

# APAR INDUSTRIES LIMITED POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023



### **APAR INDUSTRIES LIMITED**

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### Notice of Postal Ballot and Electronic Voting (E-Voting) to the Shareholders

[Pursuant to Sections 110 and 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time]

Dear Member(s),

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 110 read with Section 108 and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, ("the Act"), read together with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, General Circular Nos. 14/2020 dated April 8, 2020, 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, 22/2020 dated June 15, 2020, 33/2020 dated September 28, 2020, 39/2020 dated December 31, 2020, 10/2021 dated June 23, 2021, 20/2021 dated December 8, 2021, 3/2022 dated May 5, 2022, 11/2022 dated December 28, 2022 and 09/2023 dated September 25, 2023, issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA Circulars"), Regulation 44 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), Secretarial Standard – SS-2 on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and subject to other applicable laws, rules and regulations, if any, including any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force, that the Special Resolution set out below is proposed to be passed by the members of APAR Industries Limited ("the Company") by means of Postal Ballot, only by way of remote E-Voting ("Postal Ballot") as a matter of special business. An Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102(1), 110 and all other applicable provisions of the Act pertaining to the said Resolution setting out the material facts concerning the said item and the reasons thereof is annexed to the Postal Ballot Notice (the "Notice").

In compliance with the MCA Circulars, the Company is sending the Notice only by email to all its members who have registered their email addresses with the Company/RTA of the Company or / depository participant(s) and whose names appear in the Register of Members / List of Beneficial Owners of the Company provided by the Depositories as on

Monday, December 04, 2023 (i.e. the "Cut-off Date").

In compliance with Regulation 44 of the SEBI 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 resolution is restricted only to e-voting i.e. by casting votes electronically instead of submitting postal ballot forms. The instructions for e-voting are appended to this Notice.

The Company has engaged the services of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) as the agency to provide e-voting facility. Members are requested to read the instructions in the Notes in this Notice so as to cast their votes electronically not later than 17:00 Hrs. IST on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 (the last day to cast vote electronically) to be eligible for being considered.

Pursuant to Rule 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, the Board of Directors on October 26, 2023 has appointed Mr. Hemang Mehta, Proprietor of H. M. Mehta & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, Vadodara, Gujarat, India (Membership No. FCS - 4965 & Certificate of Practice No. 2554) as the Scrutinizer for conducting the E-Voting/Postal Ballot process in a fair and transparent manner. He has communicated his willingness for his appointment and will be available for the said purpose. The Scrutinizer's decision on the validity of the Postal Ballot shall be final.

The Scrutinizer will submit his report, after the completion of scrutiny, to the Chairman and/or Managing Directors of the Company or any person authorized by him/them. The results of the Postal Ballot/E-voting shall be declared within 2 (two) working days from the conclusion of remote e-voting and the same, along with the Scrutiniser's Report, will be communicated to the Stock Exchanges and will also be placed on the website of the Company at <a href="https://www.apar.com">www.apar.com</a> and the website of CDSL. The Company will also display the results of the Postal Ballot at its Registered Office and Corporate Office.

The proposed Special Resolution, if approved, will be taken as having duly passed on the last date specified for e-voting by the requisite majority of Members by means of Postal Ballot, i.e. Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

### **SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

#### ITEM NO. 1

APPOINTMENT OF SMT. NIRUPA KIRAN BHATT (DIN: 02006089) AS AN INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR (NON-EXECUTIVE) OF THE COMPANY.

To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modifications, the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT in accordance with the provisions of Sections 149, 150, 152 read with Schedule IV and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), and pursuant to the recommendation of the Nomination and Compensation-cum-Remuneration Committee, Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt (DIN: 02006089), who was appointed as an Additional Director of the Company with effect from October 26, 2023 pursuant to the provisions of Section 161(1) of the Act and the Articles of Association of the Company and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing her candidature to the office of Director, be appointed as an Independent Director (Non-Executive) of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation and to hold office for a term of upto 5 (five) consecutive years i.e. with effect from October 26, 2023.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors of the Company be and are hereby severally 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
For APAR Industries Limited

Sd/-

Place: Mumbai (Sanjaya Kunder)

