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September 29, 2020

BSE Limited
Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers
Dalal Street, Fort
Mumbai - 400 001

National Stock Exchange of India Limited
Exchange Plaza
Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East),
Mumbai – 400 051

Scrip Code: 500295

Scrip Code: VEDL

Sub: Update regarding proposed voluntarily delisting of the equity shares of Vedanta Limited (“Company”) in accordance with the provisions under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009, as amended (“Delisting Regulations”).

Dear Sir/Madam,

In connection with the aforesaid delisting offer, this is to inform you that BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited have issued their in-principle approval for the delisting offer pursuant to their letters each dated September 28, 2020.

Vedanta Resources Limited and its wholly owned indirect subsidiaries namely, Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited and Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited, have issued a public announcement with regard to the delisting offer on September 29, 2020, in accordance with Regulation 10(1) of the Delisting Regulations in the following newspapers:

Newspaper	Language	Editions
Financial Express	English	All editions
Jansatta	Hindi	All editions
Navshakti	Marathi	Mumbai
The Free Press Journal	English	Mumbai

Please find enclosed a copy of the public announcement for your reference and records. Request you to disseminate the said information on your website.

The public announcement is also being made available on the website of the Company i.e., www.vedantalimited.com.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely
For Vedanta Limited



Prerna Halwasiya
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Enclosed: As above

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directly hold any Equity Shares. The Company also does not have any partly paid-up shares outstanding. Neither the Acquirers nor the members of the Promoter Group are participating in the Delisting Offer and will not tender their Equity Shares in the reverse book building process as part of the Delisting Offer.

5.4 The total issued and paid-up capital structure of the Company as on the Specified Date, is as follows:

Particulars	No. of Equity Shares/ Voting Rights	% of Share Capital/ Voting Rights
Fully paid-up Equity Shares (excluding the underlying Equity Shares based on which ADS have been issued)	3,56,10,08,835	95.79
Fully paid-up Equity Shares (including the underlying Equity Shares based on which ADS have been issued)	3,71,75,04,871	100.00
Partly paid-up Equity Shares	0	0
Total paid-up Equity Shares (excluding the underlying Equity Shares based on which ADS have been issued)	3,56,10,08,835	95.79
Total paid-up Equity Shares (including the underlying Equity Shares based on which ADS have been issued)	3,71,75,04,871	100.00
Total voting rights in Target Company (including the voting rights relating to underlying Equity Shares based on which ADS have been issued)	3,71,71,96,639*	99.99

*Note: The total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company consists of 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Share out of which, 3,08,232 Equity Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

5.5 The shareholding pattern of the Company as on Specified Date is as follows:

Particulars	No. of Equity Shares	% of Total Number of Shares		
		As a % of (A+B)	As a % of (A+B+C)	As a % of (A+B+C+D)
Promoter and promoter group (A)	1,86,36,18,788	52.34%	50.14%	50.13%
Public Shareholders (B)				
- Mutual funds	31,63,44,363	8.88%	8.51%	8.51%
- Alternative investment funds	14,85,154	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%
- Foreign portfolio investors	65,90,02,534	18.51%	17.73%	17.73%
- Financial institutions/ banks	20,98,39,041	5.89%	5.65%	5.64%
- Insurance companies	2,62,95,947	0.74%	0.71%	0.71%
- Qualified Institutional buyers	4,82,34,083	1.35%	1.30%	1.30%
- NBFIs registered with RBI	32,117	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
- Individuals	26,91,62,210	7.56%	7.24%	7.24%
Others				
- Body corporates	10,17,57,369	2.86%	2.74%	2.74%
- Shares held by Employee Trust	1,34,33,176	0.38%	0.36%	0.36%
- Any Other (incl. Foreign bodies, clearing members, NRI, HUF, Foreign nationals, overseas corporate bodies, Trusts, IEPF)	5,14,95,821	1.45%	1.39%	1.39%
Total (A+B)	3,56,07,00,603	100.00%	95.79%	95.78%
Equity Shares held by custodian against which ADS have been issued (C)	15,64,96,036	-	4.21%	4.21%
Total (A) + (B) + (C)	3,71,71,96,639	-	100.00%	99.99%
Shares held in Abeyance category (D)	3,08,232	-	-	0.01%
Total [(A)+(B)+(C)+(D)]	3,71,75,04,871*	-	-	100%

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6 STOCK EXCHANGE FROM WHICH THE EQUITY SHARES ARE SOUGHT TO BE DELISTED

- 6.1 The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock Exchanges. The Equity Shares are also 'permitted to trade' on MSE. The ADS issued by the Company are listed on NYSE.
- 6.2 The Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011, as amended ("Takeover Regulations").
- 6.3 The Acquirers are seeking to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges and BSE and NSE, pursuant to their letters, each dated September 28, 2020, have granted their "in-principle" approval to the delisting offer. If delisting of Equity Shares is successful, the "permitted to trade" status given to the Equity Shares by MSE shall stand withdrawn and VRL (and/ or its subsidiaries, as may be applicable) will also delist the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the SEC, subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC.
- 6.4 No application for listing shall be made in respect of any Equity Shares which have been delisted pursuant to this Delisting Offer for a period of 5 years from the date of delisting except where a recommendation in this regard has been made by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction under the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985.
- 6.5 Any application for listing made in future by the Company after the aforementioned period in respect of delisted Equity Shares shall be deemed to be an application for fresh listing of such Equity Shares and shall be subject to the then prevailing laws relating to listing of equity shares of unlisted companies.
- 6.6 The Acquirers propose to acquire the Offer Shares pursuant to the reverse book building process through an acquisition window facility, i.e., separate acquisition window in form of web based bidding platform provided by BSE, in accordance with the stock exchange mechanism (the "Acquisition Window Facility" or "Offer to Buy (OTB)"), conducted in accordance with the terms of the Delisting Regulations and the SEBI Circulars (defined below).

7 LIKELY POST SUCCESSFUL DELISTING OFFER SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

7.1 The most likely post-delisting shareholding of the Company, pursuant to a successful completion of the Delisting Offer in terms of the Delisting Regulations, will be as follows:

Particulars	No. of equity shares	% of total no. of shares excluding ADS (A+B)	% of total no. of shares including ADS (A+B+C)
Members of the Promoter Group (A)	3,55,81,70,831	99.92	95.71
Public shareholders (B)	28,38,004	0.08	0.08
- Vedanta Limited - unclaimed suspense account	7,21,527	0.02	0.02
- Others*	18,08,245	0.05	0.05
- Shares in abeyance category	3,08,232	0.01	0.01
Total (A+B)	3,56,10,08,835	100.00	95.79
Assuming full conversion of Equity Shares held by custodian against which ADS have been issued (C)	15,64,96,036	4.21	
Total (A+B+C)	3,71,75,04,871*		100.00

*This includes sub-judice and other categories.
*The total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company consists of 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Share out of which, 3,08,232 Equity Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

8 MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER

8.1 The Acquirers have appointed J.P. Morgan India Private Limited having their registered office at J.P. Morgan Tower, Off. C.S.T. Road, Kalina Santacruz - East, Mumbai 400098 as "Manager to the Offer". Tel. no. +91 22 6157 3000; Fax no. +91 22 6157 3911; Email: vedanta_delist@jpmorgan.com; Contact person: Mr. Shagun Gupta.

