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Kind Attention: Mr. Amit Maheshwari/ Mr. Kaushal Patwa

महोदय, Dear Sir,

विषय /Sub: Kronox Lab Sciences Limited का प्रस्तावित आईपीओ /Proposed IPO of Kronox Lab Sciences Limited

उपरोक्त से संबंधित प्रारूप प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज (ड्राफ्ट ऑफर डॉक्यूमेंट), भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी) द्वारा मांगे गए स्पष्टीकरणों और उसके संबंध में दिए गए उत्तरों के संदर्भ में, यह सूचित किया जाता है कि इनकी जाँच करने पर यह पाया गया है कि इनमें किमयाँ हैं / भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड [पूँजी का निर्गमन (इश्यू) और प्रकटीकरण अपेक्षाएँ] विनियम, 2018 [सेबी (इश्यू ऑफ कैपिटल एंड डिस्क्लोज़र रिक्वायरमेंट्स) रेग्यूलेशन्स, 2018] के प्रावधानों और दिए गए अनुदेशों का पालन नहीं किया गया है, और आपके लिए यह जरूरी है कि आप स्टॉक एक्सचेंज और / या कंपनी रिजस्ट्रार के पास प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज दाखिल करने से पहले उन किमयों को दूर करें और संबंधित प्रावधानों तथा दिए गए अनुदेशों का पालन करें । उपरोक्त के संबंध में की गई टिप्पणियों का और जिन शर्तों आदि का पालन किया जाना है, उनका जिक्र संलग्नक '।' और संलग्नक '॥' में किया गया है । कृपया यह भी नोट करें कि संलग्नक में जो किमयाँ बताई गई हैं / कुछ और प्रकटीकरण (डिस्क्लोज़र) करने की बात कही गई है, यह सब आपको केवल उदाहरण के तौर पर ही बताया गया है । यह सुनिश्चित करने की जिम्मेदारी आपकी है कि सभी और सही प्रकटीकरण किए जाएं।

With reference to the draft offer document in respect of captioned issue, clarifications sought by SEBI and the replies submitted therein, it is stated that on scrutiny of the same, deficiencies / instances of non-compliance of SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018) and instructions have been observed, which are required to be rectified / complied with by you before filing the offer document with the Stock Exchange and/ or ROC. Observations on the captioned issue and other conditions to be complied with are indicated in Annexure 'I' and 'II'. It may be noted that the deficiencies / requirement of additional disclosures listed in the Annexure are merely illustrative and not exhaustive. It is your responsibility to ensure full and true disclosures.





1. बुक रिनंग लीड मैनेजर होने के नाते, आप यह सुनिश्चित करेंगे कि स्टॉक एक्सचेंज / कंपनी रिजस्ट्रार के पास प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज दाखिल करने से पहले संलग्नक में दी हुई टिप्पणियों / शर्तों आदि के अनुसार प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज में बदलाव कर लिए जाएं । कंपनी रिजस्ट्रार / स्टॉक एक्सचेंज के पास अंतिम प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज दाखिल करने से पहले आपको हमें एक पत्र भेजकर इस बात की पुष्टि करनी होगी कि अपेक्षानुसार बदलाव कर लिए गए हैं और साथ ही यह भी बताना होगा कि प्रत्येक टिप्पणी / शर्त आदि के अनुसार बदलाव कैसे किए गए हैं । इसके अलावा और कोई भी बदलाव सेबी से लिखित सहमति लिए बिना नहीं किए जाएंगे ।

As Book Running Lead Manager (LM), you shall ensure that all changes are effected based on the observations/ conditions contained in the Annexure before you file the offer document with the stock Exchange/ ROC. A letter confirming these changes and explaining, in seriatim, the manner in which each observation / condition has been dealt with along with your comments should be submitted to us, before filing the final offer document with ROC / Stock Exchange. NO FURTHER CHANGES SHOULD BE EFFECTED WITHOUT SPECIFIC WRITTEN CONSENT OF SEBI.

