii)-(iv)]	344

#### 9.

(a) Details of Unspent CSR amount for the preceding three financial years:

Sr. No.	Preceding Financial Year.	Amount transferred to Unspent	Amount spent in the reporting		sferred to any fun ule VII as per Sect if any		Amount remaining to be spent in
		CSR Account under Section 135 (6) (in ₹)	Financial Year (in ₹)	Name of the Fund	Amount (in ₹)	Date of transfer	succeeding financial years (in ₹)
1	2020-21	3,54,090	3,54,090	NA	NIL	NA	NIL
2	2021-22	10,43,000	NIL	P.M. Care Fund	10,43,000	25.05.23	NIL
3	2022-23	2,63,300	NIL	P.M. Care Fund	2,63,256	22.05.24	NIL
	Total	13,06,300			13,06,256		

(b) Details of CSR amount spent in the financial year for ongoing projects of the preceding financial year(s): NA

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Sr. No.	Project ID	Name of the Project	Financial Year in which the project was commenced	Project duration	Total amount allocated for the project (in ₹)		Cumulative amount spent at the end of reporting Financial Year (in ₹)	Status of the project - Completed/ Ongoing
1.								_
2.								
3.								
	Total	_						

# 10. In case of creation or acquisition of capital asset, furnish the details relating to the asset so created or acquired through CSR spent in the financial year: NA

#### (asset-wise details)

- (a) Date of creation or acquisition of the capital asset(s).
- (b) Amount of CSR spent for creation or acquisition of capital asset.
- (c) Details of the entity or public authority or beneficiary under whose name such capital asset is registered, their address etc.
- (d) Provide details of the capital asset(s) created or acquired (including complete address and location of the capital asset).

## 11. Specify the reason(s), if the Company has failed to spend two per cent of the average net profit as per Section 135(5):

We were expended  $\stackrel{?}{_{\sim}}$  33,62,394/- against total eligible expenditure of  $\stackrel{?}{_{\sim}}$  36,25,350/-. Balance  $\stackrel{?}{_{\sim}}$  2,62,956/- transferred to Unspent CSR A/c on April 29, 2024 and we shall transfer the balance amount to PM Relief shortly.

Sd/-**Sunil L. Mundra** Managing Director Sd/-**Pramod Kasat** Chairman CSR Committee Sd/-**R. K. Prasad** Chief Financial Officer

### **Annexure - V**

#### **REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Directors present the Company's Report on Corporate Governance for the year ended **March 31, 2024**, in terms of Regulation 34(3) read with Schedule V of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulation").

#### PHILOSOPHY ON CODE OF GOVERNANCE:

The Company's philosophy on Corporate Governance has been developed with a tradition of fair and transparent governance even before they were mandated by the legislation. Transparency, integrity, professionalism, and accountability - based values form the basis of the Company's philosophy for Corporate Governance. The Company believes that good Corporate Governance is a continuous process and strives to improve the Corporate Governance practices to meet shareholder's expectations. Your Company has fulfilled all the existing guidelines mandated under SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.

#### Composition, Category of Directors and their other directorship as on March 31, 2024:

The Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred as "the Board") comprises an optimum combination of Executive and Non-Executive Directors. As on March 31, 2024, the Board comprised of 8 (Eight) Directors i.e. 3 (Three) Executive Director and 5 (Five) Non-Executive Directors including 1 woman director, out of which 3 (three) are Independent Directors. The Chairman of the Board is a Non-Executive Director (Independent). The composition of the Board is in line with requirements of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended) (hereinafter referred as the "SEBI Listing Regulations"). The Independent Directors do not have any material pecuniary relationship or transactions with the Company, Promoters or Management, which may affect their judgment in any manner. Further, in the opinion of the Board, the Independent Directors fulfil the conditions specified in the SEBI Listing Regulations and are independent of the management. The Board members are eminently qualified and experienced professionals in business, finance and corporate management.

Name of the Director	Category of Directorship	No. of Directorships in Public & Private Companies	DIN
Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Executive (Managing Director)	5	00214304
Shri Satyanarayan Mundra	Executive (Whole-Time Director)	3	00214349
Shri Laxminarayan Moondra	Executive (Whole-Time Director)	4	00214298
Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Non-Executive (Promoter Director)	4	00214332
Mr. Pramod Kasat	Non-Executive (Independent Director)	7	00819790
Mr. S G Belapure	Non-Executive (Independent Director)	5	02219458
Shri C P Rangachar	Non-Executive (Independent Director)	12	00310893
Smt. Jyoti Mundra	Non-Executive Director	2	07143035
Shri T Y Prabhu	Additional Director	5	02113527

#### **NUMBER OF BOARD MEETINGS:**

#### During the year ended March 31, 2024, 6 (SIX) Board Meetings were held on the following dates:

During the financial year 2023-24 ("FY24"), the meetings of the Board of Directors of the Company was held six (6)

The maximum gap between any two Board meetings was less than One hundred and Twenty (120) days, as stipulated under Regulation 17(2) of the SEBI Listing Regulations. Details of Board Meeting, during the year under review, are as follows:

Board Meeting No.	Date of Board Meeting	Board Strength	No. of Director's Present	Leave of Absence given to
151st	Saturday, April 22, 2023	8	7	S G Belapure
152 <sup>nd</sup>	Friday, May 26, 2023	8	8	NA
153 <sup>rd</sup>	Wednesday, August 09, 2023	8	8	NA

Board Meeting No.	Date of Board Meeting	Board Strength	No. of Director's Present	Leave of Absence given to
154 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday, September 23, 2023	8	8	NA
155 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday, November 09, 2023	8	7	S G Belapure
156 <sup>th</sup>	Friday, February 09, 2024	8	8	NA

Number of Board or Board Committees of which a Director is a member or Chairperson; the names of Other Listed entities where the Directors of the Company are Directors and the Category of their Directorship:

Sr. No.	Name of the Director	No. of Committee membership in other Companies (*)	No. of Committees in which Director is a chairperson (other companies) (*)	Name of the listed entities where the person is a Director (Category of Directorship)
1	Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra			
2	Shri Satyanarayan Mundra			
3	Shri Laxminarayan Moondra			
4	Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra			
5	Mr. Pramod Kasat	4	1	Advanced Enzyme Technologies Limited (Independent Director) and Sai Silk (Kalamandir) Limited
6	Mr. S G Belapure	3	-	Albert David Limited (Independent Director)
7	Shri C P Rangachar	1	-	Yuken India Limited (Managing Director) Jubliant Pharmova Limited Innova Captab Limited
8	Smt. Jyoti Mundra	-	-	-
9	Shri T Y Prabhu	-	-	-

<sup>\*</sup> Audit Committee and Stakeholders' Relationship Committee in listed and unlisted public limited companies have been considered.

#### **DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE RECORD:**

Name of the Director	Board Meetings Attended during the F.Y.: 2023-24	Whether attended Last AGM
Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	6	Yes
Shri Satyanarayan Mundra	6	Yes
Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	6	Yes
Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	6	Yes
Shri Pramod Kasat	6	Yes
Shri C P Rangachar	6	Yes
Smt. Jyoti Mundra	6	Yes
Shri S G Belapure	4	Yes

#### **RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DIRECTORS:**

#### The Names of Directors who are Related Inter Se are:

1.	Shri Sunil L Mundra.
2.	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra.
3.	Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra.
4.	Shri Satyanarayan Mundra.
5.	Smt. Jyoti Mundra

**Note:** None of the other directors are related each other.

#### SKILLS, EXPERTISE AND COMPETENCIES OF THE BOARD:

The Board comprises of qualified personnel who have the key skills, competencies and expertise required for the Board members' effective contribution to the Board & its committees and also for the Board to function effectively.

Following is the chart/matrix setting out the requisite skills/competencies/expertise of the Board:

#### SKILLS/COMPETENCIES/EXPERTISE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY:

Experience in the pharma business/industry	The experience in the pharma business/industry is seen as most critical considering the nature of business of the Company.
Leadership	Extensive leadership experience of an organization for practical understanding of the organization, its processes, strategic planning, risk management for driving change and long-term growth.
Finance	Finance field skills/competencies/expertise is seen as important for intricate and high quality financial management and financial reporting processes.
Legal	In order to strengthen and maintain the governance levels & practices in the organization.
Understanding of Global Business	Owing to presence across the globe, the understanding of global business & markets is seen as pivotal.

The aforementioned skills are only indicative and not possessing any skill/competency/expertise and not be seen as a disqualifying ability. The nominations to the Board was made on the recommendations of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, which considers various other factors.

Following is the chart/matrix setting out the Names of the Directors of the Company possessing the requisite skills/competencies/expertise:

Name of the Director	Skills/competencies/expertise	
Mr. C P Rangachar	Immense knowledge of the global economy and industrial scenarios. He has vide experience and exposure to the volatility of the business and handling them best at all times	
Mr. Pramod Kasat	Finance with rich experience in Investment Banking, Leadership and understanding of global business	
Mr. S G Belapure	Experience in Pharma Industry	
Mr. Laxminarayana Mundra	Experience in finance, management and control of human resource	
Mr. Sathyanarayana Mundra	Experience in finance & management	
Mr. Sunil L Mundra	Finance with handling of commercial operations and the backbone of marketing activities	
Mr. Sushil Kumar Mundra	Experience in finance & management	
Mrs. Jyothi Mundra	Extensive experience in the areas of business administration, financial control	
Mr. T Y Prabhu	Experience in Finance and management	

## CERTIFICATION FROM THE COMPANY SECRETARY IN PRACTICE:

Mr. Deepak Sadhu, Practicing Company Secretary (ACS No.: 39541), has issued a certificate as required under the SEBI Listing Regulations that none of the Directors on the Board of the Company have been debarred or disqualified from being appointed or continuing as a Director of Companies by SEBI/Ministry of Corporate Affairs or any such statutory authority. The Certificate is enclosed as an Annexure to this report.

#### **COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD:**

#### **Audit Committee:**

#### Terms of Reference:

The role, powers and functions of the Audit Committee are as per Section 177 of the Companies Act 2013, and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The terms of reference of this Committee are as required by SEBI - under Regulation 18 read with Part C of Schedule II of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Audit committee reviews reports of the internal auditor, meets statutory auditors as and when required and discusses their findings, suggestions, observations and other related matters. It also reviews major accounting policies followed by the Company, compliance of adequate internal control system, Accounting Standards and financial disclosure and other issues conforming to the requirements specified by the Companies Act, 2013 and by the Stock Exchanges in terms of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

The role of the Audit Committee inter alia includes the following:

- Oversight of Company's financial reporting process and the disclosure of its financial information to ensure that the financial statement is correct, sufficient and credible;
- Recommendation for the appointment, remuneration and terms of appointment of auditors of the Company;
- Approval of payment to Statutory Auditors for any other services rendered by the Statutory Auditors;
- Review with the management, the annual financial statements and Auditors' Report thereon before submission to the Board for approval, with particular reference to:
  - Matters required to be included in the Directors' Responsibility Statement to be included in the Board's report in terms of clause (c) of sub-section(3) of Section 134 of the Act;
  - Changes, if any, in accounting policies and practices and reasons for the same;
  - Major accounting entries involving estimates based on the exercise of judgment by management;
  - Significant adjustments made in the financial statements arising out of audit findings;
  - Compliance with listing and other legal requirements relating to financial statements;

- Disclosure of any related party transactions; and
- Modified opinion(s) in the draft audit report.
- Review with the management, the quarterly financial statements before submission to the Board for approval;
- Review with the management, the statement of uses/ application of funds, if any, raised through an issue(public issue, rights issue, preferential issue, etc.), the statement of funds utilized for purposes other than those stated in the offer document/prospectus/notice and the report submitted by the monitoring agency monitoring the utilization of proceeds of a public or rights issue, and making appropriate recommendations to the Board to take up steps in this matter;
- Review and monitor the auditor's independence and performance, and effectiveness of audit process;
- Approval or any subsequent modification of transactions of the Company with related parties;
- Scrutiny of inter-corporate loans and investments;
- Valuation of undertakings or assets of the Company, wherever it is necessary;
- Evaluation of Internal Financial Controls and Risk Management Systems;
- Review with the management, performance of statutory and internal auditors, and adequacy of the internal control systems;
- Review the adequacy of internal audit function, if any, including the structure of the internal audit department, staffing and seniority of the official heading the department, reporting structure coverage and frequency of internal audit;
- Discussion with internal auditors of any significant findings and follow up there on;
- Review the findings of any internal investigations by the internal auditors into matters where there is suspected fraud or irregularity or a failure of internal control systems of a material nature and reporting the matter to the Board;
- Discussion with Statutory Auditors before the Audit commences, about the nature and scope of audit as well as post-audit discussion to ascertain any area of concern;
- Review the reasons for substantial defaults, if any, in the payment to the depositors, debenture holders, shareholders (in case of non-payment of declared dividends) and creditors;
- Review the functioning of the whistle blower mechanism;
- Approval of appointment of Chief Financial Officer after assessing the qualifications, experience background, etc. of the candidate;

- Carrying out any other function as is mentioned in the terms of reference of the Audit Committee under the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations;
- Reviewing the utilization of loans and/or advances from/ investment by the holding Company in the subsidiary exceeding ₹ 100 Crores or 10% of the asset size of the subsidiary, whichever is lower including existing loans/ advances/investments existing as on the date of coming into force of this provision;
- Consider and comment on rationale, cost-benefits and impact of schemes involving merger, demerger, amalgamation etc., on the listed entity and its shareholders.

#### Composition:

In accordance with the provisions of Regulation 18 of the SEBI Listing Regulations read with Section 177 of the Act, the Audit Committee of the Board comprises three (3) Independent Directors and one (1) Promoter Director as on March 31, 2024. All the members of the Audit Committee are financially literate.

The Committee invites the representatives of the Statutory and Internal Auditor(s). Further, the Chief Financial Officer also attends the Audit Committee meeting(s). The Company Secretary acts as a Secretary to the Audit Committee.

1.	Shri C P Rangachar
2.	Shri Pramod Kasat
3.	Shri Sunil L Mundra
4.	Shri S G Belapure

Shri C P Rangachar has been designated as chairman of the committee. The committee met **4** (Four) times during the financial year ended **March 31, 2024**. The attendance records of the members at the meeting were as follows:

Name of the Member	Designation	No. of Meeting Attended
Shri C P Rangachar	Chairman	4
Shri Pramod Kasat	Member	4
Shri Sunil L Mundra	Member	4
Shri S G Belapure	Member	3

During the year ended **March 31, 2024, 4 (Four)** Audit Committee Meetings were held on the following dates:

Meeting No.	Date of Meeting	Committee Strength	No. of members Present
80 <sup>th</sup>	26.05.2023	4	4
81 <sup>st</sup>	09.08.2023	4	4
82 <sup>nd</sup>	09.11.2023	4	3
83 <sup>rd</sup>	09.02.2024	4	4

**Note:** Smt. Shilpa Burman, Company Secretary is the Secretary of the Audit Committee. No person has been denied access to Audit Committee.

## Nomination, Remuneration & Compensation Committee and its Policy:

The role, powers and functions of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee are as per Section 178 of the Companies Act 2013, and the guidelines set out in the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The terms of reference of this Committee are as required by SEBI - under Regulation 19 read with Part D of Schedule II of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Committee was constituted for identifying the persons to be appointed as Directors and Senior Management personnel, recommend to the Board –the appointment and removal of Directors, carry out evaluation of Directors, formulate the criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of Directors, and to recommend a policy relating to the remuneration of Directors.

The role of the Nomination and Remuneration inter alia includes the following:

- Formulation of the criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a Director and recommend to the Board a policy relating to the remuneration of the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and other employees;
- Formulation of criteria for evaluation of performance of Independent Directors and the Board;
- Devising a policy on diversity of the Board;
- Identifying persons who are qualified to become Directors and who may be appointed in senior management in accordance with the criteria laid down, and recommend to the Board their appointment and removal;
- Whether to extend or continue the term of appointment of the Independent Director, on the basis of the report of performance evaluation of Independent Directors;
- Recommend to the Board, the remuneration, in whatever form, payable to the senior management;
- Devising a policy on Employee Stock Option Scheme and ensuring proper implementation as per scope provided in ESOP Scheme.

#### Composition:

The Nomination& remuneration committee for appointment & remuneration of executive directors was constituted with Shri S G Belapure, Shri C P Rangachar, Shri Pramod Kasat.

Name of the Member	Designation
Shri S G Belpaure	Chairman
Shri C P Rangachar	Member
Shri Pramod Kasat	Member

During the year ended **March 31, 2024, 3 (Three)** Nomination & Remuneration Committee Meetings were held on the following dates:

Date of Meeting	Committee Strength	No. of members Present
26.05.2023	3	3
09.08.2023	3	3
09.11.2023	3	3

## **Evaluation of Board's Performance & Performance Evaluation Committee:**

#### Terms of Reference:

The objective of this evaluation is to facilitate the review of performance of the Individual Directors, Chairperson, Board Committees and the Board as a whole.

- a) The Independent Directors at their meeting reviewed the performance of the Non-Independent Directors, the Chairman and the Board as a whole. The Independent Directors briefed the Board on the evaluation assessment undertaken at the meeting of the Independent Directors.
- b) The Performance Evaluation Committee evaluated the performance of all the Directors including the Executive Director and recommended their findings to the Board of Directors.
- c) The Board reviewed the performance assessment undertaken by the Independent Directors and the Nomination & Remuneration Committee. The Board discussed and analyses the performance of the Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors and of its own performance during the year including suggestions for improvement.
- d) The Board also reviewed the Charters of all Board Committees and the necessity of establishing any Committees and delegating certain of its responsibilities to the Committees.

#### Composition:

Sr. No.	Name	Designation
1	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	Chairman
2	Shri Satyanarayan Mundra	Member
3	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Member
4	Shri S G Belapure	Member

During the period, the PEC Committee evaluated performance of every Director, Chairman and Board as a whole based on their roles, functions and duties and their contribution to the Board/Committees of the Board.

During the year ended **March 31, 2024, 2 (Two)** PEC Committee Meetings were held on the following dates:

Date of Meeting	Committee Strength	No. of members Present
26.05.2023	4	4
09.11.2023	4	4

#### **Independent Directors' Meeting:**

#### Terms of Reference:

- (a) To review the performance of the Non-Independent Directors and the Board as a whole.
- (b) To review the performance of the Chairperson of the Company, taking into account the views of Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors.
- (c) Assess the quality, quantity and timeliness of flow of information between the Company Management and the Board that is necessary for the Board to effectively and reasonably perform their duties.

#### Composition:

Sr. No.	Name	Designation
1	Shri C P Rangachar	Chairman
2	Mr. Pramod Kasat	Member
3	Mr. S G Belpaure	Member

During the year ended March 31, 2024 the Independent Directors Committee Met on March 29, 2024.

#### **Familiarization Program for Independent Directors**

Pursuant to provisions of Regulation 25(7) of the SEBI Listing Regulations, a detailed familiarization program was held on October 28, 2023. The detail of familiarization program is available at website of your Company at www.naturalcapsules.com.

#### Shareholders/Investors' Grievance Committee:

The Investor Grievance committee of the Company was formed on **March 25**, **2003**. The Committee reviews the services rendered namely - redressal of complaints of the shareholders like delay in transfer of shares, non-receipt of Annual Report, non-receipt of dividends, etc., and also the action taken by the Company on such matters.

#### Composition:

1.	Shri S G Belpaure, Chairman
2.	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra, Member
3.	Shri Sunil L Mundra, Member

During the year ended March 31, 2024, 3 (Three) Shareholders/Investors' Grievance Committee Meetings were held on the following dates:

Sr. No.	Date of Meeting	Committee Strength	No. of Members Present
1	26.05.2023	3	3
2	09.08.2023	3	3
3	09.11.2023	3	3

## Status of shareholders/Investors Grievance and Share Transfers as on March 31, 2024:

No. of Grievances received	3
No. of Grievances redressed	3
No. of Grievances pending	0
No. of share transfers pending	0

#### **Share Transfer Committee:**

The Share Transfer Committee has been formed from the members of the Board, representatives of the Registrar and Share Transfer Agents and the Company Secretary-Shilpa Burman and 3 members from the Board of Directors to approve -Transfer of shares, Transmission of Shares and the issuance

of Duplicate Share Certificates. There were no pending share transfers as on **March 31, 2024**.

Pursuant to Regulation 40(9) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, a certificate on half-yearly basis confirming due compliance of share transfer formalities by the Company from Practicing Company Secretary has been submitted to the Stock Exchanges within the stipulated time.

#### Composition:

1	Shri S G Belpaure, Chairman
2	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra, Member
3	Shri Sunil L Mundra, Member

During the year ended March 31, 2024, 3 (Three) Share Transfer Committee Meetings were held on the following dates:

Sr. No.	Date of Meeting	Committee Strength	No. of Members Present
1	26.05.2023	3	3
2	09.08.2023	3	3
3	09.11.2023	3	3

#### **CSR Committee:**

In line with the provisions of Section 135 of the Act read with the corresponding Rules framed thereunder, as on March 31, 2024, the CSR Committee comprises One (1) Independent Directors, a Non-Executive Director and an executive director. The Company Secretary acts as a Secretary to the Committee.

Constitution of the CSR Committee along with the number of meeting held during the year and attendance, is as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Director	Designation/Nature of Directorship	Number of meetings of CSR Committee held during the year	Number of meetings of CSR Committee attended during the year
1	Shri Pramod Kasat	Chairman	3	3
2	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Member	3	3
3	Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	Member	3	3

The terms of reference of the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee is in accordance with Section 135 of the Act and inter alia includes:

- To formulate and recommend to the Board, a CSR Policy (including any modification thereto) which shall indicate the framework within which the proposed CSR activities would be undertaken;
- To formulate and recommend to the Board, the Annual Action Plan, which shall include the following:

the list of CSR projects or programmes that are approved to be undertaken in areas or subjects specified in Schedule VII of the Act;

the manner of execution of such projects or programmes as specified in Rule 4(1) of the Rules.

the modalities of utilization of funds and implementation schedules for the projects or programmes;

monitoring and reporting mechanism for the projects or programmes; and

details of need and impact assessment, if any, for the projects undertaken by the Company:

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

to monitor the implementation of the CSR Policy from time to time and take such other action as it may deem fit in pursuance of the CSR Vision.

any other role, as may be specified in the Act/Rules from time to time and as may be required by the Board.

#### **REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS:**

There were no pecuniary relationships or transactions between the Non-Executive Directors (including Independent Directors) and the Company, except the following:

- Sitting fees drawn by Independent Directors for attending the meeting of the Board, Committee(s) thereof and Independent Directors' Meeting.
- 2. Commission to Non-Executive Directors of the Company.

## Criteria for making payment to Non-Executive Directors:

The Company has formulated a Nomination and Remuneration Policy, which indicates criteria for making payment to Non-Executive Directors. As per the said Policy, the remuneration/commission to Non-Executive Directors shall

be in accordance with the statutory provisions of the Act, and the rules made thereunder for the time being in force. The Non-Executive/Independent Directors may receive remuneration by way of sitting fees for attending meetings of Board or Committees thereof. Provided that the amount of such fees shall not exceed the maximum amount as provided in the Act per meeting of the Board or Committees. Limits of Remuneration/Commission to be paid shall be within the monetary limits as approved by Members, and not exceeding 1% of the net profits of the Company computed as per the applicable provisions of the Act.

The said Policy is available on the Company's website. The web-link for the same is <a href="https://www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a>.

**Details of Remuneration to Directors:** Details of Remuneration is available in **Annexure-VI**.

#### Code of conduct for prohibition of insider trading:

Your Company has in place a Code of Conduct for Prohibition of Insider Trading, which lays down the process of trading in securities of the Company by the Designated Persons and to regulate, monitor and report trading by the employees of the Company either on his/her own behalf or on behalf of any other person, on the basis of Unpublished Price Sensitive Information. The said Code has been revised and substituted effective from April 01, 2019. The aforementioned Code is available on the website of the Company at <a href="https://www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a>.

#### **GENERAL MEETINGS:**

Financial Year	Date	Time	Venue
2022-23	July 28, 2023	11.00 A.M.	Registered Office/through Video Conference
2021-22	September 20, 2022	11.00 A.M.	Registered Office/through Video Conference
2020-21	July 15, 2021	11.00 A.M.	Registered Office/through Video Conference

#### Special Resolutions passed in previous three Annual General Meetings (AGMs):

During the Annual General Meetings held in the last 3 years i.e. for FY21 to FY23 approvals of the Members were obtained by passing special resolutions in AGMs, as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Director	Date of Passing the Resolution
1	To consider reappointment of Shri Laxminarayana Moondra (DIN: 00214298) Was Whole-Time Director for a term of 3 years and to revise his remuneration	28.07.2023
2	To consider Revision in Remuneration of Shri Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra (DIN: 00214304)	28.07.2023
3	To Consider and approve Related Party transactions with subsidiary, Natural Biogenex Private Limited	28.07.2023
4	To Increase Company's Borrowing Powers upto ₹ 200 Crores	28.07.2023
5	To Provide Corporate Guarantee upto ₹ 200 Crores	28.07.2023
6	Reappointment of Shri Satyanarayan Mundra (DIN: 00214349) as Whole-Time Director for a term of 3 years and to revise his remuneration	20.09.2022
7	Payment of commission to Non-Executive Directors	20.09.2022

Sr. No.	Name of Director	Date of Passing the Resolution
8	Appointment of Independent Director - Mr. S G Belapure	20.09.2022
9	To consider re-appointment Shri Satyanarayan Mundra (DIN: 00214349) as Whole-Time Director in view of his attaining the age of 70 years	15.07.2021
10	To consider increase in Authorized Share Capital	15.07.2021
11	To consider and approve increase in borrowing power of the Company	15.07.2021
12	To consider extending power to mortgage Company's immovable assets	15.07.2021

#### **Special Resolutions passed through Postal Ballot:**

- (a) None of the resolutions approved at the last Annual General Meeting required Postal Ballot approval.
- (b) During the year the Company has not passed any Special Resolution through Postal Ballot.
- (c) There is no immediate proposal for passing any resolution through Postal Ballot.

#### **MEANS OF COMMUNICATION:**

The Quarterly Un-Audited (Provisional) Results and the Annual Audited Financial results of the Company are sent to the stock exchanges immediately after they are approved by the Board and are also published in one vernacular newspaper viz. "Sanjevani" and one English newspaper viz "Business Line".

Also they are uploaded on the Company's website <u>www.naturalcapsules.com</u>. The results are published in accordance with the guidelines of the Stock Exchanges. In line with the existing provisions of the (LODR) Regulation, 2015.

The Company has created a separate e-mail address viz: Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com to receive complaints and

grievances of the investors. Further, No official news releases were made.

Presentations made to institutional investors or to the analysts: Available on the website of the Company www.naturalcapsules.com.

#### **GENERAL SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION:**

#### **Annual General Meeting - Date, Time And Venue:**

31st Annual General Meeting to be held on Friday July 26, 2024 at 11.00 A.M. through video conferencing ("VC"),or Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") at the registered office of the Company at Trident Towers, 4th Floor, No. 23, 100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block, Bengaluru-560011.

#### **Financial Year:**

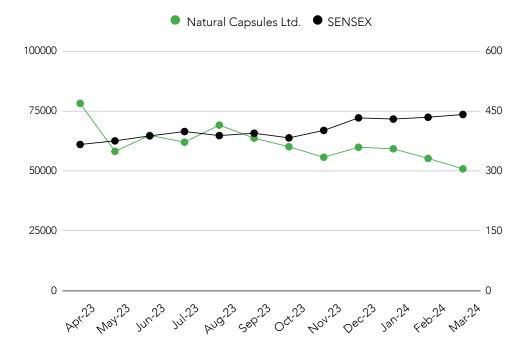
2023-24. The Company follows April-March as its Financial Year.

#### **Listing In Stock Exchanges and Stock Codes:**

The Bombay Stock Exchange Code No: **524654** 

#### Market Data

Month	Open Price	High Price	Low Price	Close Price
Apr-23	393.2	512	392.25	469.80
May-23	475	486	340	349.40
Jun-23	347.50	430	336.50	389.45
Jul-23	396.45	398	355.5	372.45
Aug-23	379.95	419	355	415.30
Sep-23	418	421	371.10	382.7
Oct-23	388	389.95	350	360.95
Nov-23	360	378	331	334.65
Dec-23	338	403	330	359.75
Jan-24	365.90	400	350	355.8
Feb-24	364.90	373	330	331.75
Mar-24	331.75	335	295	305.5



#### **RTA Details:**

Cameo Corporate Services Limited Subramanian Building, No. 1 Club House Road, Chennai-600 002.

Phone: 91-044-28460390 (5 Lines) E-mail ID: <a href="mailto:cameo@cameoindia.com">cameo@cameoindia.com</a>

#### Dematerialization of shares and liquidity:

As on March 31, 2024 98.48% **(9206350)** of shares were held in dematerialized form and the rest 1.23% (115225) of shares held in physical form.

#### **Share Transfer System:**

Shares lodged for transfers are registered and duly transferred Share Certificates are dispatched to the lodger within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt, if the documents are otherwise in order.

The Share Transfer Committee meets as often as is necessary to approve transfers and related matters as may be required by the Registrars and Share Transfer Agents.

#### **Address for Correspondence:**

Trident Towers,  $4^{\text{th}}$  Floor, No. 23, 100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block, Bengaluru-560011.

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#### **Plant Location:**

- Plot No. 7A2, KIADB Industrial Area, Attibele-562 107;
- 2. R.S. No. 84, Perambai Road, Pitchaiveerampet, Pondicherry-10.

#### Shareholding Pattern as on March 31, 2024:

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Shareholders	No. of Shares Held	% of shareholding
1	Resident	10,491	32,46,286	34.72
2	NRI	187	1,24,026	1.33
3	Corporate Body (Including Promoter Group)	58	24,60,763	26.32
4	Clearing Member	199	1,65,345	1.77
5	Alternative Inv. Fund	1	1,22,123	1.31

Sr. No.	Category	No. of Shareholders	No. of Shares Held	% of shareholding
6	IEPF	1	1,15,399	1.23
7	Promoters (Only Individuals)	12	31,12,847	33.3
8	Directors/Relatives	5	2261	0.02
	Total		93,49,050	100

#### **Distribution of Holding:**

No. of Shares	Category	% of Share Holders	No. of Shares	% of Holders
1 - 100	7790	68.9991	306417	3.2775
101 - 500	2517	22.2940	603625	6.4565
501 - 1000	463	4.1009	347573	3.7177
1001 - 2000	262	2.3206	377856	4.0416
2001 - 3000	79	0.6997	201218	2.1522
3001 - 4000	33	0.2922	117246	1.2540
4001 - 5000	28	0.2480	131094	1.4022
5001 - 10000	57	0.5048	419530	4.4874
10001 - Above	61	0.5403	6844491	73.2105
Total	11290	100.0000	9349050	100.0000

#### **Share Transfer System:**

In terms of Regulation 40(1) of the SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended from time to time, securities can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from April 01, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition of securities. Further, the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") had fixed March 31, 2021 as the cut-off date for re-lodgment of transfer deeds and the shares that are re-lodged for transfer shall be issued only in demat mode. The operational guidelines for transfer and dematerialization of re-lodged physical shares were laid down by SEBI vide circular SEBI/HO/MIRSD/RTAMB/ CIR/P/2020/236 dated December 02, 2020. Further, SEBI vide its circular dated SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/ CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 has mandated that listed entities shall henceforth issue securities in dematerialized form which processing the following requests:

- i. Issue of duplicate securities certificate;
- ii. Claim from unclaimed suspense account;
- iii. Renewal/exchange of securities certificate;
- iv. Endorsement;
- v. Sub-division/splitting of securities certificate;
- vi. Consolidation of securities certificates/folios;
- vii. Transmission;
- viii. Transposition.

