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February 23, 2024

<b>BSE Limited</b>	National Stock Exchange of India Ltd
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Dalal Street,	Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East),
Mumbai - 400 001	Mumbai - 400 051
BSE Scrip Code: 500067	NSE Symbol: BLUESTARCO

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### Sub: Postal Ballot Notice – Disclosure under Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (the 'Listing Regulations')

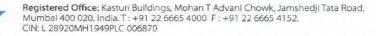
Pursuant to Regulation 30 read with Schedule III of the Listing Regulations, we are enclosing herewith the Postal Ballot Notice dated February 23, 2024 (the 'Notice'), together with Explanatory Statement which is being sent to the Members on their registered email address, seeking approval for the following Special Businesses as set out in the said Notice:

Sr. No.	Resolution	Approval
1.	Appointment of Mr G Murlidhar (DIN: 03601196) as an	Special Resolution
	Independent Director of the Company to hold office for	
	a term of five consecutive years commencing from	
	January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029	
2.	Appointment of Mr Vipin Sondhi (DIN: 00327400) as an	Special Resolution
	Independent Director of the Company to hold office for	
	a term of five consecutive years commencing from	
	January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029	

In compliance with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs circulars, physical copies of the Notice, postal ballot forms and pre-paid business envelopes are not being sent to Members for this Postal Ballot. Notice is being sent in electronic form only.

The remote e-voting period will commence on Monday, February 26, 2024, (09:00 hours IST) and will end on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, (17:00 hours IST). During this period, Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date i.e., **Friday, February 16, 2024**, may cast their votes communicating assent or dissent by way of remote e-voting system only.

The results of Postal Ballot through remote e-voting shall be declared on or before Thursday, March 28, 2024.





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The said information is also being made available on the website of the Company at <u>www.bluestarindia.com</u>.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully, For **Blue Star Limited** 



Rajesh Parte Company Secretary & Compliance Officer Encl.: a/a

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#### BLUE STAR LIMITED

CIN: L28920MH1949PLC006870 Registered Office: Kasturi Buildings, Mohan T Advani Chowk, Jamshedji Tata Road, Mumbai 400 020. Tel: +91 22 6665 4000, +91 22 6654 4000; Fax: +91 22 6665 4151 Website: www.bluestarindia.com; Email: investorrelations@bluestarindia.com

#### POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE

Dear Member(s),

**NOTICE** is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 108, 110 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 (the "Act") read with Rules 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 ("the **Rules**"), Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations"), read with General Circular Nos.14/2020 dated April 8, 2020, 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 read with other relevant circulars including General Circular No. 09/2023 dated September 25, 2023, issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (the "MCA Circulars") Secretarial Standards on General Meetings ("SS-2") issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and any other applicable provisions, of the Act, rules, regulations, circulars and notifications (including any statutory modification(s), clarification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force) to transact the items of special business as set out in the Postal Ballot Notice proposed to be passed by the Members of Blue Star Limited ("**the Company**") through remote e-voting i.e. voting through electronics means.

In compliance with Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 108 and 110 of the Act, read with the Rules framed thereunder and the MCA Circulars, the manner of voting on the proposed resolutions are restricted only to remote e-voting i.e., by casting votes electronically instead of submitting postal ballot forms. In accordance with the requirements of MCA Circulars, the Company will send Postal Ballot Notice by email, to only those members who have registered their email addresses with the Company/RTA or depository/depository participants as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, February 16, 2024. The communication of assent/dissent of the members will only take place through the remote e-voting system, and hence, hard copy of the Postal Ballot Notice along with postal ballot forms and pre-paid business envelope is not being sent to the Members. Further, the Company has made necessary arrangements with the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, Link Intime India Private Limited ("RTA") for the Members to register their e-mail address. Therefore, those Members who have not yet registered their e-mail address are requested to register the same by following the procedure set out in the Notes to the Postal Ballot Notice. Members who have already registered their e-mail addresses are requested to keep their e-mail addresses validated with the Company /RTA/depository participants to enable servicing of documents electronically to their email address.



In compliance with the provisions of Section 108, 110 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rules framed thereunder, Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations and SS-2, the Company has engaged National Securities Depository Limited ('NSDL'), an authorised agency, to provide remote e-voting facility to its Members. The procedure for remote e-voting is provided in the Notes to this Postal Ballot Notice.