2. यह स्पष्ट किया जाता है कि भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी) के पास प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज (ऑफर डॉक्यूमेंट) दाखिल करने का अर्थ किसी भी तरह से यह न लगाया जाए कि सेबी द्वारा इसे मंजूरी प्रदान कर दी गई है । सेबी न तो इस बात की कोई जिम्मेदारी लेता है कि जिस स्कीम या परियोजना (प्रोजेक्ट) के लिए निर्गम (इश्यू) लाए जाने का प्रस्ताव है उसकी वित्तीय स्थिति अच्छी है और न ही इस बात की जिम्मेदारी लेता है कि प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज में दी गई जानकारी या व्यक्त की गई राय सही है । अग्रणी प्रबंधकों (लीड मैनेजर्स) ने यह प्रमाणित किया है कि प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज में जो प्रकटीकरण (डिस्क्लोज़र) किए गए हैं वे मोटे तौर पर पर्याप्त हैं और जो प्रकटीकरणों (डिस्क्लोज़र) तथा निवेशक संरक्षण के संबंध में उस समय लागू सेबी के विनियमों के प्रावधानों के अनुसार किए गए हैं । अग्रणी प्रबंधक यह भी सुनिश्चित करेंगे कि ऐसा भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड [पँजी का निर्गमन (इश्यू) और प्रकटीकरण अपेक्षाएँ। विनियम, 2018 [सेबी (इश्यू ऑफ कैपिटल एंड डिस्क्लोज़र रिकायरमेंट्स) रेग्यूलेशन्स, 2018] के अनुसार भी किया जाए । ऐसा करना इसलिए जरूरी है, तािक निवेशक प्रस्तािवत निर्गम (इश्यू) में निवेश करने के संबंध में सोच-समझकर निर्णय ले सकें।

It is to be distinctly understood that submission of offer document to SEBI should not in any way be deemed or construed that the same has been cleared or approved by SEBI. SEBI does not take any responsibility either for the financial soundness of any scheme or the project for which the issue is proposed to be made or for the correctness of the statements made or opinions expressed in the offer document. The LMs have certified that the disclosures made in the offer document are generally adequate and are in conformity with SEBI regulations for disclosures and investor protection in force for the time being. The LMs are advised to ensure the same with respect to SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018. This requirement is to facilitate investors to take an informed decision for making investment in the proposed issue.

3. यह भी पूरी तरह से स्पष्ट किया जाता है कि यद्यपि इस बात की जिम्मेदारी मुख्य रूप से निर्गमकर्ता (इश्युअर) कंपनी की होती है कि प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज में समस्त जरूरी जानकारी प्रकट की जाए और जो सही और पर्याप्त हो, फिर भी अग्रणी प्रबंधकों (लीड मैनेजर्स) से अपेक्षित है कि वे यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए पूरी तत्परता (ड्यू डिलिजेंस) बरतें कि कंपनी अपनी जिम्मेदारियाँ सही ढंग से निभाए, और इसी उद्देश्य से अग्रणी प्रबंधकों ने भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड (मर्चेंट बैंककार) विनियम, 1992 (सेबी (मर्चेंट बैंकर्स) रेग्यूलेशन्स, 1992) के अनुसार सेबी के पास पूरी तत्परता बरते





जाने के संबंध में तारीख January 25, 2024 का प्रमाणपत्र (ड्यू डिलिजेंस सर्टिफिकेट) प्रस्तुत किया है ।

It should also be clearly understood that while the Issuer Company is primarily responsible for the correctness, adequacy and disclosure of all relevant information in the offer document, the LMs are expected to exercise Due Diligence to ensure that the Company discharges its responsibility adequately in this behalf and towards this purpose, the LMs have furnished to SEBI a Due Diligence Certificate dated January 25, 2024, in accordance with SEBI (Merchant Bankers) Regulations, 1992.

- 4. हालाँिक, कंपनी प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज दाखिल कर देने से ही कंपनी अधिनियम, 2013 की धारा 34 के तहत दी गई किसी भी बाध्यता से मुक्त नहीं हो जाती या वह कानूनी प्रावधानों के अनुसार ली जाने वाली मंजूरी या ऐसी कोई अन्य मंजूरी लेने से मुक्त नहीं हो जाती, जो प्रस्तावित निर्गम के संबंध में लेनी जरूरी हो । हालाँिक, सेबी प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज में कोई अनियमितता या कमी पाए जाने पर कभी भी अग्रणी प्रबंधकों के खिलाफ कार्रवाई कर सकता है ।
 - The filing of offer document does not, however, absolve the company from any liabilities under Section 34 of the Companies Act, 2013 or from the requirement of obtaining such statutory or other clearances as may be required for the purpose of the proposed issue. SEBI further reserves the right to take up, at any point of time, with the LMs any irregularities or lapses in offer document.
- 5. किसी भी प्रचार सामग्री या विज्ञापन में ऐसा कुछ भी उल्लेख नहीं किया जाएगा, जो प्रारूप प्रस्ताव दस्तावेज (ड्राफ्ट ऑफर डाक्यूमेंट) में दी गई जानकारी से भिन्न हो । इस संबंध में आपका ध्यान विशेष रूप से कंपनी अधिनियम, 2013 की धारा 36 के प्रावधानों की ओर आकर्षित किया जाता है ।
 - Any publicity materials / advertisements should not contain matters extraneous to the information contained in the draft offer document. Attention is specifically drawn to the provisions of Section 36 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 6. अग्रणी प्रबंधक यह सुनिश्चित करें कि भारतीय प्रतिभूति और विनिमय बोर्ड [पूँजी का निर्गमन (इश्यू) और प्रकटीकरण अपेक्षाएँ। विनियम, 2018 के विनियम 25(1) और अंनुसूची- III के अनुसार उपरोक्त निर्गम (इश्यू) के संबंध में फाइलिंग फीस की गणना किस प्रकार की गई है उसका एक विस्तृत विवरण, यथास्थिति, कंपनी रजिस्ट्रार के यहाँ प्रॉस्पेक्टस दाखिल किए जाने के सात दिनों के भीतर / स्टॉक एक्सचेंज के पास प्रस्ताव-पत्र (लेटर ऑफ ऑफर) दाखिल किए जाने के सात दिनों के भीतर, सेबी के पास प्रस्तुत कर दिया जाए और साथ ही अब तक अदा की गई फाइलिंग फीस का ब्यौरा भी दिया जाए ।

