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National Stock Exchange of India Limited | BSE 1

"Exchange Plaza",

C-1, Block G,

Bandra-Kurla Complex,

Bandra (E),

Mumbai - 400 051.

Scrip Symbol: APARINDS

Kind Attn.: Listing Department

BSE Limited

Corporate Relations Department,

Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,

Dalal Street,

Fort.

Mumbai - 400 001. **Scrip Code : 532259**

Kind Attn.: Corporate Relationship Department

<u>Sub.: Submission of Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year ended</u> March 31, 2024 (2023-24)

Dear Sir / Madam,

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, amended from time to time, 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, 2024 (2023-24). The same is also being uploaded at the website of the Company i.e. www.apar.com.

Kindly take the above information on record and oblige.

Thanking you,

Yours Faithfully,

For APAR Industries Limited

(Sanjaya Kunder) Company Secretary

Encl.: As above

H. M. Mehta & Associates Company Secretaries (Peer Reviewed Firm)

To,
APAR Industries Limited,
301, Panorama Complex,
R. C. Dutt Road,
Vadodara-390007,
Gujarat, India.

Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year 2023-24

Dear Sirs/ Madam,

We have been engaged by APAR Industries Limited, (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") bearing CIN: L91110GJ1989PLC012802 whose equity shares are listed on National Stock Exchange of India Limited and BSE Limited to conduct an audit in terms of Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended from time to time read with SEBI's Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/2023/120 dated July 11, 2023 and relevant circulars issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") from time to time and to issue the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report thereon.

It is responsibility of the management of the Company to maintain records, devise proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all the applicable SEBI Regulations and Circulars/Guidelines issued there under from time to time and to ensure that the systems are adequate and are operating effectively.

Our responsibility is to verify compliances by the company with provisions of all applicable SEBI Regulations and Circulars / Guidelines issued from time to time and issue a report thereon. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Guidance note on Annual Secretarial Compliance Report issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and in a manner which involved such examinations and verifications as considered necessary and adequate for the said purpose.

The Annual Secretarial Compliance Report is enclosed.

For H. M. Mehta & Associates Company Secretaries



Hemang Mehta Proprietor FCS No.: 4965 C. P. No.: 2554

Peer Review No.: 1184/2021

Place: Vadodara Date: 23.05.2024

SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF APAR INDUSTRIES LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

- 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 report,

for the financial year ended 31st March, 2024 (**"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;
- 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;

Based on the above examination, I hereby report that, during the Review Period:

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:

Sr.	Compliance	Regulation	Deviations	Action	Type of action	Details	Fine	Observations	Management	Remarks
No.	Requirement	/ Circular		taken by		of	Amount	/ Remarks of	Response	
	(Regulations/	No.				Violation		the		
	circulars/							Practicing		
	guidelines							Company		
	including							Secretary		
	specific clause)							(PCS)		
					Advisory/					
					Clarification/					
					Fine/ Show					
					Cause Notice/					
					Warning, etc.					
	NIL									

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

Sr.	Observations/	Observations	Compliance Requ	uirement	Details of	violation /	Remed	ial ac	tions,	ifCo	mment	s of
No.	Remarks of	made in the	(Regulations/	circulars/	Deviations	s and	any, i	taken	by t	theth	PCS	on the
	the Practicing	Secretarial	guidelines	including	actions	taken /	listed e	entity		ac	ions ta	ken by
	Company	compliance report	specific clauses)		penalty in	nposed, if	:			th	listed	entity
	Secretary in	for the year ended			any, on	the listed						
	previous	(the years are			entity							
	reports) (PCS)	to be mentioned)										
	There was no such observation in the previous report.											

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

Sr.	Particulars	Compliance Status	Observations
No.		(Yes / No / NA)	/ Remarks by PCS*
1.	Secretarial Standards:	Yes	None
	The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance		
	with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by		
	the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI)		
2.	Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:	Yes	None
	 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.		
3.	Maintenance and disclosures on Website:	Yes	None
	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.		

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4.	Disqualification of Director:	Yes	None
	None of the Director(s) of the listed entity 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 any
	a) Identification of material subsidiary companies.		material
	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:		
	a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit	a) Yes	a) None
	Committee for all related party transactions; or	,	,
	b) In case no prior approval has been obtained, the	b) Not applicable	b) None
	listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with	,,	
	confirmation whether the transactions were		
	subsequently approved / ratified / rejected by the		
	Audit Committee.		
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9	Disclosure of events or information:	l Yes	None
9.	Disclosure of events or information: The listed entity has provided all the required	Yes	None
9.	The listed entity has provided all the required	Yes	None
9.	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III	Yes	None
9.	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits	Yes	None
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9.	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder. Prohibition of Insider Trading:	Yes	None None
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13.	Additional Non-compliances, if any:	No non-	None
	No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI	'	
	regulation / circular / guidance note etc. except as	observed.	
	reported above.		

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

4. 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 a designated person of the Company. The Company had sought explanation / clarification for the above violation from the said designated person. 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 the said designated person to refrain from dealing in Shares of the Company in any manner during Closure of Trading Window and adhere to the Code framed by the Company 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: 23.05.2024

For H. M. Mehta & Associates Company Secretaries



Hemang Mehta Proprietor FCS No.: 4965 C. P. No.: 2554

Peer Review No.: 1184/2021 UDIN: F004965F000428201