9 REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER

9.1 The Acquirers have appointed KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly known as Karyv Fintech Private Limited) having its registered office at Selenium Building, Tower B, Plot No. 31 & 32, Gachibowli, Financial District Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, Hyderabad, Rangareddi - 500032, Telangana, as "Registrar to the Offer". Tel. no. +91 040 6716 2222/ 1-800-34-54001; Fax no.: +91 040 2343 1551; Email: vedanta.delisting@kintech.com; and Contact person: Mr. Murali Krishna.

10 DETAILS OF THE BUYER BROKER

10.1 VHML and VHML II have appointed DAM Capital Advisors Limited having its registered office at One BKC, Tower C, 15th Floor, Unit No. 1511, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400051, as "Buyer Broker". Tel. no.: 91-22- 4202 2584; Fax no.: 91-22-4202 2504; Email: rajesh@damcapital.in and Contact person: Mr. Rajesh Tekadiwala.

11 STOCK EXCHANGE DATA REGARDING THE COMPANY

11.1 The Equity Shares are frequently traded on NSE as per the definition of "frequently traded" under Regulation 2(1)(j) of the Takeover Regulations. The high, low and average market prices in the preceding 3 financial years and the monthly high and low market prices for the 6 months preceding the date of this Public Announcement and the corresponding volumes, on NSE (stock exchange where the Company's Equity Shares are most frequently traded) are as follows:

Preceding 3 financial years			
Period	High ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Low ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Average Price ⁽¹⁾ (INR)
April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018	355.7	217.8	292.8
April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019	313.5	145.8	219.0
April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020	195.1	60.2	148.6

Source: www.nseindia.com.
Notes: (1) High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices and average price is based on average of closing price. (2) The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

Period	High ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Low ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period	
			March 2020	April 2020
March 2020	122.2	60.2	66,66,60,020	
April 2020	91.0	62.2	66,37,27,258	
May 2020	98.0	77.1	80,52,07,271	
June 2020	113.5	92.75	60,91,66,340	
July 2020	117.9	103.65	48,18,14,702	
August 2020	134.7	112.7	39,70,14,983	

Source: www.nseindia.com.
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Preceding 3 financial years			
Period	High ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Low ⁽¹⁾ (INR)	Average Price ⁽¹⁾ (INR)
March 2020	122.0	60.3	3,15,14,297
April 2020	90.8	62.4	2,65,32,387
May 2020	98.2	77.1	3,46,00,123
June 2020	113.5	92.8	4,51,86,624
July 2020	117.9	103.75	2,13,34,016
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12 DETERMINATION OF THE FLOOR PRICE

12.1 The Acquirers propose to acquire the Equity Shares from the Public Shareholders pursuant to the reverse book building process established in terms of Schedule II of the Delisting Regulations.

12.2 The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock Exchanges and have 'permitted to trade' status in the MSE. The scrip code and the security ID of the Company on BSE are "500295" and "VEDL", respectively. The Equity Shares are placed under "A" group and are also part of S&P BSE 100. The symbol of the Company on NSE is "VEDL" and is part of NIFTY 500.

12.3 The annualized trading turnover based on the trading volume of the Equity Shares on BSE and NSE during the period from May 2, 2019 to April 30, 2020 (i.e., 12 calendar months prior to the month of the Stock Exchanges Notification Date) is as under:

Stock Exchange	Total shares traded	Total listed shares	Trading (as a percentage of the total listed shares) (%)
BSE	3,92,55,21,328	3,71,71,96,639	105.6%
NSE	21,45,37,897	3,71,71,96,639	5.8%

Source: Certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price Waterhouse & Co LLP.

12.4 As mentioned in paragraph 11.1 of this Public Announcement, the Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of the Takeover Regulations.

12.5 As required under Regulation 15(2) of the Delisting Regulations, the floor price of the Delisting Offer is required to be determined in terms of Regulation 8 of the Takeover Regulations, as may be applicable. As per the Explanation to Regulation 15(2) of the Delisting Regulations, the reference date for computing the floor price would be the date on which the recognized stock exchanges were notified of the board meeting in which the delisting proposal would be considered, i.e., May 12, 2020.

12.6 In terms of Regulation 8 of the Takeover Regulations, the floor price shall be the higher of the following:

(a) the highest negotiated price per share of the target company for any acquisition under the agreement attracting the obligation to make a public announcement of an open offer.	Not Applicable
(b) the volume-weighted average price paid or payable for acquisitions, whether by the acquirer or by any person acting in concert with him, during the fifty-two weeks immediately preceding the date of the public announcement.	INR 64.89*
(c) the highest price paid or payable for any acquisition, whether by the acquirer or by any person acting in concert with him, during the twenty six weeks immediately preceding the date of the public announcement.	INR 64.89*
(d) the volume-weighted average market price of such shares for a period of sixty trading days immediately preceding the date of the public announcement as traded on the stock exchange where the maximum volume of trading in the shares of the target company are recorded during such period, provided such shares are frequently traded.	INR 87.25*
(e) where the shares are not frequently traded, the price determined by the acquirer and the manager to the open offer taking into account valuation parameters including, book value, comparable trading multiples, and such other parameters as are customary for valuation of shares of such companies.	Not Applicable
(f) the per share value computed under sub-regulation (5), if applicable.	Not Applicable

* Based on certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price Waterhouse & Co LLP.

12.7 The Company, on May 18, 2020, received the Floor Price Letter from VRL, providing the details of the Floor Price along with a certificate issued by Price Waterhouse & Co LLP, certifying the Floor Price for the Delisting Offer to be INR 87.25/- (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Twenty Five Paise only) per Equity Share determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations. The Floor Price was notified to the Stock Exchanges as part of the outcome of the meeting of the Board held on May 18, 2020.

13 DETERMINATION OF THE DISCOVERED PRICE AND EXIT PRICE

13.1 The Acquirers propose to acquire the Offer Shares pursuant to the reverse book building process through the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB, conducted in accordance with the terms of the Delisting Regulations and the SEBI Circulars (defined below).

13.2 All Public Shareholders can tender their Offer Shares during the Bid Period as set out in paragraphs 16 and 23 of this Public Announcement.

13.3 The minimum price per Offer Share payable by the Acquirers pursuant to the Delisting Offer shall be determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and will be the price at which the shareholding of the members of the Promoter Group reaches 90% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the Equity Shares which are then held by a custodian and against which ADS have been issued, pursuant to the reverse book building process specified in Schedule II of the Delisting Regulations, which shall not be lower than the Floor Price ("Discovered Price").

13.4 The Acquirers indicated their willingness to accept Equity Shares tendered by the Public Shareholders in the Delisting Offer at a price of INR 87.50 (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Fifty Paise only) per Equity Share, i.e., the Indicative Offer Price. Indicative Offer Price should in no way be construed either as an obligation/ restriction on VRL and/ or its subsidiaries to accept the Equity Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer at a price lower than, equal to or higher than the Indicative Offer Price or as a restriction on the Public Shareholders to tender the Equity Shares at a price higher than the Indicative Offer Price.

13.5 The Acquirers are under no obligation to accept the Discovered Price. The Acquirers may, at their discretion, subject to the terms and conditions as set out in this Public Announcement and Letter of Offer:

- accept the Discovered Price;
- offer a price higher than the Discovered Price; or
- offer a Counter Offer Price.

13.6 The "Exit Price" shall be:

- the Discovered Price, if accepted by the Acquirers;
- a price higher than the Discovered Price, if offered by the Acquirers at their discretion; or
- the Counter Offer Price offered by the Acquirers at their sole and absolute discretion which, pursuant to acceptance and/ or rejection by the Promoter Group reaching 90% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the Equity Shares which are then held by a custodian and against which ADS have been issued.