The LMs are advised to ensure that a detailed calculation of filing fees in relation to the captioned issue in terms of regulation 25(1) and Schedule III of the SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018 is submitted to SEBI within seven days of filing the Prospectus with ROC/ within seven days of filing the Letter of Offer with the stock exchange, as the case may be, along with details of filing fees paid till date.

आपने जो फीस अदा की है, यदि वह वास्तव में अदा की जाने वाली फीस से कम हो, तो ऐसे में अग्रणी प्रबंधक यह सुनिश्चित करेंगे और इस बात की पुष्टि करेंगे कि सेबी को शेषफीस अदा किए जाने के संबंध में इन विनियमों की अनुसूची-॥। के प्रावधानों का पालन किया गया है।



If filing fees paid by you is less than the actual fees required to be paid, the LMs are advised to ensure and confirm compliance with the provisions of Schedule III of the said Regulations in regard to payment of the balance fees to SEBI.

आपने जो फीस अदा की है, यदि वह वास्तव में अदा की जाने वाली फीस से अधिक हो, तो ऐसे में आप सेबी को सूचित करेंगे कि कितनी फीस लौटाई जानी है, साथ ही आप यह भी बताएंगे कि आपने लौटाई जाने वाली फीस की रकम की गणना कैसे की है और सेबी को किसके नाम पर चेक जारी करना होगा।

If filing fees paid by you are more than the actual fees required to be paid, you are advised to inform SEBI about the amount to be refunded, along with detailed calculation of amount refundable and name of the person in whose favour the cheque may be issued by SEBI.

- 7. प्रस्तावित निर्गम (इश्यू) इस अभिमत पत्र के जारी होने की तारीख से 12 महीनों के भीतर पैसा लगाने (अभिदान करने / सब्स्क्रिप्शन) के लिए खोला जा सकता है ।

 The proposed issue can open for subscription within a period of 12 months from the date of issuance of this observation letter.
- 8. आपसे अनुरोध है कि इस पत्र की प्राप्ति के दिवस के भीतर अपना उत्तर 15प्रस्तुत करें। You are requested to submit your response within 15 days of the receipt of this letter.

स्थान / Place: मुंबई / Mumbai

(Sanjukta Mahala)

सहायक महाप्रबंधक

Assistant General Manager

Annexure I

OBSERVATIONS

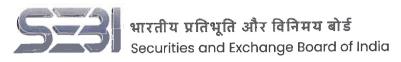
- 1. Please refer to our letter/email dated December 22, 2023, February 26, 2024, and your reply vide letters/ email dated January 2, 2024, March 4, 2024, March 20, 2024 and April 4, 2024 and all other correspondences exchanged. In the above regard, LM is advised to ensure that the changes made pursuant to our initial clarifications and all correspondences exchanged are duly incorporated in the updated DRHP/RHP/Prospectus.
- 2. Wherever the LM has undertaken to modify the risk factors in its replies, the same shall be duly modified and incorporated in the updated DRHP/ RHP/ Prospectus.
- 3. Wherever the LM has mentioned "Noted for compliance" or "Complied with and noted for compliance" in its replies, LM shall ensure that the same are duly complied with.
- 4. These observations refer to a specific chapter or point, however the LM shall ensure to disclose the same across all pages/chapters where the same/similar matter occurs in the DRHP. The BRLMs to also ensure to comply with these observations in all future Documents, where same / similar comments are applicable.
- 5. LM is advised to ensure that the entire DRHP the language used is lucid, usage of abbreviations is limited, abbreviations to be used in the para, if already quoted in the same page /heading, any expressions, jargons or nomenclatures from other languages or not commonly used, are explained clearly at every place where they are used.
- 6. LM is advised to ensure that the following details are provided in the UDRHP/RHP Price at which specified security (including preference shares) was acquired in the last 3 years, by each of the promoters, promoter group, selling shareholders, shareholders entitled with right to nominate directors or any other rights. Following details may be disclosed for such transactions in tabular format name of acquirer, date of acquisition, number of shares acquired and acquisition price per share.
- 7. LM is advised to submit confirmation that it has undertaken necessary duediligence of information submitted by company/ entities as stated in LM's reply to ATR clarifications vide letter dated December 19, 2023.
- 8. Summary of the Offer Document- Simple conversational language to be used. No abbreviations shall be used.
- 9. Definitions and Abbreviations- for Technical, Company / Industry related Terms or Abbreviations, along with the expanded form, suitable meaning / explanation to be provided in simple language.





