



NOMINATION AND
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Introduction

This policy on the nomination and remuneration of Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management Personnel ("Policy") and has been formulated by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and approved and amended by the Board of Directors of Neelkanth Limited (Formerly known as R T Exports Limited).

This Policy is guided by the principles and objectives as enumerated in Section 178 (3) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder, each as amended (the "Act") and Regulation 19 read with Part D of Schedule II of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended ("SEBI Listing Regulations") and other applicable laws (hereinafter referred to as "Relevant laws"), to ensure reasonableness and sufficiency of remuneration to attract, retain and motivate competent resources, a clear relationship of remuneration to performance and a balance between rewarding short and long-term performance of the Company. The Board has constituted a nomination and remuneration committee (the "NR Committee") which is in compliance with the requirements of the relevant laws.

Objectives

The NR 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 ("KMP") and Senior Management Personnel ("SMP").
- b. Formulate the criteria for evaluation of performance of Independent Directors and the Board.
- c. Identify persons who are qualified to become Directors and persons who may be appointed in Key Managerial and Senior Management positions in accordance with the criteria laid down in this policy.
- d. Recommend to the Board, appointment and removal of Director, KMP and SMP.
- e. Devise a policy on diversity of Board;
- f. 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;
- g. To ensure that level and composition of remuneration is reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate Directors of the quality required to run the Company successfully; and
- h. Relationship of remuneration to performance is clear and meets appropriate performance benchmarks.

Definitions

1. "Board" or "Board of Directors": - Board or Board of Directors means the board of directors of the Company;
2. "Director": - Director means Director of the Company appointed in accordance with

the Act;

3. “NR Committee”: - NR Committee means Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company as constituted or reconstituted by the Board, from time to time;
4. “Company”: - Company means Neelkanth Limited;
5. “Independent Director”: As provided under the Act, an Independent Director in relation to a company, means a Director other than a Managing Director or a Whole-Time Director or a Nominee Director,
 - (i) who, in the opinion of the Board, is a person of integrity and possesses relevant expertise and experience;
 - (ii) who is or was not a promoter of the Company or its holding, subsidiary, or associate company;
 - (iii) who is not related to promoters or directors in the company, its holding, subsidiary, or associate company;
 - (iv) who, apart from receiving director’s remuneration, has or had no pecuniary relationship with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or their promoters, or directors, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financial year;
 - (v) none of whose relatives has or had pecuniary relationship or transaction with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company, or their promoters, or directors, amounting to two per cent or more of its gross turnover or total income or fifty lakh rupees or such higher amount as may be prescribed, whichever is lower, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financial year;
 - (vi) who, neither himself nor any of his relatives –
 - holds or has held the position of a key managerial personnel or is or has been employee of the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate company in any of the three financial years immediately preceding the financial year in which he is proposed to be appointed;
 - is or has been an employee or proprietor or a partner, in any of the three financial years immediately preceding the financial year in which he is proposed to be appointed, of – a) a firm of auditors or company secretaries in practice or cost auditors of the company or its holding, subsidiary or associate company; or b) any legal or a consulting firm that has or had any transaction with the company, its holding, subsidiary or associate company amounting to ten per cent or more of the gross turnover of such firm;
 - holds together with his relatives two per cent. or more of the total voting power of the Company; or is a chief executive or director, by whatever name called, of any non-profit organisation that receives twenty-five per cent or more of its receipts from the company, any of its promoters, directors or its holding, subsidiary or associate company or that holds two per cent. or more of the total voting power of the company;
 - or
 - who is not a non-independent director of another company on the board of which any non-independent director of the listed entity is an independent director; (vii) who possesses such other qualifications as may be prescribed.
6. “Key Managerial Personnel”: - Key Managerial Personnel or KMP means- (i) the Chief Executive Officer or the Managing Director or the Manager; (ii) the Company Secretary; (iii) the Whole-Time Director; (iv) the Chief Financial Officer; (v) such other officer, not more than one level below the directors who is in whole-time employment, designated as Key Managerial Personnel by the Board; and (vi) such other officer as may be prescribed or defined under the Act.

7. “Senior Management Personnel”: - Senior Management’ Personnel includes personnel of the Company who are members of its core management team and are, one level below the Chief Executive Officer/ Managing Director/ whole-time Director. These are functional heads, Consultants and shall include any other officer as determined by the NR Committee and the Board from time to time include full time Consultants. Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this policy and not defined herein but defined in the Act as may be amended from time to time shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them therein.

Applicability:

The Policy is applicable to: (i) Directors (Executive and Non-Executive); (ii) Key Managerial Personnel; and (iii) Senior Management Personnel.

Constitution of the NR Committee:

The Board has the power to constitute/ re-constitute the Committee from time to time in order to make it consistent with the Company’s policy and applicable statutory requirement. The Constitution is disclosed on the website of the company at www.rtexports.com

General Appointment Criteria:

1. The NR 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.
2. The Company should ensure that the person so appointed as Director/ Independent Director/ KMP/ Senior Management Personnel shall not be disqualified under the Act, rules made thereunder, or any other enactment for the time being in force.
3. The Director/ Independent Director/ KMP/ Senior Management Personnel shall be appointed as per the procedure laid down under the provisions of the Act, rules made there under, and any other enactment for the time being in force which is applicable to the Company.

