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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF

# **VEDANTA LIMITED**

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Registered Office: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400 093 Company Secretary & Compliance Officer: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; Fax no.: +91 22 6643 4530 Website: www.vedantalimited.com; Email ID: comp.sect@vedanta.co.in This public announcement ("Public Announcement") is being issued by certain members of the promoter and promoter group of Vedanta Limited ("Company"), namely, Vedanta Resources Limited ("VRL") and its wholly owned step down subsidiaries namely, Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited ("VHML") and Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited ("VHML II") (collectively, to be referred as "Acquirers"), to the public shareholders (as defined under Regulation 2(1)(v) of the Delisting Regulations (as defined below) and hereinafter referred to as "Public Shareholders") of the Company, in regard to the proposed acquisition of fully paid-up equity shares having face value of INR 1/- (Indian Rupee One only) each ("Equity Shares") held by the Public Shareholders, and consequent voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares from the stock exchanges where they are listed namely, BSE Limited ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") (collectively to be referred as the "Stock Exchanges"), in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009, as amended ("Delisting Regulations") and in accordance with the terms and conditions set out below and / or in the Letter of Offer (as defined in paragraph 16.6 of this Public Announcement) (hereinafter referred to as the "Delisting Offer" or the "Offer"). The Equity Shares are also currently 'permitted to trade' on the Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited ("MSE"). Pursuant to the successful Delisting Offer, the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. If the Delisting Offer is successful, the VRL/ Company intends to delist the American Depositary Share(s) ("ADS") issued by the Company from New York Stock Exchange ("MYSE") and terminate its ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement (defined below). The Company will continue to be subject to reporting obligations under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") until such time as it can terminate its registratio

# 1. BACKGROUND OF THE DELISTING OFFER

- 1.1. As on the Specified Date, 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 52.33% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the ADS issued by the Company, are held by the members of the promoter and promoter group of the Company ("Promoter Group"). As on the Specified Date, the Acquirers do not directly hold any Equity Shares. As on the Specified Date, the Public Shareholders (including the employee benefit trust) hold 1,69,73,90,047 Equity Shares aggregating to 47.67% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding ADS issued by the Company.
- 1.2. In addition to the above, as on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which have been issued by the Company against 15,64,96,036 number of underlying Equity Shares. The holders of such ADS would be considered to be Public Shareholders to be able to participate in the Delisting Offer in the event they chose to convert the ADS into Equity Shares. In this regard, please note that if all the outstanding ADS (as on the Specified Date) are converted into Equity Shares, the: (a) members of the Promoter Group will hold 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 50.13% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company; and (b) the Public Shareholders will hold 1,85,38,86,083 Equity Shares aggregating to 49.87% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company.
- 1.3. The Acquirers are making this Public Announcement to acquire all Equity Shares that are held by the Public Shareholders (**"Offer Shares"**). If the Delisting Offer is successful in accordance with the terms set out in paragraph 14 of this Public Announcement, an application will be made to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges pursuant to and in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and on the terms set out in this Public Announcement, the Letter of Offer and any other Delisting Offer related documents. Consequently, the Equity Shares shall be voluntarily delisted from the Stock Exchanges and the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn.
- 1.4. VRL, pursuant to its letter dated May 12, 2020 ("Delisting Letter"), expressed its intention to the board of directors of the Company ("Board") to acquire the Offer Shares and consequently voluntarily delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges by making a Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and if such delisting is successful, then to also delist the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC. Further, VRL, *inter alia*, requested the Board to: (a) take all such other actions as may be required to be undertaken by the Company under the Delisting Regulations in order to give effect to the Delisting Offer, including appointment of a merchant banker to undertake due diligence, provide all relevant information necessary for the due diligence, make relevant applications to Stock Exchanges and/ or to any other regulatory authorities, as may be required in connection to the Delisting Proposal; (b) consider and approve

2. NECESSITY AND OBJECTIVE OF THE DELISTING OFFER

- In the Delisting Letter, VRL specified the following as the rationale for the Delisting Offer:
- a) The Vedanta Group (the "Group") has been pursuing a process of corporate simplification for several years, including the merger of Sterlite with Sesa Goa to form Sesa-Sterlite (subsequently renamed Vedanta Limited) in 2012, the merger of Cairn India with the Company in 2016, and the delisting of Vedanta Resources Plc (subsequently renamed Vedanta Resources Ltd) in 2018.
- b) The Group believes that a delisting of the Company is the next logical step in this simplification process and will provide the Group with enhanced operational and financial flexibility in a capital intensive business. Vedanta Group maintains its strategic priority of attaining leadership in diversified natural resources, underpinned by growth, while maintaining a flexible capital structure.
- c) The proposed delisting offer will provide public shareholders of the Company an opportunity to realize immediate and certain value for their shares at a time of elevated market volatility. The price will be determined in accordance with the reverse book building mechanism set out in the Delisting Regulations.
- d) The proposed delisting will align the Group's capital and operational structures, streamline the process of servicing the Group's financing obligations and significantly improve a range of important credit metrics. As a result, the transaction is expected to support an accelerated debt reduction program in the medium term and, in turn, support the Group's highly attractive longer-term growth pipeline.

## BACKGROUND OF THE ACQUIRERS

## 3.1 Vedanta Resources Limited

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- 3.1.1 VRL was incorporated on April 22, 2003, as a private limited company under the laws of United Kingdom (company registration number 4740415). It was incorporated in the name of Angelchange Limited. Subsequently, its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited on June 26, 2003. VRL was re-registered as a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Plc with effect from November 20, 2003. The ordinary shares of VRL got listed on the London Stock Exchange on December 5, 2003. Thereafter, on October 01, 2018, the ordinary shares of VRL were delisted from London Stock Exchange pursuant to the successful completion of the delisting offer made by Volcan Investments Limited, the holding company of VRL. On October 29, 2018, VRL was reregistered as a private limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited. VRL's registered office is located at 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AB and its corporate office is located at 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EX.
- 3.1.2 VRL is a globally diversified natural resources company and is engaged in production of aluminium, copper, zinc, lead, silver, iron ore, oil and gas and commercial energy. VRL has operations in India, Zambia, Namibia and

and paid-up share capital of VHML is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of VRL.

3.2.4 The shareholding pattern of VHML as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1,000	100

3.2.5 VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial statements have been prepared by it.

3.2.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML does not hold any Equity Shares.

# 3.3 Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited

- 3.3.1 VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172884 GBC). The registered address of VHML II is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, Nexteracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius.
- 3.3.2 The principal activity of VHML II is to carry on the business of holding investments.
- 3.3.3 Mr. Rajiv Mangar and Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paidup share capital of VHML II is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML II is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of VRL.
- 3.3.4 The shareholding pattern of VHML II as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1,000	100

3.3.5 VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial

# and paid-up share capital of VHML is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars 4.4 As on date of this Public Announcement, the members of the Board are:

Name and DIN	Designation as on the date of this Pub- lic Announcement	Date of Appoint- ment	No. of Equity Shares Held
Mr. Anil Agarwal	Non-Executive	April 1,	Nil
DIN: 00010883	Director, Chairperson	2020	
Mr. Navin Agarwal	Executive Director,	August	Nil
DIN: 00006303	Vice Chairperson	17, 2013	
Mr. K. Venkataramanan <b>DIN:</b> 00001647	Non-Executive Independent Director	April 1, 2017	Nil
Ms. Lalita D. Gupte	Non-Executive	March 29,	Nil
DIN: 00043559	Independent Director	2014	
Mr. MK Sharma	Non-Executive	June 1,	Nil
DIN: 00327684	Independent Director	2019	
Mr. UK Sinha	Non-Executive	March 13,	Nil
<b>DIN:</b> 00010336	Independent Director	2018	
Ms. Priya Agarwal	Non-Executive	May 17,	Nil
DIN: 05162177	Director	2017	
Mr. GR Arun Kumar DIN: 01874769	Whole-Time Director & Chief Financial Officer	November 22, 2016	8,000

4.5 A brief summary of the financial performance of the Company, based on its audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, are set out as below:

Particulars Financial Financial Financial				
Faluculais	ended March 31, 2020	ended March 31, 2019	year ende March 31 2018	
Equity capital	372	372	372	
Reserves & surplus	54,263	61,925	62,940	
Minority interest	17,112	15,227	15,961	
Total equity	71,747	77,524	79,273	
Non-current borrowings	36,724	34,721	26,789	
Other non- current Liabilities	11,829	13,157	11,276	
Current borrowings	13,076	22,982	21,951	
Other current Liabilities	50,246	53,659	45,296	
Total equity and liabilities	183,622	202,043	184,585	
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	107,489	121,356	112,334	
Other non-current assets	18,613	20,859	17,137	
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>2</sup>	12,502	8,369	5,216	
Other current assets	45,018	51,459	49,898	
Total assets	183,622	202,043	184,585	
Revenue from operations	83,545	90,901	92,011	
Other operating income	902	1,147	912	
Other Income	2,510	4,018	3,205	
Total Income	86,957	96,066	96,128	
Total Expenses	77,830	82,826	79,456	
Profit before tax	9,127	13,240	16,672	
Net exceptional (loss)/ gain	(17,386)	320	2,897	
(Loss)/ Profit before tax after exceptional items	(8,259)	13,560	19,569	
Net tax (credit) / expense	(3,516)	3,862	5,877	
(Loss)/ Profit after tax	(4,743)	9,698	13,692	
Share of (Loss)/ Profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(1)	0	0	
(Loss)/ Profit after tax after Share of (loss)/ profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(4,744)	9,698	13,692	
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(6,664)	7,065	10,342	
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1,920	2,633	3,350	
Basic EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.1	28.3	
Diluted EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.0	28.2	

the Delisting Offer under Regulation 8 of the Delisting Regulations; and (c) take necessary steps to: (i) seek approval of the shareholders of the Company through postal ballot; (ii) seek approval of the Stock Exchanges for the proposed delisting of the Equity Shares in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; and (iii) obtain consent/ waivers from the lenders in connection with the proposed delisting of the Equity shares, as may be required. The receipt of the Delisting Letter was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020 (**"Stock Exchanges Notification Date"**).

- 1.5. Pursuant to the Delisting Letter, the Board appointed SBI Capital Markets Limited, a merchant banker registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), to carry out due diligence in accordance with Regulations 8(1A) and 8(1D) of the Delisting Regulations ("Merchant Banker"). The appointment of the Merchant Banker was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 13, 2020.
- 1.6. On May 12, 2020, the Company intimated the Stock Exchanges that a meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on May 18, 2020 in order to: (i) take on record and review the due diligence report of the Merchant Banker in terms of Regulations 8(1A)(ii) and 8(1E) of the Delisting Regulations ("Due Diligence Report"); (ii) approve/ reject the proposal of voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares; and (iii) any other matters incidental thereto or required in terms of the Delisting Regulations.
- 1.7. Further, in the Delisting Letter, after considering the prevailing market conditions and with a view to provide the Public Shareholders with a fair exit price, VRL informed the Company of its 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 ("Indicative Offer Price"). VRL further informed the Company that the 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 price higher than the Indicative Offer Price was intimated to Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020.
- 1.8. On May 18, 2020, the Company received a letter from VRL, providing the details of the floor price for the Delisting Offer, 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) ("Floor Price") determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations ("Floor Price Letter").
- 1.9. The Board, in its meeting held on May 18, 2020, *inter-alia*, took the following decisions:
  - a) The Due Diligence Report, as tabled before them, issued and submitted by the Merchant Banker, was taken on record.
  - b) Based on the Due Diligence Report and information available with the Company, Board, in accordance with Regulation 8(1B) of the Delisting Regulations, certified that:
  - i. The Company is in compliance with the applicable provisions of securities laws;
  - ii. The members of the Promoter Group or their related entities are in compliance with Regulation 4(5) of the Delisting Regulations; andiii. The Delisting Offer is in the interest of the shareholders of the
  - Company.
     c) In accordance with Regulation 8(1)(a) of the Delisting Regulations, the Board has approved the Delisting Offer, after having discussed and
  - Board has approved the Delisting Offer, after having discussed and considered various factors including the Due Diligence Report.
  - d) The Board granted its approval to the Company to seek shareholders' approval by way of special resolution through postal ballot and e-voting, and thereby approved the draft of the postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement thereto. The Company was authorized to: (i) dispatch the said postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement to the shareholders in accordance with applicable laws; and (ii) obtain approval of the Stock Exchanges in accordance with the provisions under the Delisting Regulations and/ or any other regulatory/ government authority in India and/ or abroad (including the SEC and NYSE), as may be required, in relation to the Delisting Offer.
  - e) Mr. Upendra C Shukla, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS No. 2727, CP No. 1654), was appointed as the scrutinizer in terms of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, to conduct the process of the postal ballot in a fair and transparent manner.
  - The outcome of the meeting of the Board was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on the same day, i.e., May 18, 2020.
- 1.10. The dispatch of the notice of postal ballot dated May 18, 2020 for seeking the approval of the shareholders, through postal ballot and remote e-voting for the Delisting Offer, as required under the Delisting Regulations and the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, was completed on May 25, 2020.
- 1.11. The shareholders of the Company approved the Delisting Offer by way of a special resolution in accordance with the Delisting Regulations 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. As part of the said resolution, the votes cast by the Public Shareholders in favour of the Delisting Offer are 99,69,13,034 votes which is more than two times the number of votes cast by the Public Shareholders against it i.e., 18,59,11,313 votes.
  1.12. BSE and NSE have issued their in-principle approvals to the Delisting Offer subject to compliance with the Delisting Regulations, pursuant to their letters, each dated September 28, 2020, in accordance with Regulation 8(3) of the Delisting Regulations.
  1.13. This Public Announcement is being issued in the following newspapers as required under Regulation 10(1) of the Delisting Regulations:

South Africa.

- 3.1.3 Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Navin Agarwal, Mr. Geoffrey Green, Mr. Deepak Parekh, Mr. Ravi Rajagopal and Mr. Edward Story are the directors of the VRL. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VRL is USD 28,524,669.8 (United States Dollar Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Nine point Eight only) comprising of 285,246,698 fully paidup ordinary shares of USD 0.1 (United States Dollar Zero point One only) each. VRL is a subsidiary of Volcan Investments Limited.
- 3.1.4 The shareholding pattern of VRL as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Volcan Investments Limited	18,74,88,092	65.7%
2	Volcan Investments Cyprus Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of Volcan Invest- ments Limited)	9,77,58,606	34.3%
	Total	28,52,46,698	100.0%

3.1.5 The key financial information of VRL, based on its audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, is set out below:

- statements have been prepared by it. 6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML II does not hold.
- 3.3.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML II does not hold any Equity Shares.
- 3.4 Neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group has sold any Equity Shares during the 6 months preceding the date of the meeting of the Board i.e., May 18, 2020, wherein the Delisting Offer was approved. Further, neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group shall sell the Equity Shares until the earlier of: (i) completion of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; or (ii) failure of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
- 3.5 The members of the Promoter Group are not prohibited by SEBI from dealing in securities, in terms of directions issued under Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 or any other regulations made under the SEBI Act, 1992.
- 3.6 The Acquirers hereby invite all the Public Shareholders to bid in accordance with the reverse book building process of BSE and on the terms and subject to the conditions set out herein, and/ or in the Letter of Offer (as defined below), the Offer Shares.
- 3.7 The Acquirers have, as detailed in paragraph 22 of this Public Announcement, made available all the requisite funds necessary to fulfil the obligations of the Acquirers under the Delisting Offer.

## 4 BACKGROUND OF THE COMPANY

4.1 The Company was incorporated on June 25, 1965 as a private limited company under the laws of India as Sesa Goa Private Limited. The Company was converted into a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Sesa Goa Limited with effect from April 16, 1981. Subsequently, the name of the Company was changed to Sesa Sterlite Limited on September 18, 2013 and further the name of the

	(Amount in USD million and INR crores except per share data and percentages show					entages shown)	
Particulars		Financial year ended March 31, 2020		Financial year ended March 31, 2019 <sup>3</sup>		Financial year ended March 31, 2018⁴	
	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	
Equity Capital	29	213	29	213	30	221	
Reserves	(3,292)	(24,227)	(957)	(7,042)	(360)	(2,649)	
Minority Interests	5,536	40,742	6,181	45,489	6,870	50,560	
Total Equity	2,273	16,728	5,253	38,660	6,540	48,132	
Non-current borrowings	4,909	36,128	10,524	77,451	9,734	71,637	
Other non- current Liabilities	1,013	7,455	1,488	10,951	1,310	9,641	
Current borrowings	10,186	74,964	5,456	40,153	5,460	40,183	
Other current Liabilities	5,805	42,722	7,060	51,958	6,194	45,585	
Total equity and liabilities	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178	
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	13,357	98,301	17,909	131,801	17,919	131,875	
Other non-current assets	3,028	22,285	2,999	22,071	2,122	15,617	
Cash and cash equivalents	705	5,188	1,133	8,338	798	5,873	
Other Current Assets	7,096	52,223	7,740	56,963	8,399	61,813	
Total Assets	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178	
Revenue	11,790	86,769	13,006	95,718	15,294	112,556	
Other operating income	142	1,045	225	1,656	154	1,133	
Total operating income	11,932	87,814	13,231	97,374	15,448	113,689	
Total expenses	13,278	97,720	11,863	87,306	12,960	95,379	
(Loss)/ Profit before tax	(1,346)	(9,906)	1,368	10,068	2,488	18,310	
Net tax (credit)/expense	(370)	(2,723)	611	4,497	1,013	7,455	

Note: Refer Note 3(b) of Annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon.

<sup>1</sup> Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) also includes Intangible assets and Exploration intangible assets under development

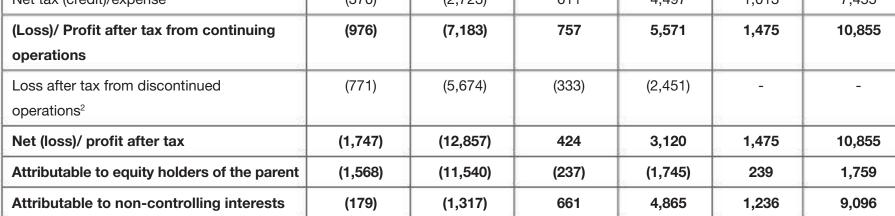
<sup>2</sup> Cash and cash equivalent includes other bank balances

<sup>3</sup> Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding during the year. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares, unless the effect is anti-dilutive.

**Source:** The financial information for the financial years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 have been extracted from the comparative financial information included in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 have been extracted from the comparative financial information included in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards.

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

- 1.14. Any changes, modifications or amendments to this Public Announcement, if any, will be notified by way of issuing corrigendum in all the aforesaid newspapers.
- 1.15. The Delisting Offer is subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price (defined below in paragraph 13.3 of this Public Announcement), determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations, by the Acquirers. The Acquirers may also, at their discretion, propose: (a) a price higher than the Discovered Price for the purposes of the Delisting Offer; or (b) a price which is lower than the Discovered Price but not less than the book value of the Company as certified by the merchant banker, in terms of Regulation 16(1A) of the Delisting Regulations ("Counter Offer Price"). Any Discovered Price that is accepted by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer, a higher price that is offered by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer at their discretion, or a Counter Offer Price pursuant to acceptance of the Counter Offer Price by the Public Shareholders, that results in shareholding 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, shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Exit Price".



Since the financial statements of VRL are prepared in USD (the functional currency of VRL), they have been converted into INR for the purpose of convenience of translation. USD to INR conversion has been assumed at a rate of USD 1 = INR 73.6 as on August 31, 2020 (www.fbil.com). No representation is made that the US Dollar amounts represent INR amounts or have been, could have been or could be converted into INR at such a rate or any other rate.

Note: Refer Note 2(b) of Annual financial statements for year ended March 31, 2019 and note 2(b) & 3(b) of preliminary results for year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon.

Fixed assets includes property, plant & equipment, intangible assets, exploration & evaluation assets, goodwill and leasehold land.

<sup>2</sup> Loss after tax from discontinued operations represents loss with respect to KCM (Konkola Copper Mines) operations along with the loss on fair valuation of the Group's interest in KCM.

<sup>3</sup> Restated. Refer note 1(b) of preliminary results for the year ended March 31, 2020.

<sup>4</sup> Financial information for financial year ended March 31, 2018 present KCM as consolidated subsidiary. Accordingly, financial information for year ended March 31, 2018 is not comparable.

**Source:** The financial information for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from VRL's financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 has been extracted from the comparative financial information included in VRL's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. VRL's annual financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with international financial reporting standards as adopted by the European Union.

3.1.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VRL does not directly hold any Equity Shares.

# 3.2 Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited

- 3.2.1 VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172883 GBC). The registered address of VHML is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, NexTeracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius.
- 3.2.2 The principal activity of VHML is to carry on the business of holding investments.
- 3.2.3 Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally and Mr. Ashwanee Ramsurrun are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued

Company was changed to its present name i.e., Vedanta Limited with effect from April 21, 2015.

- 4.2 The Company's registered office is located at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400 093; Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; Fax no.: +91 22 6643 4530; E-mail: comp.sect@vedanta.co.in and website: www.vedantalimited.com. The corporate identity number 5.3 ("CIN") of the Company is: L13209MH1965PLC291394.
- 4.3 The Company is a globally diversified natural resources company engaged in the business of producing oil and gas, zinc, lead, silver, copper, iron ore, steel, aluminium and power across India, South Africa, Namibia and Australia.



4.6 The book value for the Company, for financial year ended on March 31, 2020, is INR 89.38 (Indian Rupees Eighty Nine and Thirty Eight Paise only) per Equity Share, as extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company. The book value has been arrived at by dividing net worth of the Company (as per Section 2(57) of the Companies Act, 2013) by total number of outstanding Equity Shares as of March 31, 2020. The computation of the book value of the Company has been certified independently by Shailesh Haribhakti & Associates, chartered accountants, vide certificate dated September 02, 2020.