Members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialized form. Transfers of Equity Shares in electronic form are effected through the depositories with no involvement of the Company.

The certificate received from a Practicing Company Secretary pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 40(9) of the SEBI Listing Regulations (as amended) is submitted by the Company to the Stock Exchanges, on an annual basis. The Certificate was received from a Practicing Company Secretary and submitted to the Stock Exchanges, on a quarterly basis, with respect to timely dematerialization of shares of the Company and reconciliation of the share capital of the Company, as required under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018.

The Company has designated the E-mail ID: <u>Company.sec@naturalcapsules.com</u> addressing the investors' grievances.

#### **Details of Material Subsidiaries**

Name of the Material Subsidiary: Natural Biogenex Private Limited

Date of incorporation: October 30, 2021 Place of Incorporation: Bengaluru

Name of Statutory Auditors: P Chandrasekar LLP

Date of Appointment of Statutory Auditors: October 30, 2021

#### **OTHER DISCLOSURES**

#### **Policies:**

The Company seeks to promote and follow the highest level of ethical standards in all our business transactions guided by our value system. The SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 mandated the formulation of certain policies for all listed companies. All our corporate governance policies are available on our website (<a href="http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pages/policies.html">http://www.naturalcapsules.com/pages/policies.html</a>). The policies are reviewed periodically by the Board and updated based on need and compliance requirement.

Name of the policy	Brief description	Web link
Whistle-blower Policy (Policy on vigil Mechanism)	The Company has adopted the whistleblower mechanism for directors and employees to report concerns about unethical behavior, actual or suspected fraud, or violation of the Company's Code of conduct and ethics. There has been no change to the Whistle-blower Policy adopted by the Company during fiscal 2016-17. No employee has been denied access to the audit committee.	Whistle-blower Policy (Policy on vigil Mechanism)-For Practice for Fair Disclosure of UPSI, Policy of RPT, Whistle Mechanism, NRC, CSR, Materiality, Retention and Archival, Material Subsidiary and Conduct of Insider Trading:
		Visit: <u>www.naturalcapsules.com</u> Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
Nomination and Remuneration Policy	This policy formulates the criteria for determining qualifications, competencies, positive attributes and independence and also the criteria for determining the remuneration of the directors, key managerial personnel and other employees.	Visit: www.naturalcapsules.com Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
Corporate Social Responsibility Policy	The policy outline the Company's strategy to bring about a positive impact on society through programs relating to Hunger poverty, education, healthcare, environment and Lowering its resource footprint.	Select- Investors Tab And then
Determination of materiality for disclosures Policy	The information covered by this Policy shall include "information related to the Company's business, operations or performance which has a significant effect on securities investment decesions" that the Company is required to disclose in a timely and appropriate manner by applying the guidelines for assessing materiality.	Visit: <u>www.naturalcapsules.com</u> Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
Related Party Transaction Policy	During the year under review, the Related Party Transactions were done on an arm's length basis and in ordinary course of business. The Company presents a statement of the Related Party Transactions before the Audit Committee on a quarterly basis specifying inter alia the nature and value of the transactions. The transactions with Related Parties were conducted in a transparent manner in the interest of the Company, were approved by the Audit Committee and had no potential conflict with the interest of the Company at large.	Visit: www.naturalcapsules.com Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
	There were no significant Related Party transactions, monetary transactions or relationships between the Company and Directors, the Management, Subsidiaries or Relatives except as disclosed in the Note No. 42 of the Standalone financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024 and AOC-2 annexed as Annexure I to this Board's report.	
Insider Trading Policy	The policy provides the framework in dealing with securities of the Company.	Visit: www.naturalcapsules.com Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.

Name of the policy	Brief description	Web link
Policy on Material Subsidiary	The policy for Determining material subsidiary of the Company.	Visit: <u>www.naturalcapsules.com</u> Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
PIT Policy	The policy Determination of legitimate purposes for sharing of Unpublished Price Sensitive Information by the Insiders in the ordinary course of business.	Visit: <a href="www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a> Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
Document Retention and Archival policy	The policy deals with the retention and archival of corporate records of Natural Capsules Limited.	Visit: <a href="www.naturalcapsules.com">www.naturalcapsules.com</a> Select- Investors Tab And then select sub tab-Policies.
Agreement:		
Agreement with O2 Power	The company has acquired 5,46,000 Equity & Debentures of O2 Renewable Energy VIII Private Limited thereby contributing to 15.29 Percent of the Total shareholding of Company.	Visit: www.naturalcapsules.com
Agreement with M/S Somerset:	M/S. Natural Biogenex Private Limited (Subsidiary) had entered into shareholding agreement with Somerset Indus Healthcare Fund II & Somerset Indus Healthcare India Fund.	Visit: www.naturalcapsules.com

#### **Cautionary Statement:**

The statements in the "Management Discussion and Analysis Report" Section describes the Company's objectives, projections, estimates, expectations and predictions, which may be "forward looking statements" within the meaning of the applicable laws and regulations. The annual results can differ materially from those expressed or implied, depending upon the economic and climatic conditions, Government policies and other incidental factors.

## **Auditors Certificate on Corporate Governance**

We have examined the compliance condition of Corporate Governance of M/s Natural Capsules Limited ("the Company") for the year ended March 31, 2024 as stipulated in Schedule V(E) of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015.

The compliance of conditions of Corporate Governance is the responsibility of the management. Our examination was limited to procedures and Implementations thereof, adopted by the Company for ensuring the compliance with the conditions of Corporate Governance. It is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion on financial statements of the Company.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, we certify that the Company has complied with the conditions of Corporate Governance in the above mentioned listing Regulations.

We further state that such compliance is neither an assurance as to further viability of the Company nor of the efficiency or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

For M/s P Chandrasekar LLP Chartered Accountants FRN No.: 000580S/S200066

**P. Chandrasekaran**Partner
Membership No.: 026037

# Declaration on Adherence with Company's Code of Conduct & Ethics

[Pursuant to Regulation 34(3) and Schedule V of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015]

To
The Members of
Natural Capsules Limited

This is to confirm that the Company has adopted Code of Conduct and Ethics for all the Members of Board of Directors, Senior Management/Officers of the Company as stipulated under Regulation 17(5) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, and the members of Board of Directors, Senior Management/ Officers of the Company have affirmed compliance with this Code of Conduct & Ethics for the financial year ended on March 31, 2024.

For Natural Capsules Limited

Sd/-Sunil L Mundra Managing Director

# Declaration with respect to Audit Report with unmodified opinion

To
The Members of
Natural Capsules Limited

We hereby declare that the Audited Financial Results for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, which have been approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on May 21, 2024, P. Chandrasekar LLP Chartered Accountants, Statutory Auditors of the Company have issued Auditors' Report with an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. This declaration is made pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(d) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended).

For **Natural Capsules Limited**Sd/-**Sunil L Mundra**Managing Director

## CERTIFICATE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AS PER REGULATION 17(8) OF SEBI (LODR) REGULATIONS, 2015:

The Board of Directors M/s. **Natural Capsules Limited** 

We have reviewed the financial statements and the cash flow statement of Natural Capsules Limited for the financial year 2023-24 and certify that:

- A. These statements to the best of our knowledge and belief:
  - Do not contain any materially untrue statements or omit any material facts or contain statements that might be misleading.
  - II. Present a true and fair view of the Company's affairs and are in compliance with existing accounting standards, applicable laws and regulations.
- B. To the best of our knowledge and belief, there are no transactions entered into by the Directors and Senior Management Personnel during the year, which are fraudulent, illegal or violative of the Company's Code of Conduct.
- C. We accept responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal controls for financial reporting and

have evaluated the effectiveness of the internal control systems of the Company for such reporting. We have disclosed to the Auditors and the Audit Committee, deficiencies, if any, in the design or operation of such internal controls, of which we are aware of and the steps taken and/or proposed to be taken to rectify these deficiencies.

- D. We have also indicated to the Auditors and the Audit Committee:
  - Significant changes in Internal Controls with respect to financial reporting during the year;
  - ii. Significant changes in accounting policies during the Year and these have been disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
- E. To the best of our knowledge and belief, there are no instances of significant fraud involving either the management or employees having a significant role in the Company's internal control systems with respect to financial reporting.

Sd/-**R K Prasad** Chief Financial Officer

## Certificate of Non-Disqualification of Directors

(Pursuant to Regulation 34(3) and Schedule V Para C clause (10)(i) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015).

To The Members, **Natural Capsules Limited** Bangalore

I have examined the relevant registers, records, forms, returns and disclosures received from the Directors of Natural Capsules Limited having CIN L85110KA1993PLC014742 and having registered office at Trident Towers, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor (level 3), No. 23, 100 Feet Road, Jayanagar II Block, Bengaluru, Bangalore KA 560011 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Company'), produced before me by the Company for the purpose of issuing this Certificate, in accordance with Regulation 34(3) read with Schedule V Para-C sub-clause 10(i) of the Securities Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the verifications (including Directors Identification Number (DIN) status at the portal <a href="www.mca.gov.in">www.mca.gov.in</a>) as considered necessary and explanations furnished to me by the Company & its officers, I hereby certify that none of the Directors on the Board of the Company as stated below for the Financial Year ending on March 31, 2024 have been debarred or disqualified from being appointed or continuing as Directors of companies by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Ministry of Corporate Affairs or any such other Statutory Authority.

Ensuring the eligibility of for the appointment/continuity of every Director on the Board is the responsibility of the management of the Company. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these based on our verification. This certificate is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficiency or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.

For **Deepak Sadhu & Co.** Company Secretaries

Sd/-

**Deepak Sadhu** Membership No.: 39541

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**Statutory Reports** 

### Annexure - VI

Statement of Disclosure of Remuneration under Section 197 of Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 5(1) of Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 (As amended from time to time):

i. Ratio of the remuneration of each director to the median remuneration of the Employees of the Company for the financial year 2023-24:

Sr. No.	Name	Category	Ratio		
1	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Managing Director	19.50		
2	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	Whole-Time Director	13.80		
3	Shri Satyanarayan Mundra Whole-Time Director		16.04		
4	Percentage Increase in remuneration of MD, WTD – As Below				

The percentage of increase in remuneration of each director, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Executive Officer, Company Secretary or Manager, if any, in the financial year 2023-24:

Sr. No.	Name	Category	Percentage (%)	
1	Shri Sunil L Mundra	Managing Director	-27.70	
2	Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	Whole-Time Director	7.54	
3	Shri Satyanarayan Mundra	Whole-Time Director	17.67	
4	Shri R K Prasad	Chief Financial Officer	-	
5	Mrs. Shilpa Burman	Company Secretary	9.98	

The percentage increase in the median remuneration of employees in the financial year:

Sr. No.	2023-24	2022-23	Percentage (%)	
1	2,80,305	2,66,011	5.37	

The number of employees of the Company:

March 31, 2024				March 31, 2023			
PLACE	REGULAR	TRAINEE	TOTAL	PLACE	REGULAR	TRAINEE	TOTAL
НО	30	-	30	НО	29	_	29
UNIT-1	64	-	64	UNIT-1	58	_	58
UNIT-2	75	-	75	UNIT-2	85	-	85
UNIT-3	-	-	-	UNIT -3	5	-	5

- Affirmation that the remuneration paid during the year is as per the Remuneration Policy of the Company:
- vi. Particulars of employees: Rule 5(2) and 5(3) of Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 (As amended from time to time):

Name	Age	Gross Remuneration Paid	Qualification	Date of Commencement of Employment (Experience in Years)	Previous Employment
			NIL		

## vii. The details of remuneration for the year ended 31st March 2024 to the Executive & Non-Executive Directors are as follows:

(In Lakhs)

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Directors	Sitting Fees	Salary and Perquisites	Commission	Total (In ₹)
Executive Directors				
Shri Sunil L Mundra	<u> </u>	54.65	<u>-</u>	54.65
Shri Laxminarayan Mundra	<u> </u>	38.68	<u> </u>	38.68
Shri Satyanarayan Mundra	<u> </u>	44.95	<u>-</u>	44.95
Non-Executive Directors				
Shri C.P.Rangachar	1.50	-	-	1.50
Shri Sushil Kumar Mundra	0.90	-	-	0.90
Smt. Jyoti Mundra	0.90	-		0.90
Shri Shirish Gundopant Belapure	0.90	-	-	0.90
Shri Pramod Kumar Kasat	1.50	-	-	1.50

#### viii. Average percentile increase:

(1) average percentile increase already made in the salaries of employees other than the managerial personnel in the last financial year and its comparison with the percentile increase in the managerial remuneration and justification thereof and point out if there are any exceptional circumstances for increase in the managerial remuneration:

No any exceptional increase in Managerial remuneration

(2) The board's report shall include a statement showing [the names of the top ten employees in terms of remuneration drawn and the name of every employee, who:

As per Annexure ix below:

(i) if employed throughout the financial year, was in receipt of remuneration for that year which, in the

aggregate, was not less than [one Crores and two Lakhs rupees: NIL

- (ii) if employed for a part of the financial year, was in receipt of remuneration for any part of that year, at a rate which, in the aggregate, was not less than [eight Lakhs and fifty thousand rupees] per month: NIL
- (iii) if employed throughout the financial year or part thereof, was in receipt of remuneration in that year which, in the aggregate, or as the case may be, at a rate which, in the aggregate, is in excess of that drawn by the managing director or Whole-Time Director or manager and holds by himself or along with his spouse and dependent children, not less than two percent of the equity shares of the Company: NIL

# ix. Information as per Rule 5 of Chapter XII, the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 Top 10 employees in terms of remuneration drawn during the year:

Sr. No.	Employee Name	Designation	Educational Qualification	Status of Employment	Date of joining	Previous Employment	Remuneration In Lakhs	Relationship with Director/ Manager of the Company	% of Equity Shares Held
1	Sunil L Mundra	Managing Director	Chartered Accountant	Permanent	September, 1993	NA	54.65	Son of Laxminarayan Mundra	6.30
2	Laxminarayan Mundra	Wholetime Director	Graduate	Permanent	June, 2011	NA	38.68	Brother of Satyanarayan Mundra	2.57
3	Satyanarayan Mundra	Wholetime Director	Graduate	Permanent	September, 1993	NA	44.95	Brother of Laxminarayan Mundra	1.98
4	M V N. Kutty	COO	B.Tech	Permanent	June, 2013	Supreme Industries Itd	60.48	NA	NA

Sr. No.	Employee Name	Designation	Educational Qualification	Status of Employment	Date of joining	Previous Employment	Remuneration In Lakhs	Relationship with Director/ Manager of the Company	% of Equity Shares Held
5	Shrey Mundra	Marketing Head	MBA Marketing	Permanent	October, 2017	NA	19.80	Son of Sunil L Mundra	1.77
6	Suresh Shinde	Plant Head	Diploma in Machanical Engg.	Permanent	June, 2020	Healthcaps Industries	19.85	NA	NA
7	Vasudeva Kumar	DGM - Corporate QA	B. Pharma	Permanent	November, 2009	Awamedica Limited	17.41	NA	NA
8	Dipankar Mandal	Plant Head	Diploma in Machenical Engg.	Permanent	March, 2014	NA	15.40	NA	NA
9	Raj Kishore Prasad	CFO	Chartered Accountant	Permanent	April, 2022	Archidply Décor Ltd	14.35	NA	-
10	Raj Amreshwar	QA Head	Msc. Biotechnology	Permanent	April, 2023	NA	14.28	NA	NA

## **Annexure - VII**

Disclosures on employee stock option scheme for the year ended March 31, 2024:

#### **DETAILS OF THE SCHEME**

At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on **September 21, 2018**, the Members of the Company passed a Special Resolution approving the Company's **'Employee Stock Option Scheme 2018'** ('ESOP 2018' or 'the Scheme') to be administered by the Nomination, Remuneration and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

Under the Scheme, options not exceeding ₹ 3,00,000 (Three Lakhs) equity shares of ₹ 10/- each have been reserved to be issued to the eligible employees, with each option conferring a right upon the employee to apply for equity share.

# STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 12(9) OF THE COMPANIES (SHARE CAPITAL AND DEBENTURES) RULES, 2014 READ WITH REGULATION 14 OF THE SEBI (SHARE BASED EMPLOYEE BENEFITS) REGULATIONS, 2014:

Date of Shareholders' approval	September 21, 2018		
Total number of options approved under ESOP	₹ 3,00,000		
Vesting requirements	Options shall vest after a minimum period of 1 (One) year and not later than a maximum period of 10 (Ten) years from the date of Grant of Options		
Exercise price	₹ 10		
Maximum term of options granted	10 Years		
Source of shares (primary, secondary or combination)	Primary		
Variation in terms of options	Not Applicable		
Method used to account for ESOS - Intrinsic or fair value	Intrinsic value		
Where the Company opts for expensing of the options using the intrinsic value of the options, the difference between the employee compensation cost so computed and the employee compensation cost that shall have been recognized if it had used the fair value of the options shall be disclosed. The impact of this difference on profits and on EPS of the Company shall also be disclosed	Refer Note No. 47 of Standalone and Consolidated Financials.		
A description of the method and significant assumptions used during the year to estimate the fair value of options including the following information	Refer Note No. 47 of Standalone and Consolidated Financials.		
Employee wise details (name of employee, designation,	Senior managerial personnel/(KMPs): NIL		
number of options granted during the year, exercise price) of options granted to	Any other employee who receives a grant in any one year of option amounting to 5% or more of option granted during that year: NIL		
	Identified employees who were granted option, during any one year equal to or exceeding 1% of the issued capital (excluding outstanding warrants and conversions) of the Company at the time of grant: NIL		

Particulars	0 0 1,80,000		
No. of Option Granted during the year			
Options Vested			
Options Outstanding at the beginning of the year			
Options exercised during the year	0		
No. of Options Lapsed/Cancelled	0		
Options Outstanding at the end of the year-	1,80,000		
Options Outstanding at the end of the year-  (i) Weighted average exercise price of options granted during the year whose:  a. Exercise price equals market price: NA  b. Exercise price is greater than market price: NA  c. Exercise price is less than the market price: NA  (ii) Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year whose:  a. Exercise price equals market price: NA  b. Exercise price is greater than market price: NA			
	No. of Option Granted during the year  Options Vested  Options Outstanding at the beginning of the year  Options exercised during the year  No. of Options Lapsed/Cancelled  Options Outstanding at the end of the year-  (i) Weighted average exercise price of options grayear whose:  a. Exercise price equals market price: NA  b. Exercise price is greater than market price: N  c. Exercise price is less than the market price: N  (ii) Weighted average fair value of options granted whose:  a. Exercise price equals market price: NA		

# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the members of Natural Capsules Limited

Report on the Audit of the Standalone Financial Statements

#### **OPINION**

We have audited the accompanying Standalone financial statements of M/S. NATURAL CAPSULES LIMITED ("the Company"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2024, the Statement of Profit and Loss (including Other Comprehensive Income), the Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended on that date and a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (hereinafter referred to as "the standalone financial statements").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid standalone financial statements give the information required by the Act in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2024, and its Profit, total comprehensive income, the changes in equity and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

#### **BASIS FOR OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SA's) specified under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements Section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) together with the independence requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ICAI's Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **KEY AUDIT MATTERS**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the standalone financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the standalone financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

#### Sr. No. Key Audit Matter

1.

#### Evaluation of uncertain Tax positions

As described in the summary of Significant accounting policies in note no 2.2 Significant judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes both current and deferred as well as the assessment of the provisions for uncertain tax positions, consequently having an impact on related accounting and disclosures in the standalone financial statements.

#### 2. Trade receivable

Trade receivables are recognized at their anticipated realizable value which is the original invoiced amount Valuation of trade receivables is a key audit matter in the audit, due to size of the trade receivables balance and the high level of management judgement used in determining the impairment provision.

#### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Obtained details of completed tax assessments and demands for the year ended March 31, 2024 from management.

Discussed with appropriate senior management and evaluated management's underlying key assumptions in estimating the tax provisions;

We involved our internal experts to challenge the management's underlying assumptions in estimating the tax provision and the possible outcome of the disputes;

Our internal experts also considered legal precedence and other rulings in evaluating management's position on these uncertain tax positions.

For trade receivables and managements estimation for trade receivables, impairment provisions, our key audit procedure includes the following:

We obtained management confirmation on trade receivables outstanding;

We analyzed the ageing of trade receivables; and

We obtained the list of long outstanding receivables of these through enquiring with the management and by obtaining sufficient corroborative evidences to support the conclusions.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE STANDALONE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") with respect to the preparation of these standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance including other comprehensive income, cash flows and changes in equity of the Company in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) prescribed under Section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended, and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the standalone financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern concept basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors are also responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

# AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted with SA's will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

 Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the standalone financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal financial controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under Section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Company has adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the standalone financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content
  of the standalone financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the standalone financial
  statements represent the underlying transactions and
  events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the standalone financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit. We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the standalone financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law

or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

# REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2016 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government of India in terms of Sub-Section (11) of Section 143 of the Act, we give in the "Annexure A" statement on the matters specified in the paragraph 3 and 4 of the Order, to the extent applicable.
- 2. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, we report that:
  - (a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
  - (b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
  - (c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss including Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flow dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
  - (d) In our opinion, the aforesaid standalone financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.
  - (e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on March 31, 2024 taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on March 31, 2024 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164(2) of the Act.
  - (f) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate report in "Annexure B" Our report expresses an unmodified opinion on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of the Company's internal financial controls over financial reporting; and
  - (g) With respect to the matter to be included in the Auditors' Report under Section 197(16) of the Act:

In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the remuneration paid by the Company to its directors during the current year is in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Act. The remuneration paid to any director is not in excess of the limits laid down under Section

- 197 of the Act. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has not prescribed other details under Section 197(16) of the Act which are required to be commented upon by us.
- (h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
  - The Company does not have any pending litigations which would impact its financial position other than the items disclosed under Note No 45.
  - The Company did not have any longterm contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses.
  - iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company.
  - (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of it's knowledge and belief other than as disclosed in note 15(b), to the accounts no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries
    - (b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of it's knowledge and belief, as disclosed in the note no 15(b) to the accounts, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Company from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.

- (c) Based on the audit procedures that has been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e), as provided under (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement.
- v. Dividend which has been proposed in the previous year, declared and paid by the Company during the year is in accordance with Section 123 of the Act, as applicable.

vi. Based on our examination, which included test checks, the Company has used accounting software(s) for maintaining its books of account for the financial year ended March 31, 2024 which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility and the same has operated throughout the year for all relevant transactions recorded in the software. Further, during the course of our audit we did not come across any instance of the audit trail feature being tampered with.

#### For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

#### P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

UDIN:

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

# **Annexure-A to the Independent Auditors' Report**

The Annexure referred to in our Independent Auditors' Report to the members of the Company on the standalone financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024, we report that:

 i. a) The Company has maintained records of its fixed assets. The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of property, plant and equipment.

The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars of intangible assets.

- b) As explained to us, the Company has a regular program of physical verification of its fixed assets under which fixed assets are verified in a phased manner over a period of Five years which, in our opinion, is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets. No material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
- According to the information and explanation given to us, the title deeds in respect to immovable properties are held in the name of the Company.
- d) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not revalued its property, plant and equipment (including right of use assets) or intangible assets or both during the year.
- e) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, there are no proceedings initiated or pending against the Company for holding any benami property under the Prohibition of Benami Property Transactions Act, 1988 and rules made thereunder.
- ii. a) Physical verification of inventory has been conducted at reasonable intervals by the management and any material discrepancies that were noticed have been properly dealt with in the books of account.
  - b) According to the information and explanations given to us and based on our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has been sanctioned working capital limits in excess of five crore rupees, in aggregate, from banks on the basis of security of current assets. In our opinion, the quarterly returns or statements filed by the Company with such banks agree with the books of account of the Company.

iii. a) The Company has made investments in and granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms, Limited Liability Partnerships or any other parties during the year.

Based on the audit procedures carried out by us and as per the information and explanations given to us, the Company has provided guarantees and granted advances in the nature of loans to subsidiaries as below:

Particulars	Guarantees (₹ in Lakhs)	Advances in the nature of loans (₹ Lakhs)
Aggregate amount during the year - Subsidiary	-	1,003.37
Balance outstanding as at the balance sheet date*	7,000.00	2,236.00

<sup>\*</sup>Includes the interest accumulated and payable.

The Company has not provided any advance in the nature of loans, any guarantee or security to any other entity during the year.

- b) According to the information and explanations given to us and based on the audit procedures conducted by us, in our opinion the guarantees provided during the year and the terms and conditions of the grant of loans and advances in the nature of loans during the year are, prima facie, not prejudicial to the interest of the Company.
- c) The Company has granted advances/loans which are payable on demand. During the year the Company has not demanded such advance. Having regard to the fact that the repayment of principal or payment of interest has not been demanded by the Company, in our opinion the repayments of principal amounts and receipts of interest are regular. (Refer reporting under clause (iii)(f) below)
- d) According to information and explanations given to us and based on the audit procedures performed, in respect of loans granted by the Company, there is no overdue amount remaining outstanding as at the balance sheet date.
- e) None of the loans granted by the Company have fallen due during the year.

f) The Company has granted advance/loans details are given below:

Particulars	Related Parties (₹ Lakhs)
Aggregate of Advance/loans	2,236.00
% to total loan	100%

- iv. The Company has complied with the provisions of Sections 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 in
- respect of grants of loans, investments and guarantees made during the year.
- v. The Company has not accepted any deposit or amount which are deemed to be deposits. Hence, reporting under clause (v) of the Order is not applicable.
- vi. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Central Government has not prescribed the maintenance of cost records under Section 148(1) of the Act for the services provided by it. Accordingly, clause 3(vi) of the Order is not applicable.
- vii. a) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, in our opinion amounts deducted/accrued in the books of account in respect of undisputed statutory dues including GST, Provident fund, Employees' State Insurance, Income-Tax, Duty of Customs, Cess and other statutory dues have been regularly deposited by the Company with the appropriate authorities:

Name of the Statue	Nature of Dues	Amount in ₹	Period to which the amount relates
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax and Interest on Income Tax	16,033	AY 2018-19
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax and Interest on Income Tax	2,32,298	AY 2021-22
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax and Interest on Income Tax	9,372	AY 2022-23

b) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, there are no statutory dues relating to GST, Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance, Income-Tax, Sales Tax, Service Tax, Duty of Customs, Value Added Tax or Cess or other statutory dues which have not been deposited on account of any dispute, except as mentioned below:

Name of the Statue	Nature of Dues	Amount in ₹	Period to which the amount relates	Forum where dispute is Pending
Service Tax Act, 1994	Service Tax Payable	22,08,074	November 2009 to October 2012	Commissioner of Central Excise
Service Tax Act, 1994	Penalty on Service Tax Payable	22,08,948	November 2009 to October 2012	Commissioner of Central Excise
Income Tax Act, 1961	DDT - Short remittance	10,57,860	April 2015 to March 2016	Deputy Commissioner of Income Tax
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax	13,284	FY 2016-2017	Commissioner of Income Tax-Appeal
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax and interest and Penalty	31,67,022	FY 2017-2018	Commissioner of Income Tax-Appeal
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax and interest and Penalty	22,59,890	FY 2020-2021	Commissioner of Income Tax-Appeal

- viii. According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not surrendered or disclosed any transactions, previously unrecorded as income in the books of account, in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 as income during the year.
- ix. a) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not defaulted in the repayment of loans or borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender.
  - b) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not been declared a wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or government or government authority.

- c) In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us by the management, term loans were applied for the purpose for which the loans were obtained.
- d) According to the information and explanations given to us and on an overall examination of the balance sheet of the Company, we report that no funds raised on short-term basis have been used for long-term purposes by the Company.
- e) According to the information and explanations given to us and on an overall examination of the standalone financial statements of the Company, we report that the Company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiaries, as defined in the Act. The Company does not hold any investment in any associate or joint venture (as defined in the Act) during the year ended March 31, 2024.
- f) According to the information and explanations given to us and procedures performed by us, we report that the Company has not raised loans during the year on the pledge of securities held in its subsidiaries (as defined under the Act).
- x. a) The Company had raised any moneys by way of rights issues to the existing shareholders during the year and based on examination of the books and records of the Company and according to the information and explanations given to us the funds were applied for the purposes for which they were raised.
  - b) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or fully or partly convertible debentures (except rights issues) during the year. Accordingly, clause 3(x)(b) of the Order is not applicable.
- xi. a) Based on examination of the books and records of the Company and according to the information and explanations given to us, considering the principles of materiality outlined in the Standards on Auditing, we report that no fraud by the Company or on the Company has been noticed or reported during the course of the audit.
  - b) According to the information and explanations given to us, no report under Sub-Section (12) of Section 143 of the Act has been filed by the auditors in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under Rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government.
  - c) We have taken into consideration the whistle blower complaints received by the Company during the year while determining the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures.

- xii. According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is not a Nidhi Company. Accordingly, clause 3(xii) of the Order is not applicable.
- xiii. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the transactions with related parties are in compliance with Section 177 and 188 of the Act, where applicable, and the details of the related party transactions have been disclosed in the standalone financial statements as required by the applicable accounting standards.
- xiv. a) Based on information and explanations provided to us and our audit procedures, in our opinion, the Company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business.
  - b) We have considered the internal audit reports of the Company issued till date for the period under audit.
- xv. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with its directors or persons connected to its directors and hence, provisions of Section 192 of the Act are not applicable to the Company.
- xvi. (a) The Company is not required to be registered under Section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. Accordingly, clauses 3(xvi)(a) and 3(xvi)(b) of the Order are not applicable.
  - b) The Company is not a Core Investment Company (CIC) as defined in the regulations made by the Reserve Bank of India. Accordingly, clause 3(xvi)(c) of the Order is not applicable.
  - c) According to the information and explanations provided to us during the course of audit, the Group does not have any CICs.
- xvii. The Company has not incurred cash losses in the current and in the immediately preceding financial year.
- xviii. There has been no resignation of the statutory auditors during the year. Accordingly, clause 3(xviii) of the Order is not applicable.
- xix. According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realisation of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, other information accompanying the standalone financial statements, our knowledge of the Board of Directors and management plans and based on our examination of the evidence supporting the assumptions, nothing has come to our attention, which causes us to believe that any material uncertainty exists as on the date of the audit report that the Company is not capable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of balance sheet as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date. We, however, state that this is not an assurance as to the future viability of the Company. We further state that

our reporting is based on the facts up to the date of the audit report and we neither give any guarantee nor any assurance that all liabilities falling due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date, will get discharged by the Company as and when they fall due.

