

DALMIA BHARAT SUGAR AND INDUSTRIES LIMITED

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POLICY ON RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

1. Preamble

As per Regulation 23(1) of the Securities Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") every listed company is required to formulate a policy on materiality of related party transactions and on dealing with related party transactions. In pursuance of the above, the Board of directors (the "Board") of Dalmia Bharat Sugar and Industries Limited (the "Company" or "DBL"), has adopted this policy on related party transactions ("Policy").

This Policy intends to ensure compliance by the Company with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules and regulations framed thereunder ("Companies Act") and the Listing Regulations with respect to its transactions with related parties.

2. **Definitions**

- (i) "Audit Committee" or "Committee" means committee of the Board of Directors of the Company constituted in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Listing Regulations and Section 177 of the Companies Act.
- (ii) "Arm's Length Transaction" means a transaction between two Related Parties that is conducted as if they were unrelated, so that there is no conflict of interest.
- (iii) "Associate Company" means associate company as defined under Section 2(6) of the Companies Act and Regulation 2 (1) (b) of the Listing Regulations, as the case may be.
- (iv) "Board" or "Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Company.



- (v) "**Key Managerial Personnel**" has the meaning ascribed to the term under Section 2 (51) of the Companies Act.
- (vi) "Material Related Party Transaction" means a Related Party Transaction where the transaction(s) to be entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year, exceeds INR 1000 crore or 10% (ten per cent) of the annual consolidated turnover of the Company as per the last audited financial statements of the Company, whichever is lower. Notwithstanding the above, a transaction involving payments made to a Related Party with respect to brand usage or royalty shall be considered material if the transaction(s) to be entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year, exceed two percent of the annual consolidated turnover of the Company as per the last audited financial statements of the Company.
- (vii) "Material Modifications" means modification(s) in the terms and conditions or consideration of a related party transaction involving changes or alterations from the limits already approved by the Audit Committee or the Board of Directors or the Shareholders, as under:
 - a. For related party transactions with respect to management service charges, changes exceeding 10% or Rs. 1 Crore, whichever is lower;
 - b. For all other related party transactions, changes exceeding Rs. 10 Lakh or more.
- (viii) "Related Party" means related party as defined in Section 2(76) of the Companies Act read with Regulation 2 (1) (zb) of the Listing Regulations, as the case may be.
- (ix) "Related Party Transaction" has the meaning as defined under Regulation 2(1)(zc) of the Listing Regulations, i.e., a transfer of resources, services or obligations between:
 - (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries on one hand and a related party of the Company or any of its subsidiaries on the other hand; or
 - (ii) the Company or any of its subsidiaries on one hand, and any other person



or entity on the other hand, the purpose and effect of which is to benefit a related party of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, with effect from April 1, 2023; regardless of whether a price is charged and a "transaction" with a related party shall be construed to include a single transaction or a group of transactions in a contract.

Provided that the following shall not be a related party transaction:

- (a) the issue of specified securities on a preferential basis, subject to compliance of the requirements under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018;
- (b) the following corporate actions by the Company which are uniformly applicable/offered to all shareholders in proportion to their shareholding:
- (i) payment of dividend;
- (ii) subdivision or consolidation of securities;
- (iii) issuance of securities by way of a rights issue or a bonus issue; and
- (iv) buy-back of securities.

Any other term used but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Companies Act or the Listing Regulations.

3. <u>Identification of Related Parties and potential Related Party Transactions</u>

- 3.1 Before the start of each financial year, the Company shall draw up a list of Related Parties. Any changes in the list during the financial year shall be made as and when the Company receives information in this regard from its promoters, Directors and Key Managerial Personnel.
- 3.2 Any member of the Audit Committee or Board who is directly or indirectly interested in any Related Party Transaction shall recuse himself and abstain from participating in the discussion and voting on such item under consideration by the Audit Committee or the Board, as the case may be.

4. Review and approval of Related Party Transactions



A. <u>Approval of the Audit Committee</u>

- 4.1 All Related Party Transactions shall require prior approval of the Audit Committee in accordance with this Policy.
 - Subsequent Material Modifications of Related Party Transactions shall also require prior approval of Audit Committee. Modifications which are not Material will also be put up for approval /ratification of Audit Committee in subsequent meeting.
- 4.2 A related party transaction to which a subsidiary of the Company is a party but the Company is not a party, shall require prior approval of the Audit Committee if the value of such transaction whether entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year exceeds 10% of the annual consolidated turnover (10% of the annual standalone turnover of the subsidiary w.e.f. April 1, 2023), as per the last audited financial statements of the Company.

However, prior approval of the Audit Committee of the Company shall not be required for a related party transaction to which the listed subsidiary is a party but the Company is not a party, if listing regulations with respect to related party transactions and corporate governance are applicable to such listed subsidiary.