The remote e-voting period will commence on Monday, February 26, 2024 (9:00 hours IST) and will end on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, (17:00 hours IST). During the remote e-voting period, Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in demat form, as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, February 16, 2024, may cast their vote electronically.

The Board of Directors (the "Board') has appointed Mr Bharat R Upadhyay (Membership No. FCS 5436), failing him Mr Bhaskar Upadhyay (Membership No. FCS 8663) Partners of M/s N L Bhatia & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, as the Scrutinizer to conduct the Postal Ballot through remote e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.

After completion of remote e-voting period, the Scrutinizer will submit his Report to the Chairman/Vice Chairman & Managing Director/Managing Director/Group Chief Financial Officer/Company Secretary & Compliance Officer of the Company ('officials'). The results of the voting conducted through postal ballot (through the remote e-voting process) along with Scrutinizer's Report will be announced by either of the aforesaid officials of the Company on or before Thursday, March 28, 2024.

The Board of Directors of the Company now propose to obtain the consent of the members by way of Postal Ballot for the matters as considered in the Special Resolution ('Resolutions') appended below in accordance with Rule 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014. The Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102, 110 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act pertaining to the said Resolutions setting out material facts and the reasons for the Resolutions is also annexed.

You are requested to peruse the proposed Resolutions along with the Explanatory Statement and thereafter record your assent or dissent by means of remote e-voting facility provided by the Company.

#### SPECIAL BUSINESS

1. <u>Appointment of Mr G Murlidhar (DIN: 03601196) as an Independent Director</u> of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years commencing from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029

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 and 161 of the Companies Act, 2013 (the 'Act') read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act and Rules framed thereunder, and pursuant to Regulation 16 and other applicable provisions, if any, of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, (the 'Listing Regulations') (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force), and on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company, Mr G Murlidhar (DIN: 03601196), who meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under the Act and the Listing Regulations, and who was appointed as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice from member proposing his candidature for the office of Director under Section 160 of the Act, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, not eligible to retire by rotation, upon such remuneration as may be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time within the overall limits of remuneration under the Act and the Listing Regulations, if any;

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board, be and is hereby authorised to do all such acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this Resolution."

#### 2. <u>Appointment of Mr Vipin Sondhi (DIN: 00327400) as an Independent Director</u> of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years commencing from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029

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 and 161 of the Companies Act, 2013 (the 'Act') read with Schedule IV and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act and Rules framed thereunder, and pursuant to Regulation 16 and other applicable provisions, if any, of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, (the 'Listing Regulations') (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force), and on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company, Mr Vipin Sondhi (DIN: 00327400), who meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under the Act and the Listing Regulations, and who was appointed as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice from member proposing his candidature for the office of Director under Section 160 of the Act, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company to hold office for a term of five consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, not eligible to retire by rotation, upon such remuneration as may be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company



from time to time within the overall limits of remuneration under the Act and the Listing Regulations, if any;

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board, be and is hereby authorised to do all such acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this Resolution."

By Order of the Board of Directors

Kasturi Buildings Mohan T Advani Chowk Jamshedji Tata Road Rajesh Parte Mumbai 400 020 Company Secretary & Compliance Officer CIN: L28920MH1949PLC006870 Membership No.: A10700 Tel: +91 22 6665 4000 Fax: +91 22 6665 4151 Website: www.bluestarindia.com Email: investorrelations@bluestarindia.com

Date : February 23, 2024 Place : Mumbai

**BLUE STAR LIMITED** 



#### NOTES:

- 1. The relevant Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 and 110 of the Act read with Rule 22 of the Rules setting out the material facts and reasons for the proposed Resolution mentioned in the Postal Ballot Notice is appended herein below for your consideration.
- 2. In compliance with the MCA Circulars, the Postal Ballot Notice along with the instructions regarding Remote e-Voting is being sent by email to all the Members, whose names appear on the Register of Members/List of Beneficial Owners as received from National Securities Depository Limited ('NSDL') and Central Depository Services (India) Limited ('CDSL') as on Friday, February 16, 2024, (the 'cut-off date') and who have registered their email addresses in respect of electronic holdings with the Depository through the concerned Depository Participants and in respect of physical holdings with the Company and Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, Link Intime India Private Limited ("RTA").
- 3. The remote e-voting period will commence on Monday, February 26, 2024 (9:00 hours IST) and will end on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, (17:00 hours IST). (The e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter and the voting shall not be allowed beyond the said date and time.) During this period, Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in demat form, as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, February 16, 2024, may cast their vote electronically.
- 4. The voting shall be reckoned in proportion to a Member's share of voting rights on the paid-up share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date.
- 5. Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act and Rules framed thereunder and the Listing Regulations, the Company can serve notices, annual reports and other communication through electronic mode to those Members who have registered their e-mail addresses either with the Depository Participant(s) or the Company. Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses with the Company can now register the same by sending an e-mail to the RTA on <u>rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in</u>. Members holding shares in demat form are requested to register their e-mail addresses with their Depository Participant(s) only.
- 6. The Resolution, if approved by the requisite majority through Postal Ballot, shall be deemed to have been duly passed on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 i.e. the last date specified by the Company for receipt of votes through the Remote e-Voting process.
- 7. A member cannot exercise his vote by proxy on Postal Ballot.
- 8. As required by Rule 20 and Rule 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 read with the MCA Circulars and the Listing Regulations, the details pertaining to this Postal Ballot will be published in one