- 10. Risk Factors Every Risk Factor shall be provided with a cross-reference to the detailed description of the facts/reasons in the updated DRHP / RHP, wherever applicable. Any past instances in the last three financial years and stub period and their impact, if material, shall be disclosed in Risk factors.
- 11. Sequencing of the chapters in the offer document shall be strictly in terms of the Schedule VI of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.
- 12. In page 28, LM to give correct page references for the cross reference to related party transactions. LM to ensure that correct page reference are given in all pages of DRHP.
- 13. Risk Factor 2 and 8: LM is advised to verify and delete all statements related to proposed capacity expansion by the company and setting up of Unit IV at GIDC, Dahej- II for which there is no satisfactory factual basis and disclose only such statements which are supported by facts and not merely assumptions/ expectations by the Company. The same shall be updated at all relevant places in RHP.
- 14. **Risk Factor 7:** LM is advised to disclose a separate risk factor for decrease in capacity utilization from existing manufacturing units as compared to last 3 FY, as applicable.
- 15. **Risk Factor 8**: LM is advised to disclose how the waterways are used by the issuer company for shipping its products along with details. Also, LM is advised to disclose as to how the funding will be done through equity.
- 16. **Risk Factor 9:** LM is advised to disclose details of products under development as on date and also disclose details of R&D expenditure incurred by the company for last 3 FY and stub period. LM is advised to disclose the details of board/shareholders approvals for future expansion/ capital expenditure etc.
- 17. Risk Factor 10 LM is advised to disclose the details (names etc.) of top 10 customers.
- 18. Risk Factor 11: LM to disclose capacity utilization and number of products manufactured at Unit III for the last 3 FY and stub period and further, confirm and disclose whether there is any risk of further reduction in capacity utilization or closure of this unit due to direction by GPCB or decision by the Company's Board. The same has been incorporated in the draft observation letter.
- 19. **Risk Factor 11:** LM is advised to explain in details "ground water contamination related issues" as disclosed therein and whether the company is involved in ground water contamination in any manner. Further, disclose the details of agreement for acquisition of land at GIDC including parties involved, consideration, whether related party of the company, etc





- 20. **Risk Factor 13:** LM is advised to disclose total revenue, Revenue from exports and percentage revenue from USA.
- 21. Risk Factor 13: LM is advised to disclose the financial details disclosed in tabular format. Further, LM is advised to explain "direct sales to overseas customers and indirect sales through intermediaries" along with the details.
- 22. Risk Factor 14: LM is advised to disclose the forex earned in the last three years.
- 23. Risk Factor 16: LM is advised to disclose the bifurcation of 650 customers as per direct sales and sales to overseas customers or sales through other entities.
- 24. **Risk Factor 19:** LM is advised to disclose details of land purchased from promoters for Unit II. LM is advised to confirm that the transactions with Promoter group (related parties) took place at arm's length prices in accordance with extant laws and regulations and there is no non-compliance as per Company and LM's due-diligence.
- 25. **Risk Factor 24 -** LM is advised to disclose the total sales percentage through each mode of transportation.
- 26. Risk Factor 33- LM is advised to disclose the details of pending approvals / renewals, date of application, status of same, effect on business continuation of issuer if approvals are pending/not obtained/ delayed. Also, disclose if operations are continued in the absence of approvals.
- 27. Risk Factor 39: LM is advised to delete, "However, due to possibly flawed or ineffective collection methods or discrepancies between published information and market practice and other problems, the statistics herein may be inaccurate or may not be comparable to statistics produced for other economies and should not be unduly relied upon. Statements from third parties that involve estimates are subject to change, and actual amounts may differ materially from those included in this Draft Red Herring Prospectus. Prospective investors are advised not to unduly rely on the CareEdge Report when making their investment decisions." from the Risk factor and at all relevant places in RHP wherever such similar statements have been disclosed.
- 28.LM is advised to disclose a suitable risk factor stating that all proceeds of the IPO are for Offer for Sale and will be received by Promoter Selling shareholders. Company will not receive any proceeds from IPO.
- 29.LM is advised to disclose a suitable risk factor related to small size and market share of the company vis-à-vis other Industry players and listed peers disclosed in *Basis for Offer price* section.
- 30.LM is advised to disclose a suitable risk factor related to few people in managerial positions and risks associated in case of attrition of these employees.