- xx. a) In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the unspent amount in respect of other than ongoing projects, the Company will transfer the unspent amount of ₹ 2.63 Lakhs to a Fund specified in Schedule VII to the Companies
- Act within a period of six months of the expiry of the financial year in compliance with second proviso to Sub-Section (5) of Section 135 of the said Act. The due date for the payment as per the said act is not elapsed as on the date of audit report.
- b) In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, there is no unspent amount under Sub-Section (5) of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 pursuant to any project. 3(xx)(b) of the Order are not applicable.

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

#### P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

UDIN:

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

# **Annexure-B to the Auditors' Report**

Report on the Internal Financial Controls under Clause (i) of Sub-Section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act")

We have audited the internal financial controls over financial reporting of Natural Capsules Limited ("the Company") as of March 31, 2024 in conjunction with our audit of the standalone financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ('ICAI'). These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to Company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

#### **AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting (the "Guidance Note") and the Standards on Auditing, issued by ICAI and deemed to be prescribed under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls, both applicable to an audit of Internal Financial Controls and, both issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting was established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal

control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company's internal financial controls system over financial reporting of the Company.

# MEANING OF INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

A Company's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A Company's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the Company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

# INHERENT LIMITATIONS OF INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion, to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2024, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

#### P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

UDIN:

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

# **Standalone Balance Sheet**

As at March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

) <u>.                                    </u>	Particulars	Note No.	As at March 31, 2024	As a March 31, 202
	ASSETS			
	Non-Current Assets			
	(a) Property, Plant and Equipment	2	8,999.40	9,184.9
	(b) Capital Work-in-Progress		211.54	
	(c) Right-of-use Assets		4.49	26.4
	(d) Investment Property		-	
	(e) Intangible Assets		47.53	111.0
	(f) Financial Assets			
	(i) Investments	4	2,274.00	2,001.0
	(ii) Trade Receivables		-	
	(iii) Unsecured Loan to Subsidiary	5	2,236.16	2,000.0
	(iv) Other Financial Assets	6	221.09	248.6
	(g) Deferred Tax Assets (Net)			
	(h) Other Non-Current Assets	7	9.21	2.9
	Total Non-Current Assets		14,003.42	13,575.0
	Current Assets		,	.,
	(a) Inventories		1,750.71	835.5
	(b) Financial Assets		1,700.71	000.0
	(i) Investments			
	(ii) Trade Receivables	9	5,355.70	5,212.9
	(iii) Cash and Cash Equivalents	10	219.47	<u>3,212.7</u> 40.3
		11	705.04	
	(iv) Bank balances other than (iii) above		705.04	184.4
	(v) Loans		-	
	(vi) Other Financial Assets		-	
	(c) Current Tax Assets (Net)			
	(d) Other Current Assets		1,091.67	1,191.3
	Total Current Assets		9,122.59	7,464.5
_	TOTAL ASSETS		23,126.00	21,039.5
	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
	Equity			
	(a) Equity Share Capital	13	933.18	927.5
	(b) Other Equity		12,253.08	11,477.7
	(c) Money Received against Share warrants			
	_Total Equity		13,186.26	12,405.3
	Liabilities			
	Non-Current Liabilities			
	(a) Financial Liabilities			
	(i) Borrowings	15	2,646.53	2,301.1
	(ia) Lease Liabilities	16	1.33	26.0
	(ii) Trade Payables			
	(iii) Other Financial Liabilities			
	(b) Provisions			15.0
	(c) Deferred Tax Liabilities	18	339.21	277.3
	(d) Other Non-Current Liabilities		337.21	2//.
	Total Non-Current Liabilities		2,987.07	2,619.6
	Current Liabilities		2,767.07	2,017.0
	(a) Financial Liabilities		0.540.00	0.444
	(i) Borrowings		3,548.80	2,614.
	(ia) Lease Liabilities		-	
	(ii) Trade Payables			
	Dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		-	
	Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises		2,963.72	2,742.0
	(iii) Other Financial Liabilities		27.73	11.2
	(b) Other Current Liabilities		266.26	436.4
	(c) Provisions	22	18.39	37.3
	(d) Current Tax Liabilities (Net)	24	127.78	172.3
	Total Current Liabilities		6,952.68	6,014.6
	Total Liabilities		9,939.75	8,634.2

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statments

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 Sunil L. Mundra Managing Director DIN: 00214304

Shilpa Burman Company Secretary M. No.: A52069 For and on behalf of the Board  $\,$ 

Sathyanarayan Mundra Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

**Raj Kishore Prasad** Chief Financial Officer

## Standalone Profit & Loss

For the year ended March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Note No.	For the Year Ended March 31, 2024	For the Year Ended March 31, 2023
ı	Revenue from Operations	25	15,380.63	17,286.80
11	Other Income	26	314.57	106.59
III	Total Income (I+II)		15,695.20	17,393.39
IV	Expenses			
	Cost of materials consumed	27	8,331.61	8,364.96
	Changes in Inventories of finished goods & work-in-progress	28	(613.40)	(518.32)
	Cost of materials Goods Traded	29	-	49.38
	Employee benefit expense	30	1,231.79	1,072.84
	Finance costs	31	494.83	355.51
	Depreciation and Amortisation expense	32	856.85	719.61
	Other expenses	33	4,354.06	4,774.93
	Total Expenses (IV)		14,655.73	14,818.91
	Profit before exceptional items and Tax (III-IV)		1,039.47	2,574.48
VI	Exceptional items - Income/(Expenses)	34		
VII	Profit before Tax (V-VI)		1,039.47	2,574.48
VIII	Tax Expense			
	1) Current tax		197.13	545.77
	2) Tax for earlier		_	-
	3) Deferred tax		61.84	108.88
	Total Tax expenses		258.97	654.65
IX	Profit for the year (VII-VIII)		780.50	1,919.83
	Other Comprehensive Income			
	A. i) Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
	a) Re-measurement of the defined benefit plan		26.09	(6.48)
	b) Equity instruments through other comprehensive income		-	-
			26.09	(6.48)
	ii) Income tax relating to items that will not be re-classified to profit or loss		-	-
	B. i) Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss		-	-
	ii) Income tax relating to items that will be re-classified to profit or loss		-	-
X	Total other comprehensive income (A(i-ii)+(B(i-ii)		26.09	(6.48)
ΧI	Total Comprehensive Income (IX+X)		806.58	1,913.35
XII	Earnings Per Equity Share (Nominal value per share ₹ 10/-)			
	(a) Basic	39	8.67	20.68
	(b) Diluted		8.67	20.68

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 Sunil L. Mundra Managing Director DIN: 00214304

**Shilpa Burman** Company Secretary M. No.: A52069 For and on behalf of the Board

**Sathyanarayan Mundra** Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

**Raj Kishore Prasad** Chief Financial Officer

# **Standalone Cash Flow Statement**

For the year ended March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars		Year Ended ch 31, 2024		Year Endec
A. Cash flow from operating activities				
Profit before tax		1,039.47		2,574.4
Adjustments for:				
Adjustments for depreciation and amortisation expense	856.85		719.61	
Adjustments for finance costs	494.83		355.51	
Profit on sale of Fixed Assets (net)	-		(4.54)	
Interest Income	(222.65)		(87.32)	
Bad Debts & Provision for Doubtful Debts	29.80		13.15	
Profit on sale of investments	-		-	
ESOP	11.12			
Remeasurement (losses)/gains in Lease rent	-		_	
Re-measurement of the defined benefit plan	26.09		(6.48)	
Unrealised exchange (gain)/loss	_		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
		1,196.02		989.9
Operating profit before working capital changes		2,235.49		3,564.4
Changes in working capital		L,200.47		0,004.4
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in				
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in trade receivables, current	(172.57)		(2,595.82)	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in trade receivables, current  Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in inventories	(915.21)		(377.70)	
•				
Adjustments for other bank balances	(520.57)		(13.46)	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in other current assets	99.63		1,163.85	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in other non-current assets	(6.22)		(2.99)	
Adjustments for other financial assets, non-current	27.58		(50.22)	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in trade payables, current	221.04		1,148.63	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in other current liabilities	(170.21)		(335.11)	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in other non-current liabilities	-		-	
Adjustments for provisions, current	(63.54)		53.07	
Adjustments for provisions, non-current	(15.01)		7.02	
Adjustments for other financial liabilities, current	16.44		(5.96)	
Adjustments for other financial liabilities, non-current	-		-	
		(1,498.63)		(1,008.67
Cash generated from operations		736.86		2,555.7
Income taxes paid (refund)		197.13		545.7
Net cash generated from operating activities (A)		539.73		2,009.9
B. Cash flow from investing activities				
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(882.82)		(3,721.47)	
Movements in Intangible Assets	63.48		63.31	
Movement in Right Use of Assets	21.92		21.86	
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	-		-	
Proceeds from sales of investment			-	
Changes in Financail assets - Advance paid	(236.16)		2.14	
Investment made	(273.00)		(1,995.53)	
Interest received	222.65		87.32	
Dividends received	EEE.00		<del></del>	
		(1,083.92)		(5,542.38
Net cash used in investing activities (B)		(1,083.92)		(5,542.38
C. Cash flow from Financing activities		(1,000.72)		(0,072.30
Proceeds from issue of Shares including premium	56.23		2,263.75	
Proceeds from borrowings	1,279.68		1,639.27	
Repayments of borrowings	1,2/7.08		1,037.2/	
_ , , <del>,</del>	(494.83)		/2EE E1\	
Interest paid			(355.51)	
Dividends paid	(92.98)		(77.20)	
Payments of finance lease liabilities	(24.75)	700.05	(25.38)	0.4
		723.35		3,444.9
Net cash used in financing activities (C)		723.35		3,444.9
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents (A+B+C)		179.15		(87.4
Reconciliation				
Cash and cash equivalents as at beginning of the year		40.31		127.7
Cash and cash equivalents as at end of the year		219.47		40.3

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$ 

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 For and on behalf of the Board

Sunil L. Mundra

Sathyanarayan Mundra

Managing Director

DIN: 00214304

**Sathyanarayan Mundra** Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

Shilpa Burman
Company Secretary
M. No.: A52069

Raj Kishore Prasad
Chief Financial Officer

# Statement of Changes in Equity Share Capital and Other Equity

For the year ended March 31, 2024

# **EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL**

As on March 31, 2024

														<b>≥</b> )	(₹ In Lakhs)
Balances at	the begr	Balances at the begnning of the reporting period	reporting p	eriod	Changes	in equity	share cap	langes in equity share capital during the year	g the year		Balance a	t the enc	Balance at the end of the reporting period	orting per	iod
		927.55					5.62						933.18		
As on March 31, 2023	31, 202	<sub>M</sub>												₩)	(₹ In Lakhs)
Balances at	the begn	Balances at the begnning of the reporting period	reporting p	eriod	Changes	in equity	share cap	anges in equity share capital during the year	g the year		Balance a	at the end	end of the reporting period	orting per	iod
		701.18					226.37						927.55		
OTHER EQUITY	ΥTII													nv.	(₹ In Lakhs)
Particulars	Share	Equity		Reserves and Surplus	l Surplus		Share based	Equity	Effective		Exchange rate	Equity	Items of other	Money	Total
	application money pending allotement	component ling of compount financial instruments	Capital Reserve	Securities Premium	Others - General Reserve	Retained Earnings	Payment Reserve Account	through other comprehensive Income	cashflow hedges	o	on translating the financial Costatements of a foreign operation		comprehensive income-Actuarial Gain/Loss	received against share warrant	
Current Reporting Period	 														
Balance at March 31, 2023	23 .		146.40	3,725.48	183.80	7,428.55							(6.48)		11,477.75
Profit for the year															•
Additions during the year		•		50.61	'	780.50	11.12	'	'   		'   		26.09	'   	868.31
Total comprehensive Income/Expenses for the current year	•		•		•	•	•		r	•	•	•	•		•
Transferred to Retained earnings															1
Payment of Dividend						(92.98)									-92.98
Balance at March 31,2024			146.40	3,776.09	183.80	8,116.07	11.12						19.60		12,253.08
Previous Reporting Period	χ														
Balance at March 31, 2022			146.40	1,688.11	183.80	5,585.92									7,604.23
Profit for the year						1,919.83									1,919.83
Additions during the year	,	,		2,037.37									(6.48)		2,030.89
Total comprehensive Income/Expenses for the current year	,	,	,		'	'		'					'		•
Transferred to Retained earnings	i	,	,	1	ı		! ! !			 	1	1		1	ı

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Particulars	Share	Equity		Reserves and Surplus	Surplus			Equity	Effective	Revaluation	Exchange rate	Equity	Items of other	Money	Total
	application money pending o allotement ii	component g of compount financial instruments	Capital Reserve	Securities	Others - General Reserve	Retaine d Earnings	payment Reserve th Account co	Instruments through other comprehensive Income	cashflow hedges	surpius	differences on translating th the financial Con statements of a foreign operation	Instruments rough other nprehensive income	comprehensive income-Actuarial Gain/Loss	received against share warrant	
Payment of Dividend	,					(77.20)								,	(77.20)
Balance at March 31,2023			146.40	3.725.48	183.80	7,428.55			•	•	•	•	(6.48)		11,477.75

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Pursuant to the requirements of Division II to Schedule III, below is the nature and purpose of each reserve:

- Securities premium: Securities premium reserve is used to record the premium received on issue of shares. The reserve is utilised in accordance with the provisions of Section 52 of the Companies Act, 2013. ė,
- is created by a transfer from one component of equity to another and is not an item of other comprehensive income, items included in the general reserve will not be General reserve: General reserve represents appropriation of profits. This represents a free reserve and is available for dividend distributions. As the general reserve reclassified subsequently to the statement of profit and loss. ف
- Capital reserve: Capital reserve indicates the cash on hand that can be used for future expenses or to offset any capital losses. It is derived from the accumulated capital surplus of a Company and is created out of its profit. ن
- Retained earnings: Retained earnings comprises of prior and current year's undistributed earnings after tax. ठं

In terms of our report attached

For P. Chandrasekar LLP

Chartered Accountants FRN:: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Membership No.: 026037

**Place:** Bengaluru **Date:** May 21, 2024

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Company Secretary Chief Financial Officer
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### **Notes to the Standalone Financial Statements**

#### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

**Natural Capsules Limited** ('the Company') is a public Company domicile in India and is incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act applicable in India. The shares of the Company are listed on two recognised stock exchanges in India. The registered office of the Company is in Bengaluru, India.

**Natural Capsules Limited** is a Public Limited Company established in the year 1993 at Bangalore India and in the year 2003 at Pondicherry. Natural Capsules Limited is a well-equipped modern manufacturing plant to manufacture Hard Gelatin Capsule shells, Hard Cellulose Capsule shells and Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms in Capsule Dosage Form.

#### Statement of compliance

The standalone financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) specified under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules as amended from time to time.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparation**

The standalone financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost convention and on an accrual basis of accounting, except for the following assets and liabilities which have been measured at fair value.

- Derivative financial instruments.
- Investments classified as Fair Value Through Profit or Loss ('FVTPL').
- Fair value of plan assets less present value of defined benefit obligations.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

All assets and liabilities have been classified as current and non-current as per the Company's normal operating cycle of 12 months. Current Assets do not include elements which are not expected to be realised within 12 months and Current Liabilities do not include items where the Company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement beyond a period of 12 months, the period of 12 months being reckoned from the reporting date.

The standalone financial statements are presented in INR (' $\overline{\epsilon}$ ') and all the values are rounded off to the nearest Lakhs (INR 00,000) except when otherwise indicated.

The statement of cash flows have been prepared under the indirect method.

The Company has consistently applied the following accounting policies to all periods presented in these standalone financial statements.

#### Impact of the Global Pandemic ('Covid-19')

The Company has taken into account the possible impacts of Covid-19 in preparation of the standalone financial statements, including but not limited to its assessment of liquidity and going concern assumption, impairment triggers for non-current assets, recoverable values of its financial and non-financial assets, impact on revenues and on cost budgets in respect of fixed price contracts, impact on measurement of deferred tax assets/liabilities, impact on leases and impact on effectiveness of its hedging relationships. The Company has considered available sources of information, both internal and external, upto the date of approval of the standalone financial statements and expects to recover the carrying amount of its assets. The impact of Covid-19 on the standalone financial statements may differ from that estimated as at the date of approval of these standalone financial statements.

#### Use of estimates, assumptions and judgements

The preparation of the standalone financial statements in conformity with Ind AS requires management to make estimates, judgements and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities on the date of the standalone financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the year. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Appropriate change in estimates are made as management become aware of changes in circumstances surrounding the estimates. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the year in which the estimates are revised. Application of accounting policies that require critical accounting estimates involving judgments and the use of assumptions in the standalone financial statements have been disclosed below:

#### Impairment of non-financial assets

Impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow ('DCF') model. The cash flows are derived from the internal forecast for future years. These do not include restructuring activities that the Company is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the asset's performance or the CGU being tested for impairment. The recoverable amount is sensitive to the discount rate used for the DCF model as well as the expected future cash-inflows and the long-term growth rates.

#### **Taxes**

The Company's major tax jurisdictions is in India. Uncertainties exist with respect to the interpretation of complex tax regulations, changes in tax laws, and the amount and timing

of future taxable income of the Company's operations in India. Given the wide range of international business relationships and the long-term nature and complexity of existing contractual agreements, differences arising between the actual results and the assumptions made, or future changes to such assumptions, could necessitate future adjustments to tax income and expense already recorded. The Company establishes provisions, based on reasonable estimates, for possible consequences of audits by the tax authorities of the respective countries in which it operates and reflects uncertainties relating to income taxes, if any. The amount of such provisions is based on various factors, such as experience of previous tax audits and differing interpretations of tax regulations by the taxable entity and the responsible tax authority. Such differences of interpretation may arise on a wide variety of issues depending on the conditions prevailing in the respective Company's domicile. A tax assessment could involve complex issues, which can only be resolved over extended time periods.

Deferred tax assets are recognized for unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilized. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognized, based upon the likely timing and the level of future taxable profits.

#### Defined benefit plans

The cost of the defined benefit gratuity plan, compensated absences and the present value of the defined benefit obligation are determined based on an actuarial valuation carried out by an independent actuary using the projected unit credit method. An actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions that may differ from actual developments in the future. These include the determination of the discount rate, future salary increases, future attrition rates and mortality rates. Due to the complexities involved in the valuation, the underlying assumptions and its long-term nature, a defined benefit obligation is highly sensitive to changes in these assumptions. All assumptions are reviewed at each reporting date.

The parameter most subject to change is the discount rate. In determining the appropriate discount rate for plans operated in India, management considers the interest rates of Government bonds in currencies consistent with the currencies of the post-employment benefit obligation. The mortality rate is based on publicly available mortality tables.

These mortality tables tend to change only at intervals in response to demographic changes. Future salary increases are based on expected future inflation rates.

#### Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the balance sheet cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, the fair value is measured using appropriate valuation techniques. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. Changes in

assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

#### Useful lives of property, plant and equipment

The Company reviews the useful life of property, plant and equipment at the end of each reporting period. This reassessment may result in change in depreciation expense in future periods.

#### Revenue recognition

Use of the percentage-of completion method in accounting for fixed-price contracts requires the Company to estimate the efforts or costs expended to date as a proportion of the total efforts or costs to be expended. Efforts or costs expended have been used to measure progress towards completion as there is a direct relationship between input and productivity.

#### Expected credit loss ('ECL') on trade receivables

The impairment provisions are based on an evaluation of the risk of default over the expected life of the receivables and expected timing of collection. The Company uses judgment in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Company's past history of collections, customer's credit-worthiness, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period.

#### **Provisions and Contingent liabilities**

A provision is recognized if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Judgements include estimating the probability of the cash outflows for the present obligations and accordingly provisions are determined and reviewed at the end of each reporting period and are adjusted to reflect current best estimates.

The Company uses significant judgement to identify and measure contingent liabilities. Contingent liabilities are disclosed when there is a possible obligation arising from past events, the existence of which will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Company or a present obligation that arises from past events where it is either not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation or a reliable estimate of the amount cannot be made. Contingent liabilities in relation to assessment/litigations can involve complex issues, which can only be resolved over extended time periods.

#### Leases

The Company evaluates if an arrangement qualifies to be a lease based on the requirements of the relevant standard. Identification of a lease requires significant management judgment. Computation of the lease liabilities and right-to-use assets requires management to estimate the lease term (including anticipated renewals), and the applicable discount rate. Management estimates the lease term based on the non-cancellable lease-term, options for future renewals if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise and options to

terminate the lease if the Company is reasonably certain not to exercise. In performing this assessment, the discount rate is generally based on the incremental borrowing rate specific to the lease being evaluated or for a portfolio of leases with similar characteristics.

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized upon transfer of control of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services.

The Company derives its revenues primarily from sale of capsules.

Revenue from sale of capsules is measured based on the transaction price, which is the consideration, adjusted for discounts and pricing incentives, if any, as specified in the contract with the customer. Sales tax/Value Added Tax (VAT)/Goods and Services Tax ('GST') is not received by the Company on its own account. Rather, it is tax collected on value added to the commodity/service rendered by the seller on behalf of the Government. Accordingly, it is excluded from revenues.

The Company recognises an onerous contract provision when it is probable that the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under a contract exceed the economic benefits to be received

#### Use of significant judgements in revenue recognition

- The Company's contracts with customers could include promises to transfer multiple goods and services to a customer. The Company assesses the goods/services promised in a contract and identifies distinct performance obligations in the contract. Identification of distinct performance obligation involves judgement to determine the deliverables and the ability of the customer to benefit independently from such deliverables.
- Judgement is also required to determine the transaction price for the contract. The transaction price could be either a fixed amount of customer consideration or variable consideration with elements such as volume discounts, performance bonuses, price concessions and incentives. The transaction price is also adjusted for the effects of the time value of money if the contract includes a significant financing component. The Company has applied the practical expedient provided by Ind AS 115, whereby the Company does not adjust the transaction price for the effects of the time value of money where the period between when the control on goods and services transferred to the customer and when payment thereof is due, is one year or less. Any consideration payable to the customer is adjusted to the transaction price, unless it is a payment for a distinct good or service from the customer. The estimated amount of variable consideration is adjusted in the transaction price only to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in

the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur and is reassessed at the end of each reporting period. The Company allocates the elements of variable considerations to all the performance obligations of the contract unless there is observable evidence that they pertain to one or more distinct performance obligations.

- The Company uses judgement to determine an appropriate standalone selling price for a performance obligation. The Company allocates the transaction price to each performance obligation on the basis of the relative standalone selling price of each distinct good or service promised in the contract. Where standalone selling price is not observable, the Company uses the expected cost-plus margin approach to allocate the transaction price to each distinct performance obligation.
- The Company exercises judgement in determining whether the performance obligation is satisfied at a point in time or over a period of time. The Company considers indicators such as how a customer consumes benefits as services are rendered or who controls the asset as it is being created or existence of enforceable right to payment for performance to date and alternate use of such good or service, transfer of significant risks and rewards to the customer, acceptance of delivery by the customer, etc.
- Use of the percentage-of completion method in accounting for fixed-price contracts requires the Company to estimate the efforts or costs expended to date as a proportion of the total efforts or costs to be expended. Efforts or costs expended have been used to measure progress towards completion as there is a direct relationship between input and productivity.
- Contract fulfilment costs are generally expensed as incurred except for certain costs which meet the criteria for capitalisation. The assessment of this criteria requires the application of judgement, in particular, when considering if costs generate or enhance resources to be used to satisfy future performance obligations and whether costs are expected to be recovered.
- Contract acquisition costs are generally expensed as incurred except for certain costs which meet the criteria for capitalization, in particular if such costs are expected to be recovered. Contract acquisition costs are amortized over the contract term, consistent with the pattern of transfer of goods or services to which the asset relates.

Interest income is recognized as it accrues in the standalone statement of profit and loss using effective interest rate method.

Dividend income is recognized when the right to receive the dividend is established. The Company disaggregates revenue from contracts with customers by segment, geography, services rendered, delivery location and project type.

# PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Property, plant and equipment are stated at the cost of acquisition or construction less accumulated depreciation and write down for, impairment if any. Direct costs are capitalised until the assets are ready to be put to use. Cost includes expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition. When significant parts of plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Company depreciates them separately based on their specific useful lives. Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment is capitalized only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with these will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance costs are recognised in the statement of profit and loss as incurred. Property, plant and equipment purchased in foreign currency are recorded at cost, based on the exchange rate on the date of purchase.

The Company identifies and determines cost of each component/part of property, plant and equipment separately, if the component/part has a cost which is significant to the total cost of the property, plant and equipment and has useful life that is materially different from that of the remaining asset. Intangible assets purchased are measured at cost or fair value as of the date of acquisition, as applicable, less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment, if any. The amortization period and the amortization method are reviewed at least at each financial year end. Internally developed in assets are stated at cost that can be measured reliably during the development phase and capitalised when it is probable that future economic benefits that are attributable to the assets will flow to the Company.

Leasehold improvements are amortized over the shorter of the lease term or the estimated useful life of the assets. Leasehold land is amortised over the lease term. Freehold land is not depreciated.

Advances paid towards the acquisition of property, plant and equipment outstanding at each balance sheet date are disclosed under 'other assets'. The cost of property, plant and equipment not ready to use before the balance sheet date is disclosed under 'Capital work in progress'.

An item of property, plant and equipment and any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use. Gains or losses arising from de-recognition of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and are recognized in the statement of profit and loss when the property, plant and equipment is derecognized.

#### **DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION**

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment is calculated on a straight-line basis using the rates arrived at, based on the useful lives estimated by management. Intangible assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful economic life. Depreciation/amortization methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

#### **LEASES**

#### Company as a lessee

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company assesses whether:

- The contract involves the use of an identified asset;
- The Company has the right to obtain substantially all the economic benefits from use of the asset throughout the period of use; and
- The Company has the right to direct the use of the asset.

At inception or on reassessment of a contract that contains a lease component, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone prices of the lease components and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

The Company recognises right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term at the lease commencement date. The cost of the right-of-use asset measured at inception shall comprise of the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability, adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of the costs to be incurred by the lessee in dismantling and removing the underlying asset or restoring the underlying asset or site on which it is located.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation, accumulated impairment losses, if any and adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The right-of-use assets is depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date over the shorter of lease term or useful life of right-of-use asset. The estimated useful lives of right-of-use assets are determined on the same basis as those of property, plant and equipment. Right-of-use assets are tested for impairment whenever there is any indication that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable.

Impairment loss, if any, is recognised in the standalone statement of profit and loss.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the incremental borrowing rate applicable to the entity within the Company for the nature of asset taken on lease.

Generally, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate. For leases with reasonably similar characteristics, the Company, on a lease by lease basis, may adopt either the incremental borrowing rate specific to the lease or the incremental borrowing rate for the portfolio as a whole. The lease payments shall include fixed payments, variable lease payments, residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option where the Company is reasonably certain to exercise that option and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the lessee exercising an option to terminate the lease.

The lease liability is subsequently remeasured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability, reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made and remeasuring the carrying amount to reflect any reassessment or lease modifications or to reflect revised in-substance fixed lease payments.

The Company recognises the amount of the re-measurement of lease liability as an adjustment to the right-of-use asset. Where the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is reduced to zero and there is a further reduction in the measurement of the lease liability, the Company recognises any remaining amount of the re-measurement in the standalone statement of profit and loss.

The Company has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases of all assets that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. The Company recognizes the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### Company as a lessor

When the Company acts as a lessor at the inception, it determines whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease. The Company recognises lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term. In case of a finance lease, finance income is recognised over the lease term based on a pattern reflecting a constant periodic rate of return on the lessor's net investment in the lease.

When the Company is an intermediate lessor it accounts for its interests in the head lease and the sub-lease separately. It assesses the lease classification of a sub-lease with reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease, not with reference to the underlying asset. If a head lease is a short-term lease to which the Company applies the exemption described above, then it classifies the sub-lease as an operating lease.

If an arrangement contains a lease and non-lease components, the Company applies Ind AS 115-Revenue to allocate the consideration in the contract.

#### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing cost includes interest, amortization of ancillary costs incurred in connection with the arrangement of borrowings and exchange differences arising from foreign currency borrowings to the extent they are regarded as an adjustment to the interest cost.

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalized as part of the cost of the respective asset. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the year they occur.

#### **IMPAIRMENT**

#### a. Financial assets (other than at fair value)

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income, trade receivables, contract assetsand other financial assets, the Company assesses at each date of balance sheet whether the asset is impaired. Ind AS 109 ('Financial instruments') requires expected credit losses to be measured through a loss allowance. Expected credit loss is the difference between the contractual cash flows and the cash flows that the entity expects to receive, discounted using the effective interest rate. The Company recognises lifetime expected losses for all contract assets and/or all trade receivables. For all other financial assets, expected credit losses are measured at an amount equal to the 12-month expected credit losses or at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk on the financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition. The Company provides for impairment upon the occurrence of the triggering event.

#### b. Non-financial assets

#### Tangible and intangible assets

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets with finite life are evaluated for recoverability whenever there is any indication that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount (i.e. higher of the fair value less cost to sell and the value-in-use) is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash flows that are largely independent of those from other assets. In such cases, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash generating unit ('CGU') to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in the standalone statement of profit and loss.

#### Financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments consist of the following:

- Financial assets, which include cash and cash equivalents, deposits with banks, trade receivables, investments in equity and debt securities and eligible current and noncurrent assets;
- Financial liabilities, which include loans and borrowings, finance lease liabilities, bank overdrafts, trade payables, eligible current and non-current liabilities.

Non-derivative financial instruments are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contract that gives rise to financial assets and liabilities. Financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value measured on initial recognition of financial asset or financial liability.

# Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below:

#### a. Cash and cash equivalents

The Company's cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and in banks and demand deposits with banks with an original maturity of less than or up to three months. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, in banks and demand deposits with banks, net of outstanding overdrafts that are repayable on demand and are considered part of the Company's cash management system.

#### b. Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets (except for debt instruments that are designated at fair value through Profit or Loss (FVTPL) on initial recognition) are subsequently measured at amortised cost if these financial assets are held within a business whose objective is to hold these assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

# c. Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets (except for debt instruments that are designated at fair value through Profit or Loss (FVTPL) on initial recognition) are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ('FVTOCI') if these financial assets are held within a business whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets and the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Interest income is recognized in the standalone statement of profit or loss for FVTOCI debt instruments. Other changes in fair value of FVTOCI financial assets are recognized in other comprehensive income.

When the investment is disposed of, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in reserves is transferred to the standalone statement of profit and loss.