# PRESENT CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

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- 5.1 As on date of this Public Announcement, the authorized share capital of the Company is INR 74,12,01,00,000 (Indian Rupees Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Crore and One Lakh only) divided into 44,02,01,00,000 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each and 3,01,00,00,000 preference shares of INR 10/- (Indian Rupees Ten only) each. The total issued and paid-up share capital of the Company is INR 3,71,75,04,871 (Indian Rupees Three Hundred Seventy One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One only) each. Out of the 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each. Out of the 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares, 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.
- 5.2 The Company has issued ADS which are listed on NYSE and the underlying Equity Shares, based on which such ADS have been issued, are held by Citibank N.A. as the custodian. As on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which can be converted into 15,64,96,036 Equity Shares. If any of the outstanding ADS are converted into Equity Shares after the Specified Date until the Bid Closing Date, there may be a decrease in the equity shareholding percentage of the members of the Promoter Group and an increase in the equity shareholding percentage of the Public Shareholders as specified in paragraph 1.2 above. Depending upon the conversion of the ADS into Equity Shares, the Offer Shares may stand increased or decreased, as the case may be.
- 5.3 As on date of this Public Announcement, there are no outstanding instruments in the nature of warrants or fully convertible debentures or partly convertible debentures/ preference shares etc., which are convertible into Equity Shares at any later date. Also, Equity Shares held by the members of the Promoter Group are not subject to any statutory lock-in. As on date of this Public Announcement, the Acquirers do not



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directly hold any Equity Shares. The Company also does not have 9 any partly paid-up shares outstanding. Neither the Acquirers nor the members of the Promoter Group are participating in the Delisting Offer 9.1 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:

Paid-up Equity Shares	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)	3,71,75,048,71*	100.00
Total voting rights in Target Company (including the voting rights relating to underlying Equity Shares based on which the ADS have been issued)	3,71,71,96,639*	99.99

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

Particulars	No. of Equity Shares	% of	% 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%	
- NBFCs 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	0.01%	
Total [(A)+(B)+(C)+(D)]	3,71,75,04,871 <sup>*</sup>	-	-	100%	

# **REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER**

The Acquirers have appointed KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly known as Karvy 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@kfintech.com; and Contact person: Mr. Murali Krishna.

## **DETAILS OF THE BUYER BROKER** 10

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 11.2 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 <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (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	r the period	d are based	on intra-dav

**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.

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:

	shares	percentage of the total listed shares) (%)
3,92,55,21,328	3,71,71,96,639	105.6%
21,45,37,897	3,71,71,96,639	5.8%

- 12.4 As mentioned in paragraph 11.1 of this Public Announcement, the Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(i) 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:
  - the highest negotiated price per share of the Not Applicable target company for any acquisition under the agreement attracting the obligation to make a public announcement of an open offer. INR 64.89\* (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. (c) INR 64.89\* 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. (d) the volume-weighted average market price INR 87.25\* 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. where the shares are not frequently traded, Not the price determined by the acquirer and the Applicable 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.
  - (f) the per share value computed under sub-Not

Pursuant to Explanation I 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;

- The Acquirers will obtain requisite statutory approvals, if any, required for the delisting as stated in paragraph 24 of this Public Announcement; and
- 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-Offers under Takeovers, Buy Back and Delisting' and its circular dated December 9, 2016 on 'Streamlining the process for Acquisition of Shares pursuant to Tender-Offers 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 15.2 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 SEBİ 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).

## DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF BID PERIOD 16

- All the Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares are eligible to participate 16.1 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 at 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.

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\* The total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company consists of 371,75,04,871 Equity Share out of which, 308,232 Equity Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

## 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").
- The Acquirers are seeking to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock 6.3 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.
- The Acquirers propose to acquire the Offer Shares pursuant to the 6.6 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).
- LIKELY POST SUCCESSFUL DELISTING OFFER SHAREHOLDING 7 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

Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period
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

Notes: <sup>(1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices. <sup>(2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

11.3 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 BSE are as follows:

Preceding 3 financial years					
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)		
April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018	355.7	218.0	292.7		
April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019	313.5	145.9	219.0		
April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020	195.0	60.3	148.6		

# Source: www.bseindia.com

Note: <sup>(1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices and average price is based on average of closing price. <sup>(2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures

regulation (5), if applicable.		Applicable	
	sed on certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price o LLP.	e Waterhouse	

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 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: a) accept the Discovered Price;
  - b) offer a price higher than the Discovered Price; or
  - c) offer a Counter Offer Price.
- 13.6 The "Exit Price" shall be:
  - a) the Discovered Price, if accepted by the Acquirers; b) a price higher than the Discovered Price, if offered by the Acquirers at their discretion; or
  - c) the Counter Offer Price offered by the Acquirers at their sole and absolute discretion 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.
- 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:
  - a) the Acquirers will have no right or obligation to acquire the Offer Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer;
  - b) 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;
  - c) No final application for delisting shall be made before the Stock Exchanges;
  - d) 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)

## PROCEDURE FOR TENDERING 17

- During the Bid Period, the Bids shall be placed through the Acquisition 17.1 Window Facility or OTB by the Public Shareholders through their respective Seller Member during normal trading hours of the secondary market. The Seller Members can enter orders for Equity Shares which are held in dematerialized form as well as physical form.
- The Letter of Offer (along with necessary forms and instructions) inviting 17.2 the Public Shareholders to tender their Equity Shares to the Acquirers will be dispatched to the Public Shareholders by the Acquirers 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 paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement).
- For further details on the schedule of activities, please refer to paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.
- 17.4 In the event of an accidental omission to dispatch the Letter of Offer or non-receipt of the Letter of Offer by any Public Shareholder, such Public Shareholder may obtain a copy of the Letter of Offer by writing to the Registrar to the Offer at their address given in paragraph 9 of this Public Announcement, clearly marking the envelope "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020". Alternatively, the Public Shareholders may obtain copies of the Letter of Offer from the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., www. bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, or, from the website of the Registrar to the Offer, at www.kfintech.com.

## 17.5 Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in dematerialized form

- a) Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Offer Shares in the electronic form under the Delisting Offer would have to do so through their respective Seller Member by indicating the details of the Offer Shares they intend to tender under the Delisting Offer. The Public Shareholders should not send Bids to the Company/ Acquirers/ Manager to the Offer/ the Registrar to the Offer.
- b) After the Bids have been placed by the Public Shareholders, the Bids will be transferred to the respective Seller Member's pool account, who will in-turn tender the Offer Shares to the early pay-in mechanism of the Indian Clearing Corporation Limited or the NSE Clearing Limited, as the case may be ("Clearing Corporation").
- c) The details of settlement number shall be informed in the issue opening circular/ notice that will be issued by BSE/ Clearing Corporation before the Bid Opening Date.
- d) For custodian participant orders for Equity Shares in dematerialized form, early pay-in is mandatory prior to confirmation of the relevant order by the custodian. The custodian shall either confirm or reject the orders not later than the closing of trading hours on the last day of the Bid Period. Thereafter, all unconfirmed orders shall be deemed to be rejected. For all confirmed custodian participant orders, any modification to an order shall be deemed to revoke the custodian confirmation relating to such order and the revised order shall be sent to the custodian again for confirmation.
- e) Upon placing the Bid, a Seller Member shall provide a Transaction Registration Slip ("TRS") generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as Bid ID No., DP ID, Client ID, no. of Offer Shares tendered and price at which the Bid was placed.
- f) Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS is not mandatorily required in case of Equity Shares held in dematerialised form.
- g) The Clearing Corporation will hold in trust the Offer Shares until the Acquirers complete their obligations under the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
- h) The Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the depository participant ("DP") account active and unblocked to receive credit in case of return of Equity Shares due to rejection. Further, Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the saving account attached with the DP account active and updated to receive credit remittance due to acceptance of Offer Shares tendered by them.
- i) In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer/ Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form can make an application in writing on plain paper, signed by the respective Public Shareholder, stating name and address, Client ID, DP name/ ID, beneficiary account number and number of Equity Shares tendered for

## MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER 8

The Acquirers have appointed J.P. Morgan India Private Limited 8.1 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.

due to rounding off.

Preceding 6 months						
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period			
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			
August 2020	134.7	112.5	2,19,36,358			

## Source: www.bseindia.com

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices. <sup>(2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

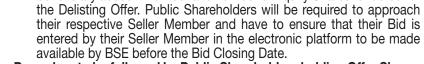
## 12 DETERMINATION OF THE FLOOR PRICE

- 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.

- of the Delisting Regulations; and
- e) The Escrow Accounts (as *defined below*) opened in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations shall be closed.
- 14 **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.



## MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE AND SUCCESS CONDITIONS TO THE 17.6 Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form

- a) The Public Shareholders who hold Offer Shares in physical form and intend to participate in the Delisting Offer will be required to approach their respective Seller Member along with the complete set of documents for verification procedures to be carried out including as below: original share certificate(s)
- valid share transfer form(s) duly filled and signed by the transferors ii. (i.e., by all registered shareholders in the same order and as per the specimen signatures registered with the Company) and duly witnessed at the appropriate place authorizing the transfer. Attestation, where required, (thumb impressions, signature difference, etc.) should be done by a magistrate/ notary public/ bank manager under their official seal;
- self-attested permanent account number ("PAN") card copy (in case of joint holders, PAN card copy of all transferors);
- Bid Form duly signed (by all Public Shareholders in cases where Offer Shares are held in joint names) in the same order in which they hold the Offer Shares;
- v. any other relevant documents such as power of attorney, corporate authorization (including board resolution/ specimen signature), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probated will, if the original shareholder has deceased, etc., as applicable. In addition, if the address of the Public Shareholder has undergone a change from the address registered in the register of members of the Company, the Public Shareholder would be required to submit a self-attested copy of proof of address consisting of any one of the following documents: valid aadhar card, voter identity card or passport.
- Declaration by joint holders consenting to tender Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer, if applicable, and

vii. FATCA and CRS forms for individual/ non individual shareholders.

- b) Upon placing the Bid, the Seller Member shall provide a TRS generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as folio no., certificate no., distinctive no., no, of Offer Shares tendered and the price at which the Bid was placed.
- c) The Seller Member/ Public Shareholder should ensure the documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) above are delivered along with TRS either by registered post or courier











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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 liable to 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 21.4 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 BSE, before the Bid Closing Date.
- 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 unique client code ("UCC") 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 are 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 encumbrances 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 required 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

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

- 21 DELISTING AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES FROM NYSE AND TERMINATION OF ADR PROGRAMME
- If the Delisting Offer is successful, the Company intends to delist its ADS from 21.1 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 the SEC to effect the delisting from the NYSE. The delisting will become effective 10 days after such filing.
- 21.3 Simultaneously with giving delisting notice to the NYSE, the Company intends to give a notice to the Depositary of the termination of the ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. Depositary 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").
  - 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Program 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 Program Termination Date, starting on or about 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, the Depositary 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 Depositary 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.
- Failure to present ADS for cancellation within 30 days after the Programme 21.6 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 Depositary 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.
- Holders of ADRs will be required to present and surrender their physical certificates to the Depositary in order to receive payment.
- 21.8 After remitting the net proceeds to the holders of ADS, the Depositary

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 <sup>**</sup> in case of Bids not being accepted/ failure of the Delisting Offer	October 23, 2020	Friday

of the Public Shareholders to whom the Letter of Offer will be sent. However, all 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 where this Public Announcement is published.

*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.

# STATUTORY APPROVALS

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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.

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

- The details of Company Secretary and the Compliance Officer of the 27.1Company are as follow:
  - Name: Ms. Prerna 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
  - Email: Prerna.Halwasiya@vedanta.co.in; comp.sect@vedanta.co.in +91 22 6643 4500 | **Fax No.:** + 91 22 6643 4530 Tel. No.:
- In case the Public Shareholders have any queries concerning the nonreceipt 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.

## OTHERS 28

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/DSR / 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 DIRECTÓRS) 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.

counter offer. In this regard, Public Shareholders are requested to note that if a counter offer is made:

- All Offer Shares tendered by Public Shareholders during the Bid Period and a) 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
- Public Shareholders who have tendered Offer Shares during the Bid Period b) 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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 Shareholder 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.

## METHOD OF SETTLEMENT 18

Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the Delisting Regulations: The settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to 18.1 settlement of trades in the secondary market.

- The Acquirers shall pay the consideration payable towards purchase of the 18.2 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 accounts 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
- 18.5 In case of rejected dematerialised Offer Shares, if any, tendered by the Public Shareholders, the same would be transferred by 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 Shareholder 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

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.

For the delisting from the NYSE and termination of the ADR programme, the 21.9 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 Depositary	T-3
Press release announcing the delisting notice and termination notice	T-3
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement is distributed by the Depositary to ADS holders	Т
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
Depositary to sell Equity Shares underlying the ADS that have not been surrendered	T+61 or soon thereafter
Depositary 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

- 21.10.1 sell their ADS in the market on the NYSE until they are delisted; 21.10.2 sell their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the
- 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Programme Termination Date;
- 21.10.3 surrender their ADS (or their ADRs, as applicable) to the Depositary 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 Depositary 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-ratio 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

- 24.2 BSE and NSE have given their in-principle approval for delisting of the Equity Shares pursuant to their letters each dated September 28, 2020.
- To the best of the Acquirers' knowledge, as on date of this Public 24.3 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.
- 24.4 If the shareholders who are not persons resident in India (including nonresident Indians, overseas corporate bodies and foreign portfolio investors) had required any approvals (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 timetable, 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 for 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 STT will be levied on and collected by a domestic stock exchange on which the equity shares are sold. Further, any gain realized on the sale of listed equity shares held for a period of 12 months or less which are sold, will be subject to short term capital gains tax @ 15% provided the transaction is chargeable to STT.
- 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 existing 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 custodians/ 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.
- Post delisting, the Equity Shares would be treated as unlisted shares and 25.5 therefore, capital gain on sale of such unlisted Equity Shares (held for more than 24 months) would be taxable at 20% for rea nts in India and at

# **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. 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 A NON-U.S. COURT 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.

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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 DELISTING OFFER, OR WHERE MAKING 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 AUTHORISED 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.



- 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 depositary receipt(s) ("ADRs") evidencing the ADS, if applicable) will not be entitled to participate in the Delisting Offer, unless they covert their ADS into Equity Shares.
- 20.2 ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation to the depositary (i.e., Citibank, N.A., ("Depositary")) will be able to take possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or must establish, a custodian or brokerage (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depositary 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 depositary, 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 depositary of ADRs issued thereunder ("ADR Deposit Agreement"). In particular, in accordance with applicable regulations of the RBI and the Ministry of Finance, the Depositary will only be able to accept Equity Shares for deposit into the

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 VRL, 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 II Limited-Escrow Account" with the Escrow Bank at their branch at Gurgaon ("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. 22.5
  - 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 a 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

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.

- On purchase of Offer Shares from non-resident Residual Public 25.6 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 ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE 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.
- CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY 26
- 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; b) all material information which is required to be disclosed under the

provisions of the continuous listing requirements under the relevant

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or and on behalf of <b>VED</b>	ANTA HOLDINGS MA	AURITIUS II LIMITED
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Name: Rajiv Mangar **Name:** Shakill Ahmad Toorabally **Designation:** Director **Designation:** Director Date: September 28, 2020 Place: Mauritius











PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF

# EDANTA LIMITED

CIN: L13209MH1965PLC291394

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This public announcement ("**Public Announcement**") is being issued by certain members of the promoter and promoter group of Vedanta Limited ("**Company**"), namely, Vedanta Resources Limited ("**VHRL**") and its wholly owned step down subsidiaries namely, Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited ("**VHML**") and Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited ("**VHML II**") (collectively, to be referred as "**Acquirers**"), to the public shareholders (as defined under Regulation 2(1)(v) of the Delisting Regulations (as defined below) and hereinafter referred to as "Public Shareholders") of the Company, in regard to the proposed acquisition of fully paid-up equity shares having face value of INR 1/- (Indian Rupee One only) each ("Equity Shares") held by the Public Shareholders, and consequent voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares from the stock exchanges where they are listed namely, BSE Limited ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") (collectively to be referred as the "Stock Exchanges"), in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009, as amended ("Delisting Regulations") and in accordance with the terms and conditions set out below and / or in the Letter of Offer (as defined in paragraph 16.6 of this Public Announcement) (hereinafter referred to as the "Delisting Offer" or the "Offer"). The Equity Shares are also currently 'permitted to trade' on the Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited ("MSE"). Pursuant to the successful Delisting Offer, the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. If the Delisting Offer is successful, the VRL/ Company intends to delist the American Depositary Share(s) ("ADS") issued by the Company from New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and terminate its ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement (defined below). The Company will continue to be subject to reporting obligations under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") until such time as it can terminate its registration under the Exchange Act. For further details, see paragraphs 20 and 21 of this Public Announcement.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE DELISTING OFFER 1.

- As on the Specified Date, 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 52.33% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the ADS issued by the Company, are held by the members of the 1.1 promoter and promoter group of the Company ("Promoter Group"). As on the Specified Date, the Acquirers do not directly hold any Equity Shares. As on the Specified Date, the Public Shareholders (including the employee benefit trust) hold 1,69,73,90,047 Equity Shares aggregating to 47.67% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company,
- excluding ADS issued by the Company. In addition to the above, as on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which have been issued by the Company against 15,64,96,036 number of underlying Equity Shares. The holders of such ADS would be considered to be Public Shareholders to be able to participate in the Delisting Offer in the event they chose to convert the ADS into Equity Shares. In this regard, please note that if all the outstanding ADS (as or the Specified Date) are converted into Equity Shares, the: (a) members of the Promoter Group will hold 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 50.13% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company; and (b) the Public Shareholders will hold 1,85,38,86,083 Equity Shares aggregating to 49.87% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company. The Acquirers are making this Public Announcement to acquire all Equity Shares that are held by the Public Shareholders ("Offer Shares"). If the
- 1.3 Delisting Offer is successful in accordance with the terms set out in paragraph 14 of this Public Announcement, an application will be made to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges pursuant to and in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and on the terms set out in this Public Announcement, the Letter of Offer and any other Delisting Offer related documents. Consequently, the Equity Shares shall be voluntarily delisted from the Stock Exchanges and the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. VRL, pursuant to its letter dated May 12, 2020 ("Delisting Letter"), expressed its intention to the board of directors of the Company
- 1.4 (**#Board**) to acquire the Offer Shares and consequently voluntarily delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges by making a Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and if such delisting is successful, then to also delist the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC. Further, VRL, Inter alia, requested the Board to: (a) take all such other actions as may be required to be undertaken by the Company under the Delisting Regulations in order to give effect to the Delisting Offer, including appointment of a merchant banker to undertake due diligence, provide all relevant information necessary for the due diligence, make relevant applications to Stock Exchanges and/ or to any other regulatory authorities, as may be required in connection to the Delisting Proposal; (b) consider and approve the Delisting Offer under Regulation 8 of the Delisting Regulations; and (c) take necessary steps to: (i) seek approval of the shareholders of the Company through postal ballot; (ii) seek approval of the Stock Exchanges for the proposed delisting of the Equity Shares in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; and (iii) obtain consent/ waivers from the lenders in connection with the proposed delisting of the Equity shares, as may be required. The receipt of the Delisting Letter was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020 ("Stock Exchanges
- Notification Date"). Pursuant to the Delisting Letter, the Board appointed SBI Capital Markets 1.5 Limited, a merchant banker registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (**\*SEB**), to carry out due diligence in accordance with Regulations 8(1A) and 8(1D) of the Delisting Regulations (**\*Merchant Banker**<sup>\*</sup>). The appointment of the Merchant Banker was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 13, 2020.
- On May 12, 2020, the Company intimated the Stock Exchanges that a meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on May 18, 2020 in order to: (i) 1.6 take on record and review the due diligence report of the Merchant Banker in terms of Regulations 8(1A)(ii) and 8(1E) of the Delisting Regulations ("Due Diligence Report"); (ii) approve/ reject the proposal of voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares; and (iii) any other matters incidental thereto or required in terms of the Delisting Regulations.
- Further, in the Delisting Letter, after considering the prevailing market conditions and with a view to provide the Public Shareholders with a fair 1.7 exit price, VRL informed the Company of its willingness to accept Equity Shares tendered by the Public Shareholders in the Delisting Offer at a price of INR 87.50 (Indian Rupess Eighty Seven and Fifty Paise only) per Equity Share ("Indicative Offer Price"). VRL further informed the Company that the 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 price higher than the Indicative Offer Price. The Indicative Offer Price was intimated to Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020.
- Exchanges on May 12, 2020. On May 18, 2020, the Company received a letter from VRL, providing the details of the floor price for the Delisting Offer, 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) ("Floor Price") determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations ("Floor Price Letter"). The Board, in its meeting held on May 18, 2020, *inter-alia*, took the following decisions: 1.8
- following decisions: The Due Diligence Report, as tabled before them, issued and a)
  - submitted by the Merchant Banker, was taken on record. Based on the Due Diligence Report and information available with the Company, Board, in accordance with Regulation 8(1B) of the Delisting b)

## NECESSITY AND OBJECTIVE OF THE DELISTING OFFER

- In the Delisting Letter, VRL specified the following as the rationale for the 2.1
  - a) The Vedanta Group (the "Group") has been pursuing a process of vectorial estimation of the company is the net leaded to a strain of the process of the terms of
  - b) The Group believes that a delisting of the Company is the next logica step in this simplification process and will provide the Group with enhanced operational and financial flexibility in a capital intensive business. Vedanta Group maintains its strategic priority of attaining leadership in diversified natural resources, underpinned by growth while maintaining a flexible capital structure.
  - c) The proposed delisting offer will provide public shareholders of the Company an opportunity to realize immediate and certain value for their shares at a time of elevated market volatility. The price will be determined in accordance with the reverse book building mechanism
  - determined in accordance with the reverse book building mechanism set out in the Delisting Regulations. The proposed delisting will align the Group's capital and operational structures, streamline the process of servicing the Group's financing obligations and significantly improve a range of important credit metrics. As a result, the transaction is expected to support an d) accelerated debt reduction program in the medium term and, in turn, support the Group's highly attractive longer-term growth pipeline.