Additional criteria for Appointment of Independent Directors:

The NR Committee shall consider qualifications for Independent Directors as mentioned in herein earlier under the head ‘Definitions’ and their appointment shall be governed as per the provisions of Section 149 of the Act.

Term/Tenure:

Executive Chairman/ Whole-time Director

The Company shall appoint or re-appoint any person as its Executive Chairman or Whole-time Director for a term not exceeding five years at a time or as may be prescribed under the Act. No re-appointment shall be made earlier than one year before the expiry of term.

Independent Director

An Independent Director shall hold office for a term up to five consecutive years on the Board

of the Company and will be eligible for re-appointment on passing of a special resolution by the Company and disclosure of such appointment in the Board's report.

No Independent Director shall hold office for more than two consecutive terms, but such Independent Director shall be eligible for appointment after expiry of three years of ceasing to become an Independent Director.

Provided that an Independent Director shall not, during the said period of three years, be appointed in or be associated with the Company in any other capacity, either directly or indirectly.

At the time of appointment of Independent Director, it should be ensured that number of Boards on which such Independent Director serves is restricted to seven listed companies as an Independent Director and three listed companies as an Independent Director in case such person is serving as a Whole-time Director of a listed company, or such other number as may be prescribed under the Act.

Removal

Due to reasons for any disqualification mentioned in the Act, rules made there under or under any other applicable Act, rules and regulations or any other reasonable ground, the NR Committee may recommend to the Board for removal of a Director, KMP or SMP subject to the provisions and compliance of the said Act, rules and regulations.

Criteria for Evaluation of Independent Director and the Board

The 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;
- 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;
- F. Inform the board immediately when they lose their independence;
- G. Assist the company in implementing the best corporate governance practices;
- H. Strive to attend all meetings of the Board and the committees;
- I. Participate constructively and actively in the committees of the board in which they are members;
- J. Strive to attend the board, committee and general meetings of the company;
- K. Keep themselves well informed about the company and the external environment in which it operates;
- L. Do not to unfairly obstruct the functioning of an otherwise proper board or committee of the board;
- M. Moderate and arbitrate in the interest of the company as a whole, in situations of conflict between management and shareholder's interest; and
- N. Abide by company's memorandum and articles of association, company's policies and

procedures including code of conduct, insider trading guidelines etc.

Board Diversity:

The Board may have the combination of Directors from the different areas / fields or as may be considered appropriate. Further, the Company will devise a policy on diversity of board of directors in accordance with applicable regulations.

Remuneration:

The NR Committee will recommend the remuneration to be paid to the Executive Chairman, Managing Director, Whole-time Director and KMP to the Board for their approval.

The level and composition of remuneration so determined by the NR Committee shall be reasonable and sufficient to attract, retain and motivate Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Senior Management Personnel of the quality required to run the Company successfully. The relationship of remuneration to performance should be made clear and should 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.

Executive Chairman/ Managing Director/ Whole-Time Director

The elements of the total compensation, approved by the NR Committee, will be within the overall limits specified under the Act. The remuneration/ compensation/ commission etc. to be paid to Executive Chairman/ Managing Director/ Whole-time Director etc. shall be governed as per provisions of the Act, and rules made there under or any other enactment for the time being in force. The remuneration payable by the Company to the Executive Directors shall be subject to the conditions specified in the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations including in terms of monetary limits, approval requirements and disclosure requirements.

Non-Executive Directors

The Non- Executive Director may receive sitting fees for attending meetings of Board or NR Committee thereof. The remuneration/ commission/ compensation to the Non-Executive Directors will be determined by the NR Committee and recommended to the Board for its approval. The remuneration payable by the Company to Non-Executive Directors shall be subject to the conditions specified in the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations including in terms of monetary limits, approval requirements and disclosure requirements.

KMP/ SMP

The Remuneration to be paid to KMPs/ SMPs shall be based on the experience, qualification and expertise of the related personnel and governed by the limits, if any prescribed under the Act, and rules made there under or any other enactment for the time being in force.

Chairperson

Chairperson of the NR Committee shall be an Independent Director.

Chairperson of the Company may be appointed as a member of the NR Committee but shall not be a Chairperson of the NR Committee.

In the absence of the Chairperson, the members of the NR Committee present at the meeting shall choose one amongst them to act as Chairperson.

Chairperson of the NR Committee meeting could be present at the annual general meeting of the Company or may nominate some other member to answer the shareholders' queries.

Frequency of Meetings

The meeting of the NR Committee shall be held at such regular intervals as may be required.

NR Committee Members Interest

A member of the NR Committee is not entitled to participate in discussions when his/ her own remuneration is discussed at a meeting or when his/her performance is being evaluated. The NR Committee may invite such executives, as it considers appropriate, to be present at the meetings of the NR Committee.

Secretary

The Company Secretary of the Company shall act as Secretary of the NR Committee.

Voting

Matters arising for determination at NR Committee meetings shall be decided by a majority of votes of Members present and voting and any such decision shall for all purposes be deemed a decision of the NR Committee.

Changes & Disclosure of Information

1. This Policy and any changes thereof will be approved by the Board based on the recommendation(s) of the NR Committee.
2. This policy may be reviewed at such intervals as the Board or NR Committee may deem necessary.
3. Such disclosures of this Policy as may be required under the Act and SEBI Listing Regulations may be made.