13.7 The Acquirers shall announce the Discovered Price and their decision to accept or reject the Discovered Price/ offer a price higher than the Discovered Price/ offer a Counter Offer Price, as applicable, in the same newspapers in which this Public Announcement is published, in accordance with the timetable set out in paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.

13.8 Once the Acquirers announce the Exit Price, the Acquirers will acquire, subject to the terms and conditions set out in this Public Announcement and the Letter of Offer, all the Offer Shares validly tendered at a price not exceeding the Exit Price, for a cash consideration equal to the Exit Price for each such validly tendered Offer Share. The Acquirers will not accept Offer Shares offered at a price that exceeds the Exit Price.

13.9 If the Acquirers do not accept the Discovered Price in terms of Regulation 16 of the Delisting Regulations or the Delisting Offer fails in terms of Regulation 17 of the Delisting Regulation:

- the Acquirers will have no right or obligation to acquire the Offer Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer;
- the Acquirers, through the Manager to the Offer, will within 5 working days of closure of the Bid Period (as defined below) announce such rejection of the Discovered Price or failure of the Delisting Offer, through an announcement in all newspapers where this Public Announcement is published;
- No final application for delisting shall be made before the Stock Exchanges;
- The lien on the Equity Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer will be released and such Equity Shares shall be returned to the respective Public Shareholders within 10 working days from the closure of the Bid Period (as defined below) in accordance with Regulation 19(2)(a) of the Delisting Regulations; and
- The Escrow Accounts (as defined below) opened in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations shall be closed.

14 MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE AND SUCCESS CONDITIONS TO THE DELISTING OFFER

The acquisition of Offer Shares by the Acquirers pursuant to the Delisting Offer and the successful delisting of the Company pursuant to the Delisting Offer are conditional upon:

14.1 The Acquirers deciding in their sole and absolute discretion to accept the Discovered Price or offer a price higher than the Discovered Price, or offer a Counter Offer Price which, pursuant to acceptance and/ or rejection by Public Shareholders, results in the shareholding of the members of the Promoter Group reaching 90% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the Equity Shares which are then held by a custodian and against which ADS have been issued. It may be noted that notwithstanding anything contained in this Public Announcement, the Acquirers reserve the right to accept or reject the Discovered Price if it is higher than the Floor Price.

14.2 A minimum number of 1,34,12,89,164 Offer Shares being tendered at or below the Exit Price, prior to the closure of Bid Period (as defined below) i.e., on the Bid Closing Date (as defined below), so as to cause the cumulative number of Equity Shares held by the Acquirers together with other members of the Promoter Group (as on the Specified Date, taken together with the Equity Shares acquired through the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB) to be equal to or in excess of 3,20,49,07,952 Equity Shares or such higher or lower number of Equity Shares on account of conversion of ADS into Equity Shares (up to the Bid Closing Date) as stated in paragraphs 5.2 and 1.2 of this Public Announcement, as the case may be, constituting 90% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the Bid Closing Date;

14.3 A minimum number of Public Shareholders (i.e., 25% of number of Public Shareholders) holding Equity Shares in dematerialized mode as on May 18, 2020 shall participate in the reverse book building process, in accordance with Regulation 17(b) of the Delisting Regulations, provided that if the Acquirers along with Manager to the Offer demonstrate to the Stock Exchanges that they have delivered the Letter of Offer to all the Public Shareholders either through registered post or speed post or courier or hand delivery with proof of delivery or through email as a text or as an attachment to email or as a notification providing electronic link or uniform resource locator including a read receipt (referred to as the "Letter of Offer Delivery Requirement") then the mandatory participation of aforementioned number of Public Shareholders is not applicable.

Pursuant to Explanation 1 to Regulation 17(1)(b) of the Delisting Regulations, the Letter of Offer Delivery Requirement is deemed to have been complied with if: (a) the Acquirers or the Manager to the Offer dispatch the Letter of Offer to all the Public Shareholders by registered post or speed post through the India Post and is able to provide a detailed account regarding the status of delivery of the Letter of Offer (whether delivered or not) sent through India Post; (b) the Acquirers or the Manager to the Offer are / is unable to deliver the Letter of Offer to certain Public Shareholders by modes other than speed post or registered post of India Post, efforts should have been made to dispatch the Letter of Offer to them by speed post or registered post of India Post and is able to provide a detailed account regarding the status of delivery of the Letter of Offer (whether delivered or not) sent through India Post;

14.4 The Acquirers will obtain requisite statutory approvals, if any, required for the delisting as stated in paragraph 24 of this Public Announcement; and

14.5 There being no amendments to the Delisting Regulations or other applicable laws or regulations or conditions imposed by any regulatory/ statutory authority/ body or order from a court or competent authority which would in the sole opinion of the Acquirers, prejudice the Acquirers from proceeding with the Delisting Offer. Provided that withdrawal of the Delisting Offer on this count shall be subject to the receipt of regulatory approvals, if any, as may be required for the same.

15 ACQUISITION WINDOW FACILITY

15.1 Pursuant to the Delisting Regulations, the Acquirers are required to facilitate tendering of the Equity Shares held by the Public Shareholders and the settlement of the same, through the stock exchange mechanism provided by SEBI. SEBI, vide its circular dated April 13, 2015 on "Mechanism for acquisition of shares through Stock Exchange pursuant to Tender-Offer under Takeovers, Buy Back and Delisting" and its circular dated December 9, 2016 on "Streamlining the process for Acquisition of Shares pursuant to Tender-Offer made for Takeovers, Buyback and Delisting of Securities" (the "SEBI Circulars") sets out the procedure for tendering and settlement of Equity Shares through the Stock Exchanges (the "Stock Exchange Mechanism"). Further, the SEBI Circulars provide that the Stock Exchanges shall take necessary steps and put in place the necessary infrastructure and systems for implementation of the Stock Exchange Mechanism and to ensure compliance with requirements of the SEBI Circulars. Pursuant to the SEBI Circulars, the Stock Exchanges have issued guidelines detailing the mechanism for acquisition of shares through Stock Exchanges.

15.3 The Acquirers have chosen Acquisition Window Facility or OTB provided by BSE as the designated stock exchange.

15.4 The cumulative quantity tendered shall be displayed on the website of BSE at specific intervals during Bid Period (as defined below).

16 DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF BID PERIOD

16.1 All the Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares are eligible to participate in the reverse book building process by tendering, the whole or part of the Equity Shares held by them through the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB or above the Floor Price. Any holder of the ADS will not be entitled to participate in the reverse book building process unless it converts ADS into Equity Shares.

16.2 The period during which the Public Shareholders may tender their Equity Shares pursuant to the reverse book building process (the "Bid Period") shall commence on October 05, 2020 (the "Bid Opening Date") and close on October 09, 2020 (the "Bid Closing Date"). During the Bid Period, Bids will be placed in the Acquisition Window Facility by the Public Shareholders through their respective stock brokers registered with BSE during normal trading hours of secondary market on or before the Bid Closing Date. Any change to the Bid Period will be notified by way of a corrigendum/ addendum in the newspapers where this Public Announcement is published.

16.3 The Public Shareholders should note that the Bids (as defined below) are required to be uploaded in the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB on or before the Bid Closing Date for being eligible for participation in the Delisting Offer. Bids not uploaded in the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB will not be considered for delisting purposes and will be rejected.

16.4 The Public Shareholders should submit their Bids through their respective stock brokers who are registered with BSE ("Seller Member"). Thus, Public Shareholders should not send Bids to Company/ Acquirers/ Manager to the Offer/ Registrar to the Offer.

