

NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION:

This policy has been formulated by the Nomination & Remuneration Committee and approved & adopted by the Board of Directors.

2. OBJECTIVE OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Committee shall:

- a. Formulate the criteria for determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a director and recommend to the Board a policy relating to the remuneration of Directors, key managerial personnel and other employees.
- b. Formulate of criteria for evaluation of Independent Director and the Board.
- c. Devise a policy on Board diversity.
- d. Identify persons who are qualified to become Director and persons who may be appointed in Key Managerial and Senior Management positions in accordance with the criteria laid down in this policy.
- e. Recommend to the Board, appointment and removal of Director, KMP and Senior Management Personnel.

3. DEFINITIONS:

- 3.1 **Board** means Board of Directors of the Company.
- 3.2 **Director** means Directors of the Company.
- 3.3 **Committee** means Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company as constituted or reconstituted by the Board, from time to time.
- 3.4 **Company** means Parle Software Ltd..
- 3.5 **Independent Director** means Independent Director as provided under clause 49 of the Listing Agreement and/or under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 3.6 **Key Managerial Personnel** means Key Managerial Personnel as defined under Section 2(51) of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 3.7 **Senior Management** The expression “senior management” means personnel of the company who are members of its core management team excluding Board of Directors comprising all members of management one level below the executive directors, including the functional heads.
- 3.8 **Subsidiary Company** means Subsidiary Company as defined under Section 2(87) of the Companies Act, 2013. Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this policy and not defined herein but defined in the Companies Act, 2013 or rules made thereunder, as may be amended from time to time shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them therein.

4. GENERAL APPOINTMENT CRITERIA:

- 4.1 The Committee shall consider the ethical standards of integrity and probity, qualification, expertise and experience of the person for appointment as Director, KMP or at Senior Management level and accordingly recommend to the Board his / her appointment.
- 4.2 The Company should ensure that the person so appointed as Director/ Independent Director/ KMP/ Senior Management Personnel shall not be disqualified under the Companies Act, 2013, rules made thereunder, Listing Agreement or any other enactment for the time being in force.
- 4.3 The Director/ Independent Director/ KMP/ Senior Management Personnel shall be appointed as per the procedure laid down under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, rules made thereunder, Listing Agreement or any other enactment for the time being in force.

5. ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS:

The appointment of Independent director shall be governed as per the provisions of clause 49 of the Listing Agreement (as amended from time to time) and the Companies Act, 2013.

6. TERM / TENURE:

The Term / Tenure of the Directors shall be governed as per provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder as amended from time to time, and as per the listing agreement.

7. REMOVAL:

Due to reasons for any disqualification mentioned in the Companies Act, 2013, rules made thereunder or under any other applicable Act, rules and regulations or any other reasonable ground, the Committee may recommend to the Board for removal of a Director, KMP or Senior Management Personnel subject to the provisions and compliance of the said Act, rules and regulations.

8. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR AND THE BOARD:

Following are the Criteria for evaluation of performance of executive directors, non-executive directors (including Independent Directors) and the Board (including Committees):

8.1 Executive Directors:

The Executive Directors shall be evaluated on the basis of performance of the Company, targets/Criteria as may be given to executive Directors by the board from time to time.

The Independent Directors shall take the views of the executive directors and non-executive directors to review the performance of the Chairman of the Company.

8.2 Non -Executive Directors (including Independent Directors):

The Non Executive Directors (including Independent Directors) shall be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria i.e. whether they:

- a. act objectively and constructively while exercising their duties;
- b. exercise their responsibilities in a bona fide manner in the interest of the Company and various stakeholders;
- c. devote sufficient time and attention to their professional obligations for informed and balanced decision making;
- d. do not abuse their position to the detriment of the Company or its Shareholders or for the purpose of gaining direct or indirect personal advantage or advantage for any associated person;
- e. refrain from any action that would lead to loss of his independence (in case of independent director).
- f. inform the Board immediately when they lose their independence (in case of independent director).
- g. assist the company in implementing the best corporate governance practices.
- h. strive to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Committees;
- i. participate constructively and actively in the committees of the Board in which they are chairpersons or members;
- j. strive to attend the general meetings of the Company
- k. keep themselves well informed about the Company and the external environment in which it operates;
- l. moderate and arbitrate in the interest of the company as a whole, in situations of conflict between management and shareholder's interest.
- m. abide by Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, Company's policies and procedures including code of conduct, insider trading guidelines etc.
- n. provide various directions in the best interest of the Company on key issues