## **BACKGROUND OF THE ACQUIRERS**

## Vedanta Resources Limited 3.1

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- VRL was incorporated on April 22, 2003, as a private limited company under the laws of United Kingdom (company registration number 4740415). It was incorporated in the name of Angelchange Limited. Subsequently, its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited on June 26, 2003. VRL was re-registered as a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Plc with effect from November 20, 2003. The ordinary shares of VRL got listed on the London Stock Exchange 2003. The ordinary shares of VRL got listed on the London Stock Exchange on December 5, 2003. Thereafter, on October 01, 2018, the ordinary shares of VRL were delisted from London Stock Exchange pursuant to the successful completion of the delisting offer made by Volcan Investments Limited, the holding company of VRL. On October 29, 2018, VRL was re-registered as a private limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited. VRL's registered office is located at 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AB and its corporate office is located at 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EX. VRL is a olobally diversified natural resources company and is engaged
- 3.1.2 VRL is a globally diversified natural resources company and is engaged in production of aluminium, copper, zinc, lead, silver, iron ore, oil and gas and commercial energy. VRL has operations in India, Zambia, Namibia and Out of the African Statement of the Afric South Africa.
- South Atrica. Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Navin Agarwal, Mr. Geoffrey Green, Mr. Deepak Parekh, Mr. Ravi Rajagopal and Mr. Edward Story are the directors of the VRL. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VRL is USD 28,524,669.8 (United States Dollar Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Nine point Eight only) comprising of 285,246,698 fully paid-up ordinary shares of USD 0.1 (United States Dollar Zero point One only) each VRL is a subicitiary of Vicen Investments Limited 3.1.3
- each. VRL is a subsidiary of Volcan Investments Limited. The shareholding pattern of VRL as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Volcan Investments Limited	18,74,88,092	65.7%
2	Volcan Investments Cyprus Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of Volcan Invest- ments Limited)	9,77,58,606	34.3%
	Total	28,52,46,698	100.0%

The key financial information of VRL, based on its audited consolidated 3.1.5

financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, is set out below:

and paid-up share capital of VHML is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned

subsidiary of VRL. The shareholding pattern of VHML as on date of this Public Announcement 3.2.4 is set out below

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1.000	100

3.2.5 VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial statements have been prepared by it. 3.2.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML does not hold any Equity

## Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited

VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172884 GBC). The registered address of VHML II is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) 3.3.1 Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, Nexteracom Building, Ebene, Mauritus, 3.3.2 The principal activity of VHML II is to carry on the business of holding

- investments.
- 3.3.3 Mr. Rajiv Mangar and Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VHML II is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML II is a wholly owned subsidiary of United States Dollar One only) each. VHML II is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of VRL
- The shareholding pattern of VHML II as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1,000	100

3.3.5 VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial statements have been prepared by it. As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML II does not hold any 3.3.6

- Equity Shares. Neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group has sold any Equity Shares during the 6 months preceding the date of the meeting of the Board i.e., May 18, 2020, wherein the Delisting Offer was approved. Further, neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group shall sell the Equity Shares until the earlier of: (i) completion of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; or (ii) failure of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
- 3.5 The members of the Promoter Group are not prohibited by SEBI from dealing in securities, in terms of directions issued under Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 or any other regulations made under the SEBI Act, 1992.
- The Acquirers hereby invite all the Public Shareholders to bid in accordance with the reverse book building process of BSE and on the terms and subject to the conditions set out herein, and/ or in the Letter of 3.6
- Offer (as defined below), the Offer Shares. The Acquirers have, as detailed in paragraph 22 of this Public 3.7 Announcement, made available all the requisite funds necessary to fulfil the obligations of the Acquirers under the Delisting Offer.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE COMPANY 4

The Company was incorporated on June 25, 1965 as a private limited 4.1 company under the laws of India as Sesa Goa Private Limited. The Company was converted into a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Sesa Goa Limited with effect from April 16, 1981. Subsequently, the name of the Company was changed to Sesa Sterlite Limited on September 18, 2013 and further the name of the

	(Amount ir	n USD million an	d INR crores exc	ept per share	data and perce	entages shown)
Particulars		vear ended 31, 2020	Financial year ended March 31, 2019 <sup>3</sup>			year ended 31, 2018⁴
	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)
Equity Capital	29	213	29	213	30	221
Reserves	(3,292)	(24,227)	(957)	(7,042)	(360)	(2,649)
Minority Interests	5,536	40,742	6,181	45,489	6,870	50,560
Total Equity	2,273	16,728	5,253	38,660	6,540	48,132
Non-current borrowings	4,909	36,128	10,524	77,451	9,734	71,637
Other non- current Liabilities	1,013	7,455	1,488	10,951	1,310	9,641
Current borrowings	10,186	74,964	5,456	40,153	5,460	40,183
Other current Liabilities	5,805	42,722	7,060	51,958	6,194	45,585
Total equity and liabilities	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	13,357	98,301	17,909	131,801	17,919	131,875
Other non-current assets	3,028	22,285	2,999	22,071	2,122	15,617
Cash and cash equivalents	705	5,188	1,133	8,338	798	5,873
Other Current Assets	7,096	52,223	7,740	56,963	8,399	61,813
Total Assets	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Revenue	11,790	86,769	13,006	95,718	15,294	112,556
Other operating income	142	1,045	225	1,656	154	1,133
Total operating income	11,932	87,814	13,231	97,374	15,448	113,689
Total expenses	13,278	97,720	11,863	87,306	12,960	95,379
(Loss)/ Profit before tax	(1,346)	(9,906)	1,368	10,068	2,488	18,310
Net tax (credit)/expense	(370)	(2,723)	611	4,497	1,013	7,455
(Loss)/ Profit after tax from continuing operations	(976)	(7,183)	757	5,571	1,475	10,855
Loss after tax from discontinued operations <sup>2</sup>	(771)	(5,674)	(333)	(2,451)	-	-
Net (loss)/ profit after tax	(1,747)	(12,857)	424	3,120	1,475	10,855
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(1,568)	(11,540)	(237)	(1,745)	239	1,759
Attributable to non-controlling interests	(179)	(1,317)	661	4,865	1,236	9,096

4.4 As on date of this Public Announcement, the members of the Board are:

Name and DIN	Designation as on the date of this Pub- lic Announcement	Date of Appoint- ment	No. of Equity Shares Held
Mr. Anil Agarwal	Non-Executive	April 1,	Nil
<b>DIN:</b> 00010883	Director, Chairperson	2020	
Mr. Navin Agarwal	Executive Director,	August	Nil
DIN: 00006303	Vice Chairperson	17, 2013	
Mr. K. Venkataramanan <b>DIN:</b> 00001647	Non-Executive Independent Director	April 1, 2017	Nil
Ms. Lalita D. Gupte	Non-Executive	March 29,	Nil
DIN: 00043559	Independent Director	2014	
Mr. MK Sharma	Non-Executive	June 1,	Nil
DIN: 00327684	Independent Director	2019	
Mr. UK Sinha	Non-Executive	March 13,	Nil
<b>DIN:</b> 00010336	Independent Director	2018	
Ms. Priya Agarwal <b>DIN:</b> 05162177	Non-Executive Director	May 17, 2017	Nil
Mr. GR Arun Kumar <b>DIN:</b> 01874769	Whole-Time Director & Chief Financial Officer	November 22, 2016	8,000

A brief summary of the financial performance of the Company, based on its audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and 4.5 March 31, 2018, are set out as below

(Amount in INR crore except per share data)				
Particulars	Financial year ended March 31, 2020	Financial year ended March 31, 2019	Financial year ended March 31, 2018	
Equity capital	372	372	372	
Reserves & surplus	54,263	61,925	62,940	
Minority interest	17,112	15,227	15,961	
Total equity	71,747	77,524	79,273	
Non-current borrowings	36,724	34,721	26,789	
Other non- current Liabilities	11,829	13,157	11,276	
Current borrowings	13,076	22,982	21,951	
Other current Liabilities	50,246	53,659	45,296	
Total equity and liabilities	183,622	202,043	184,585	
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	107,489	121,356	112,334	
Other non-current assets	18,613	20,859	17,137	
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>2</sup>	12,502	8,369	5,216	
Other current assets	45,018	51,459	49,898	
Total assets	183,622	202,043	184,585	
Revenue from operations	83,545	90,901	92,011	
Other operating income	902	1,147	912	
Other Income	2,510	4,018	3,205	
Total Income	86,957	96,066	96,128	
Total Expenses	77,830	82,826	79,456	
Profit before tax	9,127	13,240	16,672	
Net exceptional (loss)/ gain	(17,386)	320	2,897	
(Loss)/ Profit before tax after exceptional items	(8,259)	13,560	19,569	
Net tax (credit) / expense	(3,516)	3,862	5,877	
(Loss)/ Profit after tax	(4,743)	9,698	13,692	
Share of (Loss)/ Profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(1)	0	0	
(Loss)/ Profit after tax after Share of (loss)/ profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(4,744)	9,698	13,692	
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(6,664)	7,065	10,342	
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1,920	2,633	3,350	
Basic EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.1	28.3	
Diluted EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.0	28.2	

Regulations, certified that:

- The Company is in compliance with the applicable provisions of securities laws
- The members of the Promoter Group or their related entities are in compliance with Regulation 4(5) of the Delisting Regulations; and
- iii The Delisting Offer is in the interest of the shareholders of the Company.
- c) In accordance with Regulation 8(1)(a) of the Delisting Regulations, the board has approved the Delisting Offer, after having discussed and considered various factors including the Due Diligence Report.
- d) The Board granted its approval to the Company to seek shareholders' approval by way of special resolution through postal ballot and e-voting, and thereby approved the draft of the postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement thereto. The Company was authorized to: (i) dispatch the said postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement to the shareholders in accordance with applicable laws and (ii) obtain approval of the Stock Exchanges in accordance with the provisions under the Delisting Regulations and/ or any other regulatory/ government authority in India and/ or abroad (including the SEC and NYSE), as may be required, in relation to the Delisting Offer.
- e) Mr. Upendra C Shukla, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS No. 2727, CP No. 1654), was appointed as the scrutinizer in terms of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, to conduct the process of the posta ballot in a fair and transparent manner.

The outcome of the meeting of the Board was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on the same day, i.e., May 18, 2020. 1.10. The dispatch of the notice of postal ballot dated May 18, 2020 for seeking

- the approval of the shareholders, through postal ballot and remote e-voting for the Delisting Offer, as required under the Delisting Regulations and the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, was completed on May 25, 2020.
- 1.11. The shareholders of the Company approved the Delisting Offer by way of a special resolution in accordance with the Delisting Regulations 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. As part of the said resolution, the votes cast by the Public Shareholders in favour of the Delisting Offer are 99,69,13,034 votes which is more than two times the number of votes cast the Public Shareholders against it i.e., 18,59,11,313 votes
- 1.12. BSE and NSE have issued their in-principle approvals to the Delisting Offer subject to compliance with the Delisting Regulations, pursuant to their letters, each dated September 28, 2020, in accordance with Regulation
- 8(3) of the Delisting Regulations. This Public Announcement is being issued in the following newspapers as required under Regulation 10(1) of the Delisting Regulations: 1.13.

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

- 1.14. Any changes, modifications or amendments to this Public Announcement, if any, will be notified by way of issuing corrigendum in all the aforesaid
- 1.15. The Delisting Offer is subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price (defined below in paragraph 13.3 of this Public Announcement), determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations, by the Acquirers. The Acquirers may also, at their discretion, propose: (a) a price higher than the Discovered Price for the purposes of the Delisting Offer; or (b) a price which is lower than the Discovered Price but not less than the book value of the Company as certified by the merchant banker, in terms of Regulation 16(1A) of the Delisting Regulations ("Counter Offer Price"). Any Discovered Price that is accepted by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer, a higher price that is offered by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer at their discretion, or a Counter Offer Price pursuant to acceptance of the Counter Offer Price by the Public Shareholders, that results in shareholding 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, shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Exit Price".

Since the financial statements of VRL are prepared in USD (the functional currency of VRL), they have been converted into INR for the purpose of convenience of translation. USD to INR conversion has been assumed at a rate of USD 1 = INR 73.6 as on August 31, 2020 (<u>www.fbil.com</u>). No representation is made that the US Dollar amounts represent INR amounts or have been, could have been or could be converted into INR at such a rate or any other rate. Note: Refer Note 2(b) of Annual financial statements for year ended March 31, 2019 and note 2(b) & 3(b) of preliminary results for year ended March 31,

2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon. <sup>1</sup> Fixed assets includes property, plant & equipment, intangible assets, exploration & evaluation assets, goodwill and leasehold land.

Loss after tax from discontinued operations represents loss with respect to KCM (Konkola Copper Mines) operations along with the loss on fair valuation of the Group's interest in KCM.

Restated. Refer note 1(b) of preliminary results for the year ended March 31, 2020.

Financial information for financial year ended March 31, 2018 present KCM as consolidated subsidiary. Accordingly, financial information for year ended March 1, 2018 is not comparable.

Source: The financial information for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from VRL's financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 has been extracted from the comparative financial information included in VRL's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. VRL's annual financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with international financial reporting standards as adopted by the European Union.

3.1.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VRL does not directly hold any Equity Shares

- Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company 3.2.1 under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172883 GBC). The registered address of VHML is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, NexTeracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius.
- 3.2.2 The principal activity of VHML is to carry on the business of holding investments
- 3.2.3 Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally and Mr. Ashwanee Ramsurrun are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued

Company was changed to its present name i.e., Vedanta Limited with effect from April 21, 2015.

- The Company's registered office is located at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai 400 093; Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; 4.2 [Edst], http://www.vedantalimited.com. The corporate identity number ("CIN") of the Company is: L13209MH1965PLC291394.
- The Company is a globally diversified natural resources company engaged in the business of producing oil and gas, zinc, lead, silver, copper, iron ore, steel, aluminium and power across India, South Africa, Namibia and Australia.

# Note: Refer Note 3(b) of Annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards

Note: Refer Note 3(b) of Affinitian Imitatian Statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon. 1 Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) also includes Intangible assets and Exploration intangible assets under development <sup>2</sup> Cash and cash equivalent includes other bank balances <sup>3</sup> Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding during the year. Diuted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares, unless the effect is anti-dilutive. **Source:** The financial information for the financial years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and Information for financial year ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial jears ended on March 31, 2019. The Company's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance 2019. The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards.

The book value for the Company, for financial year ended on March 31, 2020, is INR 89.38 (Indian Rupees Eighty Nine and Thirty Eight Paise only) per Equity Share, as extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company. The book value has been arrived at by dividing 4.6 net worth of the Company (as per Section 2(57) of the Companies Act, 2013) by total number of outstanding Equity Shares as of March 31, 2020. The computation of the book value of the Company has been certified independently by Shailesh Haribhakti & Associates, chartered accountants vide certificate dated September 02, 2020.

# PRESENT CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

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- As on date of this Public Announcement, the authorized share capital of the Company is INR 74,12,01,00,000 (Indian Rupees Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Crore and One Lakh only) divided into 44,02,01,00,000 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each and 3,01,00,000 preference shares of INR 10/- (Indian Rupees Ten only) 5.1 each. The total issued and paid-up share capital of the Company is INR 3,71,75,04,871 (Indian Rupees Three Hundred Seventy One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One only) comprising of 571,75,04,871 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each. Out of the 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares, 3,08,232 Equity Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in The Company has issued ADS which are listed on NYSE and the underlying
- 5.2 Equity Shares, based on which such ADS have been issued, are held by Citibank N.A. as the custodian. As on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which can be converted into 15,64,96,036 Equity Shares. If any of the outstanding ADS are converted into Equity Shares. If any of the outstanding ADS are converted into Equity Shares after the Specified Date until the Bid Closing Date, there may be a decrease in the equity shareholding percentage of the members of the Promoter Group and an increase in the equity shareholding percentage of the Public Shareholders as specified in paragraph 1.2 above. Depending upon the conversion of the Depending upon the conversion of the ADS into Equity Shares, the Offer Shares may stand increased or decreased as the case may be. As on date of this Public Announcement, there are no outstanding 5.3
  - instruments in the nature of warrants or fully convertible debentures or partly convertible debentures/ preference shares etc., which are convertible into Equity Shares at any later date. Also, Equity Shares held by the members of the Promoter Group are not subject to any statutory lock-in. As on date of this Public Announcement, the Acquirers do not

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directly hold any Equity Shares. The Company also does not have 9 any partly paid-up shares outstanding. Neither the Acquirers nor the members of the Promoter Group are participating in the Delisting Offer 9.1 and will not tender their Equity Shares in the reverse book building process as part of the Delisting Offer.

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

Paid-up Equity Shares	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)	3,71,75,048,71*	100.00
Total voting rights in Target Company (including the voting rights relating to underlying Equity Shares based on which the ADS have been issued)	3,71,71,96,639*	99.99

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

## REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER

The Acquirers have appointed KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly known as Karvy Fintech Private Limited) having its registered office at Selenium Building, Tower B, Plot No. 31 & 32 Vieted office a serientari building, rower b, rite No. of a 52, iibowli, Financial District Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, rabad, Rangareddi - 500032, Telangana, as "Registrar to Offer". Tel. no.: +91 040 6716 2222/ 1-800-34-54001; Fax +91 040 2343 1551; Email: vedanta.delisting@kfintech.com; Partaet persen; Mr Mueli Keibar. Gachibowli. the Offer and Contact person: Mr. Murali Krishna.

#### DETAILS OF THE BUYER BROKER 10

VHML and VHML II have appointed DAM Capital Advisors Limited having its registered office at One BKC, Tower C, 15<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>rajesh@damcapital.in</u> and Contact person: 10.1 Mr. Raiesh Tekadiwala

## 11 STOCK EXCHANGE DATA REGARDING THE COMPANY

The Equity Shares are frequently traded on NSE as per the definition of 11.1 "frequently traded" under Regulation 2(1)(j) of the Takeover Regulations. The high, low and average market prices in the preceding 3 financial years 11.2 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 <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (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

Particulars	No. of Equity Shares	% of	Total Number of S	hares
		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%
- NBFCs 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 <sup>*</sup>	-	-	100%

Equity allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

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

- The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock Exchanges. The Equity Shares are also 'permitted to trade' on MSE. 6.1 The ADS issued by the Company are listed on NYSE. The Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of
- 6.2 the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations 2011, as amended (**"Takeover Regulations"**).
- The Acquirers are seeking to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges and BSE and NSE, pursuant to their letters, each dated 6.3 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. 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 6.4 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 Any application for listing made in future by the Company after the aforementioned period in respect of delisted Equity Shares shall be 6.5 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 Regulatio and the SEBI Circulars (defined below).

Preceding 6 months					
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period		
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		

The annualized trading turnover based on the trading volume of the 12.3 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 Ex- change	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	Cortificate dated May	19, 2020 issued by B	riaa Watarhawaa

ource: Certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price Waterhous & Co LLP.

- As mentioned in paragraph 11.1 of this Public Announcement, the Equity 12.4 Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(i) of the Takeove Regulations
- As required under Regulation 15(2) of the Delisting Regulations, the 12.5 As required under Regulation 13(2) of the Densing 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. In terms of Regulation 8 of the Takeover Regulations, the floor price shall 12.6 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

certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price Waterhouse & Co LLF

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 12.7 Regulations. The Floor Price was notified to the Stock Exchanges as par of the outcome of the meeting of the Board held on May 18, 2020.

#### DETERMINATION OF THE DISCOVERED PRICE AND EXIT PRICE 13

- 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*).
  All Public Shareholders can tender their Offer Shares during the Bid Period
- as set out in paragraphs 16 and 23 of this Public Announcement. The minimum price per Offer Share payable by the Acquirers pursuant to the Delisting Offer, shall be determined in accordance with the Delisting 13.3
- 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"). The Acquirers indicated their willingness to accept Equity Shares tendered
- 13.4 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 price higher than the Indicative Offer Price.
- 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: 13.5 ot the Discovered Price
  - a price higher than the Discovered Price; or
  - Counter Offer Price.
  - Price" shall be:
  - iscovered Price, if accepted by the Acquirers; ce higher than the Discovered Price, if offered by the Acquirers at

Pursuant to Explanation I 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 With it (a) the Acquirers of the Manager to the Oher 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 (whethe delivered or not) sent through India Post;

- The Acquirers will obtain requisite statutory approvals, if any, required for the delisting as stated in paragraph 24 of this Public Announcement; and There being no amendments to the Delisting Regulations or other 14.4
- 14.5 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

- Pursuant to the Delisting Regulations, the Acquirers are required to facilitate 15.1 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-Offers under Education Buy Beak and Delibricity and the stock exchange December 2, 2016 Takeovers, Buy Back and Delisting' and its circular dated December 9, 2016 on 'Streamlining the process for Acquisition of Shares pursuant to Tender-Offers 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").
   15.2 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. The Acquirers have chosen Acquisition Window Facility or OTB provided by BSE as the designated stock exchange. The cumulative quantity tendered shall be displayed on the website of BSE
- 15.3
- 15.4 at specific intervals during Bid Period (as defined below

#### DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF BID PERIOD 16

- 16.1 All the Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares are eligible to participate An the Public Shareholder's holding Equity Shares are engine 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 at 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. into Equity Shares.
- 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 16.2 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.
- The Public Shareholders should note that the Bids (as defined below) are 16.3 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. 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 Registered to the Offer 16.4
- Manager to the Offer/ Registrar to the Offer. Bids received after close of trading hours on the Bid Closing Date may 16.5 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
- 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 16.6 23 of this Public Announcement

#### PROCEDURE FOR TENDERING 17

- During the Bid Period, the Bids shall be placed through the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB by the Public Shareholders through their respective Seller Member during normal trading hours of the secondary 17.1 market. The Seller Members can enter orders for Equity Shares which are held in dematerialized form as well as physical form.
- The Letter of Offer (along with necessary forms and instructions) inviting the Public Shareholders to tender their Equity Shares to the Acquirers will be dispatched to the Public Shareholders by the Acquirers 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 space the description of the along of the intervence the scarified 17.2 the respective depositories at the close of business hours on the Specified Date (as indicated in paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement)
- 17.3 For further details on the schedule of activities, please refer to paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.
- In the event of an accidental omission to dispatch the Letter of Offer or non-receipt of the Letter of Offer by any Public Shareholder, such Public Shareholder may obtain a copy of the Letter of Offer by writing to the Registrar to the Offer at their address given in paragraph 9 of this Public Announcement, clearly marking the envelope "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020". Alternatively, the Public Shareholders may obtain copies of the Letter of Offer from the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., www. bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, or, from the website of the Registrar to the Offer, at www.kfintech.com. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares
- 17.5 in dematerialized form
  - a) Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Offer Shares in the Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Orier Shares in the electronic form under the Delisting Offer would have to do so through their respective Seller Member by indicating the details of the Offer Shares they intend to tender under the Delisting Offer. The Public Shareholders should not send Bids to the Company/ Acquirers/ Manager to the Offer/ the Registrar to the Offer.
  - b) After the Bids have been placed by the Public Shareholders, the Bids will be transferred to the respective Seller Member's pool account,

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## LIKELY POST SUCCESSFUL DELISTING OFFER SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY 7

The most likely post-delisting shareholding of the Company, pursuant to a successful completion of the Delisting Offer in terms of the Delisting 7.1 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 3/17,57.04,8/1 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

#### MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER 8

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; 8.1 Email: vedanta\_delist@jpmorgan.com; Contact person: Mr. Shagur Gupta

July 2020	117.9	103.65	48,18,14,702
August 2020	134.7	112.7	39,70,14,983

## Source: www.nseindia.com

Notes: (1) High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices <sup>9</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

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 volume on PSE are a follow: 11.3 volumes, on BSE are as follows:

Preceding 3 financial years				
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	
April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018	355.7	218.0	292.7	
April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019	313.5	145.9	219.0	
April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020	195.0	60.3	148.6	

## Source: www.bseindia.com

Note: <sup>(1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices and average price is based on average of closing price. <sup>(2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures

due to rounding off.

Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period	
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	
August 2020	134.7	112.5	2,19,36,358	

<sup>1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices. <sup>(2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

#### DETERMINATION OF THE FLOOR PRICE 12

- The Acquirers propose to acquire the Equity Shares from the Public 12.1 Shareholders pursuant to the reverse book building process established in terms of Schedule II of the Delisting Regulations.
- The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock Exchanges and have 'permitted to trade' status in the MSE. The scrip 12.2 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.

their discretion: or

- c) the Counter Offer Price offered by the Acquirers at their sole and absolute discretion 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. The Acquirers shall announce the Discovered Price and their decision
- 13.7 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.
- other strates othered at a price that exceeds the Exit Price.
  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:
  a) the Acquirers will have no right or obligation to acquire the Offer Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer;
  b) the Acquirers through the Delisting Offer; 13.9

  - b) 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;
  - c) No final application for delisting shall be made before the Stock Exchanges
  - d) The lien on the Equity Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer will be Peleased 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
  - e) The Escrow Accounts (as defined below) opened in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations shall be closed

### MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE AND SUCCESS CONDITIONS TO THE 14 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

- 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 14.1 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:
- 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 14.2 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; A minimum number of Public Shareholders (i.e., 25% of number of
- 14.3 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 os 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

- who will in-turn tender the Offer Shares to the early pay-in mechanism of the Indian Clearing Corporation Limited or the NSE Clearing Limited, as the case may be ("Clearing Corporation"). The details of settlement number shall be informed in the issue opening circular/notice that will be issued by BSE/ Clearing Corporation before the Bid Corporation Details of the State of the St C) the Bid Opening Date.
- For custodian participant orders for Equity Shares in dematerialized form, early pay-in is mandatory prior to confirmation of the relevant d) order by the custodian. The custodian shall either confirm or reject the orders not later than the closing of trading hours on the last day of the Bid Period. Thereafter, all unconfirmed orders shall be deemed to be rejected. For all confirmed custodian participant orders, any modification to an order shall be deemed to revoke the custodian confirmation relating to such order and the revised order shall be sent
- confirmation relating to such order and the revised order shall be sent to the custodian again for confirmation.
   e) Upon placing the Bid, a Seller Member shall provide a Transaction Registration Slip (**"TRS"**) generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as Bid ID No., DP ID, Client ID, no. of Offer Shares tendered and price at which the Bid was placed.
   f) Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS is not mandatorily required in case of Erwith Share hold in dematrollised form.
- required in case of Equity Shares held in dematerialised form. The Clearing Corporation will hold in trust the Offer Shares until the
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- accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
   The Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the depository participant ("DP") account active and unblocked to receive credit in case of return of Equity Shares due to rejection. Further, Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the saving account attached with the DP account active and updated to receive credit remittance due to acceptance of Offer Shares tendered by them.
- In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer/ Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form can make an application in writing on plain paper, signed by the respective Public Shareholder, stating name and address, Client ID, DP name/ ID, beneficiary account number and number of Equity Shares tendered for the Delisting Offer. Public Shareholders will be required to approach the beinsting offer. Fubile Statemolects will be required to approxim-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 BSE before the Bid Closing Date. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares 17.6

- in physical form
   a) The Public Shareholders who hold Offer Shares in physical form and intend to participate in the Delisting Offer will be required to approach their respective Seller Member along with the complete set of documents for verification procedures to be carried out including as below: original share certificate(s);
  - valid share transfer form(s) duly filled and signed by the transferors (i.e., by all registered shareholders in the same order and as per the specimen signatures registered with the Company) and duly witnessed at the appropriate place authorizing the transfer. Attestation, where required, (thumb impressions, signature difference, etc.) should be done by a magistrate/ notary public/ bank manager under their official seal;
  - self-attested permanent account number ("PAN") card copy (in case of joint holders, PAN card copy of all transferors);
  - Bid Form duly signed (by all Public Shareholders in cases where Offer Shares are held in joint names) in the same order in which they hold the Offer Shares; iv.
  - any other relevant documents such as power of attorney, corporate authorization (including board resolution/ specimen signature), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probated will, if the original shareholder has deceased, etc., as applicable. In addition, if the address of the Public Shareholder has undergone a change from the address registered in the register of members of the Company, the Public Shareholder would be required to submit a self-attested copy of proof of address consisting of any one of the following documents: valid aadhar card, voter identity card or passport.
  - Declaration by joint holders consenting to tender Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer, if applicable, and FATCA and CRS forms for individual/ non individual shareholders.
- VII. FAICA and CRS forms for individual/ non individual shareholders.
   b) Upon placing the Bid, the Seller Member shall provide a TRS generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as folio no., certificate no., distinctive no., no. of Offer Shares tendered and the price at which the Bid was placed.
   c) The Seller Member/ Public Shareholder should ensure the documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) above are delivered along with TRS either by registered post or courier
- above are delivered along with TRS either by registered post or courier

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

- of bloding 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 Acceptance half be subject to unificative acting the provider. Acquirers shall be subject to verification of documents. The Registra 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 liable to be rejected. 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 BSE, before the Bid Closing Date. 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.
- 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. 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 unique client code ("UCC") facility through that stock broker registered with BSE after submitting the 17.7 details as may be required by the stock broker in compliance with the
- applicable SEBI regulations. Public Shareholders, who have tendered their Offer Shares by submitting Bids pursuant to the terms of this Public Announcement and the Letter of 17.8 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.
- The cumulative quantity tendered shall be made available on BSE's website i.e., <u>www.bseindia.com</u> throughout the trading session and will be updated at specific intervals during the Bid Period. 17.9
- at specific intervals during the Bid Period. The Offer Shares to be acquired under the Delisting Offer are 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 encumbrances are liable to be rejected. 17.10
- 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 the Discovered Price but hot less than the book value of the Company as certified by a merchant banker), at their sole and absolute discretion. The counter offer is required 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") 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:
- 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 a)
- Price. 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 10<sup>th</sup> working day from the date of issuance of the Counter Offer PA will not be accepted. Offer Shares which have not hean tendered by Public Shareholder during b)
- Offer Shares which have not been tendered by Public Shareholder during the Bid Period can be tendered in the counter offer in accordance with the C) procedure for tendering that will be set out in the Counter Offer PA

#### METHOD OF SETTLEMENT 18

Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the Delisting Regulations: 18.1

Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the Delisting Regulations: The settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to settlement of trades in the secondary market. 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 I bank account details of any 18.2 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 bulk, 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 Selfer 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 accounts 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. ADS facility to the extent that there have previously been withdrawals of Equity Shares.

## DELISTING AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES FROM NYSE AND TERMINATION OF ADR PROGRAMME 21

- 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. Upon the determination and/or acceptance of the Exit Price by the 21.2 Acquirers, the Company intends to provide a notice to the NYSE announcing
- 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 10<sup>th</sup> day after giving the delisting notice, the Company intends to file a Form 25 with the SEC to effect the delisting from the NYSE. The delisting will become effective 10 days after such filing. Simultaneously with giving delisting notice to the NYSE, the Company intends to give a notice to the Depositary of the termination of the ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. Depositary shall thereafter distribute notice 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**"). 21.3 21.4
  - such notice ("Programme Termination Date"). 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 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 Depositary 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 (demath account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting the present their ADS (or ADRs). 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Program Termination Date may offer their Equity Shares for sale to the Acquirers at the Evit Brice for a period of 1 wear following the date of the deligition of the the Exit Price for a period of 1 year following the date of the delisting of the Equity Shares from BSE and NSE. In the case of ADS holders who do not present their ADS (or ADRs if
- 21.5 applicable) for cancellation prior to the 30th day after the Program Termination Date, starting on or about 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, the Depositary 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 Depositary 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. Failure to present ADS for cancellation within 30 days after the Programme
- 21.6 Failure to present AUS 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 Depositary will be subject to Indian withholding taxes of up to 43.68%. ADS holders should consult their tax advisors about the application of the 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. Holders of ADRs will be required to present and surrender their physical certificates to the Depositary in order to receive payment. After remitting the net proceeds to the holders of ADS, the Depositary shall be discharged from all obligations under the ADR Deposit Agreement excent as may be arguired at law in consection with the termination of the
- 21.7
- 21.8 except as may be required at law in connection with the termination of the ADR Deposit Agreement. For the delisting from the NYSE and termination of the ADR programme, the
- 21.9 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 Depositary	Т-3
Press release announcing the delisting notice and termination notice	Т-3
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement is distributed by the Depositary to ADS holders	т
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
Depositary to sell Equity Shares underlying the ADS that have not been surrendered	T+61 or soon thereafter
Depositary to remit net proceeds to ADS holders	Expected to be approximately 4 weeks following the sale described in the immediately

21.10 In summary, ADS holders may

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.

#### SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES 23

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 <sup>-</sup> in case of Bids not being accepted/ failure of the Delisting Offer	October 23, 2020	Friday

<sup>©</sup>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, all 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 where this Public Announcement is published. 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.

#### STATUTORY APPROVALS 24

- 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 24.1
- Equity Shares pursuant to their lefters each dated September 28, 2020. 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 precise of such statutory or regulatory approvals. 24.3 be subject to receipt of such statutory or regulatory approvals. If the shareholders who are not persons resident in India (including non-
- 24.4 resident Indians, overseas corporate bodies and foreign portfolio investors) had required any approvals (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 of equite the device of 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.
- It shall be the responsibility of the Public Shares tendered in the Orier. 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. 24.5 The Public Shareholders should attach a copy of any such approval(s) to the Bid Form, wherever applicable.
- The Acquirers reserve the right not to proceed with or withdraw the Delisting 24.6 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
- Autourisement are not index of in eapprovals 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. In the event that receipt of the statutory or regulatory approvals are delayed, changes to the proposed timetable, if any, will be notified to the Public Shareholders by way of a corrigendum/ addendum to this Public Announcement in the event program in which this Public Announcement 24.7 in the same newspapers in which this Public Announcement is made.

#### 25 NOTES ON TAXATION

- 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 Sinance Art 2017 had amended the loceme. Tax Act 1461 ("IT") 25.1 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. The Finance Act, 2018 has withdrawn the above capital gains tax exemption 25.2

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; The Company is in compliance with applicable provisions or securities law;
- 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.

### COMPANY SECRETARY AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE COMPANY 27

The details of Company Secretary and the Compliance Officer of the 27.1 Company are as follow

Company are as follow: Name: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya Designation: Company Secretary & Compliance Officer Address: ASF Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, ASF Center, Tower B, 362 363, Jwala Mill Road, Udyog Vihar, Phase IV, Gurgaon-122 016,Haryana, India Email: Prerna.Halwasiya@vedanta.co.in; comp.sect@vedanta.co.in Tel. No.: +91 22 6643 4500 | Fax No.: + 91 22 6643 4530 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. 27.2 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/DSR / 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 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 inked to the SEBI Order was overruled by the Securities (India) Ltd (now the Company), Mr. Anil Agarwal and Mr. Tarun Jain and Mr. Shashikant ("SEBI Order was overruled by the Securities (India) Ltd (now the Company), Mr. Anil Agarwal and Mr. Tarun Jain 2001 before the Court of the Metropolitan Magistrate, Mumbai, against Sterlite Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company), Mr. Anil Agarwal and Mr. Tar The Company has informed the Acquirers that the following litigations or actions 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.

#### GENERAL DISCLAIMER 29

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 OMITED TO BE STATED HEREIN OR ANY OTHER REASON WHATSOEVER. 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 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. 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 A NON-U.S. COURT 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 OUNTRAFY OF A DRIVING AND EVEN THE UPON 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 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 DELISTING OFFER, OR WHERE MAKING 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.

- 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
- In case of rejected dematerialised Offer Shares, if any, tendered by the 18.5 Public Shareholders, the same would be transferred by 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.
- The Seller Member would issue a contract note and pay the consideration to 18.6 the respective Public Shareholder 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.
- Public Shareholders who intend to participate in the Delisting Offer should consult their respective Seller Member for payment of any cost, charges and 18.7 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

#### PERIOD FOR WHICH THE DELISTING OFFER SHALL BE VALID 19

The Public Shareholders may submit their Bids to the Seller Member during 19.1 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

- In accordance with the Delisting Regulations, the holders of ADS (and American depositary receipt(s) ("**ADRs**") evidencing the ADS, if applicable) will not be entitled to participate in the Delisting Offer, unless they covert 20.1
- With not be entitled to participate in the Delisting One, thirds they cover their ADS into Equity Shares. ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation to the depositary (i.e., Citibank, N.A., ("Depositary")) will be able to take possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or must establish, a custodian or brokerage closers) account in the did to construct the Shares in the construction of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or must establish, a custodian or brokerage 20.2 (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depositary for cancellation. Establishing such custodial 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.
- Please be advised that if any ADS holder converts its ADS into Equity 20.3 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 depositary, 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 depositary of ADRs issued thereunder ("ADR Deposit Agreement"). In particular, in accordance with applicable regulations of the RBI and the Ministry of Finance, the Depositary will only be able to accept Equity Shares for deposit into the

10.1 sell their ADS in the market on the NYSE until they are delisted

21.10.2 sell their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Programme Termination Date; 21.10.3 surrender their ADS (or their ADRs, as applicable) to the Depositary for 

preceding row.

- 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 Depositary 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.
- The Company's ADR programme is a sponsored level III listing which 21.11 grants the holders voting rights and pays dividends to the ADS holders equivalent to the exchange-rate and ADR-ratio 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 hold 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.

## DETAILS OF THE ESCROW ACCOUNTS

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- 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 VRL. 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 II Limited-Escrow Account" with the Escrow Bank at their branch at Gurgaon
- ("Escrow Account 2") (collectively "Escrow Accounts").
  VHML has provided a bank guarantee of INR 4,550 Crore issued by Standard 22.3 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 of INR 14,849.80 Crore which covers 100% of the Escrow Amount.
- 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 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 22.5 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 a 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 Pri
- Further, the Escrow Bank will open special accounts ("Special Accounts") on 22.6

with effect from April 1, 2018 for 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. STT will be levied on and collected by a domestic stock exchange on which

- 25.3 the equity shares are sold. Further, any gain realized on the sale of listed equity shares held for a period of 12 months or less which are sold, will be subject to short term capital gains tax @ 15% provided the transaction is chargeable to STT. 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 existing Indian tax laws, any In case of non-resident shareholders: Under the existing 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 custodians/ authorized dealers/ non-resident shareholders – with nor recourse to the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in concert with them. 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. 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 25.5 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. On purchase of Offer Shares from non-resident Residual Public
- 25.6 Shareholders, the Acquirers would be required to deduct that 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. The above tax rates are subject to applicable rate of surcharge, health and education cess. The tax rate and other provisions may undergo changes. SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS COR THE TEPEATMENT THAT MAY BE GIVEN BY THEIR PESPECTIVE
- 25.7
- 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 ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OR LISTING OF ALL POTENTIAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE DISPOSAL OF EQUITY ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE ANALTSIS OF 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.

#### CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY 26

The Board has certified that: 26.1

there are no material deviations in utilization of the proceeds of the a) 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;

b) all material information which is required to be disclosed under the provisions of the continuous listing requirements under the relevant 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 AUTHORISED 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., <u>www.bseindia.com</u> and <u>www.nseindia.com</u>. 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.

Manager to the Offer	Registrar to the Offer	
J.P.Morgan	<b>K</b> FINTECH	
	Inspired By Passion. Driven By Technology.	
J.P. Morgan India Private Limited	KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly known as Karvy Fintech Private Limited)	
CIN: U67120MH1992FTC068724 Address: J.P. Morgan Tower, Off C. S. T. Road, Kalina, Santacruz (East), Mumbai – 400 098 Tel. no.: +91 22 6157 3000 Fax no.: +91 22 6157 3911 Email: vedanta_delist@jpmorgan.com Contact person: Mr. Shagun Gupta SEBI registration no.: INM000002970 Validity period: Permanent	CIN: U72400TG2017PTC117649 Address: Selenium Building, Tower-B, Plot No 31 & 32, Gachibowli, Financial District Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, Hyderabad, Rangareddi – 500052, Telangana Tel. no.: +91 40 6716 2222/ 1-800-34-54001 Fax no: +91 40 2343 1551 Email: vedanta.delisting@kfintech.com Contact person: Mr. Murali Krishna SEBI registration no.: INR000000221 Validity period: Permanent	
Advisor to the Acquirers for the De	listing Process	
DAM Capital Advisors Limited	CIN: U99999MH1993PLC071865 Address: One BKC, Tower C, 15 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Unit No. 1511, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400051	
For and on behalf of <b>Board of Direc</b>		
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	offrey Green Name: Deepak Kumar on: Director Designation: Company Secretary	
Date: September 28, 2020   P	lace: London	
For and on behalf of VEDANTA HOL	DINGS MAURITIUS LIMITED	
Name: Ashwanee Ramsurrun Na Designation: Director D	d/- ame: Shakill Ahmad Toorabally esignation: Director lace: Mauritius	
For and on behalf of VEDANTA HOLDINGS MAURITIUS II LIMITED		

Sd/-	Sd/-
Name: Rajiv Mangar	Name: Shakill Ahmad Toorabally
Designation: Director	Designation: Director
Date: September 28, 2020	Place: Mauritius

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## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF

# EDANTA LIMI

CIN: L13209MH1965PLC291394

Registered Office: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400 093 Company Secretary & Compliance Officer: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; Fax no.: +91 22 6643 4530 Website: www.vedantalimited.com; Email ID: comp.sect@vedanta.co.in

This public announcement ("Public Announcement") is being issued by certain members of the promoter and promoter group of Vedanta Limited ("Company"), namely, Vedanta Resources Limited ("VRL") and its wholly owned step down subsidiaries namely, Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited ("VHML") and Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited ("VHML II") (collectively, to be referred as "Acquirers"), to the public shareholders (as defined under Regulation 2(1)(v) of the Delisting Regulations (as defined below) and hereinafter referred to as "Public Shareholders") of the Company, in regard to the proposed acquisition of fully paid-up equity shares having face value of INR 1/- (Indian Rupee One only) each ("Equity Shares") held by the Public Shareholders, and consequent voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares from the stock exchanges where they are listed namely, BSE Limited ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") (collectively to be referred as the "Stock Exchanges"), in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009, as amended ("Delisting Regulations") and in accordance with the terms and conditions set out below and / or in the Letter of Offer (as defined in paragraph 16.6 of this Public Announcement) (hereinafter referred to as the "Delisting Offer") or the "Offer"). The Equity Shares are also currently 'permitted to trade' on the Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited ("MSE"). Pursuant to the successful Delisting Offer, the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. If the Delisting Offer is successful, the VRL/ Company intends to delist the American Depositary Share(s) ("ADS") issued by the Company from New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and terminate its ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement (*defined below*). The Company will continue to be subject to reporting obligations under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") until such time as it can terminate its registration under the Exchange Act. For further details, see paragraphs 20 and 21 of this Public Announcement.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE DELISTING OFFER 1.

- As on the Specified Date, 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 1.1 As on the Specified Date, 1,26,36,18,768 Equity share sagitated for the Company, excluding the ADS issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding the ADS issued by the Company, are held by the members of the promoter and promoter group of the Company ("**Promoter Group**"). As on the Specified Date, the Acquirers do not directly hold any Equity Shares. As on the Specified Date, the Public Shareholders (including the employee) benefit trust) hold 1,69,73,90,047 Equity Shares aggregating to 47.67% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company,
- excluding ADS issued by the Company. In addition to the above, as on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which have been issued by the Company against 15,64,96,036 number of underlying Equity Shares. The holders of such ADS would be 1.2 considered to be Public Shareholders to be able to participate in the Delisting Offer in the event they chose to convert the ADS into Equity Shares. In this regard, please note that if all the outstanding ADS (as on the Specified Date) are converted into Equity Shares, the: (a) members of the Promoter Group will hold 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 50.13% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company; and (b) the Public Shareholders will hold 1,85,38,86,083 Equity Shares aggregating to 49.87% of the total issued and paid-up equity share
- The Acquirers are making this Public Announcement to acquire all Equity Share capital of the Company. The Acquirers are making this Public Announcement to acquire all Equity Shares that are held by the Public Shareholders ("Offer Shares"). If the Delisting Offer is successful in accordance with the terms set out in paragraph 14 of this Public Announcement, an application will be made and the South Deversion the Chell Charlement to acquire all equity and the South Deversion the Chell Charlement and the chell Charlement to acquire and the Chell Charlement to acquire the chell Chell Charlement to acquire and the Chell Chel 1.3 to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges pursuant to and in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and on the terms set out in this Public Announcement, the Letter of Offer and any other Delisting Offer related documents. Consequently, the Equity Shares shall be voluntarily delisted from the Stock Exchanges and the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn.
- VRL, pursuant to its letter dated May 12, 2020 ("Delisting Letter"), expressed its intention to the board of directors of the Company 1.4. ("Board") to acquire the Offer Shares and consequently voluntarily delist ("Board") to acquire the Offer Shares and consequently voluntarily delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges by making a Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and if such delisting is successful, then to also delist the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC. Further, VRL, *inter alia*, requested the Board to: (a) take all such other actions as may be required to be undertaken by the Company under the Delisting Regulations in order to give effect to the Delisting Offer, including appointment of a merchant banker to undertake due diligence, provide all relevant information necessary for the due diligence, make relevant applications to Stock Exchanges and/ or to any other regulatory authorities, as may be required in connection to the Delivering Proposal (b) consider and approve the Delivering Offer under Regulation 8 of the Delivering Regulations; and (c) take necessary steps to: (i) seek approval of the shareholders of the Company through postal ballot; (ii) seek approval of the Stock Exchanges for the proposed delisting of the Equity Shares in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; and (iii) obtain consent/ waivers from the lenders in connection with the proposed delisting of the Equity shares, as may be required. The receipt of the Delisting Letter was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020 ("Stock Exchanges Notification Date"). Pursuant to the Delisting Letter, the Board appointed SBI Capital Markets
- 1.5. Board of India ("SEBI"), to carry out due diligence in accordance with Begulations 8(1A) and 8(1D) of the Delisting Regulations ("Merchant Banker"). The appointment of the Merchant Banker was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 13, 2020.
- On May 12, 2020, the Company of May 13, 2020. On May 12, 2020, the Company intimated the Stock Exchanges that a meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on May 18, 2020 in order to: (i) take on record and review the due diligence report of the Merchant Banker in terms of Regulations 8(1A)(ii) and 8(1E) of the Delisting Regulations ("Due Diligence Report"); (ii) approve/ reject the proposal of voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares; and (iii) any other matters incidental thereto or required in terms of the Delistion Regulations 1.6.
- delisting of the Lquity Shares; and (iii) any other matters incidental thereto or required in terms of the Delisting Regulations. Further, in the Delisting Letter, after considering the prevailing market conditions and with a view to provide the Public Shareholders with a fair exit price, VRL informed the Company of its 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 ("Indicative Offer Price"). VRL further informed the Company that the Indicative Offer Price Pould in no way be construed 1.7. Company that the Indicative Offer Price should in no way be construed the radia of the indicative offer price should in the 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 price higher than the Indicative Offer Price. The Indicative Offer Price was intimated to Stock
- Indicative Offer Price. The Indicative Offer Price was intimated to Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020. On May 18, 2020, the Company received a letter from VRL, providing the details of the floor price for the Delisting Offer, 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) ("Floor Price") determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations ("Floor Price Letter"). The Roard in its meeting held on May 18, 2020, intervalia took the 1.8
- The Board, in its meeting held on May 18, 2020, inter-alia, took the 1.9 following decisions: The Due Diligence Report, as tabled before them, issued and
  - a) submitted by the Merchant Banker, was taken on record. Based on the Due Diligence Report and information available with the Company, Board, in accordance with Regulation 8(1B) of the Delisting b)
    - Regulations, certified that: The Company is in compliance with the applicable provisions of

- NECESSITY AND OBJECTIVE OF THE DELISTING OFFER 2.
  - In the Delisting Letter, VRL specified the following as the rationale for the Delisting Offe
    - The Vedanta Group (the "Group") has been pursuing a process of corporate simplification for several years, including the merger of Sterlite with Sesa Goa to form Sesa-Sterlite (subsequently renamed Vedanta Limited) in 2012, the merger of Cairn India with the Company in 2016, and the delisting of Vedanta Resources PIc (subsequently renamed Vedanta Resources Ltd) in 2018.
    - The Group believes that a delisting of the Company is the next logica step in this simplification process and will provide the Group with enhanced operational and financial flexibility in a capital intensive business. Vedanta Group maintains its strategic priority of attaining leadership in diversified natural resources, underpinned by growth, while maintaining a flexible capital structure. The proposed delisting offer will provide public shareholders of the
  - Company an opportunity to realize immediate and certain value for their shares at a time of elevated market volatility. The price will be determined in accordance with the reverse book building mechanism
  - set out in the Delisting Regulations. The proposed delisting will align the Group's capital and operational structures, streamline the process of servicing the Group's financing d) obligations and significantly improve a range of important credit metrics. As a result, the transaction is expected to support an accelerated debt reduction program in the medium term and, in turn, support the Group's highly attractive longer-term growth pipeline.