#### d. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are measured at FVTPL unless it is measured at amortised cost or at FVTOCI on initial recognition. The transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are immediately recognised in standalone statement of profit and loss. Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any gains or losses arising on re-measurement recognized in the standalone statement of profit and loss. The gain or loss on disposal is recognized in the standalone statement of profit and loss. Interest income is recognized in the standalone statement of profit and loss for

FVTPL debt instruments. Dividend on financial assets at FVTPL is recognized when the Company's right to receive dividend is established.

#### e. Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. For trade and other payables maturing within one year from the balance sheet date, the carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments.

#### **DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Company is exposed to foreign currency fluctuations on foreign currency assets and liabilities. The Company holds derivative financial instruments—such as foreign exchange forward contracts to mitigate the risk of changes in exchange rates on foreign currency exposures. The counterparty for these contracts is generally a bank.

Derivatives are recognized and measured at fair value. Attributable transaction costs are recognized in standalone statement of profit and loss as expenses.

# Subsequent to initial recognition, derivative financial instruments are measured as described below:

#### a. Cash flow hedges

The Company designates certain foreign exchange forward contracts as cash flow hedges to mitigate the risk of foreign exchange exposure on highly probable cashflow forecast transactions. When a derivative is designated as a cash flow hedging instrument, the effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative is recognized in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the cash flow hedging reserve. Any ineffective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivative is recognized immediately in the standalone statement of profit and loss. If the hedging instrument no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, then hedge accounting is discontinued prospectively. If the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, the cumulative gain or loss on the hedging instrument recognized in cash flow hedging reserve till the period the hedge was effective remains in cash flow hedging reserve until the forecasted transaction occurs. The cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in the cash flow hedging reserve is transferred to the net profit in the standalone statement of profit and loss upon the occurrence of the related forecasted transaction. If the forecasted transaction is no longer expected to occur, then the amount accumulated in cash flow hedging reserve is reclassified to the standalone statement of profit and loss.

#### b. Others

Changes in fair value of foreign currency derivative instruments not designated as cash flow hedges are recognized in the standalone statement of profit and loss and reported within foreign exchange gains, net.

Changes in fair value and gains/(losses) on settlement of foreign currency derivative instruments relating to borrowings, which have not been designated as hedges are recorded as foreign exchange gains/(losses).

#### c. De-recognition of financial instruments

Financial assets are derecognized when substantial risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset have been transferred. In cases where substantial risks and rewards of ownership of the financial assets are neither transferred nor retained, financial assets are derecognized only when the Company has not retained control over the financial asset. A financial liability (or a part of a financial liability) is derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires. Trade receivables which are subject to non-recourse factoring arrangements are derecognized in accordance with Ind AS 109 and are offset in accordance with Ind AS 32.

#### d. Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amounts are presented in the standalone balance sheet when, and only when, the Company currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### e. Fair value of financial instruments

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Company has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

A number of the Company's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

When a quote is available, the Company measures the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as 'active' if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Company uses valuation techniques that maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all of the factors that market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

In determining the fair value of its financial instruments, the Company uses following hierarchy and assumptions that are based on market conditions and risks existing at each reporting date.

#### f. Fair value hierarchy

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1 - Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Inputs are other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3 - Inputs for the assets or liabilities that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Company determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

#### **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

#### a. Short-term employee benefits

All employee benefits payable wholly within twelve months of rendering the service are classified as short-term employee benefits. Benefits such as salaries, wages etc. and the expected cost of ex-gratia are recognised in the period in which the employee renders the related service. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid when there is a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

#### b. Defined contribution plans

Employee benefits are accrued in the period in which the associated services are rendered by employees of the Company. Contributions to defined contribution schemes such as Provident Fund, Employee State Insurance Scheme, 401(k) and other social security schemes are charged to the standalone statement of profit or loss on an accrual basis.

#### c. Provident fund

The Company contributes to a recognized provident fund, which is as a defined contribution scheme. The contributions to Provident Fund and its administration charges are accounted for on an accrual basis and recognized in the Profit & Loss Account.

#### d. Gratuity

The Company has a defined benefit gratuity plan that provides a lump-sum payment to vested employees at retirement, death, incapacitation or termination of employment in accordance with "The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972". The amount is based on the respective employee's last drawn salary and the tenure of employment with the Company.

Gratuity, which is a defined benefit plan, is determined based on an independent actuarial valuation, which is carried out based on the projected unit credit method. The Company recognizes the net obligation of a defined benefit plan in its balance sheet as an asset or liability. Remeasurement, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the changes to the asset ceiling and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), is reflected immediately in the balance sheet with a

charge or credit recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Past service cost, both vested and unvested, is recognised as an expense at the earlier of (a) when the plan amendment or curtailment occurs; and (b) when the entity recognises related restructuring costs or termination benefits. In accordance with Ind AS, re-measurement gains and losses on defined benefit plans recognised in OCI are not to be subsequently reclassified to standalone statement of profit and loss. As required under Ind AS read with Schedule III to Companies Act, 2013, the Company transfers it immediately to retained earnings. The discount rate is based on the yield of securities issued by the Government of India.

#### **SHARE BASED PAYMENTS**

The Company measures compensation cost relating to share-based payments using the fair valuation method in accordance with Ind AS 102, Share Based Payment. Compensation expense is amortized over the vesting period of the option on a graded basis. The units generally vest in a graded manner over the vesting period. The fair value determined at the grant date is expensed over the vesting period of the respective tranches of such grants.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is determined by the fair value at the date when the grant is made using the Black-Scholes valuation model. The expected term of an option is estimated based on the vesting term and contractual life of the option. Expected volatility during the expected term of the option is based on the historical volatility of share price of the Company. Risk free interest rates are based on the government securities yield in effect at the time of the grant.

The cost of equity settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in share-based payment reserve in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled. The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at each reporting date until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Company's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. Debit or credit in standalone statement of profit and loss for a period represents the movement in cumulative expense recognized as at the beginning and end of that period and is recognized in employee benefits expense.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected in the computation of diluted earnings per share.

#### **FOREIGN CURRENCIES**

#### Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are recorded at exchange rates prevailing on the date of the transaction. Foreign currency denominated monetary assets and liabilities are restated into the functional currency using exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date.

Gains and losses arising on restatement of foreign currency denominated monetary assets and liabilities are included in the standalone statement of profit and loss. Nonmonetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency and measured at historical cost are translated at an exchange rate that approximates the rate prevalent on the date of the transaction.

Transaction gains or losses realized upon settlement of foreign currency transactions are included in determining net profit for the period in which the transaction is settled. Revenue, expense and cash-flow items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the relevant functional currencies using the exchange rate in effect on the date of the transaction.

#### Income taxes

Income tax expense comprises current tax expense and the net change in the deferred tax asset or liability during the year. Current and deferred tax are recognised in standalone statement of profit and loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

#### Current income tax

Current income tax for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities based on the taxable income for that period and reflects the uncertainty related to income tax, if any. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted by the balance sheet date. The Company offsets current tax assets and current tax liabilities, where it has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts and where it intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities is recognised using the balance sheet approach. Deferred tax is recognized on temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes, except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction. The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilized.

Deferred income tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilized.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date and are expected to apply

to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect of changes in tax rates on deferred income tax assets and liabilities is recognized as an income or expense in the period that includes the enactment or substantive enactment date.

Deferred income taxes are not provided on the undistributed earnings of subsidiaries where it is expected that the earnings of the subsidiary will not be distributed in the foreseeable future.

For operations carried out in SEZ facilities, deferred tax assets or liabilities, if any, have been established for the tax consequences of those temporary differences between the carrying values of assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases that do not reverse during the tax holiday iod(s).

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity.

#### **PROVISIONS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

A provision is recognized when an enterprise has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as result of past event and it is probable that an outflow embodying economic benefits of resources will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined based on best estimates required to settle each obligation at the balance sheet date. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects, when appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. When discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

Provisions for onerous contracts are recognized when the expected benefits to be derived by the Company from a contract are lower than the unavoidable costs of meeting the future obligations under the contract. The provision is measured at the present value of the lower of the expected cost of terminating the contract and the expected net cost of continuing with the contract. Before a provision is established, the Company recognizes any impairment loss on the assets associated with that contract.

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events whose existence will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the Company or a present obligation that is not recognized because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation. A contingent liability also arises in extremely rare cases where there is a liability that cannot be recognized because it cannot be measured reliably. The Company does not recognize a contingent liability but discloses its existence in the standalone financial statements. Contingent assets are neither recognised nor disclosed in the financial statements.

#### **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The basic earnings per share is computed by dividing the net profit attributable to the Company's owners for the year by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the year adjusted for treasury shares held.

The number of shares used in computing diluted earnings per share comprises the weighted average shares considered for deriving basic earnings per share, and the weighted average number of equity shares which could be issued on the conversion of all dilutive potential equity shares. Dilutive potential equity shares are deemed converted as of the beginning of the period, unless they have been issued at a later date.

# CASH DIVIDEND TO THE EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The Company recognises a liability to make cash distributions to equity holders of the Company when the distribution is authorised, and the distribution is no longer at the discretion of the Company. Final dividends on shares is recorded as a liability on the date of approval by the shareholders and interim dividends are recorded as a liability on the date of declaration by the Company's Board of Directors.

#### **GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The Company recognizes government grants only when there is reasonable assurance that the conditions attached to them shall be complied with, and the grants will be received. When the grant relates to a capital asset, it is presented by deducting the grant in arriving at the carrying amount of the asset. Government grants related to revenue are recognized on a systematic basis in net profit in the standalone statement of profit and loss over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate.

#### NOTE 2: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND CAPITAL WORK-IN-PROGRESS

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Carrying amounts of:		
Freehold land	82.65	82.65
Lease Hold Land	_	-
Building	1,616.22	1,694.68
Building - Others	54.06	56.08
Plant and Equipment	7,162.91	7,302.39
Computers	17.79	9.95
Furniture and Fixtures	42.73	12.94
Vehicles	19.67	22.16
Office Equipment	3.36	4.12
Right-of-use assets	4.49	26.41
Total	9,003.89	9,211.37
Capital work-in-progress	211.54	-
	9,215.43	9,211.37

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Freehold land	Lease Hold Land	Building	Building - Others	Plant and Equipment	Computers	Furniture and fixtures	Vehicles	Office Equipment	Right-of- use assets	Total
Cost											
Balance at March 31, 2022	82.65	-	1,652.63	60.62	8,476.05	108.84	33.73	52.45	15.70	157.67	10,640.34
Additions/Modifications			745.24	_	3,146.27	10.72	9.25	_			3,911.48
Disposals	-	-	-	-	164.65		-	-	_	_	164.65
Balance at March 31, 2023	82.65	-	2,397.87	60.62	11,457.67	119.57	42.98	52.45	15.70	157.67	14,387.17
Additions/Modifications	-	-	-	-	539.33	13.08	33.46				585.88
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-						-
Balance at March 31, 2024	82.65	-	2,397.87	60.62	11,997.01	132.65	76.44	52.45	15.70	157.67	14,973.05

Particulars	Freehold land	Lease Hold Land	Building	Building - Others	Plant and Equipment	Computers	Furniture and fixtures	Vehicles	Office Equipment	Right-of- use assets	Total
Accumulated depreciation and impairment											-
Balance at March 31, 2022	-	-	649.06	2.02	3,585.58	106.55	29.31	27.80	10.80	109.40	4,520.54
Depreciation expenses		-	54.13	2.52	570.84	3.06	0.73	2.49	0.78	21.86	656.40
Disposals	-	-	-	-	1.14	-	-	-	-		1.14
Balance at March 31, 2023	-	-	703.19	4.54	4,155.28	109.62	30.04	30.29	11.59	131.26	5,175.80
Depreciation expenses			78.46	2.02	678.81	5.24	3.67	2.49	0.76	21.92	793.36
Disposals											-
Balance at March 31, 2024	-	-	781.65	6.56	4,834.09	114.86	33.71	32.78	12.34	153.17	5,969.16
Carrying amount as on Mar 31, 2023	82.65	-	1,694.68	56.08	7,302.39	9.95	12.94	22.16	4.12	26.41	9,211.37
Carrying amount as on Mar 31, 2024	82.65	-	1616.22	54.06	7,162.91	17.79	42.73	19.67	3.36	4.49	9,003.89

a. Title deeds of Immovable Properties as diclosed abve are held in name of the Company and the Company does not hold any property which is not in the name of the Company.

#### **Intangible Assets**

Particulars	Technical Knowhow & Patent
Cost or Deemed cost	
Balance at March 31, 2022	192.93
Additions	
Disposals	
Balance at March 31, 2023	192.93
Additions	
Disposals	
Balance at March 31, 2024	192.93

#### **Intangible Assets**

Particulars	Technical Knowhow & Patent
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	
Balance at March 31, 2022	18.61
Disposals	
Depreciation expenses	63.31
Balance at March 31, 2023	81.92
Disposals	
Depreciation expenses	63.48
Balance at March 31, 2024	145.41
Carrying amount as on March 31, 2023	111.01
Carrying amount as on March 31, 2024	47.53

The Company has not revalued any Intangible assets as disclosed above.

There is no intangilble assets under development at the end of the year.

#### Capital-WIP - March 31, 2024

Particulars	Amt in CWIP for a period of				
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	211.54	-	-	-	211.54
Projects temporarily suspended	-	-	-	-	-

#### Capital-WIP - March 31, 2023

Particulars	Amt in CWIP for a period of				
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	-	-	-	-	-
Projects temporarily suspended	-	-	_	-	-

#### **NOTE 3: INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Carrying amounts of:		
Balance at the beginning of the year - Software and licenses	192.93	192.93
Additions - Patent & RD		
Balance at end of the year	192.93	192.93

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Accumulated depreciation and impairment		
Balance at the beginning of the year	81.92	18.61
Depreciation expenses	63.48	63.31
Balance at end of the year	145.41	81.92
Carrying amount at the end of year	47.53	111.01

#### **NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
I. Quoted Investments		
II. Un-quoted Investments		
Investments in the nature equity instruments -in subsidiaries		
Investment in equity shares of M/s.Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited (Fully Paid Equity Shares 9,999 @ ₹ 10 Per Share)	1.00	1.00
Investment in equity shares of M/s.Natural Biogenex Private Limited (Fully Paid Equity Shares 2,00,00,000 @ ₹10 Per Share)	2,000.00	2,000.00
Other Investments		
Investment in O2 Renewable Energy VIII Private Limited	273.00	
Less: Diminution in value of investments		
Total aggregate of un-quoted Investments	2,274.00	2,001.00
Aggregate book value of unquoted investments	2,274.00	2,001.00
Aggregate market value of quoted investments	-	
Aggregate amount of imparitment in value of the investments	-	-

#### **NOTE 5: LOANS - NON-CURRENT**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Unsecured Loans to Subsidiary Company (Including Accrued Interest)	2,236.16	2,000.00
Total	2,236.16	2,000.00

#### **NOTE 6: OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
At Amortized Cost		
a) Security Deposit (Unsecured considered good)	173.47	151.89
b) Prepaid Rent deposit	-	-
c) Term Deposit	-	-
d) Dividend from Associate/Subsidiary		
Less: Provision for Doubtful advances	-	-
e) Interest Receivable On Deposits		
Secured, Considered good	-	-
Unsecured, Considered good	47.62	96.78
Doubtful	-	-
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)	-	-
f) Other receivable		
Total	221.09	248.67

#### **NOTE 7: OTHER ASSETS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Capital Advances	-	-
b) Advances other than Capital Advances	-	-
i) Security Deposits	-	-
ii) Advances to Related parites - Subsidiary	-	-
c) Export incentive receivable	9.21	2.99
Total	9.21	2.99

#### **NOTE 8: INVENTORIES**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Lower of Cost or Net realisable value		
a) Raw Materials	468.85	156.90
b) Work-in-Process	299.58	143.41
c) Finished goods	975.05	517.81
d) Stock in trade (acquired for trading)	-	-
e) Stores and spares	7.23	10.74
f) Branch Stock	-	100.64
Less: Provision for Stock Reserve	-	(94.00)
Total	1,750.71	835.50

#### Note:

- i) For details of inventories pledged as security refer note 21.
- ii) The cost of inventories recognised as an expense is disclosed in note 28 and 29 as purchases of stock in trade in statement of profit and loss.
- iii) Provision for stock reserve is made after considering the nature of inventory, ageing, liquidation plan and net realisable value. The changes in write downs are recognised as an expense in the statement of profit and loss.

#### **NOTE 9: TRADE RECEIVABLES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Trade Receivables		
Secured, Considered good	-	
Unsecured, Considered good	6,017.20	5,850.84
Doubtful	-	-
Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)	(661.50)	(637.91)
	5,355.70	5,212.93
Current	5,355.70	5,212.93
Non-Current	-	-

The credit period on sale of goods ranges from 0 to 90 days. No interest is charged on trade receivables.

The Company uses available information in the public domain and on its own internal assessment and trading records before accepting any customer.

#### As at March 31, 2024

							(R In Lakins)	
Par	ticulars	Outstand	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					
		Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 years	More than 3 years		
(i)	Undisputed Trade receivables - considered good	4,976.21	_	-	-	-	4,976.21	
(ii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables - which have significant increase in credit risk	-	379.49	167.34	42.91	451.26	1,040.99	
(iii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables - credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iv)	Disputed Trade Receivables - considered good	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(v)	Disputed Trade Receivables - which have significant increase in credit risk	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(vi)	Disputed Trade Receivables - credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tot	al	4,976.21	379.49	167.34	42.91	451.26	6,017.20	

#### As at March 31, 2023

(₹ In Lakhs)

							(R In Lakhs)
Par	ticulars	Outstand	ing for followin	g periods from	due date of p	payment	Total
		Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i)	Undisputed Trade receivables - considered good	5,035.25	-	-	-	-	5,035.25
(ii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables - which have significant increase in credit risk	-	329.87	52.09	25.68	407.95	815.59
(iii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables - credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv)	Disputed Trade Receivables - considered good	-	-	-	-	-	-
(v)	Disputed Trade Receivables - which have significant increase in credit risk	-	-	-	-	-	-
(vi)	Disputed Trade Receivables - credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tot	al	5,035.25	329.87	52.09	25.68	407.95	5,850.84

#### **NOTE 10: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Balances with banks		
(i) In Current account	187.80	3.20
(ii) In Deposit account with original maturity less than 3 months	-	
(iii) In EEFC account	0.69	16.32
(iv) In Escrow account	30.23	20.58
b) Cash on hand	0.76	0.21
c) Cheques, drafts on hand	-	
Total	219.47	40.31

#### **NOTE 11: OTHER BANK BALANCES**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Deposit Accounts	697.17	174.86
b) Earmarked Balances with banks	-	
(i) In unpaid Dividend account	7.86	9.59
(ii) In margin money accounts for Bank Guarantee issued	0.02	0.02
Total	705.04	184.48

#### **NOTE 12: OTHER CURRENT ASSETS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Capital Advances	357.35	489.80
b) Advance to Related parties-refer Note a below	1.96	1.02
c) Advances to Employees		
(i) Secured, Considered good		
(ii) Unsecured and Considered good	9.87	10.69
(iii) Considered doubtful		
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)		
e) Export incentive receivable		
f) Balance with Customs and Central excise/GST authorities	267.92	160.66
g) Advance to suppliers		
(i) Secured, Considered good		
(ii) Unsecured and Considered good	416.25	489.81
(iii) Considered doubtful		
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)		
h) Prepaid Expenses	13.45	10.43
i) Preliminary Expenses		
j) Other Advances	3.07	11.27
k) Unamortised Expenses on Bank borrowings	18.93	17.62
Less: Provision for Doubtful advances		
l) Gratuity	2.87	-
Total	1,091.67	1,191.30

#### **Loans or Advances**

The following disclosures shall be made where **Loans or Advances** in the nature of loans are granted to **promoters, directors, KMP's & Related parties**, either severally or jointly with any other person, that are:

#### (a) without any terms or period of repayment - repayable on demand

Type of borrower	Amt of loan or advance in the nature of loan outstanding as on March 31, 2024	nature of loan outstanding as on		
Promoter	-	-		
Director	-	-		
KMP's	-	-		
Related Parties - Fully Owned Subsidiary	1.96	1.02		

#### **NOTE 13: EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023	
AUTHORISED			
Equity Shares:			
1,50,00,000 (70,00,000) Equity shares of ₹ 10 each	1,500.00	1,500.00	

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
12,00,000 Redeemable Preference shares of ₹ 100 each		
20,00,000 Redeemable Preference shares of ₹ 10 each		
Issued, Subscribed and Fully Paid Up		
93,21,578 (92,32,119) Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each	932.16	923.21
Issued, Subscribed and Partly Paid Up		
13,273 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each partly paid up - ₹ 5 each & 14,199 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 Each party paid up - ₹ 2.50 each - Rights issue	1.02	4.34
Total	933.18	927.55

# 13.1 Reconciliation of number of shares and amount outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the reporting period:

Reconciliation	2023	-2024	2022-2023		
	No. of shares	₹ In Lakhs	No. of shares	₹ In Lakhs	
a) Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each fully paid up					
At the beginning of the period	93,49,050	927.55	93,49,050	701.18	
Issued during the period	-	5.62	-	226.37	
At the end of the period	93,49,050	933.18	93,49,050	927.55	

#### 13.2 Details of shares held by each shareholder holding more than 5 percent of equity shares in the Company:

Reconciliation		No. of shares held as at					
	As on 31	.03.2024	As on 31.03.2023				
	No. of shares	%	No. of shares	%			
Tajos Investments Private Limited	12,53,500	13.41%	12,53,500	13.41%			
Nandhi Synthetics Private Limited	9,19,354	9.83%	9,19,354	9.83%			
Sunil L. Mundra	5,89,004	6.30%	5,89,004	6.30%			
Sushil Kumar Mundra	5,09,012	5.44%	5,09,012	5.44%			

#### 13.3 Shares held by Promoters as at the end of the year:

Sr.	Promoter Name	As	As on 31.03.2024			As on 31.03.2023		
No.		No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year	No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year	
1	Sunil Laxminaryan Mundra	5,89,004	6.30%	0.00%	5,89,004	6.30%	0.00%	
2	Sushil Kumar Mundra	5,09,012	5.44%	0.00%	5,09,012	5.44%	0.00%	
3	Indra Mundra	3,91,800	4.19%	0.00%	3,91,800	4.19%	0.00%	
4	Jyoti Mundra	3,06,694	3.28%	0.00%	3,06,694	3.28%	0.00%	
5	Sharada Mundra	2,65,036	2.83%	0.00%	2,65,036	2.83%	0.00%	
6	Laxminarayan Moondra	2,40,441	2.57%	0.00%	2,40,441	2.57%	0.00%	
7	Radha S Mundra	2,39,400	2.56%	0.00%	2,39,400	2.56%	0.00%	
8	Satyanarayan Mundra	1,84,882	1.98%	0.00%	1,84,882	1.98%	0.00%	

Sr. No.	Promoter Name	As on 31.03.2024			As on 31.03.2023		
		No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year	No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year
9	Madhav Mundra	1,65,155	1.77%	0.00%	1,65,155	1.77%	0.00%
10	Shrey Mundra	1,65,150	1.77%	0.00%	1,65,150	1.77%	0.00%
11	Jyotsna Daga	37,789	0.40%	0.00%	37,789	0.40%	0.00%
12	Nidhi Sethia	18,484	0.20%	0.00%	18,484	0.20%	0.00%

#### 13.4 Term attached to Equity Shares:

The Company has one class of equity share having a par value of ₹ 10 per share. Each holder of equity share is entitled to one vote per share. The dividend when proposed by the Board of Directors is subject to the approval of the shareholders in the ensuing Annual General meeting. Repayment of capital on liquidation will be in proportion to the number of equity shares held.

The Company has not issued any equity shares under ESOP (Employee Stock Option).

#### **NOTE 14: OTHER EQUITY**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Capital Reserve	146.40	146.40
Securities Premium Account	3,776.09	3,725.48
General Reserve	183.80	183.80
Share based payment Reserve Account	11.12	-
Revenue arising from Interest free rental deposit	-	-
Effective interest rate	-	-
Deferred tax adjustment	-	-
Reserve for equity instruments through other comprehensive income	-	-
Actuarial movement through other comprehensive income (net of tax)	19.60	(6.48)
Retained earnings (surplus in profit or loss account)	8,116.07	7,428.55
Total	12,253.08	11,477.75

#### Note:

#### i) Capital reserve:

On account of forfeiture of amount paid on convertible shares warrants allotted to non promoters share holders.

#### ii) Securities Premium reserve:

The amount received in excess of Face value of the equity shares is recognised as securities premium reserve.

#### iii) General reserve:

The reserve arises on transfer portion of the net profit pursuant to the earlier provisions of Companies Act, 1956. mandatory transfer to general reserve is not required under the Companies Act, 2013.

#### iv) Proposed dividend:

Dividends proposed but declared by the Company after the reporting period are not recognized as liability at the end of the reporting period. Dividends declared after the reporting period but before the issue of financial statements are not recognized as liability since no obligation exists on the balance sheet date.

		(₹ In Lakhs)
Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Capital Reserve		
Opening balance	146.40	146.40
Add: Appropriation from Profit or Loss account		
Closing Balance	146.40	146.40
The capital redemption reserve is created out of the statutory requirer dividend and will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss.	nent and these are not available	e for distribution of
b) Securities Premium Account		
Opening balance	3,725.48	1,688.11
Add: Additions	50.61	2,037.37
Closing Balance	3,776.09	3,725.48
c) General Reserve		
Opening balance	183.80	183.80
Add: Transfer from General Reserve		
Less: Ind AS Adjustment		
Closing Balance	183.80	183.80
d) Actuarial movement through Other Comprehensive Income	(/ 40)	
Opening balance	(6.48)	
Additions/(Deletions)	26.09	(6.48)
Closing Balance	19.60	(6.48)
e) Actuarial movement through Other Comprehensive Income	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	(6):10)
Opening balance	_	-
Additions/(Deletions)	11.12	-
Closing Balance	11.12	_
f) Retained Earnings		
Opening balance	7,428.55	5,585.92
Profit/(Loss) for the year	780.50	1,919.83
Less: Transfer to Capital Redemption Reserve		
Less: Dividend on Equity Shares	(92.98)	(77.20)
Less: Transfer to Reserves		
Less: Ind AS Adjustment		
Closing Balance	8,116.07	7,428.55
The amount that can be distributed by the Company as dividends to i separate financial statements of the Company and also considering the amounts reported above are not distributable in entirety.		
Total Other Equity	12,253.08	11,477.75

#### **NOTE 15: NON-CURRENT BORROWINGS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Secured - at amortised cost		
i) Bonds/Debentures		
ii) Term Loans from Banks	2,210.14	2,549.64
iii) Term Loans from others	1,065.10	161.50
Less: Current Maturities of Long Term Debt	(628.72)	(410.01)
Grand Total	2,646.53	2,301.14

#### **Term Loans from Banks**

#### **Repayment Details:**

The loans are repayable over the period of 84 months in equal monthly instalments.

#### **Security Details:**

**Primary:** Charge on FD of DSRA of 6 months, charge on stocks, charge on book debts, charge on current assets and charge on export debtors.

**Collateral:** Charge on current assets, personal guarantee of Mr. Sunil Mundra and Mr. Sushil Mundra, Charge on FD of DSRA of 6 months, exports debtors and stocks. Charge on Industrial property situated at Industrial Plot No.7/A, KIADB Industrial Area, Attibele, Anekal Taluka, Bangalore-560107. Charge on

Industrial property situated at 84, Bangalore-Perambai Road, Pichaveerampet, Moolakulam, Puducherry-605010.

**Term Loans from Others:** Loan from IREDA & BFL is shown under this head. It is payable over the period of 72 months & 60 months respectively in equal monthly instalments.

#### **Security Details:**

**IREDA:** Revolving bank guarantee for an amount equivalent to six months principal plus interest plus liquidated damages and personal guarantee of Mr. Sunil L Mundra & Mr. Sushil Kumar Mundra.

**BFL:** Pari passu charge on fixed assets and current assets of the company & fixed assets of it's subsidiary company Natural Biogenex Pvt Ltd.

#### **NOTE 16: LEASE LIABILITIES - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Lease Rent Payable	1.33	26.09

#### **NOTE 17: PROVISIONS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
i) Provision for Employee Benefits		
a) Compensated absences (Earned Leave)	_	-
b) Provision for gratuity	_	15.01
Total	-	15.01

#### **NOTE 18: DEFERRED TAX BALANCES**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Deferred tax assets	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	339.21	277.37
Total	339.21	277.37

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Deferred tax (Liabilities)/Asset in relation to		
Property, Plant and equipment	(546.21)	(478.42)
Provision compensated absences and others	18.23	18.22
Provision for bad & doubtful debts	184.60	178.66
Others	4.17	4.17
Total	(339.21)	(277.37)
Tax losses		
Net Deferred tax Assets/(Liability)	(339.21)	(277.37)

#### **NOTE 19: SHORT TERM BORROWINGS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
i) Loan repayable on demand from Bank		
Secured Loan		
a) from Banks	2,920.09	2,204.50
ii) Current maturities of long-term debt	628.72	410.01
iii) Short Term Borrowings from Directors	-	-
Total	3,548.80	2,614.51

a) Working capital facilities in the form of open cash credit from State bank of India & HDFC Bank is secured by hypothecation of stock of raw materials; work in process, finished goods, book debts, bills and other movable assets of the Company. All the secured loans are further secured by the personal guarantees of promoter directors.

#### **NOTE 20: TRADE PAYABLES**

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023		
Dues of Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises	-	-		
Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	2,793.29	2,580.69		
Employee related	170.44	161.99		
Disputed Dues of Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises	-	-		
Disputed Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	-	-		
Total	2,963.72	2,742.69		

Particulars	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2024
(i) MSME					-
(ii) Others	2845.48	98.26	12.53	7.45	2963.72
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME					-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others		<u></u>			-
Total as at March 31, 2024	2845.48	98.26	12.53	7.45	2963.72

Particulars	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2023
(i) MSME	- [	- [	- [	-	
(ii) Others	2,690.08	37.89	3.60	11.11	2,742.69
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others	-	-	-	-	-
Total as at March 31, 2023	2,690.08	37.89	3.60	11.11	2,742.69

The Company has amounts due to Micro and Small Enterprises under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (MSMED Act) as at March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023. The details in respect of such dues are as follows:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
The principal amount and the interest due thereon remaining unpaid to any supplier at the end of each accounting year		
Principal amount	_	
Interest	-	<u>-</u>
The amount of interest paid by the Company in terms of Section 16 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006, along with the amount of the payment made to the supplier beyond the appointed date during the year	-	-
The amount of interest due and payable for the period of delay in making payment (which have been paid but beyond the appointed date during the year) but without adding the interest specified under the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006		
The amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of each accounting year	-	-
The amount of further interest remaining due and payable even in the succeeding years, until such date when the interest dues above are actually paid to the small enterprise, for the purpose of disallowance as a deductible expenditure under Section 23 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006	0.33	0.33

Dues to micro and small enterprises have been determined to the extent such parties have been identified on the basis of information collected by the Management.