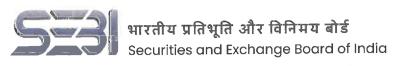


- 31.LM is advised to disclose a suitable risk factor related to high current ratio of the company and whether the same is due to inefficient use of funds by the company. (Refer page 260 of DRHP).
- 32.LM is advised to disclose a Risk Factor stating that bonus issues/ buyback of equity shares undertaken by company in the past may not be indicative/ there is no assurance of such actions by company post-listing.
- 33.LM is advised to independently examine and include all the risk factors which are highlighted in the industry report/ business section.
- 34.LM is advised to disclose a suitable risk factor related to various assumptions and estimates used for calculation of installed and actual capacity utilization of manufacturing units, if applicable.
- 35.LM is advised to disclose delays, if any, in payment of ESIC, PF, IT and other statutory dues, appropriately in the offer document. Further, with regard to the employees of the issuer company, LM is advised to disclose whether the statutory dues to the Government and provident fund for the employees have been paid and the number of the employees for whom the statutory dues and provident fund are paid. LM shall disclose total PF being paid for number of employees and whether the same is paid as per statutory law/obligation and the amount paid. Such details and bifurcation shall be disclosed for various dues such as PF, ESIC, GST, TDS, other statutory contributions etc shall be given in the document and whether the obligation have been duly discharged in terms of the applicable laws for the last 3 FY under suitable heading in DRHP.
- 36.LM is advised to disclose details of Immovable property owned by the company such as date of purchase, from whom the property was transferred, consideration paid, etc. (Refer page 182 of DRHP). Further, LM is advised to disclose that there are no properties leased by the company.
- 37.LM is advised to ensure compliance with all disclosure requirements in respect of KPIs (operational and financial) as per clause (9)(K)(3) of Schedule VI Part A of SEBI ICDR Regulations in *Basis for Offer price* section. Further, LM is advised to also disclose operational KPIs relevant to the company such as number of customers served, number of products sold, new products added, products under development, etc.
- 38.LM is advised to submit an undertaking confirming that it has conducted adequate due-diligence and is satisfied that the Independent Directors on the Board of the Company have no relation directly/ indirectly with the Company/ Promoter/ Promoter Group or any other entity related to the company and are independent in all aspects including compliance with extant laws and regulations applicable to appointment of Independent Directors.



- 39.LM is advised to confirm and disclose the manner of payment of offer related expenses. The offer related expenses to be deducted from the amounts received from 'Offer for Sale' and only the balance amount to be paid to the selling shareholders.
- 40.LM is advised to confirm whether the Company's financial statements underwent any significant/ material changes on first time adoption of Ind AS by the company in Fiscal 2021.
- 41.LM is advised seek an acknowledgement from RoC, Ahmedabad about the relevant filings made with the MCA registry regarding the Prospectus.
- 42. Clause 24 (3) of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018, requires LM to exercise due diligence and satisfy himself about all aspects of the issue including the veracity and adequacy of disclosures in the offer document. In view of the same, LM is advised to ensure that:
 - i. The offer document shall not contain any information where no responsibility is taken by the BRLMs or the Issuer Company / Expert.
 - ii. The "Industry Overview" section represents a fair and true view of the comparable industry scenario and the same is neither exaggerated nor have any underlying assumptions been omitted for investors to make an informed decision.
 - iii. LM is further advised to include industry report in the list of material documents for inspection and also provide a link in the offer document for online access of industry report.
- 43.LM shall confirm whether there has been a change in auditor(s) before completion of the appointed term (in any of the past five fiscal years), and the reasons thereof.
- 44. The risk factors, to the extent possible, should disclose the specific as well as financial/economic impact on the company rather than being generic.
- 45. When disclosing the status of government approvals in the Risk Factors, LM is advised to include a cross reference with specific page numbers to other sections where the disclosures are made. If approval has a validity, the same shall be mentioned. Consequences of withdrawal of licenses/approval shall be provided.
- 46.LM is advised to disclose certificate obtained by company to determine eligibility requirements of Regulation 6(1) of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations as part of material documents for inspection.





- 47.LM is advised that Market Value at Issue Price to Total Turnover and P/E Ratio at issue price shall be added in Price Advertisement. LM is also advised to add a suitable risk factor in this regard, if applicable.
- 48.LM is advised to incorporate a risk factor in top 10 disclosing that average P/E of the listed peer set is [] while our company's P/E will be at premium of [] times at the higher price band and [] times at the lower price band.

Capital Structure

- 49. In Page 69- LM is advised to disclose the compliance of provisions of companies Act and details of permissions/ filings with MCA with regard to Buyback of equity shares on December 18, 2020 and January 24, 2023.
- 50. In Page 69- LM is advised to disclose the reasons of Buyback issuance within one year of bonus issue and details regarding the same.
- 51. In Page 70- LM is advised to disclose the details of reserves utilised for bonus issue and effect on financials / reserves of the company / EPS. Further, disclose pre and post bonus reserves and reduction in the same.