English national daily newspaper circulating throughout India (in English language) and one regional daily newspaper circulating in Maharashtra (in vernacular language, i.e. Marathi).

- In case of any query/grievance in connection with the Postal Ballot including evoting, Members may contact NSDL by e-mail at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> or the Company Secretary at the contact details given hereinabove or at <u>investorrelations@bluestarindia.com</u>.
- 10. The Postal Ballot Notice is also placed on the website of the Company <u>www.bluestarindia.com</u>, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at <u>www.bseindia.com</u> and <u>www.nseindia.com</u> respectively and website of NSDL <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
- 11. All documents referred to in the Postal Ballot Notice will also be available electronically for inspection, without any fee, to the Members from the date of circulation of the Postal Ballot Notice up to the closure of the voting period. Members desirous of inspecting the documents referred to in the Notice or Statement may send their requests to investorrelations@bluestarindia.com from their registered e-mail addresses mentioning their names, folio numbers/DP ID and Client ID..
- 12. The results of the postal ballot will be placed on the Company's website at <u>www.bluestarindia.com</u> and on the website of NSDL at <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> and will also be intimated to the Stock Exchanges where the shares of the Company are listed i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited, in accordance with the provisions of Listing Regulations. The Company will also display the results of the postal ballot at its registered office as well as corporate office.

#### VOTING THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS

In compliance with provision of Section 108, 110 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rules framed thereunder, Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations and SS-2, the Company is pleased to provide e-voting facility to all its members, to enable them to cast their vote electronically instead of dispatching the physical Postal Ballot form by post. The Company has engaged the services of NSDL for the purpose of providing e-voting facility to all its members.

The instruction for e-voting are as under:

The e-voting period commences on Monday, February 26, 2024 (9:00 hours IST) and will end on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, (17:00 hours IST). During this period, Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in demat form, as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, February 16, 2024, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting



module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter and the voting shall not be allowed beyond the said date and time.

## THE DETAILS OF THE PROCESS AND MANNER FOR REMOTE E-VOTING ARE EXPLAINED AS MENTIONED BELOW:

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 at <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> Step 2: Cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-voting system.

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

A. Login method for e-Voting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode

In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 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 email 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 holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	1. If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, please visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com</u> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under "IdeAS" section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your 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 options available against company name or e-Voting service provider –



**NSDL** and you will be re-directed to NSDL e-Voting website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.

- If the user is not registered for IdeAS e-Services, option to register is available at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com</u>. Select "Register Online for IdeAS" Portal or click at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp</u>
- 3. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> either 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 16-digit demat account number held 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 options available against company name or e-Voting service provider NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
- Shareholders/Members can also download NSDL Mobile App "NSDL Speede" facility by scanning the QR code mentioned below for seamless voting experience.

### NSDL Mobile App is available on App Store Sociel Play





Individual<br/>Shareholders<br/>holding<br/>securities in1. Existing users who have opted for Easi/Easiest facility, they<br/>can login through their user id and password. Option will be<br/>made available to reach e-Voting page without any further<br/>authentication. The users to login to Easi/Easiest are<br/>requested to visit CDSL website at www.cdslindia.com and



demat mode with CDSL	click on login icon and New System Myeasi tab and then use your existing my easi username & password.
	2. After successful login to the Easi/Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting option for eligible companies where the evoting is in progress as per the information provided by company. On clicking the e-voting option, the user will be able to see the e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. Additionally, there is also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.
	3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at CDSL website at <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> and click on login and New System Myeasi tab and then click on registration option.
	4. Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a e-Voting link available on <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile and Email id as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be able to see the e-Voting option where the evoting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers i.e. <b>NSDL</b> where the e-Voting is in progress.
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their depository participants	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Once logged in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Once you 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 options available against company name or <b>e-Voting service provider-NSDL</b> and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.