# **NOTE 21: OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES - CURRENT**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
At Amortised Cost		
a) Current maturities of long-term debt	-	
b) Interest accrued but not due on borrowings	-	-
c) Unclaimed dividends	7.86	9.59
d) Interest payable on MSME	-	-
e) Financial guarantee liability	-	-
f) Other Liabilities	-	-
- Lease Rent Payable	-	-
- Other liabilities	19.87	1.69
Total	27.73	11.29

# **NOTE 22: PROVISIONS - CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Compensated absences (Earned Leave)	18.39	18.45
b) Provision for gratuity	-	18.92
Total	18.39	37.37

# **NOTE 23: OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Statutory remittances (Contributions to PF, ESIC, TDS,GST,VAT,Service tax etc.)	55.39	56.58
b) Advances and Deposits from Customers/others	130.47	199.47
c) Related to expenses	80.41	180.42
Total	266.26	436.47

# **NOTE 24: CURRENT TAX LIABILITIES (NET)**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Current Taxation (Net of advance payments)	127.78	172.34

# **NOTE 25: REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Sale of Products	14,967.59	16,521.34
(b) Other operating revenues	413.04	765.46
Total	15,380.63	17,286.80

# **NOTE 26: OTHER INCOME**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Interest income		
On Bank Deposits at amortised cost	26.46	21.12
On Other Deposits/Loans	196.20	66.20
(b) Dividend Income		
From equity investments designated	-	
(c) Other gains or losses		
- Net gain arising on financial assets designated	-	
- Net gain on foreign currency transaction	-	<u>-</u>

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(d) Other non-operating income		-
Operating lease rent remeasurment	-	-
Insurance claims received	-	-
Corporate Gurantee Notional Income	-	-
Profit on sale of Investments	-	-
Rent Received	-	-
Profit on sale of Assets	-	4.54
Miscellaneous income	91.92	14.73
	314.57	106.59

# **NOTE 27: COST OF MATERIAL CONSUMED**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Inventories at the beginning of the year	156.90	398.29
Purchases during the year	8,643.56	8,123.58
Inventories at the end of the year	468.85	156.90
Total	8,331.61	8,364.96

# NOTE 28: CHANGES IN INVENTORIES OF FINISHED GOODS, WORK-IN-PROGRESS AND STOCK IN TRADE

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Opening Stock:		
Finished goods		
Capsules	517.81	81.40
Work-in-progress		
Capsules	143.41	61.51
	661.22	142.91
Closing Stock:		
Finished goods		
Capsules	975.05	517.81
Work-in-progress		
Capsules	299.58	143.41
	1,274.63	661.22
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks	(613.40)	(518.32)
Net change (Increase)/Decrease	(613.40)	(518.32)

# **NOTE 29: COST OF TRADED RAW MATERIALS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Cost of raw materials sold	-	49.38

# **NOTE 30: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Salaries, Wages and Bonus	1,019.77	881.93
(b) Contribution to Provident and other Funds	35.60	32.94
(c) Director Remuneration	136.95	121.60
(d) Workmen and Staff welfare expenses	39.47	36.37
Total	1,231.79	1,072.84

# **NOTE 31: FINANCE COST**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(i) Interest costs		
(a) Bank Loans and others	432.37	311.95
(b) Government Loans	-	-
(ii) Other borrowing costs - on Lease	1.96	4.08
(iii) Other Interest and Finance charges	60.49	39.48
Total	494.83	355.51

# **NOTE 32: DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION EXPENSE**

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Depreciation/amortisation on		
a) Property, Plant and Equipment	771.45	634.44
b) Intangible Assets	63.48	63.31
c) Right of use Asset - (Lease)	21.92	21.86
Total	856.85	719.61

# **NOTE 33: OTHER EXPENSES**

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Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Consumption of stores and spare parts	368.40	323.07
Power and Fuel	1,518.95	1,375.30
Repairs and Maintenance -Buildings	75.94	70.71
Repairs and Maintenance-Machinery	161.15	226.41

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Repairs and Maintenance -Others	76.55	44.18
Bad Debts	6.20	13.15
Insurance	21.50	21.06
Exchange Rate Difference	(112.65)	(105.19)
Rates and Taxes	40.64	18.62
Freight & Clearing Expenses	818.44	1,080.71
Directors Sitting fees	5.70	4.95
Auditor's Remuneration	7.50	7.50
Travelling Expenses - Foreign	38.46	46.23
Travelling and Conveyance	101.26	115.39
Professional Fees	122.83	107.15
Commission	42.67	175.42
Provision for Doubt full Debts	23.59	91.64
CSR expenditure	44.05	13.34
Security Charges	28.37	25.60
Contract Labour Charges	575.52	514.36
Postage and Courier	20.81	20.71
Communication Expenses	8.94	8.84
Business Promotion Expenses	56.26	51.52
Research & Development Expenditure - Revenue in Nature	207.96	238.87
Bank Charges	14.09	32.23
Printing and Stationery	24.42	16.05
Miscellaneous Expenses	19.81	12.05
Discount & Rebate	36.69	198.06
Commission to Directors	-	27.00
Total	4,354.06	4,774.93

# **NOTE 34: EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Exceptional items of (Debit)	-	-
Prior Period expenses	-	-
Exceptional items of (Credit)	-	-
Profit on sale of Investments	-	-
Exceptional items (Net)	-	-

# **NOTE 35: PAYMENT TO AUDITORS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
a) Audit Fees	7.50	7.50
b) Fees for other services	0.50	0.50
Total	8.00	8.00

# NOTE 36: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE INCLUDED IN THE STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Salaries, wages and bonus	132.42	151.40
Contribution to provident and other funds	3.75	4.45
Consumption of materials, Stores and spare parts	49.38	69.55
Lab Expenses	14.88	1.69
Power and Fuel	4.15	3.17
Rent paid for RD Staff Otrs	3.38	8.61
Total	207.96	238.87

# **NOTE 37: OPERATING LEASE**

The Company has obtained certain premises for its business operations and also the Company has provided leased accommodation to employees for period between 11 Months to 5 years.

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Not later than one year	6.81	26.61
Later than one year and not later than five years	-	6.81
Later than five years	-	
Total	6.81	33.42

Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") through Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Amendment Rules, 2019 and Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Second Amendment Rules, has notified Ind AS 116 Leases which replaces the existing lease standard, Ind AS 17 Leases and other interpretations. Ind AS 116 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both lessees and lessors. It introduces a single, on-balance sheet lease accounting model for lessees.

The Company has adopted Ind AS 116, effective annual reporting period beginning April 01, 2019 and applied the standard to its leases retrospectively accordingly, the Company has not restated comparative information.

For transition, the Company has elected not to apply the requirements of Ind AS 116 to leases which are expiring within 12 months from the date of transition by class of asset and leases for which the underlying asset is of low value on a lease-by-lease basis.

On application of Ind AS 116, the nature of expenses has changed from lease rent in previous periods to depreciation cost for the right-of-use asset, and finance cost for interest accrued on lease liability. Refer Note 2 for the Cost of the right of the use of Asset carried in the at the end of the year.

# NOTE 38: INCOME TAXES RELATING TO CONTINUING OPERATIONS

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Current tax		
for Current year	197.13	545.77
for Previous years	-	-
Deferred tax		
for Current year	61.84	108.88
Total	258.97	654.65

# **Reconciliation of current tax Expense**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Profit or loss before tax	1,039.47	2,574.48
Income tax rate (%) applicable to the Company <sup>#</sup>	25.17%	25.17%
Income tax calculated at income tax rate	261.61	647.95
Tax effect of adjustments to reconcile expected income tax expense to r	eported income tax expen	se
Effect of expense that are not deductible	10.73	22.41
Effect of on account Depreciation	(67.79)	(117.17)
Tax effect on - other deductible expenses	(7.41)	(7.41)
Income tax expense recognised in statement of Profit and Loss	197.13	545.77

<sup>\*</sup>The tax rate used for reconciliation above is the corporate tax rate of 25.17/29.12% at which the Company is liable to pay tax on taxable under the Indian tax law.

# **NOTE 39: EARNINGS PER SHARE**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Basic Earnings per share	8.67	20.68
Diluted Earnings per share	8.67	20.68

# 39.1 Basic Earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share as follows:

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Profit after Taxation	806.58	1,913.35
Earnings used in the calculation of basic earnings per share	806.58	1,913.35
Number of equity shares of 10 each outstanding at the beginning of the year	92.76	92.32
Equivalent Number of equity shares of 10 each outstanding at the end of the year after considering the Partly paid shares	93.32	92.76
Weighted Average number of Equity Shares	93.32	92.54

# 39.2 Diluted Earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share as follows:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Earnings used in the calculation of basic earnings per share	806.58	1,913.35
Adjustments (if any)	-	-
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share	806.58	1,913.35

The weighted average number of equity shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share reconciles to the weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share as follows:

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Weighted average number of equity shares used in calculation of basic earnings per share	93.04	92.76
Shares deemed to be issued for no consideration	-	<u> </u>
Weighted average number of equity shares used in calculation of diluted earnings per share	93.04	92.76

# NOTE 40: CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ('CSR')

Pursuant to the requirement of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013, CSR committee has been formed by the Company. The primary function of the CSR Committee is to assist the Board of Directors in formulating a SR Policy and review the implementation and progress of the same from time to time. The CSR Policy focuses on creating opportunities for the disadvantaged with emphasis on persons with disabilities and technology driven community development.

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Amount required to be spent by the Company during the year	36.25	20.05
Amount of expenditure incurred on:		
Construction/acquisition of any asset	-	
On purpose other than above	33.62	9.62
Shortfall at the end of the year	2.63	10.43
Amount Transferred to unspend CSR account	-	
Amount to be Transferred to specified fund Account	2.63	10.43

# NOTE 41:

In accordance with the requirements of Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS)-24 'Related Party Disclosures' the names of the related party where control exists/able to exercise significant influence along with the aggregate transactions and year-end balances are given below:

# Note (i) - Related Party Disclosures:

Description of Relationship	
Key Management Personnel	Mr. Sunil Laxminarayan Mundra - Managing Director
	Mr. Laxminarayan Mundra - Whole-Time Director
	Mr. Satyanarayan Mundra - Whole-Time Director
	Mr. Raj Kishore Prasad - Chief Financial Officer
	Mrs. Shilpa Burman - Company Secretary

Description of Relationship	
Directors	Mr. Sushil Kumar Mundra
	Mrs. Jyothi Mundra
Relative of Key Managerial Personnel	Mr. Shrey Mundra
Subsidiary Company Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited	
	Natural Biogenex Private Limited
Enterprise in which Directors have significant Control	M/s. Mundra Enterprises
	M/s. Sonia Organics

# **Details of Transactions With**

articulars		₹ In Lakhs	₹ In Lakhs	
		2023-24	2022-23	
Key Management Personnel				
Mr. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra - Managing Director	Salary Paid	54.65	75.59	
Mr. Laxminarayana Mundra - Whole-Time Director	Salary Paid	38.68	35.96	
Mr. Sathyanarayana Mundra - Whole-Time Director	Salary Paid	44.95	38.20	
Mr. Raj Kishore Prasad - Chief Financial Officer	Salary Paid	14.35	14.35	
Mrs. Shilpa Burman - Company Secretary	Salary Paid	6.81	6.19	
Other Related Parties				
Mr. Sushil Kumar Mundra - Director	Sitting Fees Paid	0.90	0.60	
Mrs. Jyothi Mundra - Director	Sitting Fees Paid	0.90	0.60	
Relative of Key Managerial Personnel				
Mr. Shrey Mundra - General Manager (Relative of MD)	Salary Paid	19.80	18.00	
Enterprise In Which Directors Having Significant Control	ol .			
M/S. Sonia Organics	Lease rent recd	4.67	5.31	
M/S. Mundra Enterprises	Purchase of RM	21.79	17.30	
Subsidiary Companies				
Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited (Formerly National Drug Discoveries Private Limited)	Advance Paid	-	0.58	
Natural Biogenex Private Limited	Loan/Advance Paid	1003.37	1,567.03	
	Share Appl Money Paid	-	1,999.00	
	Loan/Advance Recd Back	1002.77	1,569.17	
	Interest on Loan recd	196.20	66.20	
Payables/Receivable				
Mr. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Payable	-	19.48	
Mr. Laxminarayana Mundra	Payable	-	2.21	
Mr. Sathyanarayana Mundra	Payable	0.85	1.89	
Mundra Enterprises	Payable	6.28	2.43	
Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited	Receivable	1.03	0.58	
Natural Biogenex Private Limited	Receivable	2,236.16	2,000	
Sonia Organics	Receivable	1.17	1.06	

# NOTE 42a:

# A. Defined contribution plans

The Company makes Provident Fund and Employee State Insurance which are defined contribution plans, for qualifying employees. Under the Schemes, the Company is required to contribute a specified percentage of the payroll costs to fund the benefits. The Company recognised ₹ 35.60 Lakhs - for provident fund contributions in the statement of Profit or loss. The contributions payable to these plans by the Company are at rates specified in the rules of the schemes.

# B. Defined benefit plans (Gratuity)

In respect of Gratuity plan, the most recent actuarial valuation of the plan assets and the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out as March 31, 2024. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the projected unit cost method. The following table sets forth the status of the Gratuity Plan of the Company and the amount recognized in the Balance Sheet and Statement of Profit and Loss. the Company provided the gratuity benefit through annual contributions to a fund managed by the M/s. Life Insurance Corporation.

The Company is exposed to various risks in providing the above gratuity benefit which are as follows:

# 1. Risk to the beneficiaries (i.e. for employees)

**Insufficient funds:** The greatest risk to the beneficiary is that there are insufficient funds available to provide the promised benefits. This may be due to:

- The insufficient funds set aside, i.e. underfunding;
- The insolvency of The Employer;
- The holding of investments which are not matched to the liabilities; or
- A combination of these events.

# 2. Risks to the Benefit provider (i.e. for employer)

**Parameter risk:** Actuarial valuation is done basis some assumptions like salary inflation, discount rate and withdrawal assumptions. In case the actual experience varies from the assumptions, fund may be Insufficient to pay off the liabilities.

**For example:** Suppose the plan's liability is calculated with salary inflation assumption of 5% per annum. However, Company's actual practice is to provide increment of 10% per annum. This will result into underfunding.

Similarly, reduction in discount rate in subsequent future years can increase the plan's liability.

Further, actual withdrawals may be lower or higher than what was assumed in the valuation, which may also impact the plan's liability.

**Risk of illiquid assets:** Another risk is that the funds, although sufficient, are not available when they are required to finance the benefits. This may be due to assets being locked for longer period or in illiquid assets.

**Risk of benefit change:** There may be a risk that a benefit promised is changed or is changeable within the terms of the contract. For e.g. the prevailing Act/Regulation may increase the benefits payable under defined benefit plans.

**Asset liability mismatching risk:** ALM risk arises due to a mismatch between assets and liabilities either due to liquidity or changes in interest rates or due to different duration.

For example: When the liability duration is, say, 10 years and with assets locked in 5-years g-sec securities. After 5 years, there is huge reinvestment risk to invest maturity proceeds of assets due to uncertainty about the market prevailing yields at that time.

# NOTE 42b:

		(CIT Editio)
Particulars	Gratuity (Funded)	
	2023-24	2022-23
Present value of obligations at the beginning of the year	206.57	177.73
Current service cost	11.62	18.54
Interest Cost	15.29	12.62
Re-measurement (gains)/losses:		
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from change in financial assumption	1.89	(3.51)
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustment	(36.01)	8.86
Benefit Payments from Plan Assets	(19.94)	(7.68)
Present value of obligations at the end of the year	179.40	206.57

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Gratuity (Funded)	
	2023-24	2022-23
Changes in the fair value of planned assets		
Fair value of plan assets at the beginning of the year	172.63	146.29
Interest income	12.95	10.97
Return on plan assets		
Contributions by the employer	24.67	24.19
Re-measurement (gains)/losses:	(8.04)	(1.13)
Benefits paid	(19.94)	(7.68)
Fair value of plan assets at the end of the year	182.27	172.63
Amounts recognized in the Balance Sheet		
Projected benefit obligation at the end of the year	179.40	206.57
<b>Less:</b> share of obligation pertaining to Associate Company under common Gratuity Trust		
Fair value of plan assets at end of the year	182.27	172.63
Funded status of the plans - Liability recognized in the balance sheet	(2.87)	33.93
Components of defined benefit cost recognized in profit or loss		
Current service cost	11.62	18.54
Net interest Cost	(2.34)	(1.65)
Net cost in Profit or Loss	9.28	16.89
Components of defined benefit cost recognized in Other Comprehensive income		
Re-measurement on the net defined benefit liability:		
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from change in financial assumption	1.89	(3.51)
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustment	(36.01)	8.86
Return on plan assets	8.04	1.13
Net Cost	(26.09)	6.48
Less: Allocation to Associate Company under common gratuity trust	-	-
Net Cost in other Comprehensive Income	(26.09)	6.48

Particulars	2023-24	2022-23
Assumptions		
Discount rate	7.20%	7.40%
Expected rate of salary increase	7.00%	7.00%
Average age of members	45.29	41.91
Average remaining working Life	12.71	18.09
Mortality (IALM (2012-14) Ultimate	5% of Mortality Rate	5% of Mortality Rate

The Company has invested the plan assets with insurer managed funds. The Insurance Company has invested the plant assets in Govt. securities, Debit Funds, Mutual Funds, Money market instruments etc. The expected rate of return on plan asset is based on expectation of the average long term rate of return expected on investments of the fund during the estimated term of the obligation.

# NOTE 42c:

# Note (i) Experience Adjustments

**Experience Adjustments** 

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	For the period ending	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
(Gain)/Loss on Plan Liabilities	(36.01)	8.86
% of Opening Plan Liabilities	-17.43%	4.99%
Gain/(Loss) on Plan Assets	8.04	1.13
% of Opening Plan Assets	4.66%	0.77%

### Notes:

- (a) Experience adjustment has been provided only to the extent of details available.
- (b) Estimates of future salary increase take account of inflation, seniority, promotion and other relevant factors.
- (c) The discount rate is based on the prevailing market yields of Government of India Bonds as at the Balance Sheet date for the estimated term of the obligation.
- (d) The Company's gratuity funds are managed by the M/s. Life Insurance Corporation and therefore the composition of the fund assets in not presently ascertained.

# Note (ii) Sensitivity Analysis

Significant actuarial assumptions for the determination of the defined benefit obligation are discount rate, expected salary increase and attrition rate. The sensitivity analysis below have been determined based on reasonable possible changes of the assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period., while holding all other assumptions constant. The results of sensitivity analysis is given below:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
1 at ticulai 5	- Warch 51, 2024	Watch 51, 2025
Under Base Scenario	179.40	206.57
Salary Escalation (Up by 1%)	189.55	222.13
Salary Escalation (Down by 1%)	170.66	193.58
Withdrawal Rates (Up by 1%)	179.82	207.27
Withdrawal Rates (Down by 1%)	179.48	206.74
Discount Rates (Up by 1%)	170.46	193.36
Discount Rates (Down by 1%)	190.02	222.57
Mortality Rates (Up by 10%)	179.55	206.75
Mortality Rates (Down by 10%)	179.26	206.38

# **NOTE 43a:**

# 43.1 Capital management

The Company's capital management is intended to maximise the return to shareholders for meeting the long and short term objectives of the Company through the leveraging of the debit and equity balance.

The Company determines the amount of capital required on the basis of annual and long-term operating plans and strategic investment plans. The funding requirements are met through long and short term borrowings. The Company monitors the capital structure on the basis of debt to equity ratio and the maturity of the overall debt of the Company.

The following table summarises the capital of the Company:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
13,186.26	12,405.30
5,130.23	4,754.15
219.47	40.31
5,349.70	4,794.46
18,535.95	17,199.77
0.29	0.28
	March 31, 2024  13,186.26  5,130.23  219.47  5,349.70  18,535.95

# 43.2 Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counter party will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company is exposed to credit risk from its operating activities (predominantly trade receivables) and from its financing activities, including deposits with banks and financial institutions, foreign exchange transactions and other financial instruments.

Customer credit risk is managed by each business unit subject to the Company's established policy, procedures and control relating to the customer credit risk management. The Company uses financial information and past experience to evaluate credit quality of majority of its customers and individual credit limits are defined in accordance with this assessment. Outstanding receivables and the credit worthiness of this counter parties are periodically monitored and taken up on case to case basis. There is no material expected credit loss based on the past experience. However, the Company assesses the impairment of trade receivables on case to case basis and has accordingly created loss allowance.

The credit risk on cash and bank balances is limited because the counter parties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by accredited rating agencies.

# 43.3 Liquity risk management

The Company manages liquity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities, by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows, and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

The table below provides details regarding contratual maturities of financial liabilities as at March 31, 2024:

Particulars	Carrying amount	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2024
(i) MSME	-	-			-
(ii) Others	2963.72	2845.48	110.80	7.45	2963.72
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others	-	-	-	-	-
Total as at March 31, 2024	2963.72	2845.48	110.80	7.45	2963.72

The table below provides details of financial assets at at March 31, 2024:

Particulars	Carrying amount 2023-24	Carrying amount 2022-23
Trade receivables	5,355.70	5,212.93
Other Financial assets	5,655.76	4,474.46

# NOTE 43b:

# Fair value Hierarchy

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As	at March 31, 2	024	As at March 31, 2023		
	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income
Financial assets and liabilities me	easured at fair va	lue on a recurr	ing basis at the end	of each reporting	g period	
Financial assets						
Trade receivables	5,355.70	-	-	5,212.93	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	219.47	-	-	40.31	-	_
Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	705.04	-	-	184.48	-	_
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	_
Other Financial Assets	-	-	-	-	-	_
Security Deposit (Unsecured considered good)	173.47	-	-	151.89	-	_
Rental Deposit	-	-	-		_	
Term Deposit	-	-	-	-	-	_
Interest Receivable On Deposits	-	-	-	-	-	_
Financial Liabilities						
Borrowings - Bank OD	6,195.33	-	-	4,915.65	-	-
Trade payables	2,963.72	-	-	2,742.69		
Other Financial Liability	19.87	-	-	1.69		-
Unclaimed dividend	7.86	-	-	9.59	-	-

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As	at March 31, 2	024	As at March 31, 2023		
	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income
Financial assets and liabilities m	neasured at fair va	alue on a recurr	ing basis at the er	nd of each reporti	ing period	
Financial Assets						
Investments in equity - Quoted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments in equity - Unquoted	2,001.00	-	-	2,001.00	-	-
Investments in government securities	-	-	-	_	_	
Investment in Preference shares	-	-	-			
Other Investments	273.00	-	-	-	-	-
Derivatives not designated as hedges	-	-	-			
Financial liabilities						
Derivatives not designated as hedges	-	-	-			
Derivatives designated as hedges	-	-	-			

# **NOTE 43c:**

Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value (but fair value disclosures are required):

Particulars	Fair value	Fair value As at March 31, 2024			As at March 31, 2023		
	hierarchy	hierarchy Carrying amount		Carrying amount	Fair value		
Financial Assets							
Financial assets at amortised cost:							
Trade receivables	Level 3	5,355.70	5,355.70	5,212.93	5,212.93		

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Fair value	r value As at March 31, 2024			As at March 31, 2023		
	hierarchy	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value		
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 2	219.47	219.47	40.31	40.31		
Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	Level 2	705.04	705.04	184.48	184.48		
Other financial assets	Level 3	2,495.09	2,495.09	2,249.67	2,249.67		

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Fair value	As at March	31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023		
	hierarchy	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value	
Financial Liabilities						
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:						
Borrowings	Level 2	6,195.33	6,195.33	4,915.65	4,915.65	
Trade payables	Level 3	2,963.72	2,963.72	2,742.69	2,742.69	
Other financial liabilities	Level 3	27.73	27.73	11.29	11.29	

# Fair value hierarchy

The fair value hierarchy is based on inputs to valuation techniques that are used to measure fair value that are eitherobservable or unobservable and consist of the following three levels:

- Level 1 Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs are other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
- Level 3 Inputs are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). Fair values are determined in whole or in part using a valuation model based on assumptions

that are neither supported by prices from observable current market transactions in the same instrument nor are they based on available market data.

- Incase of trade receivables, cash and cash equivalents, trade payables, short term borrowings and other financial assets and liabilities it is assessed that the fair values approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.
- 2. The fair values of the financial assets and financial liabilities included above have been determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on a discounted cash flow analysis, with the most significant inputs being the discount rate that reflects the credit risk of counterparties.

# **NOTE 44: ADDITIONAL REGULATORY INFORMATION**

# a. Analytical Ratios

Ratio	Numerator	Denominator	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	% variance	Reason for variance (+/->25%)
Current Ratio	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	1.31	1.24	6%	
Debt - equity Ratio	Total Debt	Shareholder's Equity	75%	70%	8%	
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Earnings available for debt service = Net Profit after taxes + Non-cash operating expenses like depreciation and other amortizations + Interest + other adjustments like loss on sale of Fixed assets etc.	Debt Service = Interest & Lease Payments + Principal Repayments	186%	379%	-51%	Due to increase in debt and decrease in net profit for the year

Ratio	Numerator	Denominator	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	% variance	Reason for variance (+/->25%)
Return on Equity	Net Profits after taxes - Preference Dividend (if any)	Average Shareholder's Equity	0.06	0.18	-66%	Due to decrease in net profit
Inventory Turnover Ratio	Cost of goods sold or Sales	Average Inventory = (Opening + Closing balance/2)	11.69	24.31	-52%	Due to increase in inventory and decrease in sales
Trade Receivables Turnover Ratio	Net Credit Sales = Gross credit sales - Sales return	Average Accounts Receivable = (Opening + Closing balance/2)	2.91	4.41	-34%	Due to increase in receivables and decrease in sales
Trade Payables Turnover Ratio	Net Credit Purchases = Gross purchases - Purchase return	Average Trade Payables	3.22	4.06	-21%	
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	Net Sales = Total sales - Sales returns	Working Capital = Current assets - Current liabilities	7.09	11.92	-41%	Due to increase in working capital and decrease in sales
Net Profit Ratio	Net Profit = Net profit shall be after tax	Net Sales = Total sales - Sales returns	5.07%	11.11%	-54%	Due to lower sales realisation
Return on Capital Employed	Earnings before interest & taxes	Capital Employed = Tangible Net Worth + Total Debt + Deferred Tax Liability	8%	17%	-53%	Due to lower earning

# **NOTE 45:**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	2023-24	2022-23
Estimated amount of contracts remaining to be executed on capital account and not provided for net of advances.	561.65	592.05
Other monies for which the Company is contingently liabile		
a) Bank Guarantees issued for loans and others	7,000.00	4,800.00
b) Disputed Income tax demands which are under various stages of appeal	56.84	78.67
c) Disputed Sales tax, Excise Duty, Service tax, Urban land tax, Electricity matters and Customs demands	44.16	44.16

The Company has given a financial guarantee amounting to 7,000 Lakhs.

Future cash outflows in respect of the above referred matters are determinable only on receipt of judgements/decisions pending at various forums/authorities.

# **NOTE 46: EMPLOYEE SHARE-BASED PAYMENT PLANS**

The Shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meetings held on November 10, 2018 had approved the Employee Stock Option Scheme (ESOP) 2018. The ESOS's are administered by the Compensation Committee ("Committee"). Options are granted at the discretion of the Committee to selected employees depending upon certain criterion. Each option comprises one underlying equity share.

The Company has offered equity shares under ESOP during the year for the identified employees and below is the summary of Options vested, exercised and outstanding during the year:

Particulars	No. of shares 2023-24	No. of shares 2022-23
Number of options Granted During the year	-	25,000
Options Vested During the year	-	
Options Outstanding at the Beginning of the year	1,80,000	1,55,000
Options Exercised During the year	-	_
Number of options cancelled	-	
Number of options lapsed	-	
Options Outstanding at the End of the year	1,80,000	1,80,000

The following table summarises the assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value for instrument granted in the year ended March 31, 2024.

The Black Scholes valuation model has been used for computing the weighted average fair value considering the following inputs:

Description of Relationship	
Dates of Grant	November 10, 2018
Market Price (₹ per share) on the dates of grant	78
Volatility	78%
Risk free rate	6.50%
Exercise price	10
Time to maturity (years)	10
Dividend yield	1%
Option fair value (₹ per share)	69

The Black Scholes option-pricing model was developed for estimating fair value of trade options that have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. Since options pricing models require use of subjective assumptions, changes therein can materially affect fair value of the options. The options pricing models do not necessary provide a reliable measure of fair value of options.

# **NOTE 47:**

The Company is not holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 and rules made there under.

#### **NOTE 48:**

Quarterly returns or statements of current assets filed by the Company with banks are in agreement with the books of accounts.

# **NOTE 49:**

The Company is not declared wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender during the year.

# **NOTE 50:**

The Company has submitted the registration of charge form to ROC within time for SBI but for HDFC it got delayed and filed within 60 days with four times additional fee.

# **NOTE 51:**

The Company has not made any transactions with companies struck off under Section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 or Section 560 of Companies Act, 1956, during the year.

# **NOTE 52:**

The Company has not accepted any transaction not recorded in the books of accounts that has been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 during the year.

# **NOTE 53:**

The Company has not traded or invested in Crypto currency or Virtual currency during the financial year.

# **NOTE 54:**

# **Code on Social Security 2020**

The Code on Social Security 2020 ('the code') relating to employee benefits, during the employment and post-employment, has received Presidential assent on September 28, 2020. The Code has been published in the Gazette of India. Further, the Ministry of Labour and Employment has released draft rules for the Code on November 13, 2020. However, the effective date from which the changes are applicable is yet to be notified and rules for quantifying the financial impact are also not yet issued. The Company will assess the impact of the Code and will give appropriate impact in the financial statements in the period in which, the Code becomes effective

and the related rules to determine the financial impact are published.

# **NOTE 55:**

The Company has circulated balance confirmation for Trade Payables and Trade Receivables. The receipt of Confirmation and Reconciliation are in process and the reported balances are subject to Confirmation. Any adjustment, if required, will be made on receipt of the same.

### **NOTE 56:**

Previous year figures have been regrouped to correspond to the current year classification where ever necessitated.

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 For and on behalf of the Board

**Sunil L. Mundra** Managing Director DIN: 00214304

Shilpa Burman Company Secretary M. No.: A52069 Sathyanarayan Mundra Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the members of Natural Capsules Limited

Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

#### **OPINION**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of M/S. NATURAL CAPSULES LIMITED (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the Company and its subsidiaries together referred to as the "Group") which comprise the Consolidated Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2024, and the Consolidated Statement of Profit and Loss (including Other Comprehensive Income), the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity and the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (hereinafter referred to as the "consolidated financial statements").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid consolidated financial statements, give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 (the "Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended ("Ind AS") and other accounting

principles generally accepted in India, of the consolidated state of affairs of the Group as at March 31, 2024 and their consolidated profit, their consolidated total comprehensive income, their consolidated changes in equity and their consolidated cash flows for the year ended on that date.