Basis of Offer price

- 52. In Page 83- LM is advised to disclose data to substantiate the statements, "High entry and exit barriers due to long customer approval cycles and strict product standards", "Focus on R&D and Quality Control", etc. LM is advised to delete the disclosures which are not substantiated.
- 53. In Page 89- LM is advised to disclose the detailed methodology of calculation of WACA.
- 54. LM is advised to ensure that disclosure made with respect to Offer Price and Price Band are in compliance with Part VII of Chapter II of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018. LM is advised to refrain from making any disclosure in the offer document w.r.t. offer price which are not in line with SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018 such as "The Offer Price will be decided by our Company and the Selling Shareholders, in consultation with the BRLMs on the Pricing Date in accordance with the Book Building Process and the Red Herring Prospectus". LM is advised to make necessary changes in the offer document wherever applicable. LM is advised to ensure for all future issues as well.

Our Business

- 55. In Page 163- LM is advised to disclose that the company has not entered in to any long term arrangements as mentioned in Risk factors.
- 56. In page 163 LM is advised to delete the disclosures which are not substantiated with data under the heading "High entry and exit barriers due to long customer approval cycles and strict product standards".





- 57. In page 164- LM is advised to disclose the data on spending on R &D with detailed bifurcation for the last three years. In case there is no data, LM is advised to delete the aforementioned disclosures.
- 58. In page 178- LM is advised to disclose the reference "#".

Our Management

59. In page 191- LM is advised to confirm and disclose that the Independent directors are not related to any promoter/ promoter group / directors / KMP of company/ subsidiary or any other manner either directly or indirectly to any promoter/ promoter group / directors / KMP or their relatives of company/subsidiary/group.

Our Group Company

- 60. In page 213 LM is advised to disclose the shareholding / Beneficiary owner details of group company.
- 61. In page 343- LM is advised to include a categorical statement that it has gone through all parts of the AoA of the issuer company and confirm to SEBI that no special rights to any person in the AoA, and that if any special rights of any manner they have been deleted before filing of the UDRHP.
- 62.LM shall also confirm and disclose a statement on non-existence of any special rights of any nature in favor of any person.

63. Legal and Other Information-

- i. LM is advised to identify and include risk factor for material litigation, if any, which may adversely affect the company.
- ii. LM shall update the details of the status of litigation with the latest/ updated position of litigations against promoter/ promoter group entities/ company and the companies promoted by the issuer.
- iii. LM is advised to ensure the disclosures of all actions taken by the statutory and regulatory authority.
- 64. LM shall disclose the details of the pledged shares held by the promoters/promoter group in the Issuer Company / its subsidiaries.
- 65. LM is advised to adhere to the following conditions:
 - i. UDRHP is filed with SEBI not less than seven working days prior to submission of the draft advertisement for announcement of price band advertisement.
 - ii. UDRHP shall contain necessary updated disclosures <u>justifying the offer price</u> under Section "Basis for offer price", "Risk Factors" etc., particularly emphasizing on appropriate Key Performance Indicators as applicable to the industry in which the issuer company operates in quantitative terms, (<u>For illustration, P/E ratio in case DRHP is filed under Regulation 6 (1) of the ICDR Regulations (and /or) Market Cap / Total Revenue ratio in case DRHP is filed under Regulation 6(2) of the ICDR Regulations), with corresponding suitable explanations so as to justify the offer price</u>





- 66. LM is advised to ensure that the processing fees for applications made by Retail Individual Bidders using the UPI Mechanism may be released to the remitter banks (SCSBs) only after such banks provide a written confirmation on compliance with SEBI Circular No: SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL2/P/CIR/2021/570 dated June 02, 2021 read with SEBI Circular No: SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL2/CIR/P/2021/2480/1/M dated March 16, 2021.
- 67. LM is advised to specifically mention in the RHP that all special rights available to the Shareholders, will cease to exist upon listing of Equity Shares on the Stock Exchanges pursuant to the Offer, (without requiring any further action) except for rights subject to approval of the Shareholders by way of a special resolution, in a general meeting post listing of the Equity Shares.
- 68. LM is advised to disclose the details of all profit sharing arrangements involving the Issuer, promoters, promoter group, directors and shareholders, if any.
- 69. Ensure that details of the Directors in the section titled "Management" clearly depicts if any director is a nominee. If so, please also disclose the details who have nominated them. Similarly, such details to be disclosed for the KMPs as well. Please also confirm that apart from that disclosed in the offer document, there are no other nominee directors, KMPs or other persons etc. appointed on behalf any of the shareholders or any other person.
- 70. LM is advised to verify and disclose if the name of any of the directors, promoter and promoter group persons is appearing in the list of directors of struck-off companies by ROC/ MCA. Also verify and disclose if the name of the promoter group companies and group companies is appearing in the list of struck-off companies by ROC/ MCA.
- 71. LM to disclose all the complaints received so far, if any and forwarded by SEBI for comments be under material documents available for inspection along with their respective replies.
- 72. With respect to all the complaints received by LM/Company and complaints forwarded by SEBI, LM is advised to ensure that there is adequate redressal of the complaint and relevant disclosures, if required, are made in the Red Hearing Prospectus and other Offer related material along with the disclosures of the Financial Impact of the same, if any. Further, LM is advised to incorporate a prominent Risk Factor, if required, for such complaints received.
- 73. LM is advised to update the RHP in respect to all pending litigations including for any legal notices where the Company is in receipt of such notices post filing of DRHP.
- 74. LM is advised to ensure that the details of all the criminal matters initiated against the company, group companies, directors, subsidiaries which are at FIR stage and



