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Bandra- Kurla Complex,	Dalal Street,	
Bandra (E),	Fort,	
<u> Mumbai – 400 051.</u>	<u> Mumbai - 400 001.</u>	
Scrip Symbol : APARINDS	Scrip Code : 532259	
Kind Attn. : The Manager, Listing Dep	t. Kind Attn. :Corporate Relationsh	<u>nip Dept.</u>

Dear Sir /Madam,

<u>Sub. : Submission of Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year ended</u> <u>March 31, 2023 (2022-23)</u>

Pursuant to SEBI Circular no. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 8, 2019 and as per Regulation 24 A (2) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, read with circulars issued by exchanges from time to time, please find enclosed herewith copy of the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report of the Company issued by M/s. H. M. Mehta & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, Vadodara, Gujarat, India for the financial year ended March 31, 2023 (2022-23). The same is also being uploaded at the website of the Company i.e. <u>www.apar.com</u>.

Kindly take the above information on record and oblige.

Thanking you,

Yours Faithfully,

For APAR Industries Limited

(Sanjaya Kunder) Company Secretary

Encl. : As above

APAR Industries Limited

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H. M. Mehta & Associates

Company Secretaries (Peer Reviewed Firm)

SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF APAR INDUSTRIES LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

To, The Members, APAR Industries Limited, 301, Panorama Complex, R. C. Dutt Road, Vadodara-390007, <u>Gujarat, India.</u>

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **APAR Industries Limited** (hereinafter referred as **'the listed entity'**), having its Registered Office at 301, Panorama Complex, R. C. Dutt Road, Vadodara-390007, Gujarat, India. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts / statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on our verification of the listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, we hereby report that in our opinion, the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2023, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the listed entity has proper Board processes and compliance mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

- 1. I, Hemang Mehta, Proprietor of H. M. Mehta & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries have examined:
- a) all the documents and records made available to me and explanation provided by APAR Industries Limited ("the listed entity"),
- b) the filings / submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- c) website of the listed entity,
- d) any other document / filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the financial year ended 31st March, 2023 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of

- a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Rules; Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");
- 2. The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars / guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include: -
- a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time;



- b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; - Not Applicable during the review period
- c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable during the review period
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014 and Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021;
- f) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; - Not Applicable during the audit period
- g) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021; Not Applicable during the audit period
- h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- i) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client;
- j) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 1996 / 2018;

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder;

3. I hereby report that, during the Review Period, the compliance status of the listed entity is appended as below:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes / No / NA)	Observations / Remarks by PCS*
1.	Secretarial Standards: The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.	Yes	None
2.	 Adoption and timely updation of the Policies: All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities. All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed & updated on time, as per the regulations / circulars / guidelines issued by SEBI. 	Yes	None
3.	 Maintenance and disclosures on Website: The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website. Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website. Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re-directs to the relevant document(s) / section of the website. 	Yes	None

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4.	Disqualification of Director:	Yes	None
	None of the Director(s) of the Company is / are		
	disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as		
	confirmed by the listed entity.		
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have	a) Not applicable	a) The listed entity
	been examined w.r.t.:	b) Not applicable	does not have
	a) Identification of material subsidiary companies.	-,	any materia
	b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other		subsidiary.
	subsidiaries.		b) None
6.	Preservation of Documents:	Yes	None
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as		
	prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of		
	records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and		
	Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations,		
	2015.		
7.	Performance Evaluation:	Yes	None
	The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation		
	of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees		
	at the start of every financial year / during the financial		
	year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.		
8.	Related Party Transactions:		
0.	a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit	a) Yes	a) None
	Committee for all related party transactions; or	4, 105	
	b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along	b) Not applicable	b) None
	with confirmation whether the transactions were	b) Not applicable	
	subsequently approved / ratified / rejected by the		
	Audit Committee, in case no prior approval has been		
	obtained.		
9.	Disclosure of events or information:	Yes	None
5.	The listed entity has provided all the required	165	None
	disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III		
	of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits		
	prescribed thereunder.		
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:	Yes	None
10.	The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) &	Tes	None
	3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations,		
	2015.		
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:	No action taken.	None
11.	No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity / its	No action taken.	None
	promoters / directors / subsidiaries either by SEBI or by		
	Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating		
	Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars / guidelines issued		1 Trail
	thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**).	_	
12	Additional Non-compliances, if any:	No non-compliances	None
12.		No non-compliances observed.	None
	No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI	observed.	
0	regulation / circular / guidance note etc.		

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 Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes / No / NA)	Observations / Remarks by PCS		
	Compliances with the following conditions while appoint				
	 If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review / audit report for such quarter; or 	Not applicable	None		
	ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review / audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter; or	Not applicable	None		
	iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review / audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review / audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the audit report for such financial year.	Not applicable	None		
	Other conditions relating to resignation of statutory audit				
	i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the	.01.			
	listed entity / its material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:				
	a) In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity / material subsidiary such as non- availability of information / non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman	Not applicable	None		
	 of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings. b) In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation, along with relevant documents has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of 	Not applicable	None		
	 proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of information / explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of information / explanation sought and not provided by the management, as applicable. c) The Audit Committee / Board of Directors, as the case may be, deliberated on the matter on receipt of such information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor. 	Not applicable	None		
	ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information: The auditor has provided an appropriate				
	disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.	Not applicable	None		
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3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the	Not applicable	None
	format as specified in Annexure- A in SEBI Circular CIR/ CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18 th October, 2019.		

* Observations /Remarks by PCS are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as 'No' or 'NA'

a) (**) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below:

No.	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars/ guidelines including specific clause)	1 AND CONCENTS - 2014 - 10	Action taken by		Fine amount	Observations / Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	 Remarks
				Advisory/ Clarification/ Fine/ Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc.			

b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars/ guidelines including specific clause)		Action taken by		Fine amount	Observations / Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Management response	Remarks
			Advisory/ Clarification/ Fine/ Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc.				

5. During the year under review, there was one instance of violation of Code of Conduct under SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015 and the Code of Internal Procedures and Conduct for regulating, monitoring and reporting of trading by Designated Persons framed by the Company. The said violation was done by an employee of the Company. The Company had sought explanation / clarification for the above violation from the said employee. Subsequently, it was brought to the notice of the Share Transfer & Shareholders Grievance – cum – Stakeholders Relationship Committee (the Committee) and Board of Directors as well, at their respective meetings. The reported violation being the first instance inadvertently done by the Designated Person, the Company had issued strict warning letter to him and also reported the said matter to the stock exchanges.

Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:

- 1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- 2. Our responsibility is to certify based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial Records and Books of Accounts of the listed entity.
- 4. This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

Place: Vadodara Date: 08.05.2023 For H. M. Mehta & Associates Company Secretaries

Hemang Mehta

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FCS No.: 4965 C. P. No.: 2554 Peer Review No.: 1184/2021 UDIN: F004965E000271968