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

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 NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> or call at toll free no.: 022 – 4886 7000 and 022 – 2499 7000	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or contact at 1800 22 55 33	

# B. Login Method 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?

- Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> either 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 login at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com/</u> with your existing IDEAS login. Once you login 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 127968 then user ID is 127968 001***

- 5. Password details for shareholders other than Individual shareholders are given below:
  - a) If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.
  - b) 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 <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
  - b) **"Physical User Reset Password?"** (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
  - 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.com">evoting@nsdl.com</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 on NSDL e-Voting system

#### How to cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system?

- 1. 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.
- 2. Select "EVEN" of company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
- 3. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- 4. 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 <u>navnitlb@nlba.in</u> with a copy marked to <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u>. Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) can also upload their Board Resolution/Power of Attorney/Authority Letter etc. by clicking on "Upload Board Resolution/Authority Letter" displayed under "e-Voting" tab in their login.
- 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 <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> to reset the password.



 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 <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> or call on toll free no.: 022 – 4886 7000 and 022 – 2499 7000 or send a request to Ms Pallavi Mhatre, Senior Manager – NSDL at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u>.

#### PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL IDS ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE DEPOSITORIES FOR PROCURING USER ID AND PASSWORD AND REGISTRATION OF EMAIL IDS FOR E-VOTING FOR THE RESOLUTION 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 (selfattested scanned copy of PAN card) and AADHAAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhaar Card) by email to <u>rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in</u>.
- In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16-digit beneficiary ID), name of shareholder, client master or copy of consolidated account statement, PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhaar Card) to <u>rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in</u>. 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. <u>Login method for e-Voting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.</u>
- 3. Alternatively, shareholders may send a request to <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> for procuring user id and password for e-voting by providing above mentioned documents.
- 4. In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 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.

#### IN CASE OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT REGISTERED THEIR EMAIL ADDRESS:

In terms of the MCA Circulars, the Company will send Postal Ballot Notice in electronic form only and hard copy of Postal Ballot Notice along with Postal Ballot forms and prepaid business envelope will not be sent to the members for this Postal Ballot. Accordingly, the communication of the assent or dissent of the members would take place through the remote e-voting system only. Therefore, those members who have not yet registered their email address are requested to get their email addresses registered by following the procedure given below:

(i) In light of the MCA Circulars, members who have not registered their email address and in consequence could not receive the postal ballot/ e-voting notice may temporarily get their email registered with the Company's RTA, Link Intime India Private Limited, by clicking the link:



<u>https://linkintime.co.in/EmailReg/email\_register.html</u> and following the registration process as guided thereafter. Post successful registration of the email, the members would get soft copy of the notice and the procedure for e-voting along with the User ID and the Password to enable e-voting for this Postal Ballot. In case of any queries, members may write to <u>rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in</u>

(ii) It is clarified that for permanent registration of email address, the members are however requested to register their email address, in respect of electronic holdings with the Depository through the concerned Depository Participants and in respect of physical holdings with the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, Link Intime India Private Limited.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

#### ITEM NO. 1

In accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (the 'Act'), SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, (the 'Listing Regulations') and Nomination and Remuneration Policy of the Company, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee ('NRC') at its meeting held on January 29, 2024, after taking into consideration Mr G Murlidhar's expertise in the area of Strategy & Business Planning, Financial Acumen, Governance, Stakeholder Value Creation among others, his experience, knowledge, has recommended to the Board for his appointment as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years. The NRC is of the view that Mr G Murlidhar (DIN: 03601196) possesses the requisite skills and capabilities, which would be of immense benefit to the Company, and hence, it is desirable to appoint him as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years. Based on the recommendation of the NRC, the Board of Directors approved the appointment of Mr G Murlidhar as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director of the Company for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, not liable to retire by rotation, subject to the approval of the Shareholders of the Company through Special Resolution.