## BACKGROUND OF THE ACQUIRERS

Vedanta Resources Limited 3.1.1

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- VRL was incorporated on April 22, 2003, as a private limited company under the laws of United Kingdom (company registration number 4740415). It was incorporated in the name of Angelchange Limited. Subsequently, its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited on June 26, 2003. VRL was re-registered as a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Plc with effect from November 20, 2003. The ordinary shares of VRL got listed non the London Stock Exchange on December 5, 2003. Thereafter, on October 01, 2018, the ordinary shares of VRL were delisted from London Stock Exchange pursuant to the successful completion of the delisting offer made by Volcan Investments Limited, the holding company of VRL. On October 29, 2018, VRL was re-Limited, the holding company of VHL. On October 29, 2018, VHL was re-registered as a private limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited. VRL's registered office is located at 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 20 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AB and its corporate office is located at 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EX. VRL is a globally diversified natural resources company and is engaged
- in production of aluminium, copper, zinc, lead, silver, iron ore, oil and gas and commercial energy. VRL has operations in India, Zambia, Namibia and South Africa.
- South Africa. Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Navin Agarwal, Mr. Geoffrey Green, Mr. Deepak Parekh, Mr. Ravi Rajagopal and Mr. Edward Story are the directors of the VRL. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VRL is USD 28,524,669.8 (United States Dollar Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Nine point Eight only) comprising of 285,246,698 fully paid-up ordinary shares of USD 0.1 (United States Dollar Zero point One only) each VRL is a subsidiary of Vicen Investments Limited each. VRL is a subsidiary of Volcan Investments Limited. The shareholding pattern of VRL as on date of this Public Announcement
- is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding	3.6
1	Volcan Investments Limited	18,74,88,092	65.7%	3.7
2	Volcan Investments Cyprus Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of Volcan Invest- ments Limited)	9,77,58,606	34.3%	4
	Total	28,52,46,698	100.0%	4.1

3.1.5 The key financial information of VRL, based on its audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, is set out below

and paid-up share capital of VHML is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned

ubsidiary of VRL 3.2.4 The shareholding pattern of VHML as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1,000	100

3.2.5 VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial statements have been prepared by it.3.2.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML does not hold any Equity

## Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited 3.3.1

- VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172884 GBC). The registered address of VHML II is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6th Floor, Tower 1, Nexteracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius. 3.3.2 The principal activity of VHML II is to carry on the business of holding
- investments. 3.3.3 Mr. Rajiv Mangar and Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VHML II is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML II is a wholly owned subsidiary
- of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned subsidiary of VRL. The shareholding pattern of VHML II as on date of this Public
- Announcement is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited	1,000	100
	Total	1,000	100

3.3.5 VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial statements have been prepared by it.3.3.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML II does not hold any

- Equity Shares Neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group has
- sold any Equity Shares during the 6 months preceding the date of the meeting of the Board i.e., May 18, 2020, wherein the Delisting Offer was approved. Further, neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group shall sell the Equity Shares until the earlier of: (i) completion of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; or (i) failure of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations.
- 3.5 The members of the Promoter Group are not prohibited by SEBI from dealing in securities, in terms of directions issued under Section 11B of SEBI Act, 1992 or any other regulations made under the SEBI Act,
- The Acquirers hereby invite all the Public Shareholders to bid in accordance with the reverse book building process of BSE and on the 3.6 terms and subject to the conditions set out herein, and/ or in the Letter of Offer (as defined below), the Offer Shares. The Acquirers have, as detailed in paragraph 22 of this Public
- 3.7 Announcement, made available all the requisite funds necessary to fulfil the obligations of the Acquirers under the Delisting Offer.

## BACKGROUND OF THE COMPANY

4.1 The Company was incorporated on June 25, 1965 as a private limited company under the laws of India as Sesa Goa Private Limited. The Company was converted into a public limited company pursuant to which its name was charged to Sesa Goa Limited with effect from April 16, 1981. Subsequently, the name of the Company was charged to Sesa Sterlite Limited on September 18, 2013 and further the name of the

(Amount in USD million and INR crores except per share data and percentages shown)						
Particulars	Financial year ended March 31, 2020				Financial year ended March 31, 2018⁴	
	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)
Equity Capital	29	213	29	213	30	221
Reserves	(3,292)	(24,227)	(957)	(7,042)	(360)	(2,649)
Minority Interests	5,536	40,742	6,181	45,489	6,870	50,560
Total Equity	2,273	16,728	5,253	38,660	6,540	48,132
Non-current borrowings	4,909	36,128	10,524	77,451	9,734	71,637

4.4 As on date of this Public Announcement, the members of the Board are:

Name and DIN	Designation as on the date of this Pub- lic Announcement	Date of Appoint- ment	No. of Equity Shares Held
Mr. Anil Agarwal	Non-Executive	April 1,	Nil
DIN: 00010883	Director, Chairperson	2020	
Mr. Navin Agarwal	Executive Director,	August	Nil
DIN: 00006303	Vice Chairperson	17, 2013	
Mr. K. Venkataramanan <b>DIN:</b> 00001647	Non-Executive Independent Director	April 1, 2017	Nil
Ms. Lalita D. Gupte DIN: 00043559	Non-Executive Independent Director	March 29, 2014	Nil
Mr. MK Sharma	Non-Executive	June 1,	Nil
DIN: 00327684	Independent Director	2019	
Mr. UK Sinha	Non-Executive	March 13,	Nil
DIN: 00010336	Independent Director	2018	
Ms. Priya Agarwal	Non-Executive	May 17,	Nil
DIN: 05162177	Director	2017	
Mr. GR Arun Kumar DIN: 01874769	Whole-Time Director & Chief Financial Officer	November 22, 2016	8,000

A brief summary of the financial performance of the Company based on its audited consolidated financial statements of the Company, based the financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, are set out as below:

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(Amount in INR crore except per share data)			
Particulars	Financial year ended March 31, 2020	Financial year ended March 31, 2019	Financial year ended March 31, 2018
Equity capital	372	372	372
Reserves & surplus	54,263	61,925	62,940
Minority interest	17,112	15,227	15,961
Total equity	71,747	77,524	79,273
Non-current borrowings	36,724	34,721	26,789
Other non- current Liabilities	11,829	13,157	11,276
Current borrowings	13,076	22,982	21,951
Other current Liabilities	50,246	53,659	45,296
Total equity and liabilities	183,622	202,043	184,585
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	107,489	121,356	112,334
Other non-current assets	18,613	20,859	17,137
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>2</sup>	12,502	8,369	5,216
Other current assets	45,018	51,459	49,898
Total assets	183,622	202,043	184,585
Revenue from operations	83,545	90,901	92,011
Other operating income	902	1,147	912
Other Income	2,510	4,018	3,205
Total Income	86,957	96,066	96,128
Total Expenses	77,830	82,826	79,456
Profit before tax	9,127	13,240	16,672
Net exceptional (loss)/ gain	(17,386)	320	2,897
(Loss)/ Profit before tax after exceptional items	(8,259)	13,560	19,569
Net tax (credit) / expense	(3,516)	3,862	5,877
(Loss)/ Profit after tax	(4,743)	9,698	13,692
Share of (Loss)/ Profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(1)	0	0
(Loss)/ Profit after tax after Share of (loss)/ profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(4,744)	9,698	13,692
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(6,664)	7,065	10,342
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1,920	2,633	3,350
Basic EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.1	28.3
Diluted EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.0	28.2

- The members of the Promoter Group or their related entities are in npliance with Regulation 4(5) of the Delisting Regulations; and
- The Delisting Offer is in the interest of the shareholders of the iii. Company.
- C) In accordance with Regulation 8(1)(a) of the Delisting Regulations, the Board has approved the Delisting Offer, after having discussed and considered various factors including the Due Diligence Report. The Board granted its approval to the Company to seek shareholders'
- approval by way of special resolution through postal ballot and e-voting, and thereby approved the draft of the postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement thereto. The Company was authorized to: (i) dispatch the said postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement to the shareholders in accordance with applicable laws; and (ii) obtain approval of the Stock Exchanges in accordance with the provisions under the Delisting Regulations and/ or any other regulatory/ government authority in India and/ or abroad (including the SEC and NYSE), as may be required, in relation to the Delisting Offer
- Mr. Upendra C Shukla, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS No. 2727, CP No. 1654), was appointed as the scrutinizer in terms of the Companies Act. 2013, read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, to conduct the process of the postal ballot in a fair and transparent manner.

The outcome of the meeting of the Board was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on the same day, i.e., May 18, 2020. The dispatch of the notice of postal ballot dated May 18, 2020 for seeking

- 1.10. the approval of the shareholders, through postal ballot and remote e-voting for the Delisting Offer, as required under the Delisting Regulations and the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder read with General Circular No. 1/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, was completed on May 25, 2020.
- The shareholders of the Company approved the Delisting Offer by way of a special resolution in accordance with the Delisting Regulations 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. As part of the said resolution, the votes cast by the Public Shareholders in favour of the Delisting Offer are 99,69,13,034 votes which is more than two times the number of votes cast ov the Public Shareholders against it i.e., 18.59.11.313 votes.
- BSE and NSE have issued their in-principle approvals to the Delisting Offer subject to compliance with the Delisting Regulations, pursuant to their letters, each dated September 28, 2020, in accordance with Regulation (3) of the Delisting Regulations.
- 1.13. This Public Announcement is being issued in the following newspapers as required under Regulation 10(1) of the Delisting Regulations:

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

- 1.14. Any changes, modifications or amendments to this Public Announcement if any, will be notified by way of issuing corrigendum in all the aforesaid
- 1.15. The Delisting Offer is subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price (defined below in paragraph 13.3 of this Public Announcement), determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations, by the Acquirers. The Acquirers may also, at their discretion, propose: (a) a price higher than the Discovered Price for the purposes of the Delisting Offer; or (b) a price which is lower than the Discovered Price but not less than the book value of the Company as certified by the merchant banker, in terms of Regulation 16(1A) of the Delisting Regulations ("Counter Offer Price"). Any Discovered Price that is accepted by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer, a higher price that is offered by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer at their etion, or a Counter Offer Price pursuant to acceptance of the Counte Offer Price by the Public Shareholders, that results in shareholding 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, shall hereinafter e referred to as the "Exit Price"

Other non- current Liabilities	1,013	7,455	1,488	10,951	1,310	9,641
Current borrowings	10,186	74,964	5,456	40,153	5,460	40,183
Other current Liabilities	5,805	42,722	7,060	51,958	6,194	45,585
Total equity and liabilities	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	13,357	98,301	17,909	131,801	17,919	131,875
Other non-current assets	3,028	22,285	2,999	22,071	2,122	15,617
Cash and cash equivalents	705	5,188	1,133	8,338	798	5,873
Other Current Assets	7,096	52,223	7,740	56,963	8,399	61,813
Total Assets	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Revenue	11,790	86,769	13,006	95,718	15,294	112,556
Other operating income	142	1,045	225	1,656	154	1,133
Total operating income	11,932	87,814	13,231	97,374	15,448	113,689
Total expenses	13,278	97,720	11,863	87,306	12,960	95,379
(Loss)/ Profit before tax	(1,346)	(9,906)	1,368	10,068	2,488	18,310
Net tax (credit)/expense	(370)	(2,723)	611	4,497	1,013	7,455
(Loss)/ Profit after tax from continuing operations	(976)	(7,183)	757	5,571	1,475	10,855
Loss after tax from discontinued operations <sup>2</sup>	(771)	(5,674)	(333)	(2,451)	-	-
Net (loss)/ profit after tax	(1,747)	(12,857)	424	3,120	1,475	10,855
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(1,568)	(11,540)	(237)	(1,745)	239	1,759
Attributable to non-controlling interests	(179)	(1,317)	661	4,865	1,236	9,096

Since the financial statements of VRL are prepared in USD (the functional currency of VRL), they have been converted into INR for the purpose of con Dollar amounts represent INR amounts or have been, could have been or could be converted into INR at such a rate or any other rate.

Note: Refer Note 2(b) of Annual financial statements for year ended March 31, 2019 and note 2(b) & 3(b) of preliminary results for year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon. <sup>1</sup> Fixed assets includes property, plant & equipment, intangible assets, exploration & evaluation assets, goodwill and leasehold land.

<sup>2</sup> Loss after tax from discontinued operations represents loss with respect to KCM (Konkola Copper Mines) operations along with the loss on fair valuation of the Group's inte est in KCM.

Restated. Refer note 1(b) of preliminary results for the year ended March 31, 2020.

<sup>1</sup> Financial information for financial year ended March 31, 2018 present KCM as consolidated subsidiary. Accordingly, financial information for year ended March 31, 2018 is not comparable.

Source: The financial information for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from VRL's financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 has been extracted from the comparative financial information included in VRL's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. VRL's annual financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with international financial reporting standards as adopted by the European Union.

3.1.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VRL does not directly hold any Equity Shares

- Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited
- VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172883 GBC) The registered address of VHML is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, NexTeracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius. The principal activity of VHML is to carry on the business of holding
- 3.2.2 investments.
- 3.2.3 Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally and Mr. Ashwanee Ramsurrun are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued

- Company was changed to its present name i.e., Vedanta Limited with effect from April 21, 2015. The Company's registered office is located at 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai 400 093; Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; Fax no.: +91 22 6643 4530; E-mail: comp.sect@vedanta.co.in and webcite: www.vedantallimited com The corporate identity. umber 4.2 website: <u>www.vedantalimited.com</u>. The corporate identity number ("CIN") of the Company is: L13209MH1965PLC291394.
- 4.3 The Company is a globally diversified natural resources company engaged in the business of producing oil and gas, zinc, lead, silver, copper, iron ore, steel, aluminium and power across India, South Africa, Namibia and Australia.

Note: Refer Note 3(b) of Annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards

March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon. <sup>1</sup> Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) also includes Intangible assets and Exploration intangible assets under development <sup>2</sup> Cash and cash equivalent includes other bank balances <sup>3</sup> Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of Equity Shares outsanding during the year. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares, unless the effect is anti-cillutive. **Source:** The financial information for the financial years ended March 31.

unless the effect is anti-dilutive. **Source:** The financial information for the financial years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 have been extracted from the comparative financial information included in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards.

The book value for the Company, for financial year ended on March 31, 2020, is INR 89.38 (Indian Rupees Eighty Nine and Thirty Eight Paise only) 4.6 per Equity Share, as extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company. The book value has been arrived at by dividing net worth of the Company (as per Section 2(57) of the Companies Act 2013) by total number of outstanding Equity Shares as of March 31, 2020. The computation of the book value of the Company has been certified independently by Shailesh Haribhakti & Associates, chartered accountants, vide certificate dated September 02, 2020.

#### 5 PRESENT CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

- As on date of this Public Announcement, the authorized share capital 5.1 of the Company is INR 74,12,01,00,000 (Indian Rupees Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Crore and One Lakh only) divided into 44,02,01,00,000 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each and 3,01,00,00,000 preference shares of INR 10/- (Indian Rupees Ten only) each. The total issued and paid-up share capital of the Company is INR 3,71,75,04,871 (Indian Rupees Three Hundred Seventy One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One only) comprising of 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each. Out of the 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares and Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice. The Company has issued ADS which are listed on NYSE and the underlying
- 5.2 Equity Shares, based on which such ADS have been issued, are held b Citibank N.A. as the custodian. As on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which can be converted into 15,64,96,036 Equity Shares. If any of the outstanding ADS are converted into Equity Shares after the Specified Date until the Bid Closing Date, there may be a decrease in the equity shareholding percentage of the members of the Promoter Group and an increase in the equity shareholding percentage of the Public Shareholders as specified in paragraph 1.2 above. Depending upon the conversion of the ADS into Equity Shares, the Offer Shares may stand increased or decreased, as the case may be. 5.3
  - As on date of this Public Announcement, there are no outstanding instruments in the nature of warrants or fully convertible debentures or partly convertible debentures/ preference shares etc., which are onvertible into Equity Shares at any later date. Also, Equity Shares held by the members of the Promoter Group are not subject to any statutory lock-in. As on date of this Public Announcement, the Acquirers do not

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 9 and will not tender their Equity Shares in the reverse book building process as part of the Delisting Offer. The total issued and paid-up capital structure of the Company as on

5.4 the Specified Date, is as follows:

Paid-up Equity Shares	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)	3,71,75,048,71*	100.00
Total voting rights in Target Company (including the voting rights relating to underlying Equity Shares based on which the ADS have been issued)	3,71,71,96,639*	99.99

and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

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

REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER

9.1

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

#### 10 DETAILS OF THE BUYER BROKER

VHML and VHML II have appointed DAM Capital Advisors Limited having its registered office at One BKC, Tower C, 15<sup>th</sup> 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: <u>rajesh@damcapital.in</u> and Contact person: Mr Brisch Takadiwala 10.1 Mr Raiesh Tekadiwala

## 11 STOCK EXCHANGE DATA REGARDING THE COMPANY

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 11.2 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 <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (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
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Source: www.nseindia.con 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.

% of Total Number of Shares

Asa%o

(A+B+C)

50.14%

8.51%

0.04%

17.73%

5.65%

0.71%

1.30%

0.00%

7.24%

As a % of

(A+B+C+D)

50.13%

8.51%

0.04%

17.73%

5.64%

0.71%

1.30%

0.00%

7.24%

The annualized trading turnover based on the trading volume of the 12.3 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 Ex- change	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: 0 & Co LLP.	Certificate dated May	18, 2020 issued by P	rice Waterhouse

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

As required under Regulation 15(2) of the Delisting Regulations, the 12.5 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. In terms of Regulation 8 of the Takeover Regulations, the floor price shall 12.6

be the higher of the following:

- (a) the highest negotiated price per share of the target company for any acquisition under the Applicable agreement attracting the obligation to make a public announcement of an open offer (b) the volume-weighted average price paid INR 64.89\* 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. (c) the highest price paid or payable for any INR 64.89\* 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 (d) the volume-weighted average market price INR 87.25\* 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. (e) where the shares are not frequently traded, Not the price determined by the acquirer and the Applicable 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 the per share value computed under sub-(f) Not Applicable regulation (5), if applicable \* Based on certificate dated May 18, 2020 issued by Price Waterhouse & CollP
- The Company, on May 18, 2020, received the Floor Price Letter from VRL 12.7 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

- 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 13.1
- All Public Shareholders can tender their Offer Shares during the Bid Period as set out in paragraphs 16 and 23 of this Public Announcement. 13.2
- The minimum price per Offer Share payable by the Acquirers pursuant to the Delisting Offer, shall be determined in accordance with the Delisting 13.3 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").
- 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 13.4 either as an obligation/ restriction on VRL and/ or its subsidiaries to accept the Equity Shares tradered 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 price higher than the ndicative Offer Price.
- The Acquirers are under no obligation to accept the Discovered Price. The 13.5 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.

  - The "Exit Price" shall be:

13.6

a) the Discovered Price, if accepted by the Acquirers;
b) a price higher than the Discovered Price, if offered by the Acquirers;

Pursuant to Explanation I 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; The Acquirers will obtain requisite statutory approvals, if any, required for the delisting as stated in paragraph 24 of this Public Announcement; and
- 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 14.5 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.

#### ACQUISITION WINDOW FACILITY 15

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-Offers under Takeovers, Buy Back and Delisting' and its circular dated December 9, 2016 on 'Streamlining the process for Acquisition of Shares pursuant to Tender-Offers 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 15.2
- 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. The Acquirers have chosen Acquisition Window Facility or OTB provided 15.3
- by BSE as the designated stock exchange. The cumulative quantity tendered shall be displayed on the website of BSE at specific intervals during Bid Period (as defined below).

#### DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF BID PERIOD 16

- 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 16.1 To 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.
- Into Equity Shares. 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 PSE during average trading buyer of coording writer one or before 16.2 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 Anouncement is published. The Public Shareholders should note that the Bids (as defined below) are
- required to be uploaded in the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB on
- The Public Shareholders should not send Bids to Company/ Acquires/ biokareholders and Bid Closers and Bids to Company/ Acquires/ Nanewski and Shareholders and the 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/ Acquires/ Managet the Office Registered to the Office to the Office of Seller Member"). 16.4
- Manager to the Offer/ Registrar to the Offer. 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. A letter inviting the Public Shareholders (along with necessary forms and
- 16.6 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

#### 17 PROCEDURE FOR TENDERING

- During the Bid Period, the Bids shall be placed through the Acquisition Window Facility or OTB by the Public Shareholders through their respective Seller Member during normal trading hours of the secondary market. The Seller Members can enter orders for Equity Shares which are held in dematerialized form as well as physical form. 17.1
- 17.2 The Letter of Offer (along with necessary forms and instructions) inviting the Public Shareholders to tender their Equity Shares to the Acquirers will be dispatched to the Public Shareholders by the Acquirers 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 paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement).
- 17.3 For further details on the schedule of activities, please refer to paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement. 17.4
- In the event of an accidental omission to dispatch the Letter of Offer or non-receipt of the Letter of Offer by any Public Shareholder, such Public Shareholder may obtain a copy of the Letter of Offer by writing to the Registrar to the Offer at their address given in paragraph 9 of this Public Announcement, clearly marking the envelope "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020". Alternatively, the Public Shareholders may obtain copies of the Letter of Offer from the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., www. besindia.com and www.nseindia.com, or, from the website of the Registrar to the Offer, at www.kfintech.com. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares

## 17.5 in dematerialized form

- a) Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Offer Shares in the electronic form under the Delisting Offer would have to do so through their respective Seller Member by indicating the details of the Offer Shares they intend to tender under the Delisting Offer. The Public Shareholders should not send Bids to the Company/ Acquirers/
- Manager to the Offer' the Registrar to the Offer.
   After the Bids have been placed by the Public Shareholders, the Bids will be transferred to the respective Seller Member's pool account, who will in-turn tender the Offer Shares to the early pay-in mechanism of the Indian Clearing Corporation Limited or the NSE Clearing Limited, as the case may be ("Clearing Corporation"). c) The details of settlement number shall be informed in the issue opening circular/ notice that will be issued by BSE/ Clearing Corporation before the Bid Opening Date. d) For custodian participant orders for Equity Shares in dematerialized form, early pay-in is mandatory prior to confirmation of the relevant order by the custodian. The custodian shall either confirm or reject of the orders not later than the closing of trading hours on the last day of the Bid Period. Thereafter, all unconfirmed orders shall be deemed to be rejected. For all confirmed custodian participant orders, any modification to an order shall be deemed to revoke the custodial confirmation relating to such order and the revised order shall be sent to the custodian again for confirmation. e) Upon placing the Bid, a Seller Member shall provide a Transaction Registration Slip ("TRS") generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as Bid ID No., DP ID, Client ID, no. of Offer Shares tendered and price at which the Bid was placed. Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS is not mandatorily f) required in case of Equity Shares held in dematerialised form. The Clearing Corporation will hold in trust the Offer Shares until the Acquirers complete their obligations under the Delisting Offer in g) accordance with the Delisting Regulations. The Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the depository participant (**"DP**") account active and unblocked to receive h) redit in case of return of Equity Shares due to rejection. Further, Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the saving account attached with the DP account active and updated to receive credit remittance due to acceptance of Offer Shares tendered by them. In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer/ Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form can make an application in writing on plain paper, signed by the respective Public Shareholder, stating name and address, Client ID, DP name/ID, beneficiary account number and number of Equity Shares tendered for the Delisting Offer. 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

#### Others 2.74% 2.74% Body corporates 10,17,57,369 2.86% Shares held by Employee Trust 1,34,33,176 0.38% 0.36% 0.36% Any Other (incl. Foreign bodies, clearing 5,14,95,821 1.45% 1.39% 1.39% members, NRI, HUF, Foreign nationals, overseas corporate bodies, Trusts, IEPF) Total (A+B) 3.56.07.00.603 100.00% 95.79% 95.78% Equity Shares held by custodian against which 15.64.96.036 -4.21% 4.21% ADS have been issued (C) 3.71.71.96.639 99.99% Total ((A) + (B) + (C)) 100.00% -Shares held in Abeyance category (D) 3.08.232 -0.01% Total [(A)+(B)+(C)+(D)] 3,71,75,04,871 100% \* The total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company consists of 371,75,04,871 Equity Share out of which, 308,232 Equity Shares are pending for allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

No. of Equity Shares

1,86,36,18,788

31,63,44,363

2,62,95,947

4,82,34,083

32,117

26,91,62,210

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

- 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. The Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of the SEPI (Substantial Aquivities of Shares and Takesure) Bacultained 6.1
- 6.2 the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations.
- 2011, as amended ("Takeover Regulations"). The Acquirers are seeking to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock 6.3 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

Preceding 6 mo	nths		
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period
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

- Alternative investment funds 14,85,154 - Foreign portfolio investors 65,90,02,534 Financial institutions/ banks 20.98.39.041

Particulars

Promoter and promoter group (A)

Public Shareholders (B)

Insurance companies

- Qualified Institutional buyers

NBFCs registered with RBI

Mutual funds

Individuals

As a % of

(A+B)

52.34%

8.88%

0.04%

18.51%

5.89%

0.74%

1.35%

0.00%

7.56%

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.

- 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 6.4 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 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.
- The Acquirers propose to acquire the Offer Shares pursuant to the 6.6 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).
- LIKELY POST SUCCESSFUL DELISTING OFFER SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY 7
- The most likely post-delisting shareholding of the Company, pursuant to 7.1 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

\*\*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.

#### MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER 8

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 3010; Fax no. +91 22 6157 3911; Easther and the additionance approximate and the second 8.1 Email: vedanta\_delist@jpmorgan.com; Contact person: Mr. Shagun Gupta

July 2020	117.9	103.65	48,18,14,702
August 2020	134.7	112.7	39,70,14,983

## Source: www.nseindia.com

Notes: (1) High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices <sup>2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

11.3 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 BSE are as follows:

High <sup>(1)</sup>	Low <sup>(1)</sup>	
(INR)	(INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)
355.7	218.0	292.7
313.5	145.9	219.0
195.0	60.3	148.6
	355.7 313.5	355.7         218.0           313.5         145.9

## Source: www.bseindia.com

Note: (1) High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices and average price is based on average of closing price. <sup>2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off

Preceding 6 mon	ths		
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period
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
August 2020	134.7	112.5	2,19,36,358

## Notes:

<sup>1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

## 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.
- The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock 12.2 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.

- their discretion: or
- c) the Counter Offer Price offered by the Acquirers at their sole and absolute discretion 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. 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 13.7 same newspapers in which this Public Announcement is published in accordance with the timetable set out in paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.
- 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 13.8 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 Acquires to not accept the Discovered Price in terms of Regulation 16 of the Delisting Regulations or the Delisting Offer fails in terms of
  - a) the Acquirers will have no right or obligation to acquire the Offer Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer;
  - b) 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;
  - c) No final application for delisting shall be made before the Stock Exchanges
  - d) 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
  - e) The Escrow Accounts (as defined below) opened in accordance with gulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations shall be closed.

### MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE AND SUCCESS CONDITIONS TO THE 17.6 14 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 by a controlled and against and the contained in this Public Announcement, the Acquirers reserve the right to accept or reject the Discovered Price if it is nigher 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 with other members 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;
- A minimum number of Public Shareholders (i.e., 25% of number of Public Shareholders) holding Equity Shares in dematerialized mode as on 14.3 May 18, 2020 shall participate in the reverse book building process, in 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.

## available by BSE before the Bid Closing Date. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form

- The Public Shareholders who hold Offer Shares in physical form and their respective Seller Member along with the complete set of documents for verification procedures to be carried out including as below: i. original share certificate(s);
- valid share transfer form(s) duly filled and signed by the transferors (i.e., by all registered shareholders in the same order and as per the specimen signatures registered with the Company) and duly witnessed at the appropriate place authorizing the transfer. Attestation, where required, (thumb impressions, signature difference, etc.) should be done by a magistrate/ notary public/ bank manager under their official seal:
- self-attested permanent account number ("PAN") card copy (in case of joint holders, PAN card copy of all transferors);
- Bid Form duly signed (by all Public Shareholders in cases where Offer Shares are held in joint names) in the same order in which they hold the Offer Shares;
- any other relevant documents such as power of attorney. any other relevant occurrents such as power of automay, corporate authorization (including board resolution/ specimen signature), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probated will, if the original shareholder has deceased, etc., as applicable. In addition, if the address of the Public Shareholder has undergone a change from the address residued of the constraints of the Constraints the registered in the register of members of the Company, the Public Shareholder would be required to submit a self-attested copy of proof of address consisting of any one of the following documents: valid aadhar card, voter identity card or passport.
- Declaration by joint holders consenting to tender Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer, if applicable, and FATCA and CRS forms for individual/ non individual shareholders. vi.
- b) Upon placing the Bid, the Seller Member shall provide a TRS generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as folio or, certificate no., distinctive no., no. of Offer Shares tendered and the price at which the Bid was placed.
- The Seller Member/ Public Shareholder should ensure the documents C) as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) above are delivered along with TRS either by registered post or courier

or by hand delivery to the Registrar to the Offer (at the address of by hand order of the regent of the bublic Announcement) within 2 days of bidding by the Seller Member. The envelope should be marked as "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020".

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- 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 so fundational and an and a solution of the Registrar to the Offer confirmed 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 liable to be rejected.
- 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 BSE, before the Bid Closing Date. 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 unique client code ("UCC") 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 SEP trequired by the stock broker in compliance with the applicable SEP. applicable SEBI regulations.
- 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 he Offer.
- The cumulative quantity tendered shall be made available on BSE's website 17.9 i.e., www.bseindia.com throughout the trading session and will be updated
- 1.e., www.bseindia.com throughout the drading session and will be updated at specific intervals during the Bid Period.
  17.10 The Offer Shares to be acquired under the Delisting Offer are 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 encumbrances are liable to be rejected.
  17.11 Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares under multiple folios are eligible to participate in the Delisting Offer
- 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 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 required 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
- 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.
- Public Shareholders who have tendered Offer Shares during the Bid Period b) 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 10<sup>th</sup> working day from the date of issuance of the Counter Offer PA will not be accepted. Offer Shares which have not been tendered by Public Shareholder during
- C) 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.

#### METHOD OF SETTLEMENT 18

- Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the Delisting Regulations: The settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to settlement of trades in the secondary market. 18.1
- 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 purchased accepted during the parameters are determined for the termine during the parameters. 18.2 pay-in date for settlement as per the secondary market mechanism. For 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.
- secondary market mechanism for onward transfer to Public Shareholders. In case of certain client types viz. non-resident Indians, non-resident clients etc. (where there are specific RBI and other regulatory requirements 18.3 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 accounts 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.

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

DELISTING AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES FROM NYSE AND TERMINATION OF ADR PROGRAMME

- If the Delisting Offer is successful, the Company intends to delist its ADS from 21.1 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.
  - Upon the determination and/or acceptance of the Exit Price by the Acquirers, the Company intends to provide a notice to the NYSE announcing is intention to delist its ADS from the NYSE. On or about the 10<sup>th</sup> day after giving the delisting notice, the Company intends to file a Form 25 with the SEC to effect the delisting from the NYSE. The delisting will become
- effective 10 days after such films. Simultaneously with giving delisting notice to the NYSE, the Company intends to give a notice to the Depositary of the termination of the ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. Depositary shall thereafter distribute notice of such termination. The termination of the ADR Deposit Agreement will become affective 20 days form the date of distribute of 21.3 Agreement will become effective 30 days from the date of distribution of such notice ("**Programme Termination Date**"). As a result of such termination, ADS holders will have until 30 days from the
- 21.4 Fogramme 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 Depositary of 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Program Termination Date may offer their Equity Shares for sale of 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. 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 Program Termination 21.5 Date, starting on or about 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, the Depositary 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 Depositary 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. Failure to present ADS for cancellation within 30 days after the Programme
- 21.6 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 Depositary 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. Holders of ADRs will be required to present and surrender their physical
- certificates to the Depositary in order to receive payment. After remitting the net proceeds to the holders of ADS, the Depositary shall be discharged from all obligations under the ADR Deposit Agreement 21.8 except as may be required at law in connection with the termination of the ADR Deposit Agreement. 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 Depositary	T-3
Press release announcing the delisting notice and termination notice	T-3
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement is distributed by the Depositary to ADS holders	т
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
Depositary to sell Equity Shares underlying the ADS that have not been surrendered	T+61 or soon thereafter
Depositary to remit net proceeds to ADS holders	Expected to be approximately 4 weeks following the sale described in the immediately preceding row.

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 therefore 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

<sup>(a)</sup>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, all 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 where this Public Announcement is published. This is an indicative date and the announcement may be made on received octable 16, 2020, being the fifth working due form the Bid

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

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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. To the best of the Acquirers' knowledge, as on date of this Public 24.2 24.3
- 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. If the shareholders who are not persons resident in India (including non 24.4
  - resident Indians, overseas corporate bodies and foreign portfolio investors) had required any approvals (including from the RBI or any other regulator 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 Delistin Offer, along with the other documents required to be submitted to along wit the Bid. In the event such approvals are not submitted, the Acquirers reserve
- the bid, in the event such Equity Shares tendered in the Offer. 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. 24.5 The Public Shareholders should attach a copy of any such approval(s) to the Bid Form, wherever applicable
- The Acquirers reserve the right not to proceed with or withdraw the Delisting 24.6 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. In the event that receipt of the statutory or regulatory approvals are dele 24.7 changes to the proposed timetable, 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 paic both at the time of purchase and sale of such shares, subject to certain
- exceptions notified by the central government. The Finance Act, 2018 has withdrawn the above capital gains tax exemption with effect from April 1, 2018 for any transfer of listed equity shares in a

equity listing agreement entered into between the Company and the Stock Exchanges or the provisions of the SEB (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as applicable from time to time have been disclosed to the Stock Exchanges, as applicable;

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- 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.

#### COMPANY SECRETARY AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE COMPANY 27

- The details of Company Secretary and the Compliance Officer of the 27.1 Company are as follow:
  - Address:
- Company are as follow: Name: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya Designation: Company Secretary & Compliance Officer Address: ASF Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, ASF Center, Tower B, 362 363, Jwala Mill Road, Udyog Vihar, Phase IV, Gurgaon-122 016, Haryana, India Email: Prerna.Halwasiya@vedanta.co.in; comp.sect@vedanta.co.in Tel. No.: +91 22 6643 4530 | Fax No.: +91 22 6643 4530 Hublic Sharabalders have any curriers concerning the non-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/DSR / 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 Sterine industries (india) Ltd (now the Company) forn 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. ("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. the criminal proceedings.

#### GENERAL DISCLAIMER 29

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 HERBIN OR ANY OTHER BEASON WHATSOEVER 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 THE RECEIPT OF CASH PURSUANT TO THE DELISTING OFFER BT 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., AND DIRECTORS MAY BE RESIDENTS OF COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE U.S. 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 A NON-U.S. COURT 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

- The Offer Shares acquired in dematerialised form would either be 18.4 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
- In case of rejected dematerialised Offer Shares, if any, tendered by the Public Shareholders, the same would be transferred by the Clearing Corporation directly to the respective Public Shareholder's DP account, as 18.5 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 safer 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 Shareholder 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.
- 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 18.7 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.

#### PERIOD FOR WHICH THE DELISTING OFFER SHALL BE VALID 19

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.

#### PROCESS FOR ADS HOLDERS 20

- In accordance with the Delisting Regulations, the holders of ADS (and American depositary receipt(s) ("ADRs") evidencing the ADS, if applicable) will not be entitled to participate in the Delisting Offer, unless they covert 20.1 heir ADS into Equity Shares.
- ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation to the depositary (i.e., Citibank, N.A., "Depositary")) will be able to take possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or must establish, a custodian or brokerage (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depositary 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
- 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 20.3 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 depositary, 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 depositary of ADRs issued thereunder ("ADR Deposit Agreement"). In particular, in accordance with applicable regulations of the RBI and the Ministry of Finance, the Depositary will only be able to accept Equity Shares for deposit into the

21.10 In summary, ADS holders may 21.10.1 sell their ADS in the market on the NYSE until they are delisted;

- 21.10.2 sell their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Programme Termination Date; 21.10.3 surrender their ADS (or their ADRs, as applicable) to the Depositary 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
- 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.
- 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-ratio 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 21.1 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 ADF 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

- The estimated consideration payable under the Delisting Regulations, being the Floor Price of INR 87.25/- (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Twenty Five 22.1 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. In accordance with Regulation 11 of the Delisting Regulations VRL, VHML, VHML II, Axis Bank Limited, a scheduled commercial bank and a banker 22.2 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 I limited-Escrow Account" with the Escrow Bank at their branch at Gurgaor
- ("Escrow Account 2") (collectively "Escrow Accounts"). VHML has provided a bank guarantee of INR 4,550 Crore issued by Standard 22.3 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. On determination of the Exit Price and making of the public announcement
- 22.4 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
- 22.5 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 a 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

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

- STT will be levied on and collected by a domestic stock exchange on which the equity shares are sold. Further, any gain realized on the sale of listed equity shares held for a period of 12 months or less which are sold, will be 25.3 subject to short term capital gains tax @ 15% provided the transaction i
- Tax deduction at source:

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- 25.4.1 In case of resident shareholders. In absence of any specific provision under to resident shareholders pursuant to the Delisting Offer.
- 25.4.2 In case of non-resident shareholders: Under the existing 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 custodians/ authorized dealers/ non-resident shareholders - with no recourse to the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in oncert 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. Post delisting, the Equity Shares would be treated as unlisted shares ar therefore, capital gain on sale of such unlisted Equity Shares (held for mo than 24 months) would be taxable at 20% for residents in India and 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 sharehold The provision of gains up to January 31, 2018 being grandfathered woul not be applicable and therefore the cost of acquisition for Residual Public Shareholders would be price paid by Residual Public Shareholder fa acquisition of Offer Shares. Please note while the resident shareholders and allowed the benefit of indexation on their original cost of acquisition, n such benefit is applicable for non-resident shareholders. On purchase of Offer Shares from non-resident Residual Public
- 25.6 Shareholders, the Acquirers would be required to deduct tax at source fro the sale consideration unless the Residual Public Shareholder obtains a deduction certificate from the tax authorities and furnish the same to the payor prior to the remittance of the sale consideration. The amount of tax deducted and deposited by the Acquirers can be claimed as credit by the
- Residual Public Shareholder against its final tax liability. The above tax rates are subject to applicable rate of surcharge, health an education cess. The tax rate and other provisions may undergo changes. SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISOR 25.7
- 25.8 SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISOR: FOR THE TREATMENT THAT MAY BE GIVEN BY THEIR RESPECTIVI INCOME TAX ASSESSING AUTHORITIES IN THEIR CASE, AND THI APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION THAT THEY SHOULD TAKE THE JUDICIAL AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE INTERPRETATIONS THEREOF, ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR MODIFICATION B' SUBSEQUENT LEGISLATIVE, REGULATORY, ADMINISTRATIVI OR JUDICIAL DECISIONS. ANY SUCH CHANGES COULD HAVI DIFFERENT INCOME-TAX IMPLICATIONS. THIS NOTE ON TAXATIO SETS OUT THE PROVISIONS OF LAW IN A SUMMARY MANNEF ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OR LISTING OF ALL POTENTIAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE DISPOSAL OF EQUITY SHARES. THE IMPLICATIONS ARE ALSO DEPENDENT ON THI SHARES. THE IMPLICATIONS ARE ALSO DEPENDENT ON TH SHAREHOLDERS FULFILLING THE CONDITIONS PRESCRIBE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE RELEVANT SECTIONS UNDE THE RELEVANT TAX LAWS. THE ACQUIRERS NEITHER ACCEP NOR HOLD ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY TAX LIABILITY ARISIN TO ANY SHAREHOLDER AS A REASON OF THIS DELISTING OFFER

#### CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY 26

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 securitie made by the Company during the 5 years immediately preceding the date of this Public Announcement from the stated object of the issue
- b) all material information which is required to be disclosed under the provisions of the continuous listing requirements under the releva

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 RESPECTIVE DEPOSITORIES 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 DELISTING OFFER, OR WHERE MAKING 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 AUTHORISED 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 e 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., <u>www.bseindia.com</u>. 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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## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF

# EDANTA LIMITED

CIN: L13209MH1965PLC291394

Registered Office: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400 093 **Company Secretary & Compliance Officer: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya** Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; Fax no.: +91 22 6643 4530 Website: www.vedantalimited.com; Email ID: comp.sect@vedanta.co.in This public announcement ("Public Announcement") is being issued by certain members of the promoter and promoter group of Vedanta Limited ("Company"), namely, Vedanta Resources Limited ("VRL") and its wholly owned step down subsidiaries namely, Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited ("VHML") and Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited ("VHML II") (collectively, to be referred as "Acquirers"), to the public shareholders (as defined under Regulation 2(1)(v) of the Delisting Regulations (as defined below) and hereinafter referred to as "Public Shareholders") of the Company, in regard to the proposed acquisition of fully paid-up equity shares having face value of INR 1/- (Indian Rupee One only) each ("Equity Shares") held by the Public Shareholders, and consequent voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares from the stock exchanges where they are listed namely, BSE Limited ("BSE") and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") (collectively to be referred as the "Stock Exchanges"), in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009, as amended ("Delisting Regulations") and in accordance with the terms and conditions set out below and / or in the Letter of Offer (as defined in paragraph 16.6 of this Public Announcement) (hereinafter referred to as the "Delisting Offer" or the "Offer"). The Equity Shares are also currently 'permitted to trade' on the Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited ("MSE"). Pursuant to the successful Delisting Offer, the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. If the Delisting Offer is successful, the VRL/ Company intends to delist the American Depositary Share(s) ("ADS") issued by the Company from New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and terminate its ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement (defined below). The Company will continue to be subject to reporting obligations under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") until such time as it can terminate its registration under the Exchange Act. For further details, see paragraphs 20 and 21 of this Public Announcement.

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One Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned

The shareholding pattern of VHML as on date of this Public Announcement

Name of the shareholders

Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited

3.2.5 VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financial

statements have been prepared by it. 3.2.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML does not hold any Equity

Vedanta Holdings Mauritius II Limited VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company

under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172884 GBC). The registered address of VHML II is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 1, Nexteracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius.