16.5 Bids received after close of trading hours on the Bid Closing Date may not be considered for the purpose of determining the Discovered Price payable for the Equity Shares by the Acquirers pursuant to the reverse book building process.

16.6 A letter inviting the Public Shareholders (along with necessary forms and detailed instructions) to tender their Equity Shares by way of submission of "Bids" (the "Letter of Offer") will be dispatched as indicated in paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.

- or by hand delivery to the Registrar to the Offer (at the address mentioned in paragraph 9 of this Public Announcement) within 2 days of bidding by the Seller Member. The envelope should be marked as "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020".
- d) Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form should note that the Offer Shares will not be accepted unless the complete set of documents is submitted. Acceptance of the Offer Shares by the Acquirers shall be subject to verification of documents. The Registrar to the Offer will verify such Bids based on the documents submitted on a daily basis and until such time as BSE shall display such Bids as 'unconfirmed physical bids'. Once, the Registrar to the Offer confirms the Bids, it will be treated as 'confirmed bids'. Bids of Public Shareholders whose original share certificate(s) and other documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) along with TRS are not received by the Registrar to the Offer 2 days after the Bid Closing date shall be rejected.
- e) In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form can make an application in writing on plain paper, signed by the respective Public Shareholder, stating name and address, folio no., share certificate no., no. of Offer Shares tendered for the Delisting Offer and the distinctive nos. thereof, enclosing the original share certificate(s) and other documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement). Public Shareholders will be required to approach their respective Seller Member and have to ensure that their Bid is entered by their Seller Member in the electronic platform to be made available by the Registrar to the Offer.
- f) The Registrar to the Offer will hold in trust the share certificate(s) and other documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) until the Acquirers complete their obligations under the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
- g) Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS along with original share certificate(s) is mandatorily required in case of Equity Shares held in physical form.
- 17.7 If the Public Shareholders do not have any stock broker registered with BSE, then those Public Shareholders can approach any stock broker registered with BSE and can make a bid by using quick online client route ("QOC") facility through that stock broker registered with BSE after submitting the details as may be required by the stock broker in compliance with the applicable SEBI regulations.
- 17.8 Public Shareholders, who have tendered their Offer Shares by submitting Bids pursuant to the terms of this Public Announcement and the Letter of Offer, may withdraw or revise their Bids upwards not later than 1 day before the Bid Closing Date. Downward revision of Bids shall not be permitted. Any such request for revision or withdrawal of the Bids should be made by the Public Shareholder through their respective Seller Member, through whom the original Bid was placed, not later than 1 day before the Bid Closing Date. Any such request for revision or withdrawal of Bids received after normal trading hours of the secondary market 1 day before the Bid Closing Date will not be accepted. Any such request for withdrawal or upward revision should not be made to the Company/ Acquirers/ Registrar to the Offer/ Manager to the Offer.
- 17.9 The cumulative quantity tendered shall be made available on BSE's website i.e., www.bseindia.com throughout the trading session and will be updated at specific intervals during the Bid Period.
- 17.10 The Offer Shares to be acquired under the Delisting Offer will be to be acquired free from all liens, charges, and encumbrances and together with all rights attached thereto. Offer Shares that are subject to any lien, charge or encumbrance are liable to be rejected.
- 17.11 Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares under multiple folios are eligible to participate in the Delisting Offer.
- 17.12 In terms of Regulation 16(1A) of the Delisting Regulations, the Acquirers are entitled (but not obligated) to make a counter offer at the Counter Offer Price (i.e., a price to be intimated by the Acquirers, which is lower than the Discovered Price but not less than the book value of the Company as certified by a merchant banker), at their sole and absolute discretion. The counter offer is to be announced by issuing a public announcement of counter offer ("Counter Offer PA") within 2 working days of the Bid Closing Date. The Counter Offer PA will contain inter alia details of the Counter Offer Price, the book value per Equity Share, the revised schedule of activities and the procedure for participation and settlement in the counter offer. In this regard, Public Shareholders are requested to note that, if a counter offer is made:
- a) All Offer Shares tendered by Public Shareholders during the Bid Period and not withdrawn as per paragraph 17.12(b) below, along with Offer Shares which are additionally tendered by them during the counter offer, will be considered as having been tendered in the counter offer at the Counter Offer Price.
- b) Public Shareholders who have tendered Offer Shares during the Bid Period and thereafter wish to withdraw from participating in the counter offer (in part or full) have the right to do so within 10 working days from the date of issuance of the Counter Offer PA. Any such request for withdrawal should be made by the Public Shareholder through their respective Seller Member through whom the original Bid was placed. Any such request for withdrawal received after normal trading hours of the secondary market on the 10th working day from the date of issuance of the Counter Offer PA will not be accepted.
- c) Offer Shares which have not been tendered by Public Shareholders during the Bid Period can be tendered in the counter offer in accordance with the procedure for tendering that will be set out in the Counter Offer PA.
- 18 **METHOD OF SETTLEMENT**
- Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the Delisting Regulations:
- 18.1 The settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to settlement of trades in the secondary market.
- 18.2 The Acquirers shall pay the consideration payable towards purchase of the Offer Shares accepted during the Delisting Offer, to the Buyer Broker who in turn will transfer the funds to the Clearing Corporation, on or before the pay-in date for settlement as per the secondary market mechanism. For the Offer Shares acquired in dematerialised form, the Public Shareholders will receive the consideration in their bank account attached to the depository account from the Clearing Corporation. If bank account details of any Public Shareholder are not available or if the fund transfer instruction is rejected by the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI") or the relevant bank, due to any reason, then the amount payable to the relevant Public Shareholder will be transferred to the concerned Seller Members for onward transfer to such Public Shareholder. For the Offer Shares acquired in physical form, the Clearing Corporation will release the funds to the Seller Member as per the secondary market mechanism for onward transfer to Public Shareholders.
- 18.3 In case of certain client types viz. non-resident Indians, non-resident clients etc. (where there are specific RBI and other regulatory requirements pertaining to funds pay-out) who do not opt to settle through custodians, the funds pay-out will be given to their respective Seller Member's settlement account for releasing the same to their respective Public Shareholder's account onward. For this purpose, the client type details will be collected from the depositories whereas funds pay-out pertaining to the bids settled through custodians will be transferred to the settlement bank account of the custodian, each in accordance with the applicable mechanism prescribed by BSE and the Clearing Corporation from time to time.
- 18.4 The Offer Shares acquired in dematerialised form would either be transferred directly to the account of either of the Acquirers provided it is indicated by the Buyer Broker or it will be transferred by the Buyer Broker to the account of either of the Acquirers on receipt of the Offer Shares pursuant to the clearing and settlement mechanism of BSE. Offer Shares acquired in physical form will be transferred directly to VHML by the Registrar to the Offer.
- 18.5 In case of rejected dematerialised Offer Shares, if any, tendered by the Public Shareholders, the same shall be transferred to the Clearing Corporation directly to the respective Public Shareholder's DP account, as part of the exchange pay-out process. If the securities transfer instruction is rejected in the depository system, due to any issue then such securities will be transferred to the Seller Member's depository pool account for onward transfer to the eligible shareholder. The Seller Member/ custodian participants would return these unaccepted Offer Shares to their respective clients (i.e., the relevant Public Shareholder(s)) on whose behalf the Bids have been placed. Offer Shares tendered in physical form will be returned to the respective Public Shareholders directly by Registrar to the Offer.
- 18.6 The Seller Member would issue a contract note and pay the consideration to the respective Public Shareholders whose Offer Shares are accepted under the Delisting Offer. The Buyer Broker would also issue a contract note to the Acquirers for the Offer Shares accepted under the Delisting Offer.
- 18.7 Public Shareholders who intend to participate in the Delisting Offer should consult their respective Seller Member for payment of any cost, charges and expenses (including brokerage) that may be levied by the Seller Member upon the Public Shareholders for tendering their Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer (secondary market transaction). The consideration received by the Public Shareholders from their respective Seller Member, in respect of accepted Offer Shares, could be net of such costs, charges and expenses (including brokerage) and the Acquirers, the Company, the Manager to the Offer and the Registrar to the Offer accept no responsibility to bear or pay such additional cost, charges and expenses (including brokerage) incurred by the Public Shareholders.
- 19 **PERIOD FOR WHICH THE DELISTING OFFER SHALL BE VALID**
- 19.1 The Public Shareholders may submit their Bids to the Seller Member during the Bid Period. Additionally, once the Equity Shares have been delisted from the Stock Exchanges, the Public Shareholders who either do not tender their Equity Shares in the Delisting Offer or whose Offer Shares have not been acquired by the Acquirers because the price quoted by them was higher than the Exit Price (the "Residual Public Shareholders") may offer their Offer Shares for sale to the Acquirers at the Exit Price for a period of 1 year following the date of the delisting of the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges ("Exit Window"). A separate offer letter in this regard will be sent to these Residual Public Shareholders explaining the procedure for tendering their Offer Shares. Such Residual Public Shareholders may tender their Offer Shares by submitting the required documents to the Registrar to the Offer during the Exit Window.
- 20 **PROCESS FOR ADS HOLDERS**
- 20.1 In accordance with the Delisting Regulations, the holders of ADS (and American depository receipts) ("ADRS") evidencing the ADS, if applicable) will not be entitled to participate in the Delisting Offer, unless they convert their ADS into Equity Shares.
- 20.2 ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation to the depository (i.e., Citibank, N.A., ("Depository")) will be able to take possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or establish, a custodian or brokerage (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depository for cancellation. Establishing such custodian or brokerage (demat) account may be subject to delay as a result of operational procedures and as the opening of such account may be subject to regulatory approvals in India.
- 20.3 Please be advised that if any ADS holder converts its ADS into Equity Shares, and the Delisting Offer fails for any reason, there is no assurance that such holder would be able to deposit its Equity Shares and obtain ADS. Issuance of ADS against deposit of Equity Shares is subject to various requirements as set forth in the deposit agreement dated September 6, 2013 among the Company (as successor in interest to Sesa Goa Limited) and Citibank, N.A., as depository, and the holders and beneficial owners of ADS issued thereunder, as amended by the deposit agreement dated August 25, 2015 among the Company and Citibank, N.A., for continued appointment of Citibank, N.A. as the exclusive depository of ADRs issued thereunder ("ADR Deposit Agreement"). In particular, in accordance with applicable regulations of the RBI and the Ministry of Finance, the Depository will only be able to accept Equity Shares for deposit into the