- 4.3 The Audit Committee may grant omnibus approval for Related Party Transactions, subject to compliance with the following conditions:
 - (a) The Audit Committee shall, after obtaining approval of the Board, specify the criteria for granting the omnibus approval in line with this Policy which shall include the following namely:
 - (i) maximum value of the transaction, in aggregate, which can be allowed under the omnibus route in a year;
 - (ii) the maximum value per transaction which can be allowed;



- (iii) extent and manner of disclosures to be made to the Audit Committee at the time of seeking omnibus approval;
- (iv) review, at such intervals as the Audit Committee may deem fit, of Related Party Transactions entered into by the Company pursuant to each omnibus approval made;
- (v) transactions which cannot be subject to the omnibus approval by the Audit Committee.
- (b) The Audit Committee shall consider the following factors while specifying the criteria for making omnibus approval, namely:-
 - (i) repetitiveness of the transactions (in past or in future); and
 - (ii) justification for the need of omnibus approval.
- (c) For the purposes of granting such omnibus approvals, the Audit Committee shall satisfy itself regarding the need for such omnibus approval for transactions of repetitive nature and that such approval is in the interest of the company.
- (d) The omnibus approval shall provide details of (i) the name/s of the Related Party(ies), (ii) nature and duration of transaction; (iii) maximum amount of transaction that can be entered into; (iv) indicative base price or current contracted price and the formula for variation in the price, if any; (vi) any other information relevant or important for the Audit Committee to take a decision on the proposed transaction, and (v) such other conditions as the Audit Committee may deem fit.
- (e) Where the need for Related Party Transactions cannot be foreseen and aforesaid details are not available, Audit Committee may grant omnibus approval for such transactions subject to their value not exceeding INR 1,00,00,000 (Indian rupees one crore) per transaction.



- (f) The Audit Committee shall review, at least on a quarterly basis, the aggregated value and other details of Related Party Transactions entered into by the Company pursuant to each of the omnibus approvals given.
- (g) Such omnibus approvals shall be valid for a period not exceeding one financial year and shall require fresh approval after expiry of such financial year.
- (h) Any other conditions as the Audit Committee may deem fit.

B. Approval of the Board

- 4.4 The following Related Party Transactions which are not in the ordinary course of business of the Company or are in the ordinary course of business but are not Arm's Length Transactions shall require prior approval of the Board:
 - (a) sale, purchase or supply of any goods or materials;
 - (b) selling or otherwise disposing of, or buying, property of any kind;
 - (c) leasing of property of any kind;
 - (d) availing or rendering of any services;
 - (e) appointment of any agent for purchase or sale of goods, materials, services or property;
 - (f) a Related Party's appointment to any office or place of profit in the Company, its subsidiary company or Associate Company; and
 - (g) underwriting the subscription of any securities or derivatives thereof, of the Company.

C. Approval of the shareholders of the Company



- 4.5 All Material Related Party Transactions and subsequent material modifications there to shall be placed before the shareholders for prior approval. For this purpose, no Related Party shall vote to approve such resolution whether such Related Party is a party to the particular Related Party Transaction or not. However, the requirement of shareholders' approval shall not be applicable for :-
 - related party transaction to which the listed subsidiary is a party but the Company is not a party, if provisions of Listing Regulations with respect to related party transactions and corporate governance are applicable to such listed subsidiary;
 - b. transactions entered into between the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary whose accounts are consolidated with the Company and placed before the shareholders at the general meeting for approval;
 - c. transactions entered into between two wholly-owned subsidiaries of the listed holding company, whose accounts are consolidated with such holding company and placed before the shareholders at the general meeting for approval.
- 4.6 In addition to the above, all Related Party Transactions falling under the categories enlisted in paragraph 4.4 above which (a) are not Arm's Length Transactions or not in the ordinary course of business; and (b) exceed the thresholds laid down under Rule 15 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 shall be placed before the shareholders for their approval. For such Related Party Transactions, any shareholder of the Company who/which is a Related Party in the context of the proposed Related Party Transaction shall not vote to approve the transaction. However, the requirement of shareholders' approval shall not be applicable for transactions entered into between the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary whose accounts are consolidated with the Company and placed before the shareholders at the general meeting for approval.

5. **Disclosure requirements**

5.1 <u>Disclosures under Companies Act</u>: The Company shall disclose in the Board's report to be laid before the Company in a general meeting in terms of Section 134(3) of the Companies Act, particulars of contracts or arrangements



entered with Related Parties as prescribed in Section 188(2) of the Companies Act, along with the justification for entering into such contracts or arrangements.

- 5.2 <u>Disclosures under Listing Regulations</u>: The Company shall make related party disclosures in compliance with relevant accounting standards as specified in paragraph A of Schedule V of the Listing Regulations. The corporate governance section of the Company's annual report shall also disclose materially significant Related Party Transactions that may have potential conflict with the interests of the Company at large.
- 5.3 The listed entity shall submit within 15 days (on the same day with effect from April 01, 2023) from the date of publication of its standalone and consolidated financial results for the half year, disclosures of related party transactions on a consolidated basis, in the format as specified by SEBI to the stock exchanges and publish the same on its website.
- 5.4 This Policy will be communicated to all concerned persons/employees of the Company and posted on the website of the Company.
- 5.5 The Company shall also maintain a register containing particulars of contracts or arrangements entered with a Related Party to which Section 188 of the Companies Act applies.

6. **Review of the Policy**

6.1 The Board shall review the Policy once in three years and amend this Policy from time to time based on recommendations received from the Audit Committee.

Note: This Policy has been adopted by the Board vide its resolution dated October 31, 2014 and amended vide its resolution(s) dated February 02, 2018, October 24, 2019 and May 24, 2022.