Thousand only) comprising of 1,000 ordinary shares of USD 1 (United States Dollar One only) each. VHML II is a wholly owned subsidiary of Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited, which in turn is a wholly owned where the other of VPD

The shareholding pattern of VHML II as on date of this Public Announcement is set out below:

Name of the shareholders

Vedanta Holdings Jersey Limited

3.3.5 VHML II was incorporated on June 29, 2020, therefore no financia

statements have been prepared by it. As on date of this Public Announcement, VHML II does not hold any

Neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group has sold any Equity Shares during the 6 months preceding the date of the meeting of the Board i.e., May 18, 2020, wherein the Delisting Offer was

approved. Further, neither the Acquirers nor any member of the Promoter Group shall sell the Equity Shares until the earlier of: (i) completion of the

Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations; or (ii) failure

of the Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations. The members of the Promoter Group are not prohibited by SEBI from

dealing in securities, in terms of directions issued under Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 or any other regulations made under the SEBI Act, The Acquirers hereby invite all the Public Shareholders to bid in

accordance with the reverse book building process of BSE and on the terms and subject to the conditions set out herein, and/ or in the Letter of

Offer (as defined below), the Offer Shares. The Acquirers have, as detailed in paragraph 22 of this Public Announcement, made available all the requisite funds necessary to fulfil

The Company was incorporated on June 25, 1965 as a private limited company under the laws of India as Sesa Goa Private Limited. The

Company was converted into a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Sesa Goa Limited with effect from April 16, 1981. Subsequently, the name of the Company was changed to Sesa

Sterlite Limited on September 18, 2013 and further the name of the

the obligations of the Acquirers under the Delisting Offer.

BACKGROUND OF THE COMPANY

3.3.2 The principal activity of VHML II is to carry on the business of holding

3.3.3 Mr. Baijy Mangar and Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally are the directors of VHML and what gat and win shakin Announce footabary are the directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VHML II is USD 1,000 (United States Dollars One

subsidiary of VRL.

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#### BACKGROUND OF THE DELISTING OFFER 1.

- As on the Specified Date, 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 1.1. 52.33% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company excluding the ADS issued by the Company, are held by the members of the promoter and promoter group of the Company ("Promoter Group"). As on the Specified Date, the Acquirers do not directly hold any Equity Shares. As on the Specified Date, the Public Shareholders (including the employee benefit trust) hold 1,69,73,90,047 Equity Shares aggregating to 47.67% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company, excluding ADS issued by the Company. In addition to the above, as on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are
- 1.2. outstanding which have been issued by the Company against 15,64,96,036 number of underlying Equity Shares. The holders of such ADS would be considered to be Public Shareholders to be able to participate in the Delisting Offer in the event they chose to convert the ADS into Equity Shares. In this regard, please note that if all the outstanding ADS (as on the Specified Date) are converted into Equity Shares, the: (a) members of the Promoter Group will hold 1,86,36,18,788 Equity Shares aggregating to 50.13% of the total issued and paid-up equity share capital of the Company; and (b) the Public Shareholders will hold 1,85,38,86,083 Equity Shares aggregating to 49.87% of the total issued and paid-up equity share apital of the Company.
- The Acquirers are making this Public Announcement to acquire all Equity Shares that are held by the Public Shareholders ("Offer Shares"). If the 1.3. Delisting Offer is successful in accordance with the terms set out in paragraph 14 of this Public Announcement, an application will be made to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges pursuant to and in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and on the terms set out in this Public Announcement, the Letter of Offer and any other Delisting Offer related documents. Consequently, the Equity Shares shall be voluntarily
- delisted form the Stock Exchanges and the 'permitted to trade' status given to Equity Shares by the MSE shall stand withdrawn. VRL, pursuant to its letter dated May 12, 2020 ("Delisting Letter"), expressed its intention to the board of directors of the Company ("Board") to acquire the Offer Shares and consequently voluntarily delist 1.4. the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges by making a Delisting Offer in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and if such delisting is successful, then to also delist the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC. Further, VRL, inter alia, requested the Board to: (a) take all such other actions as may be required to be undertaken by the Company under the Delisting Regulations in order to give effect to the Delisting Offer, including appointment of a merchant banker to undertake due diligence, provide all relevant information necessary for the due diligence, make relevant applications to Stock Exchanges and/ or to any other regulatory authorities, as may be required in connection to the Delisting Proposal; (b) consider and approve the Delisting Offer under Regulation 8 of the Delisting Regulations; and (c) take necessary steps to; (i) seek approval of the shareholders of the formany through postal ballot, (ii) seek approval of the Stock Exchanges for the proposed delisting of the Equity Shares in accordance with the Delisting Regulations: and (iii) obtain consent/ waivers from the lenders in connection with the proposed delisting of the Equity shares, as may be required. The receipt of the Delisting Letter was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020 ("Stock Exchanges
- Notification Date"). Pursuant to the Delisting Letter, the Board appointed SBI Capital Markets 1.5. Fursion to the benchmarker registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (**\*SEBI**<sup>\*</sup>), to carry out due diligence in accordance with Regulations 8(1A) and 8(1D) of the Delisting Regulations (**\*Merchant Banker**<sup>\*</sup>). The appointment of the Merchant Banker was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on May 13, 2020.
- On May 12, 2020, the Company intimated the Stock Exchanges that a meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on May 18, 2020 in order to: (i) 1.6. take on record and review the due diligence report of the Merchant Banker ("Due Diligence Report"); (ii) and 8(15) of the Delisting Regulations ("Due Diligence Report"); (ii) approve/ reject the proposal of voluntary delisting of the Equity Shares; and (iii) any other matters incidental thereto or required in terms of the Delisting Regulations. Further, in the Delisting Letter, after considering the prevailing market
- 1.7. conditions and with a view to provide the Public Shareholders with a fair exit price, VRL informed the Company of its willingness to accept Equity Shares tendered by the Public Shareholders in the Delisting Offer a a price of INR 87.50 (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Fifty Paise only) per Equity Share ("Indicative Offer Price"). VRL further informed the Company that the Indicative Offer Price should in no way be construed 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 price higher than the Indicative Offer Price. The Indicative Offer Price was intimated to Stock Exchanges on May 12, 2020.
- Archardes on May 12, 2020. On May 18, 2020, the Company received a letter from VRL, providing the details of the floor price for the Delisting Offer, 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 Fine Drive active) with the Five Paise only) ("Floor Price") determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations ("Floor Price Letter"). The Board, in its meeting held on May 18, 2020, *inter-alia*, took the
- 1.9. following decisions: The Due Diligence Report, as tabled before them, issued and a)
  - submitted by the Merchant Banker, was taken on record. b) Based on the Due Diligence Report and information available with the Company, Board, in accordance with Regulation 8(1B) of the Delisting ns certifie

## NECESSITY AND OBJECTIVE OF THE DELISTING OFFER

- In the Delisting Letter, VRL specified the following as the rationale for the 2.1
  - Delisting Offer a) The Vedanta Group (the "Group") has been pursuing a process of corporate simplification for several years, including the merger of Sterlite with Sesa Goa to form Sesa-Sterlite (subsequently renamed Vedanta Limited) in 2012, the merger of Cairn India with the Company in 2016, and the delisting of Vedanta Resources Plc (subsequently renamed Vedanta Resources Ltd) in 2018.
  - b) The Group believes that a delisting of the Company is the next logical step in this simplification process and will provide the Group with enhanced operational and financial flexibility in a capital intensive business. Vedanta Group maintains its strategic priority of attaining leadership in diversified natural resources, underpinned by growth, while maintaining a flexible capital structure.
  - c) The proposed delisting offer will provide public shareholders of the Company an opportunity to realize immediate and certain value for their shares at a time of elevated market volatility. The price will be determined in accordance with the reverse book building mechanism set out in the Delisting Regulations.
  - set out in the Delisting Hegulations.
     d) The proposed delisting will align the Group's capital and operational structures, streamline the process of servicing the Group's financing obligations and significantly improve a range of important credit metrics. As a result, the transaction is expected to support an accelerated debt reduction program in the medium term and, in turn, support the Group's highly attractive longer-term growth pipeline.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE ACQUIRERS 3

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## Vedanta Resources Limited 3.1.1

- VRL was incorporated on April 22, 2003, as a private limited company under the laws of United Kingdom (company registration number 4740415). It was incorporated in the name of Angelchange Limited. Subsequently, its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited on June 26, 2003. VRL was re-registered as a public limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Plc with effect from November 20. 2003. The ordinary shares of VRL got listed on the London Stock Exchange on December 5, 2003. Thereafter, on October 01, 2018, the ordinary shares of VRL were delisted from London Stock Exchange pursuant to the successful completion of the delisting offer made by Volcan Investments Limited, the holding company of VRL. On October 29, 2018, VRL was reregistered as a private limited company pursuant to which its name was changed to Vedanta Resources Limited. VRL's registered office is located at 8th Floor, 20 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AB and its corporate office is located at 4th Floor 30 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6EX.
- 3.1.2 VRL is a globally diversified natural resources company and is engaged in production of aluminium, copper, zinc, lead, silver, iron ore, oil and gas and commercial energy. VRL has operations in India, Zambia, Namibia and
- South Africa. Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Navin Agarwal, Mr. Geoffrey Green, Mr. Deepak Parekh, Mr. Ravi Rajagopal and Mr. Edward Story are the directors of the VRL. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued and paid-up share capital of VRL is USD 28,524,669.8 (United States Dollar Twenty Eight Million Five Hundred Twenty Four Thousand Six Hundred Gitt Ning pain Ficht Reub according of 08, 606,610 (Hu solid Hundred Sixty Nine point Eight only) comprising of 285,246,698 (hull paid-up ordinary shares of USD 0.1 (United States Dollar Zero point One only) each. VRL is a subsidiary of Volcan Investments Limited.
- The shareholding pattern of VRL as on date of this Public Announcement 3.1.4 is set out below:

Sr. No.	Name of the shareholders	No. of shares held	% of share- holding
1	Volcan Investments Limited	18,74,88,092	65.7%
2	Volcan Investments Cyprus Limited (a wholly owned subsidiary of Volcan Invest- ments Limited)	9,77,58,606	34.3%
	Total	28,52,46,698	100.0%

3.1.5 The key financial information of VRL, based on its audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, is set out below:

(Amount in USD million and INR crores except per share data and percentages show						
Particulars		/ear ended 31, 2020	Financial y March 3 <sup>-</sup>			year ended 31, 2018⁴
	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)	USD (mm)	INR (cr.)
Equity Capital	29	213	29	213	30	221
Reserves	(3,292)	(24,227)	(957)	(7,042)	(360)	(2,649)
Minority Interests	5,536	40,742	6,181	45,489	6,870	50,560
Total Equity	2,273	16,728	5,253	38,660	6,540	48,132
Non-current borrowings	4,909	36,128	10,524	77,451	9,734	71,637
Other non- current Liabilities	1,013	7,455	1,488	10,951	1,310	9,641
Current borrowings	10,186	74,964	5,456	40,153	5,460	40,183
Other current Liabilities	5,805	42,722	7,060	51,958	6,194	45,585
Total equity and liabilities	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	13,357	98,301	17,909	131,801	17,919	131,875
Other non-current assets	3,028	22,285	2,999	22,071	2,122	15,617
Cash and cash equivalents	705	5,188	1,133	8,338	798	5,873
Other Current Assets	7,096	52,223	7,740	56,963	8,399	61,813
Total Assets	24,186	177,997	29,781	219,173	29,238	215,178
Revenue	11,790	86,769	13,006	95,718	15,294	112,556
Other operating income	142	1,045	225	1,656	154	1,133
Total operating income	11,932	87,814	13,231	97,374	15,448	113,689
Total expenses	13,278	97,720	11,863	87,306	12,960	95,379
(Loss)/ Profit before tax	(1,346)	(9,906)	1,368	10,068	2,488	18,310
Net tax (credit)/expense	(370)	(2,723)	611	4,497	1,013	7,455
(Loss)/ Profit after tax from continuing operations	(976)	(7,183)	757	5,571	1,475	10,855
Loss after tax from discontinued operations <sup>2</sup>	(771)	(5,674)	(333)	(2,451)	-	-
Net (loss)/ profit after tax	(1,747)	(12,857)	424	3,120	1,475	10,855
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(1,568)	(11,540)	(237)	(1,745)	239	1,759
Attributable to non-controlling interests	(179)	(1,317)	661	4,865	1,236	9,096

4.4 As on date of this Public Announcement, the members of the Board are: 17

Name and DIN	Designation as on the date of this Pub- lic Announcement	Date of Appoint- ment	No. of Equity Shares Held
Mr. Anil Agarwal	Non-Executive	April 1,	Nil
DIN: 00010883	Director, Chairperson	2020	
Mr. Navin Agarwal	Executive Director,	August	Nil
DIN: 00006303	Vice Chairperson	17, 2013	
Mr. K. Venkataramanan <b>DIN:</b> 00001647	Non-Executive Independent Director	April 1, 2017	Nil
Ms. Lalita D. Gupte	Non-Executive	March 29,	Nil
DIN: 00043559	Independent Director	2014	
Mr. MK Sharma	Non-Executive	June 1,	Nil
DIN: 00327684	Independent Director	2019	
Mr. UK Sinha	Non-Executive	March 13,	Nil
DIN: 00010336	Independent Director	2018	
Ms. Priya Agarwal	Non-Executive	May 17,	Nil
DIN: 05162177	Director	2017	
Mr. GR Arun Kumar <b>DIN:</b> 01874769	Whole-Time Director & Chief Financial Officer	November 22, 2016	8,000

A brief summary of the financial performance of the Company, based 4.5 on its audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial years ended on March 31, 2020, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, are set out as below:

(Amour	nt in INR cror	e except per	share data,
Particulars	Financial year ended March 31, 2020	Financial year ended March 31, 2019	Financial year ended March 31, 2018
Equity capital	372	372	372
Reserves & surplus	54,263	61,925	62,940
Minority interest	17,112	15,227	15,961
Total equity	71,747	77,524	79,273
Non-current borrowings	36,724	34,721	26,789
Other non- current Liabilities	11,829	13,157	11,276
Current borrowings	13,076	22,982	21,951
Other current Liabilities	50,246	53,659	45,296
Total equity and liabilities	183,622	202,043	184,585
Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) <sup>1</sup>	107,489	121,356	112,334
Other non-current assets	18,613	20,859	17,137
Cash and cash equivalents <sup>2</sup>	12,502	8,369	5,216
Other current assets	45,018	51,459	49,898
Total assets	183,622	202,043	184,585
Revenue from operations	83,545	90,901	92,011
Other operating income	902	1,147	912
Other Income	2,510	4,018	3,205
Total Income	86,957	96,066	96,128
Total Expenses	77,830	82,826	79,456
Profit before tax	9,127	13,240	16,672
Net exceptional (loss)/ gain	(17,386)	320	2,897
(Loss)/ Profit before tax after exceptional items	(8,259)	13,560	19,569
Net tax (credit) / expense	(3,516)	3,862	5,877
(Loss)/ Profit after tax	(4,743)	9,698	13,692
Share of (Loss)/ Profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(1)	0	0
(Loss)/ Profit after tax after Share of (loss)/ profit of Jointly Controlled entities	(4,744)	9,698	13,692
Attributable to equity holders of the parent	(6,664)	7,065	10,342
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1,920	2,633	3,350
Basic EPS (INR per share)3	(18.0)	19.1	28.3
Diluted EPS (INR per share) <sup>3</sup>	(18.0)	19.0	28.2

- The Company is in compliance with the applicable provisions of securities laws:
- The members of the Promoter Group or their related entities are in compliance with Regulation 4(5) of the Delisting Regulations; and
- The Delisting Offer is in the interest of the shareholders of the Company. c) In accordance with Regulation 8(1)(a) of the Delisting Regulations, the
- Board has approved the Delisting Offer, after having discussed and considered various factors including the Due Diligence Report.d) The Board granted its approval to the Company to seek shareholders'
- approval by way of special resolution through postal ballot and e-voting, and thereby approved the draft of the postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement thereto. The Company was authorized to: (i) dispatch the said postal ballot notice and the explanatory statement to the shareholders in accordance with applicable laws; and (ii) obtain approval of the Stock Exchanges in accordance with regulatory/ government authority in India and/ or abroad (including the
- SEC and NYSE), as may be required, in relation to the Delisting Offer. e) Mr. Upendra C Shukla, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS No. 2727, CP No. 1654), was appointed as the scrutinizer in terms of the Companies Act. 2013, read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, to conduct the process of the postal ballot in a fair and transparent manner.

The outcome of the meeting of the Board was intimated by the Company to the Stock Exchanges on the same day, i.e., May 18, 2020.

- 1.10. The dispatch of the notice of postal ballot dated May 18, 2020 for seeking the approval of the shareholders, through postal ballot and remote e-voting for the Delisting Offer, as required under the Delisting Regulations and the Companies Act. 2013 and the rules made thereunder read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020 and General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 13, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, was completed on May 25, 2020. The shareholders of the Company approved the Delisting Offer by way of
- a special resolution in accordance with the Delisting Regulations 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. As part of the said resolution, the votes cast by the Public Shareholders in favour of the Delisting Offer are 99,69,13,034 votes which is more than two times the number of votes cast
- by the Public Shareholders against it i.e., 18,59,11,31 votes. BSE and NSE have issued their in-principle approvals to the Delisting Offer subject to compliance with the Delisting Regulations, pursuant to their letters, each dated September 28, 2020, in accordance with Regulation 8(3) of the Delisting Regulations.
- This Public Announcement is being issued in the following newspapers as 1.13. required under Regulation 10(1) of the Delisting Regulations:

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

- 1.14. Any changes, modifications or amendments to this Public Announcement f any, will be notified by way of issuing corrigendum in all the aforesaid newspapers.
- 1.15. The Delisting Offer is subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price (defined below in paragraph 13.3 of this Public Announcement), determined in accordance with the Delisting Regulations, by the Acquirers. The Acquirers may also, at their discretion, propose: (a) a price higher than the Discovered Price for the purposes of the Delisting Offer; or (b) a price which is lower than the Discovered Price but not less than the book value of the Company as certified by the merchant banker, in terms of Regulation 16(1A) of the Delisting Regulations ("Counter Offer Price"). Any Discovered Price that is accepted by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer. a higher price that is offered by the Acquirers for the Delisting Offer at their discretion, or a Counter Offer Price pursuant to acceptance of the Counter Offer Price by the Public Shareholders, that results in shareholding 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, shall hereinafter be referred to as the "Exit Price".

Since the financial statements of VRL are prepared in USD (the functional currency of VRL), they have been converted into INR for the purpose of convenience of translation. USD to INR conversion has been assumed at a rate of USD 1 = INR 73.6 as on August 31, 2020 (www.fbil.com). No representation is made that the US Dollar amounts represent INR amounts or have been, could have been or could be converted into INR at such a rate or any other rate

Note: Refer Note 2(b) of Annual financial statements for year ended March 31, 2019 and note 2(b) & 3(b) of preliminary results for year ended March 31 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon.

Fixed assets includes property, plant & equipment, intangible assets, exploration & evaluation assets, goodwill and leasehold land.

Loss after tax from discontinued operations represents loss with respect to KCM (Konkola Copper Mines) operations along with the loss on fair valuation of the Group's interest in KCM.

Restated. Refer note 1(b) of preliminary results for the year ended March 31, 2020.

Financial information for financial year ended March 31, 2018 present KCM as consolidated subsidiary. Accordingly, financial information for year ended March 31, 2018 is not comparable.

Source: The financial information for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from VRL's financial statements for information included in VRL's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 has been extracted from the comparative financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 has been extracted from the comparative financial information included in VRL's financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. VRL's annual financial statements have been prepared and presented in accordance with international financial reporting standards as adopted by the European Union.

3.1.6 As on date of this Public Announcement, VRL does not directly hold any Equity Shares

## Vedanta Holdings Mauritius Limited

- VHML was incorporated on June 29, 2020 as a private limited company 3.2.1 under the laws of Mauritius (company registration number 172883 GBC). The registered address of VHML is situated at C/o Amicorp (Mauritius) Limited, 6th Floor, Tower 1, NexTeracom Building, Ebene, Mauritius.
- 3.2.2 The principal activity of VHML is to carry on the business of holding investments. 3.2.3 Mr. Shakill Ahmad Toorabally and Mr. Ashwanee Ramsurrun are the
- directors of VHML. As on date of this Public Announcement, the issued

Company was changed to its present name i.e., Vedanta Limited with effect from April 21, 2015.

- The Company's registered office is located at 1st Floor, 'C' Wing, Unit 103, Corporate Avenue, Atul Projects, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai 400 093; Tel. no.: +91 22 6643 4500; 42 Fax no: +91 22 6643 4530; E-mail: <u>comp.sect@vedanta.co.in</u> and website: <u>www.vedantalimited.com</u>. The corporate identity number (**"CIN**") of the Company is: L13200MH1965PLC291394.
- The Company is a globally diversified natural resources company engaged in the business of producing oil and gas, zinc, lead, silver, 43 copper, iron ore, steel, aluminium and power across India, South Africa, Namibia and Australia

Note: Refer Note 3(b) of Annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 respectively, for details of new standards implemented and impact thereon.

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<sup>1</sup> Fixed Assets (including Capital Work in Progress) also includes Intangible assets and Exploration intangible assets under development

Cash and cash equivalent includes other bank balances

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding during the year. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of Equity Shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares unless the effect is anti-dilutive.

Unless the effect is anti-cluiuve. Source: The financial information for the financial years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2019 have been extracted from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial years ended on March 31, 2020 and financial information for financial year ended on March 31, 2018 have been extracted from the comparative financial information included in the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for financial year ended on March 31, 2019. The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards.

The book value for the Company, for financial year ended on March 31, 2020, is INR 89.38 (Indian Rupees Eighty Nine and Thirty Eight Paise only) per Equity Share, as extracted from the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company. The book value has been arrived at by dividing net worth of the Company (as per Section 2(57) of the Companies Act. 2013) by total number of outstanding Equity Shares as of March 31, 2020. The computation of the book value of the Company has been certified independently by Shailesh Haribhakti & Associates, chartered accountants, vide certificate dated September 02, 2020.