Apart from aforesaid criteria, the Non-Executive Directors (including Independent Directors) shall be evaluated on any other criteria as the Board/Committee/Independent Directors as they deemed proper from time to time.

8.3 Board (Including Various Committees):

The Board (including various committees) shall be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria i.e. whether:

- a. the Board Ensure the integrity of financial information and robustness of financial and other controls.
- b. the Board oversees the management of risk and review the effectiveness of risk management process.
- c. the Board of directors works as a team.
- d. the Board is robust in taking and sticking to decisions.
- e. the Board as a whole up to date with latest developments in the regulatory environment and the market.
- f. sufficient board and committee meetings, of appropriate length, being held to enable proper consideration of issues.
- g. the relationships and communications with shareholders are well managed.
- h. the relationships and communications within the board constructive.

- i. all directors are allowed or encouraged to participate fully in board discussions.
- j. the board take the Initiative to maintain moral value of the Company.
- k. the board contribute to enhance overall brand image of the Company.

Apart from aforesaid criteria, the Board (including Committees) shall be evaluated on any other criteria as the Board/Committee/Independent Directors as they deemed proper from time to time.

9. POLICY ON BOARD DIVERSITY:

The appointment of director(s) on the Board should be based on merit that complements and expands the skills, experience and expertise of the Board as a whole, taking into account gender, age, professional experience and qualifications, educational background, and any other factors that the Board might consider relevant and applicable from time to time towards achieving a diverse Board.

The Nomination & Remuneration Committee is (among other things) responsible for reviewing the structure, size and composition of the Board and the appointment of new directors of the Company from time to time to ensure that it has a balanced composition of skills, experience and expertise appropriate to the requirements of the business of the Company, with due regard to the benefits of diversity on the Board.

10. REMUNERATION:

10.1 The Committee will recommend the remuneration to be paid to the Managing Director, Whole-time Director, KMP and Senior Management Personnel to the Board for their approval.

The level and composition of remuneration so determined by the Committee shall be reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management of the quality required to run the company successfully. The relationship of remuneration to performance should be clear and meet appropriate performance benchmarks. The remuneration should also involve a balance between fixed and incentive pay reflecting short and long-term performance objectives appropriate to the working of the company and its goals.

10.2 Director/ Managing Director

Besides the above Criteria, the Remuneration/ compensation/ commission etc. to be paid to Director/ Managing Director etc. shall be governed as per provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder as may be amended from time to time or any other enactment for the time being in force.

10.3 Non executive Independent Directors

The Non- Executive Independent Director may receive remuneration by way of sitting fees as decided by the Board from time to time for attending meetings of Board or Committee thereof; Provided that the amount of such fees shall not exceed the ceiling/ limits as provided under Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder as may be amended from time to time or any other enactment for the time being in force;

10.4 KMPs / Senior Management Personnel etc.

The Remuneration to be paid to KMPs/ Senior Management Personnel shall be based on the experience, qualification and expertise of the related personnel and governed by the limits, if any prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder as may be amended from time to time or any other enactment for the time being in force.

10.5 Other employees:

Without prejudice to what is stated in para 10.1 to 10.4, the remuneration to be paid to the other employees shall be decided by the management of the Company based on the experience, qualification, expertise of the employees or any other criteria as may be decided by the Management.

11. SUCCESSION PLANNING

The Nomination & Remuneration Committee shall work with the Board on the leadership succession plan, and shall also prepare contingency plans for succession in case of any exigencies.