no/some cognizance has been taken by court is incorporated in the RHP along with appropriate risk factors in this regard.

- 75. LM is advised to include a reference to the circulars CFD/DIL2/CIR/P/2018/22 dated Feb 15, 2018 and CFD/DIL2/CIR/P/2021/2480/1/M dated March 16, 2021 at all applicable sections in DRHP.
- 76. Special Rights Available to Specific Shareholders:
 - i) LM is advised ensure that special rights as disclosed in the DRHP shall terminate before filing of UDRHP. Further, LM is advised to include a categorical statement that it has gone through AoA of the issuer company and confirm to SEBI that no special rights to the promoters/shareholders in the AoA, at the time of filing of UDRHP.
 - ii) LM is advised to ensure that Part B of the AoA of the company shall be deleted prior to the filing of UDRHP, if any. Further, as part of corporate governance and continuing listing compliance, the issuer shall ensure that no reference is ever made about the special rights to any shareholder in any way or any communication.
 - iii) The above shall also be disclosed to the stock exchanges.
- 77. LM is advised to ensure following disclosures in the Issue advertisement for announcement of Price Band and all further advertisements as a box item below the price band:

"Risks to Investors:

- i. The [to be disclosed] Merchant Bankers associated with the issue have handled [to be disclosed] public issues in the past three years out of which [to be disclosed] issues closed below the issue price on listing date."
- ii. Any adverse data in the basis for issue price should be disclosed. For example:
 - "The Price/Earnings ratio based on diluted EPS for [latest full financial year] for the issuer at the upper end of the Price band is as high as [to be disclosed] as compared to the average industry peer group PE ratio of [to be disclosed]."

[if average industry peer group PE ratio is not available, then P/E of Nifty Fifty may be disclosed]

- "Average cost of acquisition of equity shares for the selling shareholders in IPO is [to be disclosed] and offer price at upper end of the price band is [to be disclosed]."
- "Weighted Average Return on Net Worth for [last three full financial years] is [to be disclosed] %."



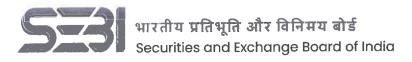
The data on above disclosures shall be updated and disclosed prominently (in the same font size as the price band) in advertisements of Price Band and all further advertisements, website of the company and the stock exchange. Further, any adverse ratio / data in basis for issue price should be disclosed.

- 78. LM shall submit the draft advertisement for announcement of Price Band with SEBI before its publication in the newspapers for our comments, if any.
- 79. In respect of advertisement for announcement of Price Band, LM shall ensure the following is included:
 - Recommendation of the Committee of Independent Directors that the price band is justified vis-à-vis the last round of fund raising giving quantitative factors / KPIs.
 - ii. The portion pertaining to "Risks to Investors" shall constitute at least 33% of the price band advertisement space.
 - iii. LM shall ensure that all issuer companies filing offer document should provide - Price at which specified security was acquired in the last 3 years, by each of the promoters, promoter group, selling shareholders, shareholders entitled with right to nominate directors or any other rights. Following details may be disclosed for such transactions in tabular format – name of acquirer, date of acquisition, number of shares acquired and acquisition price per share.
 - iv. The risks to investors shall include weighted average cost of acquisition of all shares transacted in last 3 years and 1 year, from the date of RHP, in the following format:

Period	Weighted	Cap Price is 'X'	Range of
	Average Cost of	times the	acquisition
	Acquisition (in	Weighted	price: Lowest
	Rs.)	Average Cost of	Price - Highest
		Acquisition	Price (in Rs.)
Last 1 year			
Last 3 years			

- v. The font size for price band and "Risk to investors" should be increased to match the font of BID/Offer Programme.
- vi. Matters related to ASBA and UPI may be brought subsequent to Price Band, Risks to Investors, Bid/ Offer Programme and other offer details, and can be of smaller font.
- vii. The portion pertaining to "BRLMs" shall not constitute more than 10% of the price band advertisement space.
- 80. LM shall ensure that the details with respect to Fresh Issue and Offer for Sale be separately disclosed in the Price Band advertisement and details of selling shareholders be presented in a tabular format.