Date: October 26, 2023 Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

### Registered Office:

301, Panorama Complex,

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#### **Notes:**

- (I) An Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 read with Section 110 of the Act and the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, Secretarial Standard SS 2 and all other applicable provisions, if any of the Act read with the Rules framed thereunder setting out material facts relating to the resolution mentioned in this Postal Ballot Notice is attached.
- (II) As per Sections 108, 110 and all other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rule 20 & 22 of the Rules, cut-off date for the purpose of reckoning the voting rights and sending the Notice is Monday, December 4, 2023 ("Cut-off date"). A person who is not a member as on the Cut-off date should treat the Notice for information purpose only. Physical copies of this Notice along with postal ballot forms and pre-paid business reply envelopes are not sent to members.
  - In accordance with the MCA Circulars, the Notice along with the instructions regarding e-voting is being sent only by email to all those members, whose email addresses are registered with the Company/RTA of the Company or with the depository (ies) / depository participants and whose names appear in the register of members / list of beneficial owners as on the Cut- off date.
- (III) Voting rights of Members/Beneficial Owners shall be in proportion to their shareholding in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on Monday, December 4, 2023 (Cut-Off-Date).
- (IV) The e-voting shall commence at 10:00 Hrs. of Monday, December 11, 2023 and end on 17:00 Hrs. of Tuesday, January 9, 2024. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter. During this period, the members of the Company (including those members who may not have received the Notice due to non-registration of their email address with the Company or the Depositories) holding shares in physical form or dematerialized form as on the Cut-off date, may cast their vote by electronic means in the manner as set out here in Note No. (IX) below. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the member, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.
- (V) The Notice shall also be uploaded on the website of the Company at www.apar.com, websites of National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.nseindia.com and BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com and on the website of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) at https://www.evotingindia.com.
  - In accordance with the MCA Circulars, the Company has made necessary arrangements for the members to register their e-mail address. Members who have not registered their e-mail address, Mobile No., PAN and Bank Details are

requested to register the same - (i) with the Depository Participant(s) where they maintain their demat accounts, if the shares are held in electronic form and (ii) by clicking on <a href="https://www.linkintime.co.in/EmailReg/Email\_Register.html">https://www.linkintime.co.in/EmailReg/Email\_Register.html</a>

- (VI) The Resolution, if approved by the requisite majority through Postal Ballot, shall be deemed to have been duly passed on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 i.e. the last date specified by the Company for receipt of votes through the Remote e-Voting process.
- (VII) 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 newspaper having country-wide circulation and vernacular newspaper in the principal vernacular language.
- (VIII) All documents referred to in this Postal Ballot Notice will be available for inspection electronically until the last date of voting. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to com.sec@apar.com.

### (IX) VOTING THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS:

In compliance with provision of Section 108, 110 and all other applicable provisions of the Act read with Rules framed thereunder, Regulation 44 of the Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standard General Guidelines 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 CDSL 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, December 11, 2023 (10:00 hours IST) and ends on Tuesday, January 9, 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. Monday, December 4, 2023, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter and the voting shall not be allowed beyond the said date and time.

# THE E-VOTING INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS FOR REMOTE E-VOTING ARE EXPLAINED AS MENTIONED BELOW:

- **Step 1**: Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.
- **Step 2**: Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.

- (i) The voting period begins at 10:00 Hrs. of Monday, December 11, 2023 and ends at 17:00 Hrs. of Tuesday, January 9, 2024. During this period shareholders' of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date (record date) of Monday, December 4, 2023 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 09.12.2020, under Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, listed entities are required to provide remote e-voting facility to its shareholders, in respect of all shareholders' resolutions. However, it has been observed that the participation by the public non-institutional shareholders/retail shareholders is at a negligible level.

Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers (ESPs) providing e-voting facility to listed entities in India. This necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.

In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders, by way of a single login credential, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories/ Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.

- **Step 1**: Access through Depositories CDSL/NSDL e-Voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.
  - (iii) In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 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.

Pursuant to above said SEBI Circular, Login method for e-Voting for Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode CDSL/NSDL is given below:

Type of	Login Method
shareholders	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode	1) Users who have opted for CDSL Easi / Easiest facility, can login through their existing user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The users to login to Easi / Easiest are requested to visit CDSL website www.cdslindia.com and click on login icon & New System Myeasi Tab.
with CDSL Depository	2) After successful login 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 evoting option, the user will be able to see e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting. 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 www.cdslindia.com and click on login & 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 e-Voting link available on www.cdslindia.com home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email 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.
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL Depository	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: https://eservices.nsdl.com 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. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider

name and you will be re-directed to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. 2) If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at https://eservices.nsdl.com. Select "Register Online for IDeAS "Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp 3) Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ 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 sixteen digit demat account number hold 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 company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. Individual You can also login using the login credentials of your demat Shareholders account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After Successful login, you (holding securities will be able to see e-Voting option. Once you click on e-Voting in demat mode) option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site login through after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting their feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider Depository name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider **Participants** website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. (DP)

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

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. CDSL and NSDL.