## **BASIS FOR OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SA's) specified under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements Section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) together with the independence requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ICAI's Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# **KEY AUDIT MATTERS**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the Consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the Consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

# Sr. No. Key Audit Matter

# 1. Evaluation of uncertain Tax positions

As described in the summary of Significant accounting policies in note no 2.2 Significant judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes both current and deferred as well as the assessment of the provisions for uncertain tax positions, consequently having an impact on related accounting and disclosures in the Consolidated financial statements.

# 2. Trade receivable

Trade receivables are recognized at their anticipated realizable value which is the original invoiced amount Valuation of trade receivables is a key audit matter in the audit, due to size of the trade receivables balance and the high level of management judgement used in determining the impairment provision.

# How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Obtained details of completed tax assessments and demands for the year ended March 31, 2024 from management;

Discussed with appropriate senior management and evaluated management's underlying key assumptions in estimating the tax provisions;

We involved our internal experts to challenge the management's underlying assumptions in estimating the tax provision and the possible outcome of the disputes;

Our internal experts also considered legal precedence and other rulings in evaluating management's position on these uncertain tax positions.

# For trade receivables and managements estimation for trade receivables, impairment provisions, our key audit procedure includes the following:

We obtained management confirmation on trade receivables outstanding;

We analyzed the ageing of trade receivables; and

We obtained the list of long outstanding receivables of these through enquiring with the management and by obtaining sufficient corroborative evidences to support the conclusions.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation and presentation of these consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position, consolidated financial performance including other comprehensive income, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group in accordance with the Ind AS and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. The respective Boards of Directors of the companies included in the Group are responsible for maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding the assets of the Group and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, which have been used for the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements by the Directors of the Company, as aforesaid.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the respective Boards of Directors of the companies included in the Group are responsible for assessing the ability of the respective entities to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the respective Boards of Directors either intend to liquidate their respective entities or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The respective Boards of Directors of the companies included in the Group are also responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of the Group.

# AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted with SA's will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

 Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal financial controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under Section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Company has adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content
  of the Consolidated financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the Consolidated financial
  statements represent the underlying transactions and
  events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the Consolidated financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit. We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the Consolidated financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

# REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- 1. As required by Section 143 (3) of the Act, we report that:
  - a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit of the aforesaid consolidated financial statements.
  - b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law relating to preparation of the aforesaid consolidated financial statements have been kept so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
  - c) The Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Statement of Profit and Loss including Other Comprehensive Income, Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity and the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the relevant books of account maintained for the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements.
  - d) In our opinion, the aforesaid consolidated financial statements comply with the Ind AS specified under Section 133 of the Act.
  - e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors of the Company as on March 31, 2024 taken on record by the Board of Directors of the Company and the reports of the statutory auditors of its subsidiary companies incorporated in India, none of the directors of the Group companies incorporated in India is disqualified as on March 31, 2024 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act.
  - f) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in "Annexure A" which is based on the auditors' reports of the Company and its subsidiary companies incorporated in India. Our report expresses an unmodified opinion on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of internal financial controls over financial reporting of those companies.
  - With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the

- requirements of Section 197(16) of the Act, as amended: In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the remuneration paid by the Company to its directors during the year is in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Act.
- h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
  - The Group Company does not have any pending litigations which would impact its financial position other than the items disclosed under Note No. 44
  - The Company and its subsidiary Company incorporated in India did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses.
  - iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company and its subsidiary companies incorporated in India.
  - (a) The respective Managements of the Company and its subsidiaries which are companies incorporated in India, whose financial statements have been audited under the Act, have represented to us that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company or any of such subsidiaries to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entity ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company or any of such subsidiaries ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
    - (b) The respective Managements of the Company and its subsidiaries which are companies incorporated in India, whose financial statements have been audited under the Act, have represented to us that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by

the Company or any of such subsidiaries from any person or entity, including foreign entity ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company or any of such subsidiaries shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.

(c) Based on the audit procedures that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances performed by us on the Company and its subsidiaries which are companies incorporated in India whose financial statements have been audited under the Act, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e), as provided under (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement.

- v. The final dividend proposed in the previous year, declared and paid by the Company during the year, is in accordance with Section 123 of the Act, as applicable.
- vi. The Group Company has used accounting software(s) for maintaining its books of account for the financial year ended March 31, 2024 which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility and the same has operated throughout the year for all relevant transactions recorded in the software. Further, during the course of our audit we did not come across any instance of the audit trail feature being tampered with.
- 2. With respect to the matters specified in paragraphs 3(xxi) and 4 of the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 (the "Order"/ "CARO") issued by the Central Government in terms of Section 143(11) of the Act, to be included in the Auditor's report, according to the information and explanations given to us, and based on the CARO reports issued by us for the Company and its subsidiaries included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company, to which reporting under CARO is applicable, we report that there are no qualifications or adverse remarks in these CARO reports.

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

# P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

UDIN:

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

# **Annexure-A to the Independent Auditors' Report**

Report on the Internal Financial Controls under Clause (i) of Sub-Section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act")

In conjunction with our audit of the consolidated financial statements of **Natural Capsules Limited** ("the Holding Company") as of March 31, 2024, we have audited the internal financial controls with reference to the financial statements of the Holding Company and its subsidiaries, which are incorporated in India as of that date.

# MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS

The Board of Directors of the Holding Company and its subsidiary companies, which are companies incorporated in India, are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the respective Companies considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (" the ICAI"). These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to the respective Company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Act.

# **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Holding Company and its subsidiary companies, which are companies incorporated in India, based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting (the "Guidance Note") issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and the Standards on Auditing, prescribed under Section 143(10)of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting was established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating

the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the internal financial controls system over financial reporting of the Holding Company and its subsidiary companies, which are companies incorporated in India.

# MEANING OF INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

A Company's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A Company's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company; (2)provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the Company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

# INHERENT LIMITATIONS OF INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management over ride of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

# **OPINION**

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Holding Company and its subsidiary companies, which are companies incorporated in India, have, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2024, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the respective companies considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

# P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

UDIN:

Place: Bangalore Date: May 21, 2024

# **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

As at March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Note No.	As at March 31, 2024	As a March 31, 202
ASSETS			
Non-Current Assets			
(a) Property, Plant and Equipment		10,224.46	9,538.9
(b) Capital Work-in-Progress		14,380.99	8,770.4
(c) Right-of-use Assets		4.49	26.4
(d) Investment Property		-	
(e) Intangible Assets	3	47.53	111.0
(f) Financial Assets			
(i) Investments	4	273.00	
(ii) Trade Receivables		-	
(iii) Loans		-	
(iv) Other Financial Assets	5	336.02	275.6
(g) Deferred Tax Assets (Net)		-	
(h) Other Non-Current Assets	6	9.21	2.9
Total Non-Current Assets		25,275.69	18,725.4
Current Assets			•
(a) Inventories	7	1,903.56	884.8
(b) Financial Assets		1,700.30	001.0
(i) Investments			
		5,446.95	5,212.9
(ii) Trade Receivables		•	<del>'</del>
(iii) Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	225.48	147.7
(iv) Bank balances other than (iii) above		1,108.51	544.4
(v) Loans		-	
(vi) Other Financial assets		-	
(c) Current Tax Assets (Net)		-	
(d) Other Current Assets		3,692.32	3,360.6
Total Current Assets		12,376.83	10,150.6
 TOTAL ASSETS		37,652.52	28,876.1
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
(a) Equity Share Capital	12	933.18	927.5
(b) Other Equity	13	19,446.83	11,395.0
(c) Non-Controlling Interest		2,500.41	2,502.0
Total Equity		22,880.42	14,824.6
Liabilities		22,000.42	17,027.0
Non-Current Liabilities			
(a) Financial Liabilities			
		/ 702.21	7.020.0
(i) Borrowings		6,793.31	7,038.8
(ia) Lease Liabilities		1.33	26.0
(ii) Trade Payables		-	
(iii) Other Financial Liabilities		-	
(b) Provisions		-	15.0
(c) Deferred Tax Liabilities	17	330.07	277.3
(d) Other Non-Current liabilities		-	
Total Non-Current Liabilities		7,124.72	7,357.2
Current Liabilities			
(a) Financial Liabilities			
(i) Borrowings	18	4,106.16	2,614.
(ia) Lease Liabilities		-	,
(ii) Trade Payables			
Dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		_	
Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	19	3,041.84	2,742.6
(iii) Other Financial Liabilities	20		
• •		29.22	675.2
(b) Other Current Liabilities		324.87	445.4
(c) Provisions		18.39	37.3
(d) Current Tax Liabilities (Net)		126.91	178.9
Total Current Liabilities		7,647.38	6,694.2
Total Liabilities		14,772.10	14,051.5
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		37,652.52	28,876.1

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial Statements

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 **Sunil L. Mundra** Managing Director DIN: 00214304

Shilpa Burman Company Secretary M. No.: A52069 For and on behalf of the Board

Sathyanarayan Mundra Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

# Consolidated Profit & Loss

For the year ended March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Note No.	For the Year Ended March 31, 2024	For the Year Ended March 31, 2023
ı	Revenue from Operations	24	15,542.00	17,237.42
II	Other Income	25	193.62	56.54
III	Total Income (I+II)		15,735.62	17,293.96
IV	Expenses			
	Cost of materials consumed	26	8,400.39	8,337.11
	Changes in Inventories of finished goods, work-in-progress and stock in trade	27	(681.50)	(518.32)
	Cost of materials Goods Traded	28	147.97	49.38
	Employee benefit expense	29	1,237.20	1,072.84
	Finance costs	30	512.94	340.57
	Depreciation and amortisation expense	31	866.78	720.81
	Other expenses	32	4,446.65	4,792.29
	Total Expenses (IV)		14,930.43	14,794.68
V	Profit before exceptional items and Tax (III-IV)		805.19	2,499.27
VI	Exceptional items - Income/(Expenses)	33	-	-
VII	Profit before Tax (V - VI)		805.19	2,499.27
VIII	Tax Expense			
	1) Current tax		197.13	545.77
	2) Tax for earlier		-	-
	3) Deferred tax		52.71	108.88
	Total Tax expenses		249.84	654.65
IX	Profit for the year (VII-VIII)		555.35	1,844.62
	Other Comprehensive Income			
	A. i) Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss			
	a) Re-measurement of the defined benefit plan		26.09	(6.48)
	b) Equity instruments through other comprehensive income		-	-
			26.09	(6.48)
	ii) Income tax relating to items that will not be re-classified to profit or loss		-	-
	B. i) Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss		-	-
	ii) Income tax relating to items that will be re-classified to profit or loss		-	-
Х	Total other comprehensive income (A(i-ii)+(B(i-ii)		26.09	(6.48)
ΧI	Total Comprehensive Income (IX+X)		581.43	1,838.14
XII	Earnings Per Equity Share (Nominal value per share ₹ 10/-)			
	(a) Basic	38	6.25	19.86
	(b) Diluted		6.25	19.86

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner

Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 21, 2024 For and on behalf of the Board

**Sunil L. Mundra** Managing Director DIN: 00214304

**Shilpa Burman** Company Secretary M. No.: A52069 **Sathyanarayan Mundra** Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

# **Consolidated Cash Flow Statement**

For the year ended March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars		Year Ended ch 31, 2024		Year Ended
A. Cash flow from operating activities				
Profit before tax		805.19		2,499.2
Adjustments for				
Adjustments for depreciation and amortisation expense	866.78		720.81	
Adjustments for finance costs	512.94		340.57	
Profit on sale of Fixed Assets (Net)	-		(4.54)	
Interest Income	(91.83)		(37.27)	
Bad Debts	29.80		13.15	
ESOP	11.12		_	
Re-measurement of the defined benefit plan	26.09		(6.48)	
Unrealised exchange (gain)/loss	20.07		(0.10)	
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Operating profit before working capital changes		2,160.08		3,525.5
Changes in working capital		,		.,
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in				
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in trade receivables, current	(263.82)		(2,595.82)	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in inventories	(1,018.68)		(427.08)	
Adjustments for other bank balances	(564.08)		(196.03)	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in other current assets	(331.68)		621.49	
Adjustments for decrease/(increase) in other non-current assets	(6.22)		(2.99)	
Adjustments for other financial assets, non-current	(60.35)		(69.15)	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in trade payables, current	299.16		1,145.03	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in other current liabilities	(120.59)		(333.51)	
Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in other current liabilities  Adjustments for increase/(decrease) in other non-current liabilities	(120.37)		(333.31)	
	(71.03)		59.69	
Adjustments for provisions, current				
Adjustments for provisions, non-current	(15.01)		7.02	
Adjustments for other financial liabilities, current	(646.00)		533.27	
Adjustments for other financial liabilities, non-current	-	(2.700.22)	-	/1 250 07
Cod and the code of the code o		(2,798.32)		(1,258.07) 2,267.45
Cash generated from operations		197.13		
Income taxes paid (refund)				545.77
Net cash generated from operating activities (A)		(835.38)		1,721.67
B. Cash flow from investing activities	(7.4.(2.04)		(10 500 10)	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(7,162.84)		(10,589.10)	
Movements in Intangible Assets	63.48		63.31	
Movement in Right Use of Assets	21.92		21.86	
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	-		-	
Proceeds from sales of investment	-		-	
Changes in Financial assets - Advance paid	-		-	
Investment made	(273.00)		3.72	
Interest received	91.83		37.27	
Dividends received				
		(7,258.61)		(10,462.95
Net cash used in investing activities (B)		(7,258.61)		(10,462.95
C. Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of Shares including premium	7,556.23		4,765.50	
Proceeds from borrowings	1,246.13		4,426.84	
Repayments of borrowings	-		-	
Interest paid	(512.94)		(340.57)	
Proceeds from Minority Interest	-			
Dividends paid	(92.98)		(77.20)	
Payments of finance lease liabilities	(24.75)		(25.38)	
		8,171.69		8,749.20
Net cash used in financing activities (C)		8,171.69		8,749.20
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents (A+B+C)		77.71		7.93
Reconciliation				
Cash and cash equivalents as at beginning of the year		147.77		139.8
Cash and cash equivalents as at end of the year		225.48		147.7
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		77.71		7.93

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

In terms of our report attached

For P. Chandrasekar LLP Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran

Partner Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru **Date:** May 21, 2024

For and on behalf of the Board Sunil L. Mundra Managing Director

Shilpa Burman Company Secretary M. No.: A52069

DIN: 00214304

Sathyanarayan Mundra Whole-Time Director DIN: 00214349

# Statement of Changes in Equity Share Capital and Other Equity

For the year ended March 31, 2024

# **EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL**

As on March 31, 2024

Balances at the begnning of the reporting period	he begnr	ing of the re	porting p	eriod	Changes	in equity	share cap	Changes in equity share capital during the year	the year	Ŀ	Balance	Balance at the end of the reporting period	of the repo	rting pe	riod
		927.55					5.62					6	933.18		
As on March 31, 2023	31, 2023													<b>★</b> 〉	(₹ In Lakhs)
Balances at the begnning of the reporting period	he begnr	ing of the r€	porting p	eriod	Changes	in equity	share cap	Changes in equity share capital during the year	the year	 	Balance	Balance at the end of the reporting period	of the repo	rting pe	riod
		701.18					226.37					6	927.55		
OTHER EQUITY	≽													₩)	(₹ In Lakhs)
Particulars	Share	Equity		Reserves and Surplus	Surplus	•	Share based	Compulsorily		Revaluation	Exchange	Equity	Items of other	Money	Total
	application money pending allotement	component of compount financial instruments	Capital Reserve	Securities	Others - General Reserve	Retained Earnings	payment Reserve Account	Convertible Preference Shares	of of cashflow hedges	surpius	rate differences on (translating the financial statements of a foreign operation	instruments of through other Comprehensive income	instruments comprenentsive rough other income- income Actuarial income Gain/Loss	against share warrant	
Current Reporting Period															
Balance at March 31, 2023			146.40	3,725.48	183.80	7,345.86	'	'		'		'	(6.48)		11,395.06
Profit for the year													26.09		26.09
Additions during the year			•	2,883.94	•	555.35	11.12	4,666.67	•	•	•	•	•	•	8,117.07
Total comprehensive Income/Expenses for the current year	,			'	'	'	'	'	   '	'	'	'	'		'
Transferred to Retained earnings	1	,	'	,	'	1	1	•	1	1	'	,	•	,	1
Transfer to minority interest		     		 		1.59			 	,   	, '			   '	1.59
Payment of Dividend						(92.98)								'	(92.98)
Balance at March 31, 2024			146.40	6,609.42	183.80	7,809.82	11.12	4,666.67	.			'	19.60	.	19,446.83
Previous Reporting Period															
Balance at March 31, 2022	.		146.40	1,688.11	183.80	5,578.44	'		·	.	•			.	7,596.75
Profit for the year			1			1,844.62		1					,	,	1,844.62

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Share	Equity		Reserves and Surplus	Surplus		Share based	Compulsorily Effective	Effective	Reva	Exch	Equity	Equity Items of other	Money	Total
	application money pending allotement	component of compount financial instruments	Capital Reserve	Securities	Others - General Reserve	Retained Earnings	payment Reserve Account	Convertible Preference Shares c	portion of cashflow hedges	surplus	rate differences on translating the financial statements of a foreign	₽ō	Instruments comprehensive income- mprehensive Actuarial income Gain/Loss	received against share warrant	
Additions during the year		,	'	2,037.37	'		'	1	'	'	'	'	(6.48)	'	2,030.89
Total comprehensive Income/Expenses for the current year		,	•	•	,	,	'	'	'	'	'		'	,	1
Transferred to Retained earnings			'	'	'	.		'			, i				'
Transfer to minority interest			•	•	•	•	'	'	•	'	'	•	•	'	
Payment of Dividend			•	•	•	(77.20)		'	•		•	•		•	(77.20)
Balance at March 31, 2023			146.40	3,725.48	183.80	7,345.86	•	•	•	•	•	•	(6.48)	•	11,395.06

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Pursuant to the requirements of Division II to Schedule III, below is the nature and purpose of each reserve:

- Securities premium: Securities premium reserve is used to record the premium received on issue of shares. The reserve is utilised in accordance with the provisions of Section 52 of the Companies Act, 2013. ë
- is created by a transfer from one component of equity to another and is not an item of other comprehensive income, items included in the general reserve will not be General reserve: General reserve represents appropriation of profits. This represents a free reserve and is available for dividend distributions. As the general reserve eclassified subsequently to the statement of profit and loss. ف
- Capital reserve: Capital reserve indicates the cash on hand that can be used for future expenses or to offset any capital losses. It is derived from the accumulated capital surplus of a Company and is created out of its profit. ပ
- **Retained earnings:** Retained earnings comprises of prior and current year's undistributed earnings after tax. ਰਂ

For and on behalf of the Board

Sathyanarayan Mundra

Sunil L. Mundra

Whole-Time Director

In terms of our report attached

For **P. Chandrasekar LLP** 

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**Date:** May 21, 2024 Place: Bengaluru

Raj Kishore Prasad Chief Financial Officer DIN: 00214349 Managing Director DIN: 00214304 Shilpa Burman Company Secretary M. No.: A52069

# 2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MEASUREMENT

# (a) Basis of preparation

These Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards (hereinafter referred to as the 'Ind AS') as notified by Ministry of Corporate Affairs pursuant to Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 3 of the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 and Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Amendment Rules, 2016.

These Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2019 are the first the Company has prepared under Ind AS. For all periods upto and including the year ended March 31, 2017, the Company prepared its Financial statements in accordance with the accounting standards notified under the Section 133 of the Companies Act 2013, read together with paragraph 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as 'Previous GAAP') used for its statutory reporting requirement in India immediately before adopting Ind AS.

The Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2017 and the opening Balance Sheet as at April 01, 2016 have been restated in accordance with Ind AS for comparative information. Reconciliations and explanations of the effect of the transition from Previous GAAP to Ind AS on the Company's Balance Sheet, Statement of Profit and Loss and Statement of Cash Flows are provided in note 3.

The Financial statements have been prepared on accrual and going concern basis. The accounting policies are applied consistently to all the periods presented in the financial statements. All assets and liabilities have been classified as current or non current as per the Company's normal operating cycle and other criteria as set out in the Division II of Schedule III to the Companies Act, 2013.

Based on the nature of products and the time between acquisition of assets for processing and their realization in cash and cash equivalents, the Company has ascertained its operating cycle as 12 months for the purpose of current or non-current classification of assets and liabilities financial statements.

The said Goodwill is not amortised, however, it is tested for impairment at each Balance Sheet date and the impairment loss, if any, is provided for. On the other hand, where the share of equity in subsidiaries as on the date of investment is in excess of cost of investments of the Company, it is recognised as 'Capital Reserve' and shown under the head 'Reserves and Surplus' in the financial statements.

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of subsidiaries is identified and presented in the Balance Sheet separately within equity.

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of subsidiaries consists of:

 (a) The amount of equity attributable to non-controlling interests at the date on which investment in a subsidiary is made; and (b) The non-controlling interest's share of movements in equity since the date parent subsidiary relationship came into existence.

The profit and other comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries are shown separately in the Statement of Profit and Loss and Statement of Changes in Equity.

Transactions and balances with values below the rounding off norm adopted by the Company have been reflected as "0" in the relevant notes in these financial statements.

# (b) Basis of measurement

These Financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise indicated.

# (c) Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements Comprise of the financial statements of Natural Capsules Limited ("the Company") and its subsidiary National Drug Discoveries Pvt. Ltd. is incorporated in India and the Company's ownership interest and voting power is 75% as at the balance sheet date. The standalone financial statements of the Company and its subsidiary have been combined on a line by line basis by adding together the book values of like items of assets, liabilities, income and expenses after fully eliminating intra-group balances, intra-group transactions and unrealized profit or losses.

These financial statements are prepared by applying uniform accounting policies in use at the Group. The excess of the Company's portion of equity of the subsidiaries as at the date of its investment over the cost of its investment is treated as Capital Reserve on consolidation. The excess of cost to the Company of its investment over the Company's portion of equity as at the date of investment is treated as Goodwill on consolidation. The financial statements of the subsidiary Company which is included in the consolidation are drawn upto the same reporting date as that of the Company i.e. March 31, 2021. The financial statements of the subsidiary included in consolidation are audited.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

# 2.2 USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS

The preparation of consolidated financial statements inconformity with Ind AS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amount of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses and disclosure of contingent liabilities. Such estimates and assumptions are based on management's evaluation of relevant facts and circumstances as on the date of financial statements. The

actual outcome may diverge from these estimates. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed on a periodic basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

# 2.3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# (a) Revenue Recognition

# • Revenue from sale of goods

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when all the significant risks and rewards of ownership in the goods are transferred to the buyer as per the terms of the contract, there is no continuing managerial involvement with the goods and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably. The Company retains no effective control of the goods transferred to a degree usually associated with ownership and no significant uncertainty exists regarding the amount of the consideration that will be derived from the sale of goods. Revenue is measured at fair value of the consideration received or receivable, after deduction of any trade discounts, volume rebates and any taxes or duties collected on behalf of the government which are levied on sales such as sales tax, value added tax, etc.

# • Income from export incentives

Income from export incentives such as duty drawback and premium on sale of import licenses, and lease license fee are recognised on accrual basis.

### • Income from services

Income from services rendered is recognised based on agreements/ arrangements with the customers as the service is performed in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of returns and allowances, trade discount, volume rebates and GST. Revenue is recognized when it is probable that the associated economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue can be measured reliably. Revenue can be recognized by following the five step model as under:

- i. Identification of contract with a customer: There must be a contract having commercial substance which creates enforceable rights and obligations between parties to contract and it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity;
- ii. Identification of performance obligations: There must be a promise in the contract to transfer either goods or services or a bundle of goods or services, that is distinct or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same and have a pattern of transfer to the customer. Timing of revenue recognition is based on satisfaction of performance obligation rather than the contract as a whole;
- **iii. Determination of Transaction price:** It is the amount of consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring of goods and services;

- iv. Allocation of transaction price to performance obligation: To each performance obligation (for distinct goods or service) in proportion to its stand-alone selling price;
- Revenue recognition upon satisfaction of performance obligation: Revenue may be recognised either at a point in time (when the customer obtains control over the promised goods or service) or over a period of time (as the customer obtains control over the promised goods or service).

### • Interest Income

Interest income from a financial asset is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Interest is accrued on time proportion basis, by reference to the principle outstanding applying effective interest rate.

### • Dividend Income and Interest Income

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the Group's right to receive payment has been established (provided that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the amount of income can be measured reliably).

Interest income from a financial asset is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits ill flow to the Group and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount on initial recognition.

# **Income from Export Incentives**

Income from export incentives such as duty drawback and premium on sale of import licenses, and lease license fee are recognized on accrual basis.

A Rental income from investment property is recognized as part of other income in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease except where the rentals are structured to increase in line with expected general inflation. Rental income from sub leasing is also recognized in a similar manner and included under other income.

Other items of income are recognized as and when the right to receive arises. Interest income is recognized using the effective interest rate (EIR) method.

# (b) Leasing

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

# • The Group as lessor

Rental income from operating leases is generally recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an

operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

# • The Group as lessee

Rental expense from operating leases is generally recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Contingent rentals arising under operating leases are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

In the event that lease incentives are received to enter into operating leases, such incentives are recognised as a liability. The aggregate benefit of incentives is recognised as a reduction of rental expense on a straight-line basis, except where another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased asset are consumed.

# (c) Foreign currency transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currency are translated into the respective functional currencies using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the respective transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at the exchange rates prevailing at reporting date of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in the statement of profit and loss and reported within foreign exchange gains/(losses).

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency and measured at historical cost are translated at the exchange rate prevalent at the date of transaction.

# • Functional Currency

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Indian rupees, the national currency of India, which is the functional currency of the Holding Company. Functional currency of an entity is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates.

# (d) Employee benefits

# Retirement benefit costs and termination benefits

Employee benefits include provident fund, employee state insurance scheme, pension, gratuity, superannuation and compensated absences. Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions. For defined benefit retirement benefit plans, the cost of providing benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method, with actuarial valuations being carried out at the end of each annual reporting period. Re measurement, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the changes to the asset ceiling (if applicable) and the Return on plan assets (excluding net interest), is reflected immediately in the balance sheet with a charge or credit recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Remeasurement recognised in other comprehensive income is reflected immediately in retained earnings and is not reclassified to profit or loss. Past service cost is recognised in profit or loss in the period of a plan amendment. Net interest

is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability or asset. Defined benefit costs are.

# Categorised as follows

- Service cost (including current service cost, past service cost, as well as gains and losses on curtailments and settlements);
- Net interest expense or income; and
- Remeasurement.

The Group presents the first two components of defined benefit costs in profit or loss in the line item 'Employee benefits expense'. Curtailment gains and losses are accounted for as past service costs.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the balance sheet represents the actual deficit or surplus in the Group's defined benefit plans. Any surplus resulting from this calculation is limited to the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plans or reductions in future contributions to the plans.

A liability for a termination benefit is recognised at the earlier of when the entity can no longer withdraw the offer of the termination benefit and when the entity recognises any related restructuring costs.

# Short-term and other long-term employee benefits

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave in the period the related service is rendered at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

Liabilities recognised in respect of short-term employee benefits are measured at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid in exchange for the related service. Liabilities recognised in respect of other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows expected to be made by the Group in respect of services provided by employee's upto the reporting date.

# (e) Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

# **Current tax**

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from 'profit before tax' as reported in the statement of profit and loss because of items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible.

The Group's current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the liability is settled or the asset realised, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

# Current and deferred tax for the year

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

# (f) Property, Plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at acquisition cost net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the Statement of Profit and Loss during the period in which they are incurred.

Gains or losses arising on retirement or disposal of property, plant and equipment are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

Property, plant and equipment which are not ready for intended use as on the date of Balance Sheet are disclosed as "Capital work-in-progress".

Depreciation is provided on a pro-rata basis on the straight line method based on estimated useful life prescribed under

Schedule II to the Companies Act, 2013 with the exception of the following:

- Plant and equipment is depreciated over 3 to 21 years based on the technical evaluation of useful life done by the management;
- Assets costing ₹ 5,000 or less are fully depreciated in the year of purchase.

# Freehold land is not depreciated.

The residual values, useful lives and method of depreciation of property, plant and equipment is reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

# (g) Investment property

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation (including property under construction for such purposes). Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs.

Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured in accordance with Ind AS 16's requirements for cost model. An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain or loss arising on de recognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

For transition to Ind AS, the Group has elected to continue with the carrying value of its investment property recognised as of April 01, 2016 (transition date) measured as per the previous GAAP and use that carrying value as its deemed cost as of the transition date.

# (h) Intangible assets

Separately purchased intangible assets are initially measured at cost. Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequently, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite. Finite-life intangible assets are amortised on a straight- line basis over the period of their expected useful lives. Estimated useful lives by major class of finite-life intangible assets are as follows:

Design: 10 years
Know-how: 10 years
Computer software: 3 years

The amortization period and the amortization method for finite-life intangible assets is reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

Indefinite-life intangibles mainly consist of brands/trademarks. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues, if not, it is impaired or changed prospectively basis revised estimates.

Goodwill is initially recognised based on the accounting policy for business combinations. These assets are not amortised but are tested for impairment annually.

# (i) inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is computed on a weighted average basis. Cost of finished goods and work-in-progress include all costs of purchases, conversion costs and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. The net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

# (j) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (when the effect of the time value of money is material).

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

The financial obligation towards mine closure plans under relevant Acts and Rules are technically estimated, based on total available ore reserves of all the mining leases. The amount so determined is provided in the books of account on the basis of run of mine ore production of the mines of all the mining leases.

# (k) Dividends

Dividends declared by the Company after the reporting period are not recognized as liability at the end of the reporting period. Dividends declared after the reporting period but before the issue of financial statements are not recognized as liability since no obligation exists on the balance sheet date. Such dividends are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

# (I) Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing the net profit for the period attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the period. The weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the period and for all periods presented is adjusted for events, such as bonus shares, other than the conversion of potential equity shares that have changed the number of equity shares outstanding, without a corresponding change in resources.

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings per share, the net profit for the period attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period is adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares.

# (m) Segment Reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Company that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the Company's other components, and for which discrete financial information is available. Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision maker.

Segment accounting policies are in line with the accounting policies of the Company. In addition, the following specific accounting policies have been followed for segment reporting.

- Segment revenue includes sales and other income directly identifiable with/allocable to the segment including inter-segment revenue;
- Expenses that are directly identifiable with/allocable to segments are considered for determining the Segment Result. The expenses, which relate to the Company as a whole and not allocable to segments, are included under "Other unallocable corporate expenditure";
- Income that relates to the Company as a whole and not allocable to segments is included in "Unallocable income";
- Segment result includes margins on inter-segment and sales which are reduced in arriving at the profit of the Company;
- Segment assets and liabilities include those directly identifiable with the respective segments. Unallocable assets and liabilities represent the assets and liabilities that relate to the Company as a whole and not allocable to any segment;
- Performance is measured based on segment profit (before tax), as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Company's CMD.
   Segment profit is used to measure performance as management believes that such information is the most relevant in evaluating the results of certain segments relative to other entities that operate within these industries.