#### **Brief Profile:**

Mr G Murlidhar is a finance professional with around 40 years of expertise across various industries including insurance, financial services, manufacturing, and pharma. He holds a bachelor's degree in physics from Mumbai University, apart from being a Chartered Account, Cost Accountant and Company Secretary. He also completed the Advanced Management Programme from Harvard Business School, Boston, USA. In the first part of his career, Mr G Murlidhar gained experience across a variety of businesses in manufacturing including engineering, electrical safety, pharmaceutical, and glass manufacturing having worked with reputed companies such as Gujarat Glass (now Piramal Glass), Ion Exchange, Nicholas Piramal Pharmaceuticals and MDS Switchgear (Now Legrand). Thereafter, in 2000, he transitioned to financial services and was the Founding Member of Kotak Life Insurance where he played a significant role in spearheading one of the fastest-growing life insurance companies in India and rose to become its Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer. Having worked at all levels in a finance function from accountant to head of finance, Mr G Murlidhar is passionate about designing talent development and performance management processes that transform teams into high-performing centers of excellence.

The Company has received a declaration from Mr G Murlidhar under Section 149 of the Act and Regulation 16 of the Listing Regulations confirming that he meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under the Act and Listing Regulations. The Company has also received from Mr G Murlidhar consent for appointment and a declaration that he is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of



Section 164 of the Act. Mr G Murlidhar is also registered with databank of Independent Directors maintained by the Institute of Corporate Affairs. Further, Mr G Murlidhar is not debarred from holding office of a Director by virtue of any order passed by SEBI or any other such authority.

The Company has received a notice in writing from a member under Section 160 of the Act proposing the candidature of Mr G Murlidhar for the office of Director of the Company.

In the opinion of the Board, Mr G Murlidhar fulfils the conditions of Independence as specified in the Act and the Listing Regulations for his proposed appointment as an Independent Director and is independent of the Management.

The Board is of the view that it will be in the best interest of the Company to appoint him as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029.

Copy of the draft letter of appointment for Independent Director setting out the terms and conditions will be available for inspection during remote e-voting period. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to investorrelations@bluestarindia.com.

Additional information as required under Regulation 36 and SS-2 is provided under 'Annexure – I' to this Postal Ballot Notice.

The Board of Directors recommends the special resolution as set out at item no. 1 of the Postal Ballot Notice for re-appointment of Mr G Murlidhar as an Independent Director of the Company for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, for approval of the Members.

Except Mr G Murlidhar as it concerns himself, none of the other Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their respective relatives, is financially or otherwise, concerned or interested in the said resolution.

#### ITEM NO. 2

In accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (the 'Act'), SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, (the 'Listing Regulations') and Nomination and Remuneration Policy of the Company, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee ('NRC') at its meeting held on January 29, 2024, after taking into consideration Mr Vipin Sondhi's expertise in the area of Strategy & Business Planning, Financial Acumen, Governance, Stakeholder Value Creation among others, his experience, knowledge, has recommended to the Board for his appointment as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years. The NRC is of the view that Mr Vipin Sondhi (DIN: 00327400) possesses the requisite skills and capabilities, which would be of immense benefit to the Company,



and hence, it is desirable to appoint him as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years. Based on the recommendation of the NRC, the Board of Directors approved the appointment of Mr Vipin Sondhi as an Additional Director designated as an Independent Director of the Company for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, not liable to retire by rotation, subject to the approval of the Shareholders of the Company through Special Resolution.

#### **Brief Profile:**

Mr Vipin Sondhi has four decades of experience in the Manufacturing and Engineering arena. He holds a bachelor's degree in technology in Mechanical Engineering from IIT Delhi and a Post Graduate Management Degree from IIM, Ahmedabad. Mr Sondhi has been the Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Tecumseh India, JCB India and most recently Ashok Leyland. He has also worked with other reputed organisations including Escorts Group, Shriram Honda Power Equipment and Tata Iron & Steel Company. Mr Sondhi has also held several Advisory roles such as Chairperson, National Board for Quality Promotion, Quality Council of India; Member, Technology Advisory Group to Empowered Technology Group (Appointed by Principal Scientific, Advisor to Govt. of India) and Member, Consultative Group of Experts on e-Mobility, Niti Aayog, Govt. of India. In addition, he has been a past Vice President, Society of India Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) and on the Board of several NGOs such as Bharatiya Yuva Shakti Trust, Ananta Centre, and Sasakawa India Leprosy Foundation.

The Company has received a declaration from Mr Vipin under Section 149 of the Act and Regulation 16 of the Listing Regulations confirming that he meets the criteria of independence as prescribed under the Act and Listing Regulations. The Company has also received from Mr Vipin consent for appointment and a declaration that he is not disqualified from being appointed as a Director in terms of Section 164 of the Act. Mr Vipin is also registered with databank of Independent Directors maintained by the Institute of Corporate Affairs. Further, Mr Vipin is not debarred from holding office of a Director by virtue of any order passed by SEBI or any other such authority.