- 81. LM shall ensure that the range of acquisition price (lowest price-highest price), as disclosed in the RHP and Price Band advertisement, should not be 'Nil' and be computed exclusive of bonus and gift.
- 82. LM is advised to disclose major risk factors concisely in the "Risk to investors" section of the Price Band Advertisement.
- 83. LM shall ensure that the details of past issues handled by BRLMs, which closed below the offer price on the listing date, to be published in the below mentioned format:

BRLMs	Total Issues	Issues closed below IPO Price on listing date
BRLM 1/ BRLM 2/ BRLM 3		
Common issues of BRLMs		
Total		



Annexure II

General Observations

- 1. LM is advised to ensure that prior to filing of RHP with Registrar of Companies, the Issuer Company has received crucial clearances / licenses / permissions / approvals from the required competent authority which are necessary for commencement of the activity for which the issue proceeds are proposed to be utilized.
- 2. LM is advised to ensure that the 'Observation Letter' issued by SEBI is included among the material contracts and documents for inspection.
- 3. LM is advised to ensure that cover page to be strictly in compliance with the ICDR Schedule VI- all extra texts may be avoided to ensure that the focus remains on the statutory texts mentioned in the Schedule.
- 4. LM is advised to ensure that prior to proceeding with the issue, "No Objection Certificates" are obtained from all the lenders with whom the company has entered into an agreement and the terms of such agreement require an approval to be taken.
- 5. LM is advised to ensure that adequate disclosures are made to disclose any material development which may have a material effect on the Issuer Company between the date of registering final prospectus or the red herring prospectus or the letter of offer, with the Registrar of Companies or designated stock exchange, as the case may be, and the date of allotment of specified securities, while ensuring compliance with Regulation 42 and Schedule IX of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.
- **6.** LM is advised to ensure that exact cross-referencing of page numbers is provided in the offer document instead of general cross-referencing.
- 7. In terms of Regulation 7.(1)(c) of SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 and Regulation 31.(2) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Issuer Company and the Lead Manger are advised to ensure compliance with the requirement pertaining to shareholding of promoter(s) and promoter group to be held in dematerialised form.
- **8.** LM is advised to ensure that SCORES authentication is taken by the issuer company prior to listing.
- 9. In pursuance of Regulation 25 Sub-Regulation 9(a) of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018, LM is advised to certify while submitting the in-seriatim reply that all amendments, suggestions and observations advised by SEBI have been complied



with and duly incorporated in the offer document, while also indicating the page number for the same.

10.ASBA:

- i) LM is advised to ensure that sufficient number of Physical ASBA forms are printed and dispatched directly to all designated branches of SCSBs which are located in places of mandatory collection centers as specified in Schedule XII of SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018, Syndicate Members and Registered Brokers of Stock Exchanges, the Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents (RTAs) and Depository Participants (DPs) registered with SEBI, at least two days before the opening of the issue. This shall be in addition to ASBA forms which shall be sent to controlling branch of SCSBs for sending to designated branches other than those located in mandatory collection center.
- ii) LM is advised to ensure that the ASBA mode of payment is highlighted in bold in all the advertisement / communication informing about the issue. Further, LM is also advised to ensure that the following is suitably incorporated in all advertisements / communications regarding the issue issued by the issuer:
 - a. The following may appear just below the price information of the issue as shown below:

"PRICE BAND: RS. xx TO RS. xx PER EQUITY SHARE OF FACE VALUE OF RS. xx EACH

THE FLOOR PRICE IS XX TIMES OF THE FACE VALUE AND THE CAP PRICE IS XX TIMES OF THE FACE VALUE

BID CAN BE MADE FOR A MINIMUM OF XX EQUITY SHARES AND IN MULTIPLES OF XX EQUITY SHARES THEREAFTER.

ASBA .

(APPLICATION SUPPORTED BY BLOCKED AMOUNT)

Simple, Safe, Smart way of Application !!!

Mandatory in public issue . No cheque will be accepted





now available in ASBA for retail individual investors.

*ASBA is a better way of applying to issues by simply blocking the fund in the bank account.

For further details check section on ASBA below."

b. The following paragraph on ASBA may be inserted in the advertisement/Communications:

"ASBA has to be availed by all the investors except anchor investors. UPI may be availed by Retail Individual Investors.

For details on the ASBA and UPI process, please refer to the details given in ASBA form and abridged prospectus and also please refer to the section "Issue Procedure - Issue Procedure of ASBA Bidders" beginning on page xxx of the Red Herring Prospectus. The process is also available on the website of AIBI and Exchanges in the General Information Document."

ASBA bid-cum application forms can be downloaded from the websites of Bombay Stock Exchange and National Stock Exchange and can be obtained from the list of banks that is displayed on the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in.**List of banks supporting UPI is also available on the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in**.