# (n) Operating cycle

Based on the normal time between acquisition of assets and their realisation in cash or cash equivalents, the Group has determined its operating cycle as one year. The above basis is used for classifying the assets and liabilities into current and non-current as the case may be.

# (o) Cash Flow Statement

Cash flow Statement is prepared under the indirect method, whereby profit before tax is adjusted for the effects of transactions of a non-cash nature, any deferrals or accruals of past or future operating cash receipts or payments and item of income or expenses associated with investing or financing cash flows. The cash flows are segregated into operating, investing and financing activities.

# (p) Cash and Cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are short-term (three months or less from the date of acquisition), highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the Balance Sheet.

# (q) Assets held for sale

Non-current assets or disposal Company's comprising of assets and liabilities are classified as 'held for sale' when all of the following criteria are met: (i) decision has been made to sell; (ii) the assets are available for immediate sale in its present condition; (iii) the assets are being actively marketed; and (iv) sale has been agreed or is expected to be concluded Within 12 months of the Balance Sheet date.

Subsequently, such non-current assets and disposal Company's classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of its carrying value and fair value less costs to sell. Non-current assets held for sale are not depreciated or amortised.

# (a) Financial instruments: Financial assets:

Financial assets are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, a financial asset is recognised at fair value, in case of financial assets which are recognised at fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL), its transaction cost is recognised in the statement of profit and loss. In other cases, the transaction cost are attributed to the acquisition Value of the financial asset

Financial assets are subsequently classified as measured at:

- amortised cost;
- fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL);
- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their recognition, except if and in the period the Company changes its business model for Managing financial assets.

# Capital Work-in-Progress:

Capital work-in-progress is stated at cost which includes expenses incurred during construction period, interest on amount borrowed for acquisition of qualifying assets and other expenses incurred in connection with project implementation in so far as such expenses relate to the period prior to the commencement of commercial production. Capital advances given towards purchase/acquisition of PPE outstanding at each balance sheet date are disclosed separately as Other Non-Current Assets.

### Trade Receivables and loans:

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value. Subsequently, these assets are held at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate (EIR) method net of any expected credit losses. The EIR is the rate that discounts estimated future cash income through the expected life of Financial instrument.

# Debt instruments:

Debt instruments are initially measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ('FVOCI') or fair value through profit or loss ('FVTPL') till derecognition on the basis of: (i) the entity's business model for managing the financial assets; and (ii) the contractual cash flow.

### Characteristics of the financial asset:

Measured at amortised cost: Financial assets that are held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest, are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate ('EIR') method less impairment, if any.

The amortization of EIR and loss arising from impairment, if any is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# (a) Measured at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets that are held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both, selling financial assets and collecting contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest, are subsequently measured at fair value through other comprehensive income. Fair value movements are recognized in the other comprehensive income (OCI). Interest income measured using the EIR method and impairment losses, if any are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss. On derecognition, cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from the equity to 'other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# (b) Measured at fair value through profit or loss:

A financial asset not classified as either amortised cost or FVOCI, is classified as FVTPL. Such financial assets are measured at fair value with all changes in fair value, including interest income and dividend income if any, recognised as 'other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# **Equity instruments:**

All investments in equity instruments classified under financial assets are initially measured at fair value; the Company may, on initial recognition, irrevocably elect to measure the same either at FVOCI or FVTPL.

The Company makes such election on an instrument-by-instrument basis. Fair value changes on an equity instrument are recognised as 'other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss unless the Company has elected to measure such instrument at FVOCI. Fair value changes excluding dividends, on an equity instrument measured at FVOCI are recognised in OCI. Amounts recognised in OCI are not subsequently reclassified to the Statement of Profit and Loss. Dividend income on the investments in equity instruments are recognised as 'other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# Derecognition

The Company derecognizes a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the contractual rights to receive the cash flows from the asset.

# Impairment of Financial asset

Expected credit losses are recognized for all financial assets subsequent to initial recognition other than financials assets in FVTPL category.

For financial assets other than trade receivables, as per Ind AS 109, the Company recognizes 12 month expected credit losses for all originated or acquired financial assets if at the reporting date the credit risk of the financial asset has not increased significantly since its initial recognition. The expected credit losses are measured as lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk on financial asset increases significantly since its initial recognition. The Company's trade receivables do not contain significant financing component and loss allowance on trade receivables is measured at an amount equal to life time expected losses i.e. expected cash shortfall.

The impairment losses and reversals are recognised in Statement of Profit and Loss.

# Financial liabilities:

# Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial liabilities are initially measured at the amortised cost unless at initial recognition, they are classified as fair value through profit and loss. In case of trade payables, they are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently, these liabilities are held at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

# Subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method. Financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or losses are measured at fair value with all changes in fair value recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognized when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

# (g) Expenditure:

Expenses are accounted on accrual basis.

# (I) Impairment of Non-Financial Assets:

Assessment for impairment is done at each Balance Sheet date as to whether there is any indication that a non-financial asset may be impaired. Indefinite life intangibles are subject to a review for impairment annually or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that it is necessary. For the purpose of assessing impairment, the smallest identifiable Company of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or Company's assets is considered as a cash generating unit. Goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Company's cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquire are assigned to those units.

If any indication of impairment exists, an estimate of the recoverable amount of the individual asset/cash generating unit is made. Asset/cash generating unit whose carrying value exceeds their recoverable amount are written down to the recoverable amount by recognizing the impairment.

Loss as an expense in the Statement of Profit and Loss. The impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if any) allocated to the cash generating unit and then to the other assets of the unit, pro rata based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Recoverable amount is higher of an asset's or cash generating unit's fair value less cost of disposal and its value in use. Value in use is the present value of estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of an asset or cash generating unit and from its disposal at the end of its useful life. Assessment is also done at each Balance Sheet date as to whether there is any indication that an impairment loss recognised for an asset in prior accounting periods may no longer exist or may have decreased, basis the assessment a reversal of an impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss account.

# (r) Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds. Borrowing cost also includes exchange differences to the extent regarded as an adjustment to the borrowing costs.

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset that necessarily takes

a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalized as part of the cost of the asset. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they occur.

#### (s) Investments

Investments that are readily realizable and intended to be held for not more than a year are classified as current investments. All other investments are classified as Long term investments. Long term investments are carried at cost. Provision for diminution, if any, in the value of each long term investment is made to recognize a decline other than of a temporary nature. Current investments are stated at lower of cost or fair value.

Profit/loss on sale of investments are recognized with reference to the cost of the investment.

#### (t) Investments in Subsidiaries

The Company's investment in equity instruments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost. Where the carrying amount of an investment is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount and the difference is transferred to the Statement of Profit and Loss. On disposal of investment, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount is charged or credited to the Statement of Profit and Loss.

# (u) Accounting For Interests in Associates, Joint Venture And Joint Arrangements

An associate is an entity over which the Company has significant influence but not control or joint control. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

Under Ind AS 111 Joint Arrangements, investments in joint arrangements are classified as either joint operations or joint ventures. The classification depends on the contractual rights and obligations of each investor, rather than the legal structure of the joint arrangement. The Company has a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint arrangement.

Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties Sharing control. Investments in Joint ventures are accounted at cost less provision for impairment.

## (v) Events After Reporting Date

Assets and liabilities are adjusted for events occurring after the reporting period that provides additional evidence to assist the estimation of amounts relating to conditions existing at the end of the reporting period.

#### (w) Exceptional Items

Exceptional items are disclosed separately in the financial statements where it is necessary to do so to provide further

understanding of the financial performance of the Company. They are material items of income or expense that have been shown separately due to the significance of their nature or amount.

Errors of material amount relating to prior period(s) are disclosed by a note with nature of prior period errors, amount of correction of each such prior period presented retrospectively, to the extent practicable along with change in basic and diluted earnings per share.

However, where retrospective restatement is not practicable for a particular period then the circumstances that lead to the existence of that condition and the description of how and from where the error is corrected are disclosed in Notes to Accounts.

# (x) Research and development:

Expenditure on research activities undertaken with the prospect of gaining new scientific or technical knowledge and understanding are recognised as an expense when incurred. Development activities involve a plan or design for the production of new or substantially improved products and processes. An internally-generated intangible asset arising from development is recognised if and only if all of the following have been demonstrated:

- Development costs can be measured reliably;
- The product or process is technically and commercially feasible;
- Future economic benefits are probable; and the Company intends to and has sufficient resources;
- Ability to complete development and to use or sell the asset.

The expenditure to be capitalized includes the cost of materials and other costs directly attributable to preparing the asset for its intended use. Other development expenditure is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

The consideration for acquisition of intangible asset which is based on reaching specific milestone that are dependent on the Company's future activity is recognised only when the activity requiring the payment is performed. Subsequent expenditures are capitalized only when they increase the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which they relate.

All other expenditures are recognised in the statement of profit and loss as incurred.

Amortization is recognised on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets. The estimated useful life and amortization method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period.

# NOTE 2: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND CAPITAL WORK-IN-PROGRESS

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Carrying amounts of:		
Freehold land	82.65	82.65
Lease Hold Land	351.80	351.80
Building	1,976.08	1,694.68
Building - Others	54.06	56.08
Plant and Equipment	7,450.93	7,302.39
Computers	82.39	12.14
Furniture and Fixtures	203.51	12.94
Vehicles	19.67	22.16
Office Equipment	3.36	4.12
Right-of-use assets	4.49	26.41
Total	10,228.95	9,565.37
Capital work-in-progress	14,380.99	8,770.43
	24,609.94	18,335.80

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Freehold Land	Lease Hold Land	Building	Building - Others	Plant and Equipment	Computers	Furniture and Fixtures	Vehicles	Office Equipment	Right-of- use Assets	Total
Cost											
Balance at March 31, 2022	82.65	351.80	1,652.63	60.62	8,476.05	111.35	33.73	52.45	15.70	157.67	10,994.65
Additions/Modifications	-	_	745.24	-	3,146.27	11.81	9.25	-			3,912.57
Disposals			_	_	164.65			_			164.65
Balance at March 31, 2023	82.65	351.80	2,397.87	60.62	11,457.67	123.16	42.98	52.45	15.70	157.67	14,742.57
Additions/Modifications	-	_	360.41	-	828.41	83.07	194.99	-	-		1,466.88
Disposals			_	_				_			
Balance at March 31, 2024	82.65	351.80	2,758.28	60.62	12,286.08	206.23	237.97	52.45	15.70	157.67	16,209.45

Particulars	Freehold Land	Lease Hold Land	Building	Building - Others	Plant and Equipment	Computers	Furniture and Fixtures	Vehicles	Office Equipment	Right-of- use Assets	Total
Accumulated depreciation and impairment											-
Balance at March 31, 2022	-	-	649.06	2.02	3,585.58	106.76	29.31	27.80	10.80	109.40	4,520.74
Depreciation expenses	-	-	54.13	2.52	570.84	4.26	0.73	2.49	0.78	21.86	657.60
Disposals	-	-	-	-	1.14	-	-	-	-		1.14
Balance at March 31, 2023	-	-	703.19	4.54	4,155.28	111.02	30.04	30.29	11.59	131.26	5,177.20
Depreciation expenses	-	-	79.02	2.02	679.87	12.82	4.42	2.49	0.76	21.92	803.30
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at March 31, 2024	-	-	782.20	6.56	4,835.15	123.84	34.46	32.78	12.34	153.17	5,980.50
Carrying amount as on Mar 31, 2023	82.65	351.80	1,694.68	56.08	7,302.39	12.14	12.94	22.16	4.12	26.41	9,565.37
Carrying amount as on Mar 31, 2024	82.65	351.80	1,976.08	54.06	7,450.93	82.39	203.51	19.67	3.36	4.49	10,228.95

a. Title deeds of Immovable Properties as diclosed abve are held in name of the Company and the Company does not hold any property which is not in the name of the Company.

# **Intangible Assets**

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Technical Knowhow & Patent
Cost or Deemed cost	
Balance at March 31, 2022	192.93
Additions	
Disposals	
Balance at March 31, 2023	192.93
Additions	
Disposals	
Balance at March 31, 2024	192.93

# **Intangible Assets**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Technical Knowhow & Patent
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	
Balance at March 31, 2022	18.61
Disposals	
Depreciation expenses	63.31
Balance at March 31, 2023	81.92
Disposals	
Depreciation expenses	63.48
Balance at March 31, 2024	145.41
Carrying amount as on March 31, 2023	111.01
Carrying amount as on March 31, 2024	47.53

The Company has not revalued any Intangible assets as disclosed above.

There is no intangilble assets under development at the end of the year.

# Capital-WIP - March 31, 2024

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Amount in CWIP for a period of				Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	5,548.21	6,932.75	1,550.75	349.28	14,380.99
Projects temporarily suspended	-	-	-	-	-

# Capital-WIP - March 31, 2023

Particulars	A	mount in CWIP fo	or a period of		Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	1,657.93	6,763.22	349.28	-	8,770.43
Projects temporarily suspended	-	-		-	-

# **NOTE 3: INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Carrying amounts of		
Balance at the beginning of the year - Software and licenses	192.93	192.93
Additions: Patent and R&D	-	-
Balance at end of the year	192.93	192.93

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Accumulated depreciation and impairment		
Balance at the beginning of the year	81.92	18.61
Depreciation expenses	63.48	63.31
Balance at end of the year	145.41	81.92
Carrying amount at the end of year	47.53	111.01

# **NOTE 4: INVESTMENTS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
I. Quoted Investments	-	
II. Un-quoted Investments		
Investments in the nature equity instruments -in subsidiaries		
Investment in equity shares of M/s.Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited (Fully Paid Equity Shares 9,999 @ ₹ 10 Per Share)	-	-
Investment in equity shares of M/s.Natural Biogenex Private Limited (Fully Paid Equity Shares 2,00,00,000 @ ₹ 10 Per Share)	-	-
Other Investments		
Investment in O2 Renewable Energy VIII Private Limited	273.00	
Less: Diminution in value of investments		
Total aggregate of un-quoted Investments	-	-
Aggregate book value of unquoted investments	-	
Aggregate market value of quoted investments	-	
Aggregate amount of imparitment in value of the investments	273.00	-

## **NOTE 5: OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS - NON-CURRENT**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
At Amortized Cost		
a) Security Deposit (Unsecured considered good)	247.55	218.51
b) Prepaid Rent deposit	-	-

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
c) Interest Receivable On Deposits	-	-
Secured, Considered good	-	-
Unsecured, Considered good	88.47	57.16
Doubtful	-	-
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)	-	-
f) Other receivable	-	-
Total	336.02	275.67

#### **NOTE 6: OTHER ASSETS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023		
a) Capital Advances				
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)				
b) Advances other than Capital Advances				
i) Security Deposits				
ii) Advances to Related parites - Subsidiary				
c) Export incentive receivable	9.21	2.99		
Total	9.21	2.99		

## **NOTE 7: INVENTORIES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Lower of Cost or Net realisable value		
a) Raw Materials	553.62	206.28
b) Work-in-Process	367.67	143.41
c) Finished goods	975.05	517.81
d) Stock in trade (acquired for trading)	-	-
e) Stores and spares	7.23	10.74
f) Branch Stock	-	100.64
Less: Provision for Stock Reserve	-	(94.00)
Total	1,903.56	884.88

#### Note:

- i) For details of inventories pledged as security refer note 21.
- ii) The cost of inventories recognised as an expense is disclosed in note 29 and 30 as purchases of stock in trade in statement of P&L.
- iii) Provision for stock reserve is made after considering the nature of inventory, ageing, liquidation plan and net realisable value. The changes in write downs are recognised as an expense in the statement of profit and loss.

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# **NOTE 8: TRADE RECEIVABLES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Trade Receivables		
Secured, Considered good	-	-
Unsecured, Considered good	6,108.45	5,850.84
Doubtful	-	-
Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)	(661.50)	(637.91)
	5,446.95	5,212.93
Current	5,446.95	5,212.93
Non-Current	-	-

The credit period on sale of goods ranges from 0 to 90 days. No interest is charged on trade receivables.

The Company uses available information in the public domain and on its own internal assessment and trading records before accepting any customer.

# As at March 31, 2024

							(₹ In Lakhs)
Par	ticulars	Outstandir	ng for following	g periods fror	n due date o	f payment	Total
		Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i)	Undisputed Trade receivables – considered good	5,067.46	-	-	-	-	5,067.46
(ii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables – which have significant increase in credit risk	_	379.49	167.34	42.91	451.26	1,040.99
(iii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables – credit impaired						-
(iv)	Disputed Trade Receivables – considered good						-
(v)	Disputed Trade Receivables – which have significant increase in credit risk						-
(vi)	Disputed Trade Receivables – credit impaired						-
Tota	al	5,067.46	379.49	167.34	42.91	451.26	6,108.45

# As at March 31, 2023

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Par	ticulars	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					Total
		Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i)	Undisputed Trade receivables – considered good	5,035.25	-	-	-	-	5,035.25
(ii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables – which have significant increase in credit risk	-	329.87	52.09	25.68	407.95	815.59
(iii)	Undisputed Trade Receivables – credit impaired	-	-	- [	-	-	-
(iv)	Disputed Trade Receivables – considered good		-	-	-	-	-
(v)	Disputed Trade Receivables – which have significant increase in credit risk	-	-	-	-	-	-
(vi)	Disputed Trade Receivables – credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tota	al	5,035.25	329.87	52.09	25.68	407.95	5,850.84

# **NOTE 9: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Balances with banks		
(i) In Current account	193.81	110.66
(ii) In Deposit account with original maturity less than 3 Months	-	-
(iii) In EEFC account	0.69	16.32
(iv) In Escrow account	30.23	20.58
b) Cash on hand	0.76	0.21
c) Cheques,drafts on hand		
Total	225.48	147.77

# **NOTE 10: OTHER BANK BALANCES**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Deposit Accounts	1,100.63	527.99
b) Earmarked Balances with banks	-	
(i) In unpaid Dividend account	7.86	9.59
(ii) In margin money accounts for Bank Guarantee issued	0.02	6.84
Total	1,108.51	544.43

# **NOTE 11: OTHER CURRENT ASSETS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Capital Advances	1,243.67	1,865.64
b) Advance to Related parties	0.00	-
c) Advances to Employees		-
(i) Secured, Considered good	_	-
(ii) Unsecured and Considered good	15.16	11.13
(iii) Considered doubtful	_	-
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)	_	-
d) Export incentive Receivable	_	-
e) Balance with Customs and Central excise/GST authorities	1,914.50	902.62
f) Advance to suppliers		-
(i) Secured, Considered good		-
(ii) Unsecured and Considered good	416.59	489.81
(iii) Considered doubtful	_	-
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts (Expected Credit Loss)		-
g) Prepaid Expenses	24.83	10.43
h) Preliminary Expenses	46.62	36.96
i) Other Advances	9.15	11.49
j) Unamortised Expenses on Bank borrowings	18.93	32.56
Less: Provision for Doubtful advances	-	-
k) Gratuity	2.87	-
Total	3,692.32	3,360.64

# **NOTE 12: EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Authorised		
Equity Shares		
1,50,00,000 (70,00,000) Equity shares of ₹ 10 each	1,500.00	1,500.00
12,00,000 Redeemable Preference shares of ₹ 100 each		
20,00,000 Redeemable Preference shares of ₹ 10 each		
Issued, Subscribed and Fully Paid Up		
93,21,578 (92,32,119) Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each	932.16	923.21
Issued, Subscribed and Partly Paid Up		
13,273 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each partly paid up - ₹ 5 each & 14,199 Equity Shares of ₹ 10 Each party paid up - ₹ 2.50 each - Rights issue	1.02	4.34
Total	933.18	927.55

# 12.1 Reconciliation of number of shares and amount outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the reporting period:

Reconciliation	2023	-2024	2022-2023		
	No. of shares ₹ In Lakhs No. of			₹ In Lakhs	
a) Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each fully paid up					
At the beginning of the period	93,49,050	927.55	93,49,050	701.18	
Issued during the period	-	5.62	-	226.37	
At the end of the period	93,49,050	933.18	93,49,050	927.55	

#### 12.2 Details of shares held by each shareholder holding more than 5 percent of equity shares in the Company:

Reconciliation	**	No. of shares held as at					
	As at Marc	h 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023				
	No. of shares	%	No. of shares	%			
Tajos Investments Private Limited	12,53,500	13.41%	1,253,500	13.41%			
Nandhi Synthetics Private Limited	9,19,354	9.83%	9,19,354	9.83%			
Sunil L. Mundra	5,89,004	6.30%	5,89,004	6.30%			
Sushil Kumar Mundra	5,09,012	5.44%	5,09,012	5.44%			

## 12.3 Shares held by Promoters as at the end of the year:

Promoter Name	As a	As at March 31, 2024			As at March 31, 2023		
	No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year	No. of shares	% of total	% change during the year	
Sunil Laxminaryan Mundra	5,89,004	6.30%	0.00%	5,89,004	6.30%	0.00%	
Sushil Kumar Mundra	5,09,012	5.44%	0.00%	5,09,012	5.44%	0.00%	
Indra Mundra	3,91,800	4.19%	0.00%	3,91,800	4.19%	0.00%	
Jyoti Mundra	3,06,694	3.28%	0.00%	3,06,694	3.28%	0.00%	
Sharada Mundra	2,65,036	2.83%	0.00%	2,65,036	2.83%	0.00%	
Laxminarayan Moondra	2,40,441	2.57%	0.00%	2,40,441	2.57%	0.00%	
Radha S Mundra	2,39,400	2.56%	0.00%	2,39,400	2.56%	0.00%	
Satyanarayan Mundra	1,84,882	1.98%	0.00%	1,84,882	1.98%	0.00%	
Madhav Mundra	1,65,155	1.77%	0.00%	1,65,155	1.77%	0.00%	
Shrey Mundra	1,65,150	1.77%	0.00%	1,65,150	1.77%	0.00%	
Jyotsna Daga	37,789	0.40%	0.00%	37,789	0.40%	0.00%	
Nidhi Sethia	18,484	0.20%	0.00%	18,484	0.20%	0.00%	

### 12.4 Term attached to Equity Shares:

The Company has one class of equity share having a par value of ₹ 10 per share. Each holder of equity share is entitled to one vote per share. The dividend when proposed by the Board of Directors is subject to the approval of the shareholders in the ensuing Annual General meeting. Repayment of capital on liquidation will be in proportion to the number of equity shares held.

The Company has not issued any equity shares under ESOP (Employee Stock Option).

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#### **NOTE 13: OTHER EQUITY**

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Capital Reserve	146.40	146.40
Securities Premium Account:	6,609.42	3,725.48
General Reserve	183.80	183.80
CCPS	4,666.67	-
Share based payment Reserve Account	11.12	-
Effective interest rate	-	-
Deferred tax adjustment	-	-
Reserve for equity instruments through other comprehensive income	-	-
Actuarial movement through other comprehensive income (net of tax)	19.60	(6.48)
Retained earnings (surplus in profit or loss account)	7,809.82	7,345.86
Total	19,446.83	11,395.06

#### Note:

- i) Capital reserve: on account of forfeiture of amount paid on convertible shares warrants allotted to non promotors share holders.
- ii) Securities Premium reserve: The amount received in excess of Face value of the equity shares is recognised as securities premium reserve.
- **General reserve:** The reserve arises on transfer portion of the net profit pursuant to the earlier provisions of Companies Act, 1956. mandatory transfer to general reserve is not required under the Companies Act, 2013.

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Capital Reserve		
Opening balance	146.40	146.40
Add: Appropriation from Profit or Loss account		
Closing Balance	146.40	146.40
The capital redemption reserve is created out of the statutory requirement an dividend and will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss.	d these are not availabl	e for distribution of
b) Securities Premium Account		
Opening balance	3,725.48	1,688.11
Add: Additions	2,883.94	2,037.37
Closing Balance	6,609.42	3,725.48
c) General Reserve		
Opening balance	183.80	183.80
Add: Transfer from General Reserve		
Less: Ind AS Adjustment		
Closing Balance	183.80	183.80

The general reserve is used from time to time to transfer profits from retained earnings for appropriation purposes. As the general reserve is created by a transfer from one component of equity to another and is not an item of other comprehensive income, items included in the general reserve will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss except to the extent permitted as per Companies Act,2013 and rules made thereunder.

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023	
d) Actuarial movement through Other Comprehensive Income			
Opening balance	(6.48)	-	
Additions/(Deletions)	26.09	(6.48)	
Closing Balance	19.60	(6.48)	
e) Actuarial movement through Other Comprehensive Income			
Opening balance	_	-	
Additions/(Deletions)	11.12	-	
Closing Balance	11.12	-	
f) Retained Earnings			
Opening balance	7,345.86	5,578.44	
Profit/(Loss) for the year	555.35	1,844.62	
Restatment of right of use of Assets		-	
Less: Transfer to Capital Redemption Reserve		-	
Less: Dividend on Equity Shares	(92.98)	(77.20)	
Less: Transfer to Minority Interest	1.59		
Less: Transfer to Reserves	-	-	
Less: Ind AS Adjustment	_	-	
Closing Balance	7,809.82	7,345.86	
g) Compulsorily Convertible Preference Shares			
Opening balance	-	-	
Additions/(Deletions)	4,666.67	-	
Closing Balance	4,666.67	-	
Total Other Equity	19,446.83	11,395.06	

## **NOTE 14: NON-CURRENT BORROWINGS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Unsecured - at amortised cost		
i) Bonds/Debentures		
ii) Term Loans from Banks	6,832.34	7,287.33
iii) Term Loans from others	1,065.10	161.50
Less: Current Maturities of Long Term Debt	(1,104.13)	(410.01)
Grand Total	6,793.31	7,038.83

## **Term Loans from Banks**

## **Repayment Details:**

**NCL:** The loans are repayable over the period of 84 months in equal monthly instalments.

**NBPL-SBI:** The loan is payable in 84 monthly instalments as follows: 24 Instalments of ₹ 16.40 Lakhs and 60 Instalments of ₹ 33.00 Lakhs.

**HDFC Bank:** The Loan is payable in 96 equal instalments of  $\ref{thm:payable}$  25.00 Lakhs.

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#### **Security Details:**

**Primary:** Charge on FD of DSRA of 6 months, charge on stocks, charge on book debts, charge on current assets and charge on export debtors.

**Collateral:** Charge on current assets, personal guarantee of Mr. Sunil Mundra and Mr. Sushil Mundra, Charge on FD of DSRA of 6 months, exports debtors and stocks. Charge on Industrial property situated at Industrial Plot No.7/A, KIADB Industrial Area, Attibele, Anekal Taluka, Bangalore-560107. Charge on Industrial property situated at 84, Bangalore-Perambai Road, Pichaveerampet, Moolakulam, Puducherry-605010.

Also charge on Industrial property situated at Plot No.67, Vasantha Narsapura Industrial Area,  $2^{nd}$  Phase, Kora Hobli, Tumkur District, Karnataka.

**Term Loans from Others:** Loan from IREDA & BFL is shown under this head. It is payable over the period of 72 months & 60 months respectively in equal monthly Instalments

#### Security Details:

**IREDA:** Revolving bank guarantee for an amount equivalent to six months principal plus interest plus liquidated damages and personal guarantee of Mr. Sunil L Mundra & Mr. Sushil Kr Mundra.

**BFL:** Pari passu charge on fixed assets and current assets of the company & fixed assets of it's subsidiary company Natural Biogenex Pvt. Ltd.

#### **NOTE 15: LEASE LIABILITIES - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023	
Lease Rent Payable	1.33	26.09	

#### **NOTE 16: PROVISIONS - NON-CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
i) Provision for Employee Benefits		
a) Compensated absences (Earned Leave)		
b) Provision for gratuity	-	15.01
Total	-	15.01

#### **NOTE 17: DEFERRED TAX BALANCES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Deferred tax assets	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	330.07	277.37
Total	330.07	277.37

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Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Deferred tax (Liabilities)/Asset in relation to		
Property, Plant and equipment	(537.08)	(478.42)
Provision compensated absences and others	18.23	18.22
Provision for bad & doubtful debts	184.60	178.66
Others	4.17	4.17
Total	(330.07)	(277.37)
Tax losses		
Net Deferred tax Assets/(Liability)	(330.07)	(277.37)

#### **NOTE 18: SHORT TERM BORROWINGS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
i) Loan repayable on demand from Bank		
Secured Loan		
a) from Banks	3,002.03	2,204.50
ii) Current maturities of long-term debt	1,104.13	410.01
iii) Short Term Borrowings from Directors		
Total	4,106.16	2,614.51

a) Working capital facilities in the form of open cash credit from State bank of India & HDFC Bank is secured by hypothecation of stock of raw materials; work in process, finished goods, book debts, bills and other movable assets of the Company. All the secured loans are further secured by the personal guarantees of promoter directors.

## **NOTE 19: TRADE PAYABLES**

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Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Dues of Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises	-	-
Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	2,829.07	2,580.69
Employee related	212.78	161.99
Disputed Dues of Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises	-	<u> </u>
Disputed Dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises	-	<u>-</u>
Total	3,041.84	2,742.69

Particulars	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2024
(i) MSME	- (	- (	-	-	-
(ii) Others	2,923.60	98.26	12.53	7.45	3,041.84
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME	-	- [	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others	<u>-</u>	<u>- ,                                     </u>	<u>-</u>	-	-
Total as at March 31, 2024	2,923.60	98.26	12.53	7.45	3,041.84

Particulars	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2023
(i) MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Others	2,690.08	37.89	3.60	11.11	2,742.69
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others	-	-	-	-	-
Total as at March 31, 2023	2,690.08	37.89	3.60	11.11	2,742.69

The Company has amounts due to Micro and Small Enterprises under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (MSMED Act) as at March 31, 2024. The details in respect of such dues are as follows:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
The principal amount and the interest due thereon remaining unpaid to any supplier at the end of each accounting year		
Principal amount	-	-
Interest	-	-
The amount of interest paid by the Company in terms of Section 16 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006, along with the amount of the payment made to the supplier beyond the appointed date during the year	-	-
The amount of interest due and payable for the period of delay in making payment (which have been paid but beyond the appointed date during the year) but without adding the interest specified under the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006	-	-
The amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of each accounting year	-	-
The amount of further interest remaining due and payable even in the succeeding years, until such date when the interest dues above are actually paid to the small enterprise, for the purpose of disallowance as a deductible expenditure under Section 23 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006	0.33	0.33

Dues to micro and small enterprises have been determined to the extent such parties have been identified on the basis of information collected by the Management.