ADS facility to the extent that there have previously been withdrawals of Equity Shares.

21 DELISTING AMERICAN DEPOSITORY SHARES FROM NYSE AND TERMINATION OF ADR PROGRAMME

- 21.1 If the Delisting Offer is successful, the Company intends to delist its ADS from NYSE and terminate its ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. The Company will continue to be subject to reporting obligations under the Exchange Act until such time as it can terminate its registration under the Exchange Act.
- 21.2 Upon the determination and/or acceptance of the Exit Price by the Acquirers, the Company intends to provide a notice to the NYSE announcing its intention to delist its ADS from the NYSE. On or about the 10th day after giving the delisting notice, the Company intends to file a Form 25 with effect, SEC to effect the delisting from the NYSE. The delisting will become effective 30 days after the delisting notice to the NYSE.
- 21.3 Simultaneously with giving delisting notice to the NYSE, the Company intends to give a notice to the Depository of the termination of the ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. Depository shall thereafter distribute notice of such termination to the ADS holders at least 30 days prior to the date of such termination. The termination of the ADR Deposit Agreement will become effective 30 days from the date of distribution of such notice ("Programme Termination Date").
- 21.4 As a result of such termination, ADS holders will have until 30 days from the Programme Termination Date to decide whether to retain their interest in the Equity Shares. At any time until 30 days from the Programme Termination Date, each ADS holder shall be entitled, subject to the terms and conditions of the ADR Deposit Agreement, to surrender its ADS and to obtain the delivery of the Equity Shares relative to each ADS held by it, upon payment by the holder of any sums payable to the Depository or to the custodian in connection therewith for such delivery of Equity Shares. As described above under paragraph 20.2 of this Public Announcement, ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation will be able to take possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or establish, a custodian or brokerage (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depository for cancellation. As each ADS represents 4 Equity Shares, an ADS holder will receive 4 Equity Shares for each ADS which is surrendered by the holder to the Depository for cancellation. Further, as described above in paragraph 19.1 of this Public Announcement, ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs if applicable) for cancellation and receive Equity Shares at any time prior to the 30th day after the Programme Termination Date may offer their Equity Shares for sale to the Acquirers at the Exit Price for a period of 1 year following the date of the delisting of the Equity Shares from BSE and NSE.
- 21.5 In the case of ADS holders who do not present their ADS (or ADRs if applicable) for cancellation prior to the 30th day after the Programme Termination Date, starting on or about 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, the Depository may arrange for the sale of the Equity Shares and shall after such sale hold un-vested net proceeds of such sale, together with any other cash then held by it under the ADR Deposit Agreement, in an un-segregated account and without liability for interest for the pro-rata benefit of the holders whose ADS have not theretofore been surrendered. The Depository will promptly remit the net proceeds to the holders of ADS then outstanding through the payment mechanism of depository trust company (DTC). The ADS (and the ADRs, if applicable) will be deemed cancelled and terminated from the date of the cancellation of the ADS resulting from the sale of the Equity Shares represented by the ADS.
- 21.6 Failure to present ADS for cancellation within 30 days after the Programme Termination Date will have significant adverse Indian tax consequences as a result of the forced sale of the Equity Shares on deposit after that date. Please be advised that the proceeds from the sale of the Equity Shares by the Depository will be subject to Indian withholding taxes of up to 43.68%. ADS holders should consult their tax advisors about the application of the United States federal tax rules to their particular circumstances as well as the state and local, foreign and other tax consequences to them of the ownership and disposition of ADS or Equity Shares.
- 21.7 Holders of ADRs will be required to present and surrender their physical certificates to the Depository in order to receive payment.
- 21.8 After remitting the net proceeds to the holders of ADS, the Depository shall be discharged from all obligations under the ADR Deposit Agreement except as may be required at law in connection with the termination of the ADR Deposit Agreement.
- 21.9 For the delisting from the NYSE and termination of the ADR programme, the schedule of activity is expected to be as set out below:

Activity	Date
Notice of delisting to NYSE	T-3
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement to the Depository	T-3
Press release announcing the delisting notice and termination notice	T-3
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement is distributed by the Depository to ADS holders	T
File Form 25 with SEC	T+7
Effective Date of delisting of ADRs from NYSE	T+17
Effective Date of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement	T+30
Last Date for ADS holders to convert ADRs into Equity Shares	T+60
Depository to sell Equity Shares underlying the ADS that have not been surrendered	T+61 or soon thereafter
Depository to remit net proceeds to ADS holders	Expected to be approximately 4 weeks following the sale described in the immediately preceding row.