Login type	Helpdesk details		
Individual Shareholders holding	Members facing any technical issue in login can		
securities in Demat mode with	contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at		

CDSL	helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at toll
	free no. 1800 22 55 33
Individual Shareholders holding	Members facing any technical issue in login can
securities in Demat mode with	contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at
NSDL	evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at : 1800 1020 990 and
	1800 22 44 30

**Step 2** : Access through CDSL e-Voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical mode and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.

- (iv) Login method for Remote e-Voting for Physical shareholders and shareholders other than individual holding in Demat form.
  - 1) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
  - 2) Click on "Shareholders" module.
  - 3) Now enter your User ID
    - For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
    - For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
    - Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.
  - 4) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
  - 5) If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.com and voted on an earlier e-voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
  - 6) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below:

	For Physical shareholders and other than individual shareholders			
	holding shares in Demat.			
PAN	Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department			
	(Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders)			
Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with				
	Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequer			
	number sent by Company/RTA or contact Company/RTA.			
Dividend	Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as			
Bank	recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login.			
Details	If both the details are not recorded with the depository or company,			
<b>OR</b> Date	please enter the member id / folio number in the Dividend Bank details			
of Birth	field.			
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- (v) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (vi) Shareholders holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, shareholders holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- (vii) For shareholders holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for evoting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (viii) Click on the EVSN of APAR Industries Limited on which you choose to vote.
  - (ix) On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
  - (x) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
  - (xi) After selecting the resolution, you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- (xii) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (xiii) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xiv) If a demat account holder has forgotten the login password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xv) There is also an optional provision to upload BR/POA if any uploaded, which will be made available to scrutinizer for verification.
- (xvi) Additional Facility for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians For Remote Voting only.
  - Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUFs, NRIs etc.) and Custodians are required to log on to <a href="https://www.evotingindia.com">www.evotingindia.com</a> and register themselves in the "Corporates" module.

- A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.
- After receiving the login details, a Compliance User should be created using the admin login and password. The Compliance User would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
- The list of accounts linked in the login will be mapped automatically & can be delink
  in case of any wrong mapping.
- It is Mandatory that, a scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.
- Alternatively Non Individual shareholders are required mandatory to send the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer and to the Company at the email address viz; com.sec@apar.com (designated email address by company), if they have voted from individual tab & not uploaded same in the CDSL e-voting system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

# PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL/MOBILE NO. ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMPANY/DEPOSITORIES.

- For Physical shareholders Please provide necessary details like Folio No., Name
  of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (selfattested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self-attested scanned copy of
  Aadhar Card) by email to Company/RTA email id.
- 2. For Demat shareholders Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP)
- 3. For Individual Demat shareholders Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP) which is mandatory while e-Voting & joining virtual meetings through Depository.

If you have any queries or issues regarding e-Voting from the CDSL e-Voting System, you can write an email to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33.

All grievances connected with the facility for voting by electronic means may be addressed to Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, Sr. Manager, (CDSL, ) Central Depository Services (India) Limited, A Wing, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, Marathon Futurex, Mafatlal Mill Compounds, N M Joshi Marg, Lower Parel (East), Mumbai - 400013 or send an email to <a href="helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com">helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</a> or call at toll free no. 1800 22 55 33.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102(1) READ WITH SECTION 110 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 READ WITH RULE 22 OF THE COMPANIES (MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION) RULES, 2014, AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME.

As required by Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013, the following Statement sets out all material facts relating to the Special Business mentioned in the Notice of Postal Ballot dtd. October 26, 2023.

The Board of Directors of the Company, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Compensation-cum-Remuneration Committee and pursuant to the provisions of Section 149, 150, 152 and 161(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and all the applicable Rules made thereunder read with the Articles of Association of the Company, had approved the appointment of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt (DIN: 02006089) as an Additional Director, designated as Independent Director (Non-Executive) of the Company for a term of upto 5 (five) consecutive years i.e. with effect from October 26, 2023.

Smt. Nirupa Bhatt, a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry & Physics, has varied and rich working experience of more than 49 years in small to multinational organisation across teams from different cultures. Focused, determined, versatile, problem analyzing and solving capabilities, ability to work independently and in cross cultural teams to achieve organizational goals. One of the few Gem & Jewellery Industry Experts — from mining / manufacturing / jewellery making / grading / marketing. Have a track record of successfully establishing & managing organisations with strong focus on ethics, cost management, strategizing, marketing, collaborating with stakeholders across global locations. She is a Certified Business Coach and Leadership Circle Practitioner.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV to the Act and as per amended SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") appointment of Independent Directors requires approval of the members of the Company.

Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt is qualified to be appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 of the Act and has given her consent to act as a director. The Company has also received declaration from Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt that she meets the criteria of independence as prescribed both under Section 149(6) of the Act, applicable rules made thereunder and Listing Regulations.

The Company has also received notice under Section 160 of the Act from a shareholder proposing the candidature of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt for the office of a Director of the Company.

In the opinion of the Board, Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt fulfils the conditions/criteria for appointment as an Independent Director (Non-Executive) as specified in the Act and rules made thereunder as also in the Listing Regulations. Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt is independent

of the management and possesses appropriate skills, expertise, experience and knowledge. Considering the extensive knowledge and experience of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt as well as her educational background, appointment of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt as an Independent Director (Non-Executive) is in the interest of the Company.

Details of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt are provided in the "Annexure" to this Notice, pursuant to the provisions of (i) Listing Regulations and (ii) Secretarial Standard on General Meetings ("SS-2"), issued by the ICSI. She shall be paid remuneration by way of a fees for attending meetings of the Board or Committees thereof or for any other purpose as may be decided by the Board, reimbursement of expenses for participating in the Board and other meetings.

Copy of the letter of appointment of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt setting out the terms and conditions of appointment shall be available for inspection by the members electronically. Members seeking to inspect the same can send an email to <a href="mailto:com.sec@apar.com">com.sec@apar.com</a>.

Save and except Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt, being the appointee, or her relatives, none of the other Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / relatives of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution.

The Board accordingly, recommends the Special Resolution set out in the Notice for approval by the members.

By Order of the Board of Directors For APAR Industries Limited

Sd/-

Place: Mumbai (Sanjaya Kunder)
Date: October 26, 2023 Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

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### ANNEXURE TO THE NOTICE DATED OCTOBER 26, 2023

## Details of Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt (DIN: 02006089)

1.	Date of Birth & Age		May 18, 1954 (69 years)
2.	Education & Qualifications	:	Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Physics.
3.	Experience (including expertise in specific functional area) / Brief Resume		Smt. Nirupa Bhatt has a varied and rich working experience in multinational organisations across teams from different cultures.
			One of the few Gem & Jewellery Industry Experts — from mining / Manufacturing / jewellery making / grading / marketing. She has a track record of successfully establishing & managing organisations with strong focus on ethics, cost management, strategizing, marketing, collaborating with stakeholders across global locations. She has received recognitions and awards from Diamond Industry presented by The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council, Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of India & Excellence Award for Services to the Industry presented by the Women' Jewellery Association.
4.	Terms and Conditions of Appointment	:	As per the resolution set out in this Notice read with the Explanatory Statement attached hereto.
5.	Remuneration last drawn (including sitting fees, if any)		Sitting fees @ INR 75,000/- per meeting of the Board.
6.	Remuneration proposed to be paid		She shall be paid remuneration by way of fees for attending meetings of the Board or Committees thereof or for any other purpose as may be decided by the Board, reimbursement of expenses for participating in the Board and other meetings.
7.	Date of first appointment on the Board		Effective October 26, 2023.
8	Skills and capabilities required for the role as an Independent Director	:	Smt. Nirupa Kiran Bhatt meets the following skills and capabilities required for the role as an Independent Director, as have been identified by the Board of Directors of the Company:

9.	Shareholding in the Company as on date of notice, including	:	<ul><li>a. General Management</li><li>b. Industry Expert and</li><li>c. Leadership.</li></ul> Nil
	share- holding as a beneficial owner.		
10.	Relationship with other Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of APAR Industries Limited	÷	Not related to any other Director / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company
11.	Number of meetings of the Board / Committee attended during the financial year (FY 2023-24)	:	1 out of 1 Board Meeting held since her appointment.
12.	Directorships of other Boards as on date of notice.  (along with listed entities from which the person has resigned in the past three years)	:	<ol> <li>Alta Leasing and Finance Limited</li> <li>Alta Laboratories Limited</li> <li>The Gem &amp; Jewellery Skill Council of India</li> <li>RBZ Jewellers Limited</li> </ol>
13.	Membership / Chairmanship of Committees of other Boards as on the date of notice.  (along with listed entities from which the person has resigned in the past three years)	:	1. Alta Laboratories Limited:  (a) Chairperson of Nomination & Remuneration Committee  (b) Member of Audit and CSR Committees  2. RBZ Jewellers Limited:  (a) Chairperson of Nomination & Remuneration Committee

### By Order of the Board of Directors For APAR Industries Limited

Sd/-

Place: Mumbai (Sanjaya Kunder)

Date: October 26, 2023 Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

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