## **NOTE 20: OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES - CURRENT**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
At Amortised Cost		
a) Current maturities of long-term debt	-	-
b) Interest accrued but not due on borrowings	-	-
c) Unclaimed dividends	7.86	9.59
d) Interest payable on MSME	-	-
e) Financial guarantee liability	-	-
f) Other Liabilities	-	-
- Payable for capital Goods Purchased	-	618.70
- Other liabilities	21.36	46.93
Total	29.22	675.22

#### **NOTE 21: PROVISIONS - CURRENT**

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Compensated absences (Earned Leave)	18.39	18.45
b) Provision for gratuity	-	18.92
Total	18.39	37.37

# **NOTE 22: OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
a) Statutory remittances (Contributions to PF, ESIC, TDS, GST, VAT, Service tax etc.)	71.72	65.23
b) Advances and Deposits from Customers/Others	130.47	199.47
c) Related to expenses	122.68	180.75
Total	324.87	445.46

## **NOTE 23: CURRENT TAX LIABILITIES (NET)**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023
Current Taxation (Net of advance payments)	126.91	178.96

## **NOTE 24: REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Sale of Products	15,128.97	16,471.96
(b) Other Operating Revenues	413.04	765.46
Total	15,542.00	17,237.42

## **NOTE 25: OTHER INCOME**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Interest income		
On Bank Deposits at amortised cost	91.83	37.27
On other deposits	-	-
(b) Dividend Income		
From equity investments designated	-	-
(c) Other gains or losses		
- Profit on sale of Fixed Assets (net)	-	-
- Net gain arising on financial assets designated	-	-
- Net gain on foreign currency transaction	-	-
(d) Other non-operating income		
Operating lease rent remeasurment	-	-
Profit on sale of Assets	-	4.54
Miscellaneous income	101.79	14.73
	193.62	56.54

# **NOTE 26: COST OF MATERIAL CONSUMED**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Inventories at the beginning of the year	206.28	398.29
Purchases during the year	8,747.72	8,145.11
Inventories at the end of the year	553.62	206.28
Total	8,400.39	8,337.11

# NOTE 27: CHANGES IN INVENTORIES OF FINISHED GOODS, WORK-IN-PROGRESS AND STOCK IN TRADE

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Opening Stock		
Finished goods		
Capsules	517.81	81.40
Work-in-progress		
Capsules	143.41	61.51
	661.22	142.91
Closing Stock		
Finished goods		
Capsules	975.05	517.81
Work-in-progress		
Capsules	367.67	143.41
	1,342.72	661.22
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks	(681.50)	(518.32)
Net change (Increase)/Decrease	(681.50)	(518.32)

## **NOTE 28: COST OF TRADED RAW MATERIALS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Cost of raw materials sold	147.97	49.38

# **NOTE 29: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(a) Salaries, Wages and Bonus	1,025.18	881.93
(b) Contribution to Provident and other Funds	35.60	32.94
(c) Director Remuneration	136.95	121.60
(d) Workmen and Staff welfare expenses	39.47	36.37
Total	1,237.20	1,072.84

# **NOTE 30: FINANCE COST**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
(i) Interest costs		
(a) Bank Loans and others	432.37	311.95
(b) Government Loans	-	-
(ii) Other borrowing costs - on Lease	1.96	4.08
(iii) Other Interest and Finance charges	78.60	24.54
Total	512.94	340.57

#### **NOTE 31: DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION EXPENSE**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Depreciation/amortisation on		
a) Property, Plant and Equipment	781.38	635.64
b) Intangible Assets	63.48	63.31
c) Right of use Asset - (Lease)	21.92	21.86
Total	866.78	720.81

# **NOTE 32: OTHER EXPENSES**

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Consumption of stores and spare parts	368.71	323.07
Power and Fuel	1,518.95	1,375.30
Repairs and Maintenance - Buildings	75.94	70.71
Repairs and Maintenance - Machinery	161.49	242.16
Repairs and Maintenance - Others	78.99	28.42
Bad Debts	6.20	13.15
Insurance	21.50	21.06
Exchange Rate Difference	(112.65)	(105.19)
Rates and Taxes	40.64	18.62
Freight & Clearing Expenses	818.44	1,080.71
Directors Sitting fees	7.35	4.95
Auditor's Remuneration	16.50	8.50
Travelling Expenses - Foreign	38.46	46.23
Travelling and Conveyance	133.41	128.69
Professional Fees	136.76	107.28
Commission	42.67	175.42
Provision for Doubt full Debts	23.59	91.64

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
CSR expenditure	44.05	13.34
Security Charges	28.37	25.60
Contract Labour Charges	575.52	514.36
Postage and Courier	20.90	20.71
Communication Expenses	8.94	8.84
Business Promotion Expenses	56.26	51.52
Research & Development Expenditure - Revenue in Nature	207.96	238.87
Bank Charges	14.09	32.23
Printing and Stationery	27.60	16.05
Miscellaneous Expenses	49.30	14.98
Discount & Rebate	36.69	198.06
Commission to Directors	-	27.00
Total	4,446.65	4,792.29

## **NOTE 33: EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Exceptional items of (Debit)	-	
Prior Period expenses	_	<u> </u>
Exceptional items of (Credit)	-	
Profit on sale of Investments	-	-
Exceptional items (Net)	-	-

#### **NOTE 34: PAYMENT TO AUDITORS**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
a) Audit Fees	16.50	8.50
b) Fees for other services	0.50	0.50
Total	17.00	9.00

# NOTE 35: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE INCLUDED IN THE STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Salaries, wages and bonus	132.42	151.40
Contribution to provident and other funds	3.75	4.45
Consumption of materials, Stores and spare parts	49.38	69.55

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Lab Expenses	14.88	1.69
Power and Fuel	4.15	3.17
Rent	3.38	8.61
Repairs and maintenance		
Total	207.96	238.87

#### **NOTE 36: OPERATING LEASE**

The Company has obtained certain premises for its business operations and also the Company has provided leased accommodation to employees for period between 11 months to 5 years:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Not later than one year	6.81	26.61
Later than one year and not later than five years	-	6.81
Later than five years	-	
Total	6.81	33.42

Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") through Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Amendment Rules, 2019 and Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Second Amendment Rules, has notified Ind AS 116 Leases which replaces the existing lease standard, Ind AS 17 Leases and other interpretations. Ind AS 116 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both lessees and lessors. It introduces a single, on-balance sheet lease accounting model for lessees.

The Company has adopted Ind AS 116, effective annual reporting period beginning April 01, 2019 and applied the standard to its leases retrospectively accordingly, the Company has not restated comparative information.

For transition, the Company has elected not to apply the requirements of Ind AS 116 to leases which are expiring within 12 months from the date of transition by class of asset and leases for which the underlying asset is of low value on a lease-by-lease basis.

On application of Ind AS 116, the nature of expenses has changed from lease rent in previous periods to depreciation cost for the right-of-use asset, and finance cost for interest accrued on lease liability. Refer Note 2 for the Cost of the right of the use of Asset carried in the at the end of the year.

#### NOTE 37: INCOME TAXES RELATING TO CONTINUING OPERATIONS

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Current tax		
for Current year	197.13	545.77
for Previous years	-	-
Deferred tax		
for Current year	52.71	108.88
Total	249.84	654.65

## **Reconciliation of current tax Expense**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Profit or loss before tax	805.19	2,499.27
Income tax rate (%) applicable to the Company #	25.17%	25.17%
Income tax calculated at income tax rate	202.65	629.02
Tax effect of adjustments to reconcile expected income tax expense to reporte	d income tax expense	
Effect of expense that are not deductible	69.69	41.34
Effect of on account Depreciation	(67.79)	(117.17)
Effect of interest payable on short fall in Advance tax	(7.41)	(7.41)
Income tax expense recognised in statement of Profit and Loss	197.13	545.77

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>#</sup> The tax rate used for reconciliation above is the corporate tax rate of 25.17/29.12% at which the Company is liable to pay tax on taxable under the Indian tax law.

#### **NOTE 38: EARNINGS PER SHARE**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Basic Earnings per share	6.25	19.86
Diluted Earnings per share	6.25	19.86

## 38.1 Basic Earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share as follows:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Profit after Taxation	581.43	1,838.14
Earnings used in the calculation of basic earnings per share	581.43	1,838.14
Number of equity shares of ₹ 10 each outstanding at the beginning of the year	92.76	92.32
Number of equity shares of ₹ 10 each outstanding at the end of the year	93.32	92.76
Weighted Average number of Equity Shares	93.04	92.54

# 38.2 Diluted Earnings per share

The earnings and weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share as follows:

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Earnings used in the calculation of basic earnings per share	581.43	1,838.14
Adjustments (if any)	-	
Earnings used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share	581.43	1,838.14

The weighted average number of equity shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share reconciles to the weighted average number of equity shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share as follows:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Weighted average number of equity shares used in calculation of basic earnings per share	93.04	92.54
Shares deemed to be issued for no consideration	-	-
Weighted average number of equity shares used in calculation of diluted earnings per share	93.04	92.54

#### NOTE 39: CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY ('CSR')

Pursuant to the requirement of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013, CSR committee has been formed by the Company. The primary function of the CSR Committee is to assist the Board of Directors in formulating a SR Policy and review the implementation and progress of the same from time to time. The CSR Policy focuses on creating opportunities for the disadvantaged with emphasis on persons with disabilities and technology driven community development.

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Amount required to be spent by the Company during the year	36.25	20.05
Amount of expenditure incurred on:		
Construction/acquisition of any asset		
On purpose other than above	33.62	9.62
Shortfall at the end of the year	2.63	10.43
Amount Transferred to unspend CSR account	-	
Amount to be Transferred to specified fund Account	2.63	10.43

#### NOTE 40

In accordance with the requirements of Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) -24 'Related Party Disclosures' the names of the related party where control exists/able to exercise significant influence along with the aggregate transactions and year-end balances are given below:

## Note (i) - Related Party Disclosures:

Mr. Sunil Laxminarayan Mundra - Managing Director	
Mr. Laxminarayan Mundra - Whole-Time Director	
Mr. Satyanarayan Mundra - Whole-Time Director	
Mr. Raj Kishore Prasad - CFO	
Mrs. Shilpa Burman - Company Secretary	
Mr. Sushil Kumar mundra	
Mrs. Jyothi Mundra	
Mr. Shrey Mundra	
Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited	
Natural Biogenex Private Limited	
M/s. Mundra Enterprises	
M/s. Sonia Organics	
M M Shankala	

#### **Details of Transactions With**

Particulars		₹ In Lakhs	
		2023-24	2022-23
Key Management Personnel			
Mr. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra - Managing Director	Salary Paid	54.65	75.59
Mr. Laxminarayana Mundra - Whole-Time Director	Salary Paid	38.68	35.96
Mr. Sathyanarayana Mundra - Whole-Time Director	Salary Paid	44.95	38.20
Mr. Raj Kishore Prasad - Chief Financial Officer	Salary Paid	14.35	14.35
Mrs. Shilpa Burman - Company Secretary	Salary Paid	6.81	6.19
Other Related Parties			
Mr. Sushil Kumar Mundra - Director	Sitting Fees Paid	0.90	0.60
Mrs. Jyothi Mundra - Director	Sitting Fees Paid	0.90	0.60
Relative of Key Managerial Personnel			
Mr. Shrey Mundra - General Manager (Relative of Managing Director)	Salary Paid	19.80	18.00
Enterprise in Which Directors Having Significant Control	l		
M/s. Sonia Organis	Lease rent recd	4.67	5.31
	Job work charges	8.46	45.16
M/s. Mundra Enterprises	Purchase of RM	21.79	17.30
M/s. MM Shankala	Purchase of Equipment	4.16	2.52
Subsidiary Companies			
Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited (Formerly National Drug Discoveries Private Limited)	Advance Paid	0.00	0.58
Natural Biogenex Private Limited	Loan/Advance Paid	1,003.37	1,567.03
	Share Appl Money Paid	-	1,999.00
	Loan/Advance Recd back	1,002.77	1,569.17
	Interest on Loan recd	196.20	66.20
Payables/Receivable			
Mr. Sunil Laxminarayana Mundra	Payable	0.00	19.38
Mr. Laxminarayana Mundra	Payable	0.00	2.21
Mr. Sathyanarayana Mundra	Payable	0.85	1.89
Mundra Enterprises	Payable	6.28	2.43
MM Shankala	Payable	1.15	0.08
Natural Phyto Pharma Private Limited	Receivable	1.03	0.58
Natural Biogenex Private Limited	Receivable	2,236.16	2,000.00
Sonia Organics	Receivable	1.25	(0.83)

#### **NOTE 41a:**

## A. Defined contribution plans

The Company makes Provident Fund and Employee State Insurance which are defined contribution plans, for qualifying employees. Under the Schemes, the Company is required to contribute a specified percentage of the payroll costs to fund the benefits. The Company recognised ₹ 35.60 Lakhs- for provident fund contributions in the statement of Profit or loss. The contributions payable to these plans by the Company are at rates specified in the rules of the schemes.

## B. Defined benefit plans (Gratuity)

In respect of Gratuity plan, the most recent actuarial valuation of the plan assets and the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out as March 31, 2024. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the projected unit cost method. The following table sets forth the status of the Gratuity Plan of the Company and the amount recognized in the Balance Sheet and Statement of Profit and Loss. the Company provided the gratuity benefit through annual contributions to a fund managed by the M/s. Life Insurance Corporation

The Company is exposed to various risks in providing the above gratuity benefit which are as follows:

#### 1. Risk to the beneficiaries (i.e. for employees):

**Insufficient funds:** The greatest risk to the beneficiary is that there are insufficient funds available to provide the promised benefits. This may be due to:

- The insufficient funds set aside, i.e. underfunding;
- The insolvency of The Employer;
- The holding of investments which are not matched to the liabilities; or
- A combination of these events.

#### 2. Risks to the Benefit provider (i.e. for employer):

**Parameter risk:** Actuarial valuation is done basis some assumptions like salary inflation, discount rate and withdrawal

assumptions. In case the actual experience varies from the assumptions, fund may be Insufficient to pay off the liabilities.

**For example:** Suppose the plan's liability is calculated with salary inflation assumption of 5% per annum. However, Company's' actual practice is to provide increment of 10% per annum. This will result into underfunding.

Similarly, reduction in discount rate in subsequent future years can increase the plan's liability Further, actual withdrawals may be lower or higher than what was assumed in the valuation, which may also impact the plan's liability.

**Risk of illiquid assets:** Another risk is that the funds, although sufficient, are not available when they are required to finance the benefits. This may be due to assets being locked for longer period or in illiquid assets.

**Risk of benefit change:** There may be a risk that a benefit promised is changed or is changeable within the terms of the contract. For e.g. the prevailing Act/Regulation may increase the benefits payable under defined benefit plans.

**Asset liability mismatching risk:** ALM risk arises due to a mismatch between assets and liabilities either due to liquidity or changes in interest rates or due to different duration.

**For example:** When the liability duration is, say, 10 years and with assets locked in 5-year g-sec securities. After 5 years, there is huge reinvestment risk to invest maturity proceeds of assets due to uncertainty about the market prevailing yields at that time.

# NOTE 41b:

Gratuity (Funded)		
2023-24	2022-23	
206.57	177.73	
11.62	18.54	
15.29	12.62	
1.89	(3.51)	
(36.01)	8.86	
(19.94)	(7.68)	
179.40	206.57	
172.63	146.29	
12.95	10.97	
24.67	24.19	
(8.04)	(1.13)	
(19.94)	(7.68)	
182.27	172.63	
	2023-24  206.57  11.62  15.29  1.89  (36.01)  (19.94)  179.40  172.63  12.95  24.67  (8.04)  (19.94)	

(₹ In Lakhs)

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Particulars	Gratuity (Funded)		
	2023-24	2022-23	
Projected benefit obligation at the end of the year	179.40	206.57	
<b>Less:</b> share of obligation pertaining to Associate Company under common Gratuity Trust			
Fair value of plan assets at end of the year	182.27	172.63	
Funded status of the plans - Liability recognized in the balance sheet	(2.87)	33.93	
Components of defined benefit cost recognized in profit or loss			
Current service cost	11.62	18.54	
Net interest Cost	(2.34)	(1.65)	
Net cost in Profit or Loss	9.28	16.89	
Components of defined benefit cost recognized in Other Comprehensive income			
Re-measurement on the net defined benefit liability:			
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from change in financial assumption	1.89	(3.51)	
- Actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustment	(36.01)	8.86	
Return on plan assets	8.04	1.13	
Net Cost	(26.09)	6.48	
Less: Allocation to Associate Company under common gratuity trust	0.00	0.00	
Net Cost in other Comprehensive Income	(26.09)	6.48	

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	2023-24	2022-23
Assumptions		
Discount rate	7.20%	7.40%
Expected rate of salary increase	7.00%	7.00%
Average age of members	45.29	41.91
Average remaining working Life	12.71	18.09
Mortality (IALM (2012-14) Ultimate	5% of Mortality Rate	5% of Mortality Rate

The Company has invested the plan assets with insurer managed funds. The Insurance Company has invested the plant assets in Govt. securities, Debit Funds, Mutual Funds, Money market instruments etc. The expected rate of return on plan asset is based on expectation of the average long term rate of return expected on investments of the fund during the estimated term of the obligation.

## **NOTE 41c:**

## Note (i) Experience Adjustments

**Experience Adjustments** 

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Particulars	For the period ending		
	March 31, 2024 March 31, 20		
(Gain)/Loss on Plan Liabilities	(36.01)	8.86	
% of Opening Plan Liabilities	-17.43%	4.99%	
Gain/(Loss) on Plan Assets	8.04	1.13	
% of Opening Plan Assets	4.66%	0.77%	

#### Notes:

- (a) Experience adjustment has been provided only to the extent of details available.
- (b) Estimates of future salary increase take account of inflation, seniority, promotion and other relevant factors.
- (c) The discount rate is based on the prevailing market yields of Government of India Bonds as at the Balance Sheet date for the estimated term of the obligation.
- (d) The Company's gratuity funds are managed by the M/s. Life Insurance Corporation and therefore the composition of the fund assets in not presently ascertained.

#### Note (ii) Sensitivity Analysis

Significant actuarial assumptions for the determination of the defined benefit obligation are discount rate, expected salary increase and attrition rate. The sensitivity analysis below have been determined based on reasonable possible changes of the assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period., while holding all other assumptions constant. The results of sensitivity analysis is given below:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Under Base Scenario	179.40	206.57
Salary Escalation (Up by 1%)	189.55	222.13
Salary Escalation (Down by 1%)	170.66	193.58
Withdrawal Rates (Up by 1%)	179.82	207.27
Withdrawal Rates (Down by 1%)	179.48	206.74
Discount Rates (Up by 1%)	170.46	193.36
Discount Rates (Down by 1%)	190.02	222.57
Mortality Rates (Up by 10%)	179.55	206.75
Mortality Rates (Down by 10%)	179.26	206.38

#### **NOTE 42a:**

#### 42.1 Capital management

The Company's capital management is intended to maximise the return to shareholders for meeting the long and short term objectives of the Company through the leveraging of the debit and equity balance.

The Company determines the amount of capital required on the basis of annual and long-term operating plans and strategic investment plans. The funding requirements are met through long and short term borrowings. The Company monitors the capital structure on the basis of debt to equity ratio and the maturity of the overall debt of the Company.

The following table summarises the capital of the Company:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2024	Year ended March 31, 2023
Equity	22,880.42	14,824.62
Debt	10,899.47	9,653.34
Cash and cash equivalents	225.48	147.77
Net debt	10,673.99	9,505.56
Total capital (Equity + Net debt)	33,554.41	24,330.18
Net debt to capital ratio	0.32	0.39

### 42.2 Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counter party will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company is exposed to credit risk from its operating activities (predominantly trade receivables) and from its financing activities, including deposits with banks and financial institutions, foreign exchange transactions and other financial instruments.

Customer credit risk is managed by each business unit subject to the Company's established policy, procedures and control relating to the customer credit risk management. The Company uses financial information and past experience to evaluate credit quality of majority of its customers and individual credit limits are defined in accordance with this assessment. Outstanding receivables and the credit worthiness of this counter parties are periodically monitored and taken up on case to case basis. There is no material expected credit loss based on the past experience. However, the Company assesses the impairment of trade receivables on case to case basis and has accordingly created loss allowance.

The credit risk on cash and bank balances is limited because the counter parties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by accredited rating agencies.

# 42.3 Liquity risk management

The Company manages liquity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities, by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows, and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

The table below provides details regarding contratual maturities of financial liabilities as at March 31, 2024:

Particulars	Carrying amount	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	More than 3 years	As at March 31, 2024
(i) MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Others	3,041.84	2,923.60	110.80	7.45	3,041.84
(iii) Disputed dues - MSME	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others	-	-	-	-	-
Total as at March 31, 2024	3,041.84	2,923.60	110.80	7.45	3,041.84

The table below provides details of financial assets at at March 31, 2024:

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Carrying amount 2023-24	Carrying amount 2022-23
Trade receivables	5,446.95	5,212.93
Other Financial assets	1,943.01	967.88

#### NOTE 42b:

## Fair value Hierarchy

Particulars	As	at March 31, 2	024	As a	at March 31, 20	023
	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income
Financial assets and liabilities m	neasured at fair va	lue on a recurr	ing basis at the en	d of each reportin	g period	
Financial assets						
Trade receivables	5,446.95	-	-	5,212.93	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	225.48	-	-	147.77	-	_
Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	1,108.51	-	-	544.43	-	-
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Financial Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security Deposit (Unsecured considered good)	247.55	-	-	218.51	-	-
Rental Deposit	-	-	-	-	=	-
Term Deposit	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest Receivable On Deposits	88.47	-	-	57.16	-	-
Financial Liabilities						
Borrowings - Bank OD	10,899.47	-	-	9,653.34	=	-
Trade payables	3,041.84	-	-	2,742.69	-	
Other Financial Liability	21.36	-	-	46.93	-	
Unclaimed dividend	7.86	-	_	9.59	-	-

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	As	at March 31, 2	2024	As	at March 31, 2	023
	Amortised cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income	cost	Fair value through Profit and loss	Fair value through Other comprehensive Income
Financial assets and liabilities r	neasured at fair v	alue on a recuri	ring basis at the e	nd of each report	ing period	
Financial Assets						
Investments in equity - Quoted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments in equity - Unquoted	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments in government securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment in preference shares	-	-	-	-		_
Other Investments	273.00	-	-	-		
Derivatives not designated as hedges	-	-	-	-		
Financial Liabilities						
Derivatives not designated as hedges	-	-	-	-		_
Derivatives designated as hedges	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### **NOTE 42c:**

Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value (but fair value disclosures are required):

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Fair value As at March		h 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023	
	hierarchy	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
Financial Assets					
Financial assets at amortised cost					
Trade receivables	Level 3	5,446.95	5,446.95	5,212.93	5,212.93
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 2	225.48	225.48	147.77	147.77
Bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents	Level 2	1,108.51	1,108.51	544.43	544.43
Other financial assets	Level 3	609.02	609.02	275.67	275.67

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	Fair value	As at Marc	h 31, 2024	As at March 31, 2023	
	hierarchy	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
Financial Liabilities					
Financial liabilities at amortised cost					
Borrowings	Level 2	10,899.47	10,899.47	9,653.34	9,653.34
Trade payables	Level 3	3,041.84	3,041.84	2,742.69	2,742.69
Other financial liabilities	Level 3	29.22	29.22	675.22	675.22

## Fair value hierarchy

The fair value hierarchy is based on inputs to valuation techniques that are used to measure fair value that are either observable or unobservable and consist of the following three levels:

- Level 1 Inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Inputs are other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability,

either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

 Level 3 - Inputs are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). Fair values are determined in whole or in part using a valuation model based on assumptions that are neither supported by prices from observable current market transactions in the same instrument nor are they based on available market data.

- Incase of trade receivables, cash and cash equivalents, trade payables, short term borrowings and other financial assets and liabilities it is assessed that the fair values approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.
- 2. The fair values of the financial assets and financial liabilities included above have been determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on a discounted cash flow analysis, with the most significant inputs being the discount rate that reflects the credit risk of counterparties.

#### **NOTE 43: ADDITIONAL REGULATORY INFORMATION**

## a. Analytical Ratios

Ratio	Numerator	Denominator	31.03.2024	31.03.2023		Reason for variance (+/->25%)
Current Ratio	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	1.62	1.52	6.73%	
Debt-equity Ratio	Total Debt	Shareholder's Equity	64.56%	94.78%	-31.89%	Due to increase in Shareholders equity during the year
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Earnings available for debt service = Net Profit after taxes + Non-cash operating expenses like depreciation and other amortizations + Interest + other adjustments like loss on sale of Fixed assets etc.	Debt Service = Interest & Lease Payments + Principal Repayments	117.86%	374.51%	-68.53%	Due to increase in debt and decrease in net profit for the year
Return on Equity	Net Profits after taxes - Preference Dividend (if any)	Average Shareholder's Equity	0.03	0.16	-80.60%	Due to decrease in net profit
Inventory Turnover Ratio	Cost of goods sold OR Sales	Average Inventory = (Opening + Closing balance/2)	10.95	23.39	-53.19%	Due to increase in inventory and decrease in sales
Trade Receivables Turnover Ratio	Net Credit Sales = Gross credit sales - Sales return		2.92	4.40	-33.66%	Due to increase in receivables and decrease in sales
Trade Payables Turnover Ratio	Net Credit Purchases = Gross credit purchases - Purchase return	Average Trade Payables	3.23	4.07	-20.59%	
Net Capital Turnover Ratio	Net Sales = Total sales - Sales returns	Working Capital = Current assets - Current liabilities	3.29	4.99	-34.10%	Due to increase in working capital and decrease in sales
Net Profit Ratio	Net Profit = Net profit shall be after tax	Net Sales = Total sales - Sales returns	3.57%	10.70%	-66.61%	Due to lower sales realisation
Return on Capital Employed	Earnings before interest & taxes	Capital Employed = Tangible Net Worth + Total Debt + Deferred Tax Liability	3.86%	11.47%	-66.31%	Due to lower earning

#### **NOTE 44: NET ASSETS AND PROFIT PERCENTAGE**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Name of the Entity	Net Asse March 3		Net Assets as on March 31, 2023	
	Amount	% of Consolidated net Assets	Amount	% of Consolidated net Assets
Parent				
Natural Capsules Ltd.	13,186.26	57.63%	12,405.30	83.68%
Subsidiaries				
Natural Biogenex Pvt. Ltd.	9,693.16	42.36%	2,418.32	16.31%
Natural Phyto Pharma Pvt. Ltd.	1.00	0.00%	1.00	0.01%
Total	22,880.42	100.00%	14,824.62	100.00%

(₹ In Lakhs)

Name of the Entity	Share in Profit March 3		Share in Profit or Loss as on March 31, 2023		
	Amount	% of Consolidated net Assets	Amount	% of Consolidated net Assets	
Parent					
Natural Capsules Ltd.	595.65	102.45%	1,840.41	100.12%	
Subsidiaries					
Natural Biogenex Pvt. Ltd.	(14.22)	-2.45%	(2.27)	-0.12%	
Natural Phyto Pharma Pvt. Ltd.	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	
Total	581.43	100.00%	1,838.14	100.00%	

## **NOTE 45:**

(₹ In Lakhs)

Particulars	2023-24	2022-23
Estimated amount of contracts remaining to be executed on capital account and not provided for net of advances.	4,310.39	6,030.89
Other monies for which the Company is contingently liabile		
a) Bank Guarantees issued for loans and others	7,000.00	4,800.00
b) Disputed Income tax demands which are under various stages of appeal	56.84	78.67
c) Disputed Sales tax, Excise Duty, Service tax, Urban land tax, Electricity matters and Customs demands	44.16	44.16

The Company has given a financial guarantee amounting to ₹7,000 Lakhs.

Future cash outflows in respect of the above referred matters are determinable only on receipt of judgements/decisions pending at various forums/authorities.

## **NOTE 46: EMPLOYEE SHARE-BASED PAYMENT PLANS**

The Shareholders of the Company at the Annual General Meetings held on November 10, 2018 had approved the Employee Stock Option Scheme (ESOP) 2018. The ESOS's are administered by the Compensation Committee ("Committee"). Options are granted at the discretion of the Committee to selected employees depending upon certain criterion. Each option comprises one underlying equity share.

The Company has offered equity shares under ESOP during the year for the identified employees and below is the summary of Options vested, exercised and outstanding during the year:

Particulars	No. of shares 2023-24	No. of shares 2022-23
No of options granted during the year	-	25,000
Options vested during the year	-	-
Options outstanding at the beginning of the year	1,80,000	1,55,000
Options exercised during the year	-	-
Number of options cancelled	-	-
Number of options lapsed	-	-
Options outstanding at the end of the year	1,80,000	1,80,000

The following table summarises the assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value for instrument granted in the year ended March 31, 2023.

The Black Scholes valuation model has been used for computing the weighted average fair value considering the following inputs:

Employee Stock Option Scheme 2018				
Dates of Grant	November 10, 2018			
Market Price (₹ per share) on the dates of grant	78			
Volatility	78%			
Risk free rate	6.50%			
Exercise price	10			
Time to maturity (years)	10			
Dividend yield	1%			
Option fair value (₹ per share)	69			

The Black Scholes option-pricing model was developed for estimating fair value of trade options that have no vesting restrictions and are fully transferable. Since options pricing models require use of subjective assumptions, changes therein can materially affect fair value of the options. The options pricing models do not necessary provide a reliable measure of fair value of options.

#### **NOTE 47:**

The Company is not holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 and rules made there under.

#### **NOTE 48:**

Quarterly returns or statements of current assets filed by the Company with banks are in agreement with the books of accounts;

#### **NOTE 49:**

The Company is not declared wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender during the year.

#### **NOTE 50:**

The Company has submitted the registration of charge form to ROC within time for SBI but for HDFC it got delayed and filed within 60 days with four times additional fee.

#### **NOTE 51:**

The Company has not made any transactions with companies struck off under Section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 or Section 560 of Companies Act, 1956 during the year

#### **NOTE 52:**

The Company has not accepted any transaction not recorded in the books of accounts that has been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 during the year.

#### **NOTE 53:**

The Company has not traded or invested in Crypto currency or Virtual currency during the financial year.

#### **NOTE 54: CODE ON SOCIAL SECURITY 2020**

The Code on Social Security 2020 ('the code') relating to employee benefits, during the employment and postemployment, has received Presidential assent on September 28, 2020. The Code has been published in the Gazette of India. Further, the Ministry of Labour and Employment has released draft rules for the Code on November 13, 2020. However, the effective date from which the changes are applicable is yet to be notified and rules for quantifying the financial impact are also not yet issued. The Company will assess the impact of the Code and will give appropriate impact in the financial statements in the period in which, the Code becomes effective and the related rules to determine the financial impact are published.

#### **NOTE 55:**

The Company has circulated balance confirmation for Trade Payables and Trade Receivables. The receipt of Confirmation and Reconciliation are in process and the reported balances are subject to Confirmation. Any adjustment, if required, will be made on receipt of the same.

#### **NOTE 56:**

Previous year figures have been regrouped to correspond to the current year classification where ever necessitated.

In terms of our report attached

For and on behalf of the Board

For P. Chandrasekar LLP Chartered Accountants FRN.: 000580S/S200066

P. Chandrasekaran Partner

Membership No.: 026037

Place: Bengaluru **Date:** May 21, 2024

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