- 21.10 In summary, ADS holders may sell their ADS in the market on the NYSE until they are delisted;
- 21.10.1 sell their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the 30th day after the Programme Termination Date;
- 21.10.2 sell their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the 30th day after the Programme Termination Date;
- 21.10.3 surrender their ADS (or their ADRs, as applicable) to the Depository for cancellation and receive 4 Equity Shares for every ADS surrendered, either (a) prior to the Bid Closing Date for being eligible to participate in the Delisting Offer; or (b) after the Bid Closing Date but at any point until 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, in which case if the Delisting Offer is successful then as described above in paragraph 19.1 of this Public Announcement, such ADS holder may offer its Equity Shares for sale to the Acquirers at the Exit Price for a period of 1 year following the date of the delisting of the Equity Shares from BSE and NSE; or
- 21.10.4 take no action or otherwise still hold ADS after 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, in which case the Depository will attempt to sell underlying Equity Shares that it still holds and distribute the cash proceeds pro-rata to the remaining ADS holders, less fees and taxes as described in paragraph 21.5 of this Public Announcement.
- 21.11 The Company's ADR programme is a sponsored level III listing which grants the holders voting rights and pays dividends to the ADS holders equivalent to the exchange-rate and ADR-adjusted dividend paid to the underlying Equity Shares holders. Following termination, if an ADS holder chooses to hold the underlying Equity Shares instead of the ADR then they will continue to receive dividends and maintain their voting rights on each Equity Share held.
- 21.12 In order to deregister the Equity Shares with the SEC, following the delisting of the Equity Shares from the BSE and NSE and the delisting of the ADS from NYSE, the Company must have less than 300 shareholders. The Company believes that terminating its ADR programme and delisting its Equity Shares from Stock Exchanges will result in a decrease in the number of shareholders such that it can deregister at a later date. There is a minimum 12 month waiting period between termination of the ADR programme and deregistering from the SEC, after which the Company will still need to prove that the Company has less than 300 shareholders in order to deregister.
- 21.13 Following deregistration of the Equity Shares with the SEC, the Company's SEC reporting obligations (including the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act) would cease. Reporting obligations currently include filing of Form 20-F annually and Form 6-Ks for material announcements.

22 DETAILS OF THE ESCROW ACCOUNTS

- 22.1 The estimated consideration payable under the Delisting Regulations, being the Floor Price of INR 87.25/- (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Twenty Five Paise only) per Equity Share multiplied by the number of the Equity Shares held by the Public Shareholders as on the Specified Date, i.e., September 25, 2020, is INR 14,809.73 Crore ("Escrow Amount"). The Escrow Amount has been deposited by VHML and VHML II in the manner set out below.
- 22.2 In accordance with Regulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations VPL, VHML, VHML II, Axis Bank Limited, a scheduled commercial bank and a banker to an issue registered with SEBI ("Escrow Bank"), and the Manager to the Offer have entered into an escrow agreement dated September 19, 2020 pursuant to which (a) VHML has opened an escrow account in the name of "Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited-Escrow Account" with the Escrow Bank at their branch at Gurgaon ("Escrow Account 1"); and (b) VHML II has opened an escrow account in the name of "Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited-Escrow Account 2" (collectively "Escrow Accounts").
- 22.3 VHML has provided a bank guarantee of INR 4,550 Crore issued by Standard Chartered Bank pursuant to the bank guarantee letter dated September 28, 2020 ("Bank Guarantee"), in favour of the Manager to the Offer and VHML II has deposited an amount of INR 10,299.80 Crore in Escrow Account 2 in cash, which together with the bank guarantee is for an aggregate amount of INR 14,849.80 Crore which covers 100% of the Escrow Amount.
- 22.4 On determination of the Exit Price and making of the public announcement under Regulation 18 of the Delisting Regulations, the Acquirers shall ensure compliance with Regulation 11(2) of the Delisting Regulations. In the event that the ADS holders choose to convert the ADS into Equity Shares, the Acquirers shall forthwith deposit additional sum in the Escrow Accounts to the extent necessary to pay the consideration payable to such ADS holders. In the event that the Acquirers accept the Discovered Price or offers a price higher than the Discovered Price or the Counter Offer Price is accepted in accordance with the Delisting Regulations, the Acquirers shall forthwith deposit additional sum in the Escrow Accounts to the extent necessary to pay Public Shareholders at the Exit Price. In such case, the Acquirers shall also ensure that either (i) the Bank Guarantee remains valid until the expiry of the Exit Window; or (ii) deposit additional sum in the Escrow Accounts to the extent necessary to pay balance Public Shareholders at the Exit Price.
- 22.6 Further, the Escrow Bank will open special accounts ("Special Accounts") on

the instructions of VHML, VHML II and the Manager to the Offer, which shall be used for payment to the Public Shareholders who have validly tendered Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer. The Manager to the Offer shall instruct the Escrow Bank to transfer the requisite amount to the Special Accounts.

23 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Activity	Date	Day
Specified Date for determining the names of shareholders to whom the Letter of Offer shall be sent@	September 25, 2020	Friday
Date of receipt of BSE in-principle approval	September 28, 2020	Monday
Date of receipt of NSE in-principle approval	September 28, 2020	Monday
Date of publication of the Public Announcement	September 29, 2020	Tuesday
Last date for dispatch of Letter of Offer/ Bid Forms to Public Shareholders as of Specified Date	October 01, 2020	Thursday
Bid Opening Date (bid starts at market hours)	October 05, 2020	Monday
Last Date for upward revision or withdrawal of bids	October 08, 2020	Thursday
Bid Closing Date (bid closes at market hours)	October 09, 2020	Friday
Last date for announcement of Counter Offer	October 13, 2020	Tuesday
Last date for announcement of Discovered Price/ Exit Price and the Acquirers' acceptance/ non-acceptance of Discovered Price/ Exit Price	October 16, 2020	Friday
Proposed date for payment of consideration to Public Shareholders and/ or return of Equity Shares to Public Shareholders; in case of Bids not being accepted/ failure of the Delisting Offer	October 23, 2020	Friday

@The Specified Date is only for the purpose of determining the names of the Public Shareholders to whom the Letter of Offer will be sent. However, as Public Shareholders, who are eligible to participate in the Delisting Offer, can submit their bids in Acquisition Window Facility or OTB through their respective Seller Member during the Bid Period, changes to the proposed timeline, if any, will be notified to Public Shareholders by way of a public announcement in the same newspapers as mentioned in this Public Announcement. This is an indicative date and the announcement may be made on or before October 16, 2020, being the fifth working day from the Bid Closing Date. Subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price or offer of an Exit Price higher than the Discovered Price by the Acquirers.