The Company has received a notice in writing from a member under Section 160 of the Act proposing the candidature of Mr Vipin for the office of Director of the Company.

In the opinion of the Board, Mr Vipin fulfils the conditions of Independence as specified in the Act and the Listing Regulations for his proposed appointment as an Independent Director and is independent of the Management.

The Board is of the view that it will be in the best interest of the Company to appoint him as an Independent Director for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029.

Copy of the draft letter of appointment for Independent Director setting out the terms and conditions will be available for inspection during remote e-voting period. Members



seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to investorrelations@bluestarindia.com.

Additional information as required under Regulation 36 and SS-2 is provided under 'Annexure – I' to this Postal Ballot Notice.

The Board of Directors recommends the special resolution as set out at item no. 2 of the Postal Ballot Notice for re-appointment of Mr Vipin as an Independent Director of the Company for a term of 5 consecutive years from January 30, 2024 to January 29, 2029, for approval of the Members.

Except Mr Vipin as it concerns himself, none of the other Directors and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company and their respective relatives, is financially or otherwise, concerned or interested in the said resolution.

By Order of the Board of Directors

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Date : February 23, 2024 Place : Mumbai

**BLUE STAR LIMITED** 



#### <u>Annexure – I</u>

#### [Disclosures pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standard-2 on General Meetings]

Name	Mr G Murlidhar	Mr Vipin Sondhi
Age	63 years	63 years
Director Identification Number	03601196	00327400
(DIN)		
Date of first Appointment	30.01.2024	30.01.2024
Brief Profile (including	As mentioned above in the	As mentioned above in the
experience and qualification)	explanatory statement.	explanatory statement.
Nature of expertise, skills and	As mentioned above in the	As mentioned above in the
capabilities for the role	explanatory statement.	explanatory statement.
Terms and conditions of appointment	Appointment as an Independent Director, not liable to retire by rotation, for a term of five consecutive years effective from January 30, 2024.	Appointment as an Independent Director, not liable to retire by rotation, for a term of five consecutive years effective from January 30, 2024.
Remuneration last drawn	Not applicable	Not applicable
Remuneration proposed to be paid	Mr G Murlidhar is entitled to receive sitting fees for attending the meetings of the Board of Directors and Committees thereof, reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with attending Board/Committee meetings, remuneration including commission as determined for each financial year by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board within the limits approved by the Members of the Company from time to time and as permitted by law.	time and as permitted by law.
Shareholding in the Company (Including shareholding as a beneficial owner)	NIL	NIL
RelationshipwithotherDirector/KeyManagerialPersonnel of the Company	None	None



No. of Board Meetings attended during FY24	Mr G Murlidhar was appointed as a Director at the Board meeting held on January 30, 2024. Mr G Murlidhar attended said meeting.	Mr Vipin Sondhi was appointed as a Director at the Board meeting held on January 30, 2024. Mr Vipin Sondhi attended said meeting.
Directorships held in other companies	<ul> <li>Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Ltd</li> <li>Kotak Mahindra Pension Fund Limited</li> <li>Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance Company Ltd</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Triveni Turbine Limited</li> </ul>
Membership / Chairmanship of Committees in other companies (including the Company)	<ul> <li>Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited</li> <li>Investment Committee- Chairman</li> <li>Audit Committee - Member</li> <li>Banking Committee - Member</li> <li>Policyholder's Protection Committee - Chairman</li> <li>Kotak Mahindra Pension Fund Limited</li> <li>Audit Committee - Member</li> <li>Risk Management Committee - Member</li> <li>Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance Company Limited</li> <li>Investment Committee - Member</li> <li>Risk Management Committee - Member</li> <li>Nestment Committee - Member</li> <li>Risk Management Committee - Member</li> <li>Nestment Committee - Member</li> <li>Nestment Committee - Member</li> <li>With Profits Committee - Member</li> <li>With Profits Committee - Member</li> </ul>	Triveni Turbine Limited <ul> <li>Nomination and Remuneration Committee - Member</li> </ul>
Listed entities from which the person has resigned in the past three years	Nil	Mr Vipin Sondhi resigned as the MD & CEO of Ashok Leyland Limited on December 31, 2021