## PRESENT CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND SHAREHOLDING PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

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- As on date of this Public Announcement, the authorized share capital 5.1 to the Company is INR 74,12,01,00,000 (Indian Rupees Seventy Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Crore and One Lakh only) divided into 44,02,01,00,000 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each and 3,01,00,000 preference shares of INR 10/- (Indian Rupes Ten only) each. The total issued and paid-up share capital of the Company is INR 3.71,75,04,871 (Indian Rupees Three Hundred Seventy One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One only) comprising of 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares of INR 1 (Indian Rupee One only) each. Out of the 3,71,75,04,871 Equity Shares, 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.
- The Company has issued ADS which are listed on NYSE and the underlying 52 Equity Shares, based on which such ADS have been issued, are held by Citibank N.A. as the custodian. As on the Specified Date, 3,91,24,009 ADS are outstanding which can be converted into 15.64.96.036 Equity Shares. If any of the outstanding ADS are converted into Equity Shares after the Specified Date until the Bid Closing Date, there may be a decrease in the equity shareholding percentage of the members of the Promoter Group and an increase in the equity shareholding percentage of the Public Shareholders as specified in paragraph 1.2 above. Depending upon the conversion of the ADS into Equity Shares, the Offer Shares may stand increased or decreased as the case may be
- 5.3 As on date of this Public Announcement, there are no outstanding or partly convertible debentures/ preference shares etc., which are convertible into Equity Shares at any later date. Also, Equity Shares held by the members of the Promoter Group are not subject to any statutory lock-in. As on date of this Public Announcement, the Acquirers do not

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.

The total issued and paid-up capital structure of the Company as on 54 the Specified Date, is as follows:

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Paid-up Equity Shares	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)	3,71,75,048,71*	100.00
Total voting rights in Target Company (including the voting rights relating to underlying Equity Shares based on which the ADS have been issued)	3,71,71,96,639*	99.99
*Note: The total issued and paid-	un equity share canit:	al of the Company

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

## REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER

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The Acquirers have appointed KFin Technologies Private Limited (formerly known as Karvy 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@kfintech.com; and Contact nerson: Mr Murail Krishna and Contact person: Mr. Murali Krishna.

## DETAILS OF THE BUYER BROKER

VHML and VHML II have appointed DAM Capital Advisors 10.1 Limited having its registered office at One BKC, Tower C, 15<sup>th</sup> 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:

## 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)() of the Takeover Regulations. 11.2 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 <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (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				

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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.

Particulars	No. of Equity Shares	% of	% 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%	
- NBFCs 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 <sup>*</sup>	-	-	100%	

allotment and not listed on the Stock Exchanges and hence, kept in abeyance since they are sub judice.

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

- The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock 6.1 Exchanges. The Equity Shares are also 'permitted to trade' on MSE. The ADS issued by the Company are listed on NYSE.
- The Equity Shares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 6.2 2011, as amended ("Takeover Regulations").
- The Acquirers are seeking to delist the Equity Shares from the Stock Exchanges and BSE and NSE, pursuant to their letters, each dated 6.3 September 28, 2020, have granted their "in-principle" approval to the Delisting Offer. If delisting of Equity Shares is successful, the 'permitted to trade's status given to the Equity Shares by MSE shall stand withdrawn and VRL (and/ or its subsidiaries, as may be applicable) will also delist

Preceding 6 months					
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period		
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		

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 Ex- change	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 hares are frequently traded in terms of Regulation 2(1)(j) of the Takeove Regulations

As required under Regulation 15(2) of the Delisting Regulations, the 12.5 for 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 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. In terms of Regulation 8 of the Takeover Regulations, the floor price shall be the higher of the following: 12.6

(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

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 Eight) 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 par 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).
- All Public Shareholders can tender their Offer Shares during the Bid Period as set out in paragraphs 16 and 23 of this Public Announcement.
   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 Dementer Course proches 000% of the total and and and an earth others
- 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"). 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 13.4 (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 equal to or higher than the Indicative Offer Price or as a restriction on the Public Shareholders to tender the Equity Shares at price higher than the Indicative Offer Price.
- 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: a) accept the Discovered Price;
  - offer a price higher than the Discovered Price; or
  - offer a Counter Offer Price.

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- a) the Discovered Price, if accepted by the Acquirers; a price higher than the Discovered Price, if offered by the Acquirers at their discretion; or

Pursuant to Explanation I 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 speadon 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;

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- The Acquirers will obtain requisite statutory approvals, if any, required for the delisting as stated in paragraph 24 of this Public Announcement; and
- There being no amendments to the Delisting Regulations or other 14.5 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-Offers under Takeovers, Buy Back and Delisting' and its circular dated December 9, 2016 on 'Streamlining the process for Acquisition of Shares pursuant to Tender-Offers made for Takeovers, Buyback and Delisting of Securities' (the "SEBI Circulars") sets out the procedure for tendering and settlement of Equity
- Circulars") sets out the procedure for tendening and settlement of Lequity Shares through the Stock Exchanges (the "Stock Exchange Mechanism").
  15.2 Further, the SEBI Circulars provide that the Stock Exchange 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 provide the guidelines detail by BSE as the designated stock exchange.
- at specific intervals during Bid Period (as defined below).

#### DATES OF OPENING AND CLOSING OF BID PERIOD 16

- 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 at 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 Fauity Shares.
- 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. 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.
- Bids received after close of trading hours on the Bid Closing Date may 16.5 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.
- A letter inviting the Public Shareholders (along with necessary forms and detailed instructions) to tender their Equity Shares by way of submission of 16.6 "Bids" (the "Letter of Offer") will be dispatched as indicated in paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.

#### 17 PROCEDURE FOR TENDERING

- During the Bid Period, the Bids shall be placed through the Acquisition 17.1 Window Facility or OTB by the Public Shareholders through their respective Seller Member during normal trading hours of the secondary market. The Seller Members can enter orders for Equity Shares which are
- held in dematerialized form as well as physical form. The Letter of Offer (along with necessary forms and instructions) inviting the Public Shareholders to tender their Equity Shares to the Acquirers will be dispatched to the Public Shareholders by the Acquirers 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 paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement).
- 17.3 For further details on the schedule of activities, please refer to paragraph 23 of this Public Announcement.
- In the event of an accidental omission to dispatch the Letter of Offer or 17.4 non-receipt of the Letter of Offer by any Public Shareholder, such Public Shareholder may obtain a copy of the Letter of Offer by writing to the Registrar to the Offer at their address given in paragraph 9 of this Public Announcement, clearly marking the envelope "Vedanta Limited - Delisting Offer 2020". Alternatively, the Public Shareholders may obtain copies of the Letter of Offer from the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., www. bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, or, from the website of the Registrar to the Offer, at www.kfintech.com. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares
- 17.5 in dematerialized form
  - a) Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Offer Shares in the electronic form under the Delisting Offer would have to do so through their respective Seller Member by indicating the details of the Offer Shares they intend to tender under the Delisting Offer. The Public Shareholders should not send Bids to the Company/ Acquirers/ Manager to the Offer/ the Registrar to the Offer.
  - b) After the Bids have been placed by the Public Shareholders, the Bids will be transferred to the respective Seller Member's pool account, who will in-turn tender the Offer Shares to the early pay-in mechanism of the Indian Clearing Corporation Limited or the NSE Clearing Limited, as the case may be ("Clearing Corporation"). c) The details of settlement number shall be informed in the issue opening circular/ notice that will be issued by BSE/ Clearing Corporation before he Bid Opening Date. d) For custodian participant orders for Equity Shares in dematerialized form, early pay-in is mandatory prior to confirmation of the relevant order by the custodian. The custodian shall either confirm or reject the orders not later than the closing of trading hours on the last day of the Bid Period. Thereafter, all unconfirmed orders shall be deemed to be rejected. For all confirmed custodian participant orders, any modification to an order shall be deemed to revoke the custodian confirmation relating to such order and the revised order shall be sent to the custodian again for confirmation. e) Upon placing the Bid, a Seller Member shall provide a Transaction Registration Silp ("TRS") generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as Bid ID No., DP ID, Client ID, no. of Offer Shares rendered and price at which he Bid was placed. Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS is not mandatorily required in case of Equity Shares held in dematerialised form. The Clearing Corporation will hold in trust the Offer Shares until the Acquirers complete their obligations under the Delisting Offer in g) accordance with the Delisting Regulations. The Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the depository participant ("DP") account active and unblocked to receive h) credit in case of return of Equity Shares due to rejection. Further, Public Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the saving account attached with the DP account active and updated to receive credit remittance due to acceptance of Offer Shares tendered by them In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer/ Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form can make an application in writing on plain paper, signed by the respective Public Shareholder, stating name and address, Client ID, DP name/ ID, beneficiary account number and number of Equity Shares tendered for the Delisting Offer. 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

- the ADS from NYSE and deregister the Company from the SEC, subject to the requirements of the NYSE and the SEC.
- 64 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.
- Any application for listing made in future by the Company after the 6.5 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. The Acquirers propose to acquire the Offer Shares pursuant to the
- 6.6 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).

#### LIKELY POST SUCCESSFUL DELISTING OFFER SHAREHOLDING 7 PATTERN OF THE COMPANY

The most likely post-delisting shareholding of the Company, pursuant to a successful completion of the Delisting Offer in terms of the Delisting 7.1 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.

#### MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER 8

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 8.1 Gupta

## Source: www.nseindia.com

Notes: (1) High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices. The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

11.3 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 BSE are as follows:

Preceding 3 financial years			
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Average Price <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)
April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2018	355.7	218.0	292.7
April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019	313.5	145.9	219.0
April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020	195.0	60.3	148.6

## Source: www.bseindia.com

Note: "High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices and average price is based on average of closing price. <sup>2)</sup> The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off.

Preceding 6 months				
Period	High <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Low <sup>(1)</sup> (INR)	Number of Equity Shares traded in the period	
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	
August 2020	134.7	112.5	2,19,36,358	

## Notes:

<sup>1)</sup> High and low price for the period are based on intra-day prices. The aforesaid figures may be slightly different than the actual figures due to rounding off

#### DETERMINATION OF THE FLOOR PRICE 12

- 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
- The Equity Shares are currently listed and traded on the Stock Exchanges and have 'permitted to trade' status in the MSE. The scrip 12.2 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.

- c) the Counter Offer Price offered by the Acquirers at their sole and 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.
- The Acquirers shall announce the Discovered Price and their decision 13.7 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.
- 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 13.8 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.
- 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: 13.9
  - a) the Acquirers will have no right or obligation to acquire the Offer Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer;
     b) 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 C) Exchanges
  - d) The lien on the Equity Shares tendered in the Delisting Offer will be 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.

#### MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE AND SUCCESS CONDITIONS TO THE 17.6 14 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:

- The Acquirers deciding in their sole and absolute discretion to accept the 14.1 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
- 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 Envirth Shares acquired through the Acquisition). 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; 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 14.3 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

# available by BSE before the Bid Closing Date. Procedure to be followed by Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form a) The Public Shareholders who hold Offer Shares in physical form and

- intend to participate in the Delisting Offer will be required to approach their respective Seller Member along with the complete set of documents for verification procedures to be carried out including as below original share certificate(s);
- valid share transfer form(s) duly filled and signed by the transferors (i.e., by all registered shareholders in the same order and as per the specimen signatures registered with the Company) and duly witnessed at the appropriate place authorizing the transfer. Attestation, where required, (thumb impressions, signature difference, etc.) should be done by a magistrate/ notary public/ bank manager under their official seal;
- self-attested permanent account number ("**PAN**") card copy (in case of joint holders, PAN card copy of all transferors); Bid Form duly signed (by all Public Shareholders in cases where
- Offer Shares are held in joint names) in the same order in which they hold the Offer Shares; any other relevant documents such as power of attorney,
- corporate authorization (including board resolution/ specimen signature), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probated will, if the original shareholder has deceased, etc., as applicable. In addition, if the address of the Public Shareholder has undergone a change from the address registered in the register of members of the Company, the Public Shareholder would be required to submit a self-attested copy of proof of address consisting of any one of the following documents: valid aadhar card, voter identity card or passport.
- Declaration by joint holders consenting to tender Offer Shares in the Delisting Offer, if applicable, and FATCA and CRS forms for individual/ non individual shareholders.
- b) Upon placing the Bid, the Seller Member shall provide a TRS generated by the exchange bidding system to the Public Shareholder. The TRS will contain the details of the order submitted such as folio no., certificate no., distinctive no., no. of Offer Shares tendered and the price at which the Bid was placed.
- c) The Seller Member/ Public Shareholder should ensure the documents (as mentioned in this paragraph 17.6(a) of this Public Announcement) above are delivered along with TRS either by registered post or courier

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 pat of documents in submitted Accentance of the Offer Shares by the

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- 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 liable to be rejected. In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer/ Bid Form, Public Shareholders holding Offer Shares in physical form can make an splication 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 by their Seller Member and have to ensure that their Bid is entered by their Seller Member in the electronic platform to be made available by BSE, before the Bid Closing Date.
- 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 f) Announcement) until the Acquirers complete their obligations under the Please note that submission of Bid Form and TRS along with
- g) original share certificate(s) is mandatorily required in case of Equity Shares held in physical form. If the Public Shareholders do not have any stock broker registered with BSE
- 17.7 then those Public Shareholders can approach any stock broker registered with BSE and can make a bid by using quick unique client code ("UCC") facility through that stock broker registered with BSE after submitting the details as may be required by the stock broker in compliance with the
- 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 he Offer.
- The cumulative quantity tendered shall be made available on BSE's website i.e., <u>www.bseindia.com</u> 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 are 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 encumbrances 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 required 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 I this reard. Public Shareholder are projected to petite that counter offer. In this regard, Public Shareholders are requested to note that, if a counter offer is made:
- All Offer Shares tendered by Public Shareholders during the Bid Period and a) 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
- Public Shareholders who have tendered Offer Shares during the Bid Period b) 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 10<sup>th</sup> working day from the date of issuance of the Counter Offer PA will not be accepted.
- Offer Shares which have not been tendered by Public Shareholder during the Bid Period can be tendered in the counter offer in accordance with the C) 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: The settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to 18.1
- settlement of trades in the secondary market. 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 18.2 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 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 accounts 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. The Offer Shares acquired in dematerialised form

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

## DELISTING AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES FROM NYSE AND TERMINATION OF ADR PROGRAMME

- 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.
- Upon the determination and/or acceptance of the Exit Price by the 21.2 Acquirers, the Company intends to provide a notice to the NYSE anouncing its intention to delist its ADS from the NYSE. On or about the 10<sup>th</sup> day after giving the delisting notice, the Company intends to file a Form 25 with
- giving the definition of the delisting from the NYSE. The delisting will become effective 10 days after such filing. Simultaneously with giving delisting notice to the NYSE, the Company intends to give a notice to the Depositary of the termination of the ADR programme and the ADR Deposit Agreement. Depositary shall thereafter distribute notice of such termination. The ADS holders at least 30 days prior to the date of such termination. 21.3 prior to the date of such termination. The termination of the ADP 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 Depositary 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 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Program 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. In the case of ADS holders who do not present their ADS (or ADRs if
- 21.5 applicable) for cancellation prior to the 30th day after the Program Termination Date, starting on or about 30 days after the Programme Termination Date, the Depositary 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 Depositary 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.
- 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 Depositary will be subject to Indian withholding taxes of up to 43.68%. 21.6 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.
- Holders of ADRs will be required to present and surrender their physical certificates to the Depositary in order to receive payment. After remitting the net proceeds to the holders of ADS, the Depositary 21.7
- 21.8 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.
- For the delisting from the NYSE and termination of the ADR programme, the schedule of activity is expected to be as set out below: 21.9

Activity	Date	
Notice of delisting to NYSE	T-3	
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement to the Depositary	T-3	
Press release announcing the delisting notice and termination notice	T-3	
Notice of termination of ADR Deposit Agreement is distributed by the Depositary to ADS holders	т	
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	
Depositary to sell Equity Shares underlying the ADS that have not been surrendered	T+61 or soon thereafter	
Depositary 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 21.01 bill their ADS in over-the-counter trading following delisting and prior to the

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.

## SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

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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

This is a michael at a construction of the server of the server the server of the Bublic Shareholders to whom the Letter of Offer will be sent. However, all 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 where this Public Announcement is published. 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.

Closing Date. "Subject to the acceptance of the Discovered Price or offer of an Exit Price higher than the Discovered Price by the Acquirers.

## STATUTORY APPROVALS

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- 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 or Equity Shares pursuant to their letters each dated September 28, 2020 24.2 of the
- 24.3 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.
- If the shareholders who are not persons resident in India (including non-resident Indians, overseas corporate bodies and foreign portfolio investors) had required any approvals (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 24.4 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. 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 24.6 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.
- In the event that receipt of the statutory or regulatory approvals are delayed, changes to the proposed timetable, 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. 24.7

#### NOTES ON TAXATION 25

- 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 25.1 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. The Finance Act, 2018 has withdrawn the above capital gains tax exemption
- 25.2 with effect from April 1, 2018 for any transfer of listed equity shares in a company, held for more than 12 months, on a recognized stock exchange

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:

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- 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.

#### COMPANY SECRETARY AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF THE COMPANY 27

27.1 The details of Company Secretary and the Compliance Officer of the

Company are as follow: Name: Ms. Prerna Halwasiya

- Address: ASF Center, 1st Floor, ASF Center, Tower B, 362 363,
- Address: ASF Center, 1<sup>45</sup> Floor, ASF Center, Iower B, 362 363, Jwala Mill Road, Udyog Vihar, Phase IV, Gurgaon-122 016,Haryana, India Prema.Halwasiya@vedanta.co.in; comp.sect@vedanta.co.in 1n 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 27.2 to the Offer

#### OTHERS 28

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 Carin India Limited ("CIL") (since merged with the Company with effect from April 11, 2017 Limited ("CIL") (since merged with the Company with éffect 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/DSR / 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 Sterilte 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 Sterilte Industries (India) Ltd (now the Company), through its directors namely Mr. Anil Agarwal, Mr. Tarun Jain and 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 stav the criminal proceedings on the around that the 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 originate. the criminal proceedings.

## 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 REPORTS THROUGH THE ACCULSTICAN WINDOW FACILITY OF OTH 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 DISCLOSING RECOMPENDENTS IN ACCORDANCE OF THE DELISTING OFFER AND ANY BEEN 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. 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 A NON-U.S. COURT 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. 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.

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

- The Otter shares acquired in demacratice form the Reverse provided it is 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
- 18.5 In case of rejected dematerialised Offer Shares, if any, tendered by the Public Shareholders, the same would be transferred by 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. The Seller Member would issue a contract note and pay the consideration to the respective Public Shareholder whose Offer Shares are accepted under the Delising Offer. The Buyer Broker would also issue a contract note to the Acquirers for the Offer Shares accepted under the Delisting Offer.
- Public Shareholders who intend to participate in the Delisting Offer should 18.7 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

#### PERIOD FOR WHICH THE DELISTING OFFER SHALL BE VALID 19

The Public Shareholders may submit their Bids to the Seller Member during 19.1 the Bid Period. Additionally, once the Equity Shares have been delisted from the Stock Exchanges, the Public Shareholders who either do not ender 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 r Shares by submitting the required documents to the Registrar to the Offer during the Exit Window.

#### PROCESS FOR ADS HOLDERS 20

- In accordance with the Delisting Regulations, the holders of ADS (and American depositary receipt(s) ("ADRs") evidencing the ADS, if applicable) will not be entitled to participate in the Delisting Offer, unless they covert 20.1
- their ADS into Equity Shares. ADS holders who present their ADS (or ADRs, if applicable) for cancellation to the depositary (i.e., Citibank, N.A., ("Depositary")) will be able to take 20.2 possession of the corresponding Equity Shares in book-entry form only and, as a result, they must have, or must establish, a custodian or brokerage (demat) account in India to receive such Equity Shares prior to presenting their ADS to the Depositary 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.
- Please be advised that if any ADS holder converts its ADS into Equity 20.3 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 depositary, 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 depositary of ADRs issued thereunder ("ADR Deposit Agreement"). In particular, in accordance with applicable regulations of the RBI and the Ministry of Finance, the Depositary will only be able to accept Equity Shares for deposit into the

- 30<sup>th</sup> day after the Programme Termination Date; 21.10.3 surrender their ADS (or their ADRs, as applicable) to the Depositary 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 described of the Delistic for the state of the date of the state of the stat 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 Depositary 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.
- 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-ratio 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 coeb Equity Shares hold. 21.1 on each Equity Share held.
- 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.

## DETAILS OF THE ESCROW ACCOUNTS

- The estimated consideration payable under the Delisting Regulations, being the Floor Price of INR 87.25/- (Indian Rupees Eighty Seven and Twenty Five 22. 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 ("Escrew Amount"). The Escrew 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 VRL, VHML, 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 I Limited-Escrow Account" with the Escrow Bank at their branch at Gurgaor
- ("Escrow Account 2") (collectively "Escrow Accounts").
  VHML has provided a bank guarantee of INR 4,550 Crore issued by Standard 22.3 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. On determination of the Exit Price and making of the public announcement
- 22.4 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 holde
- 22.5 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 a 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 unts to the extent necessary to pay balance Public Shareholders at
- 22.6 Further, the Escrow Bank will open special accounts ("Special Accounts") on

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 the investment of the satisfaction of the being the being the satisfaction of the satisfaction o such investments has been specifically laid down

- STT will be levied on and collected by a domestic stock exchange on which the equity shares are sold. Further, any gain realized on the sale of listed equity shares held for a period of 12 months or less which are sold, will be 25.3 subject to short term capital gains tax @ 15% provided the transaction is chargeable to STT. 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 existing 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 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 custodians/ authorized dealers/ non-resident shareholders - with no recourse to the Acquirers and/ or persons acting in ncert 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 is the fact that likely in the tax and the approximately and the tax and tax a 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. 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 25.5 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. On purchase of Offer Shares from non-resident Residual Public Shareholders, the Acquirers would be required to deduct tax at source from 25.6 the sale consideration unless the Residual Public Shareholder obtains a ni 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. The above tax rates are subject to applicable rate of surcharge, health and education cess. The tax rate and other provisions may undergo changes. SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS
- 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 RESPECTIVE 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 CETS OUT THE POVISIONS OF LAW IN A SUMARDY MANNED SETS OUT THE PROVISIONS OF LAW IN A SUMMARY MANNER ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE 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

#### CERTIFICATION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY 26

#### The Board has certified that: 26.1

- 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;
- b) all material information which is required to be disclosed under the provisions of the continuous listing requirements under the relevant

BENEFICIARIES ON THE RECORDS OF THE RESPECTIVE DEPOSITORIES AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS HOURS ON THE SPECIFIED DATE (AS NIDICATED 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 DELISTING OFFER, OR WHERE MAKING 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 AUTHORISED 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., <u>www.bseindia.com</u> and <u>www.nseindia.com</u>. 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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For and on behalf of <b>VEDANTA</b>	•
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Date: September 28, 2020	Place: London
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