24 STATUTORY APPROVALS

- 24.1 The Public Shareholders have accorded their consent by way of special resolution passed through postal ballot on June 24, 2020, i.e., the last date specified for remote e-voting. The results of the postal ballot were announced on June 25, 2020 and the same were intimated to the Stock Exchanges. BSE and NSE have given their in-principle approval for delisting of the Equity Shares pursuant to their letters each dated September 28, 2020.
- 24.2 To the best of the Acquirers' knowledge, as on date of this Public Announcement, there are no other statutory or regulatory approvals required to acquire the Offer Shares and implement the Delisting Offer, other than as indicated above. If any statutory or regulatory approvals become applicable, the acquisition of Offer Shares by the Acquirers and the Delisting Offer will be subject to receipt of such statutory or regulatory approvals.
- 24.3 If the shareholders who are not persons resident in India (including non-resident Indians, overseas corporate bodies and foreign portfolio investors) had required any approval (including from the RBI or any other regulatory body) in respect of the Equity Shares held by them, they will be required to submit such previous approvals, that they would have obtained for holding the Equity Shares, to tender the Equity Shares held by them in this Delisting Offer, along with the other documents required to be submitted to along with the Bid. In the event such approvals are not submitted, the Acquirers reserve the right to reject such Equity Shares tendered in the Offer.
- 24.5 It shall be the responsibility of the Public Shareholders tendering Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer to obtain all requisite approvals (including corporate, statutory or regulatory approvals), if any, prior to tendering the Offer Shares held by them in the Delisting Offer, and the Company/ Acquirers/ Manager to the Offer/ Registrar to the Offer shall take no responsibility for the same. The Public Shareholders should attach a copy of any such approval(s) to the Bid Form, wherever applicable.
- 24.6 The Acquirers reserve the right not to proceed with or withdraw the Delisting Offer in the event the conditions mentioned in paragraph 14 of this Public Announcement are not fulfilled or if the approvals indicated above are not obtained or conditions which the Acquirers consider in their sole discretion to be onerous, are imposed in respect of such approvals.
- 24.7 In the event that receipt of the statutory or regulatory approvals are delayed, changes to the proposed timeline, if any, will be notified to the Public Shareholders by way of a corrigendum/ addendum to this Public Announcement in the same newspapers in which this Public Announcement is made.

25 NOTES ON TAXATION

- 25.1 Under current Indian tax laws and regulations, capital gains arising from the sale of equity shares of an Indian company are generally taxable in India. Capital gain arising from sale of listed equity shares in a company made on a recognized stock exchange on or after October 1, 2004 and on which securities transaction tax ("STT") was paid at the time of sale, was earlier exempt from tax provided that the shares were held for more than 12 months. The Finance Act 2017 had amended the Income-Tax Act, 1961 ("IT Act") to provide that the said exemption was available only if STT is paid both at the time of purchase and sale of such shares, subject to certain exceptions notified by the central government.
- 25.2 The Finance Act, 2018 has withdrawn the above capital gains tax exemption with effect from April 1, 2018. Any transfer of listed equity shares in a company, held for more than 12 months, on a recognized stock exchange occurring on or after April 1, 2018, the capital gains exceeding INR 1,00,000 (Indian Rupees One Lakh only) are now taxable at a rate of 10%, subject to satisfaction of certain conditions. Further, if investments were made on or before January 31, 2018, a method of determining the cost of acquisition of such investments has been specifically laid down.
- 25.3 In the event that receipt of the statutory or regulatory approvals are delayed, changes to the proposed timeline, if any, will be notified to the Public Shareholders by way of a corrigendum/ addendum to this Public Announcement in the same newspapers in which this Public Announcement is made.
- 25.4 Tax deduction at source:
- 25.4.1 In case of resident shareholders: In absence of any specific provision under the IT Act, the Acquirer(s) shall not deduct tax on the consideration payable to resident shareholders pursuant to the Delisting Offer.
- 25.4.2 In case of non-resident shareholders: Under the provisions of Indian tax laws, any sum paid to a non-resident which is chargeable to tax under the provisions of IT Act is subject to deduction of tax at source, except for capital gains realized by the foreign portfolio investors or such gains/ income which are exempt from tax. Since the acquisition of Offer Shares pursuant to the delisting process is through the stock exchange mechanism, the Acquirers will not be able to withhold any taxes, and thus, the Acquirers believe that the responsibility of withholding/ discharge of the taxes due on such gains (if any) is solely on the custodian/ authorized dealers/ non-resident shareholders, with no recourse to the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in concert with them.
- 25.4.3 It is therefore important that the non-resident shareholders consult their custodians/ authorized dealers/ tax advisors appropriately and immediately pay taxes in India (either through deduction at source or otherwise). In the event the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in concert with them are held liable for the tax liability of the shareholder, the same shall be to the account of the shareholder and to that extent the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in concert with them are entitled to be indemnified.
- 25.5 Post delisting, the Equity Shares would be treated as unlisted shares and therefore, capital gain on sale of such unlisted Equity Shares (held for more than 24 months) would be taxable at 20% for residents in India and at 10% for non-resident in India. For Offer Shares held for 24 months or less, capital gain would be taxable at ordinary rate applicable for the shareholder. The provision of gains up to January 31, 2018 being grandfathered would not be applicable and therefore the cost of acquisition for Residual Public Shareholders would be price paid by Residual Public Shareholder for acquisition of Offer Shares. Please note while the resident shareholders are allowed the benefit of indexation on their original cost of acquisition, no such benefit is applicable for non-resident shareholders.
- 25.6 On purchase of Offer Shares from non-resident Residual Public Shareholders, the Acquirers would be required to deduct tax at source from the sale consideration unless the Residual Public Shareholder obtains a nil deduction certificate from the tax authorities and furnish the same to the payor prior to the remittance of the sale consideration. The amount of taxes deducted and deposited by the Acquirers can be claimed as credit by the Residual Public Shareholder against its final tax liability.
- 25.7 The above tax rates are subject to applicable rate of surcharge, health and education cess. The tax rate and other provisions may undergo changes.
- 25.8 **SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS FOR THE TREATMENT THAT MAY BE GIVEN BY THEIR RESPECTIVE INCOME TAX ASSESSING AUTHORITIES IN THEIR CASE, AND THE APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION THAT THEY SHOULD TAKE. THE JUDICIAL AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE INTERPRETATIONS THEREOF ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR MODIFICATION BY SUBSEQUENT LEGISLATIVE, REGULATORY, ADMINISTRATIVE OR JUDICIAL DECISIONS. ANY SUCH CHANGES COULD HAVE DIFFERENT INCOME-TAX IMPLICATIONS. THIS NOTE ON TAXATION SETS OUT THE PROVISIONS OF LAW IN A SUMMARY MANNER AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN ANALYSIS OR LISTING OF ALL POTENTIAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE DISPOSAL OF EQUITY SHARES. THE IMPLICATIONS ARE ALSO DEPENDENT ON THE SHAREHOLDERS FULFILLING THE CONDITIONS PRESCRIBED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE RELEVANT SECTIONS UNDER THE RELEVANT TAX LAWS. THE ACQUIRERS NEITHER ACCEPT NOR HOLD ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY TAX LIABILITY ARISING TO ANY SHAREHOLDER AS A REASON OF THIS DELISTING OFFER.**
- 26 **CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY**
- 26.1 The Board has certified that:
- a) there are no material deviations in utilization of the proceeds of the issues (as compared to the stated objects in such issues) of securities made by the Company during the 5 years immediately preceding the date of this Public Announcement from the stated object of the issue; and
- b) all material information which is required to be disclosed under the provisions of the continuous listing requirements under the relevant

- equity listing agreement entered into between the Company and the Stock Exchanges or the provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as applicable from time to time have been disclosed to the Stock Exchanges, as applicable;
- c) The Company is in compliance with applicable provisions of securities law;
- d) The members of Promoter Group or their related entities have not carried out any transaction during the aforesaid period to facilitate the success of the Delisting Offer which is not in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 4(5) of the Delisting Regulations; and
- e) The delisting of Equity Shares is in the interest of the shareholders.

27 COMPANY SECRETARY AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE COMPANY

- 27.1 The details of Company Secretary and the Compliance Officer of the Company are as follows:
- Name:** Ms. Prema Halwasiya
Designation: Company Secretary & Compliance Officer
Address: ASF Center, 1st Floor, ASF Center, Tower B, 362 363, Jwala Mill Road, Udyog Vihar, Phase IV, Gurgaon-122 016, Haryana, India
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- 27.2 In case the Public Shareholders have any queries concerning the non-receipt of credit or payment for Offer Shares or on delisting process and procedure, they may address the same to Registrar to the Offer or Manager to the Offer.

28 OTHERS

The Company has informed the Acquirers that the following litigations or actions pending against the Company pertaining to its activities in the securities market or any other matter may have a material bearing on the interests of its equity shareholders: (1) show cause notice ("SCN") issued by the SEBI to Cairn India Limited ("CIL") (since merged with the Company with effect from April 11, 2017 through a Scheme of Arrangement which was approved by the National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench vide order dated March 23, 2017). The SCN (bearing number EAD-2/DSP / RG / 16430 /2017 (2 dated July 13, 2017) was in connection with the buy-back of equity shares by CIL during 2014. Replies to the SCN were submitted to SEBI vide letters dated January 19, 2018 and February 6, 2019. There has been no further communication from SEBI in the said matter; and (2) proceedings before the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay bearing number SAPP/1/2002 ("First Proceeding") and Criminal Application No. 3609 of 2005 ("Second Proceeding"), both linked to the same underlying subject matter. The First Proceeding is linked to an order passed by SEBI on April 19, 2001 prohibiting Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company) from accessing the capital market for a period of 2 (two) years and other actions for violation of certain provisions of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations 1995, against Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company), through its directors namely Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Tarun Jain and Mr. Shashikant ("SEBI Order"). On appeal, the SEBI Order was overruled by the Securities Appellate Tribunal ("SAT") by way of an order dated October 22, 2001 ("SAT Order"). On November 9, 2001, SEBI appealed to the High Court of Bombay. The next date of hearing has not yet been fixed. The Second Proceeding is also linked to the SEBI Order and resultant criminal proceedings initiated by SEBI in 2001 before the Court of the Metropolitan Magistrate, Mumbai, against Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company), Mr. Anil Agarwal and Mr. Tarun Jain. When the SEBI Order was overruled by the SAT Order, a petition was filed before the High Court of Bombay to stay the criminal proceedings on the ground that the SEBI Order had been overruled by the SAT Order. On December 2, 2005, an order was passed by the High Court of Bombay in favor of Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company), Mr. Anil Agarwal and Mr. Tarun Jain granting an interim stay of the criminal proceedings.

29 GENERAL DISCLAIMER

EVERY PERSON WHO DESIRES TO AVAIL OF THE DELISTING OFFER MAY DO SO PURSUANT TO INDEPENDENT INQUIRY, INVESTIGATION AND ANALYSIS AND SHALL NOT HAVE ANY CLAIM AGAINST THE ACQUIRERS (INCLUDING ITS DIRECTORS), THE MANAGER TO THE OFFER OR THE COMPANY (INCLUDING ITS DIRECTORS) WHATSOEVER BY REASON OF ANY LOSS WHICH MAY BE SUFFERED BY SUCH PERSON CONSEQUENT TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH OFFER AND TENDER OF SECURITIES THROUGH THE REVERSE BOOK BUILDING PROCESS THROUGH ACQUISITION WINDOW FACILITY OR OTB OR OTHERWISE WHETHER BY REASON OF ANYTHING STATED OR OMITTED TO BE STATED HEREIN OR ANY OTHER REASON WHATSOEVER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (U.S.)

THE DELISTING OFFER IS BEING MADE FOR SECURITIES OF AN INDIAN COMPANY AND SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY IN THE U.S. SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT, THE LETTER OF OFFER AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE DELISTING OFFER HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INDIAN PROCEDURAL AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE DELISTING OFFER TIMETABLE AND TIMING OF PAYMENTS, ALL OF WHICH DIFFER FROM THOSE IN THE U.S.

THE RECEIPT OF CASH PURSUANT TO THE DELISTING OFFER BY A SHAREHOLDER OF THE COMPANY MAY BE A TAXABLE TRANSACTION FOR U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES AND UNDER APPLICABLE U.S. STATE AND LOCAL, AS WELL AS FOREIGN AND OTHER, TAX LAWS. EACH SHAREHOLDER OF THE COMPANY IS URGED TO CONSULT HIS INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ADVISER IMMEDIATELY REGARDING THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF ACCEPTING THE DELISTING OFFER.

IT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR U.S. HOLDERS OF EQUITY SHARES TO ENFORCE THEIR RIGHTS AND ANY CLAIMS THEY MAY HAVE ARISING UNDER THE U.S. FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DELISTING OFFER, SINCE THE COMPANY AND THE ACQUIRERS ARE INCORPORATED IN COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE U.S. AND SOME OR ALL OF THEIR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS MAY BE RESIDENTS OF COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE U.S. HOLDERS OF EQUITY SHARES IN THE COMPANY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO SUE THE COMPANY, THE ACQUIRERS OR THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS OR DIRECTORS IN THE U.S. GOVT FOR VIOLATIONS OF U.S. SECURITIES LAWS. FURTHER, IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO COMPEL THE COMPANY, THE ACQUIRERS OR THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES TO SUBJECT THEMSELVES TO THE JURISDICTION OR JUDGMENT OF A U.S. COURT.

NEITHER THE U.S. SECURITIES EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY U.S. STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THE DELISTING OFFER OR PASSED ANY COMMENT UPON THE ADEQUACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE IN THE U.S.

GENERAL

NO ACTION HAS BEEN OR WILL BE TAKEN TO PERMIT THIS DELISTING OFFER IN ANY JURISDICTION WHERE ACTION WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE LETTER OF OFFER SHALL BE DISPATCHED TO ALL PUBLIC SHAREHOLDERS HOLDING THE EQUITY SHARES WHOSE NAMES APPEAR ON THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY AND TO THE OWNER OF THE EQUITY SHARES WHOSE NAMES APPEAR AS BENEFICIARIES ON THE RECORDS OF THE RESPECTIVE DEPOSITORIES AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS HOURS ON THE SPECIFIED DATE (AS INDICATED IN THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT). HOWEVER, RECEIPT OF THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT AND THE LETTER OF OFFER BY ANY PUBLIC SHAREHOLDER IN A JURISDICTION IN WHICH IT WOULD BE ILLEGAL TO MAKE THIS OFFER, OR WHERE THE MAKING OF THIS DELISTING OFFER WOULD REQUIRE ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN (INCLUDING, BUT NOT RESTRICTED TO, REGISTRATION OF THE LETTER OF OFFER UNDER ANY LOCAL SECURITIES LAWS OF SUCH JURISDICTION), SHALL NOT BE TREATED BY SUCH PUBLIC SHAREHOLDER AS AN DELISTING OFFER BEING MADE TO THEM AND SHALL BE CONSTRUED BY THEM AS BEING SENT FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY.

PERSONS IN POSSESSION OF THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ARE REQUIRED TO INFORM THEMSELVES OF ANY RELEVANT RESTRICTIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS. ANY PUBLIC SHAREHOLDER WHO TENDERS HIS, HER OR ITS EQUITY SHARES IN THIS DELISTING OFFER SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE DECLARED, REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED THAT HE, SHE OR IT IS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE LOCAL LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND STATUTES TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS DELISTING OFFER.

For further details please refer to the Letter of Offer, the Bid Form and the Bid Revision/ Withdrawal Form which will be sent to the Public Shareholders who are shareholders of the Company as on the Specified Date.

This Public Announcement is expected to be available on the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com. Public Shareholders will also be able to download the Letter of Offer, the Bid Form and the Bid Revision/ Withdrawal Form from the website of the Stock Exchange.

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