

25th May, 2023

National Stock Exchange of India Ltd,

BSE Limited Floor 25, P.J. Towers, Dalal Street, <u>Mumbai - 400 001</u> BSE scrip Code: 534742 Exchange Plaza, 5th floor, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (E). <u>Mumbai - 400 051</u> **NSE Symbol: ZUARI**

Dear Sirs,

Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report

In pursuance of Regulation 24A of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with Securities and Exchange Board of India circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated 8th February, 2019, we are enclosing herewith Annual Secretarial Compliance Report dated 19th May, 2023 for the year ended 31st March, 2023 issued by Mr. Shivaram Bhat, Practicing Company Secretary,

You are requested to kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours Faithfully, For Zuari Agro Chemicals Limited

Manoj Dere Company Secretary

Encl: As above

ZUARI AGRO CHEMICALS LIMITED

CIN No.: L65910GA2009PLC006177 Registered Office: Jaikisaan Bhawan, Zuarinagar, Goa - 403 726, India. Tel: +0832 2592180, 2592181, 6752399 www.zuari.in 309, Gera Imperium 1, Patto, Panaji, Goa 403001

SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF ZUARI AGRO CHEMICALS LIMITED, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

I, CS Shivaram Bhat have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **ZUARI AGRO CHEMICALS LIMITED** (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its Registered Office at Jai Kisaan Bhawan, Zuarinagar, Goa- 403726. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing my observations thereon.

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

I have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to me, and explanation provided by the listed entity,
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this Report,

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

- (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI").



The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include: -

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 – Not applicable as there was no reportable event during the review period;
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018 Not applicable as there was no reportable event during the review period;
- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity Regulations, 2021) Not applicable as there was no reportable event during the review period;
- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021 - Not applicable as there was no reportable event during the review period;
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021-Not applicable as there was no reportable event during the review period;
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- Other Rules/Regulations and circulars/guidelines issued thereunder applicable to the listed entity: including Clause 6A and 6B of SEBI Circular- CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated October 18, 2019



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

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



Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*		
4	Disqualification of Director:				
	None of the Director of the Company are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.	Yes	None		
5	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined: a) Identification of material subsidiary companies b) Disclosure Requirements with respect to disclosure of material as well as other subsidiaries	Yes	None		
6	Preservation of Documents: The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.	Yes	None		
7	Performance Evaluation: The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of / during every financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations	Yes	None		
8	 <u>Related Party Transactions:</u> a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all Related party transactions. b) In case no prior approval obtained, the listed entity shall provide detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected by the Audit committee. 	Yes NA	None		



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9	Disclosure of events or information: The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.	Yes	None
10	Prohibition of Insider Trading: The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015	Yes	None
11	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any: No Actions taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder	No	Zuari Industries Limited, Promoter, a listed entity, has been fined by the BSE and NSE Stock exchanges Rs. 5000/- each for a one-day delay in filing disclosure under Regulation 23(9).
12	Additional Non-compliances, if any: No additional non-compliance observed for all SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	Yes	None

2. The listed entity has complied with the provisions of Para 6 of Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 issued by SEBI on October 18, 2019 related to resignation of Statutory Auditors.



3.

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

Sr. No.	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars/ guidelines including specific clause)	Re gu- lati on/ Cir cul ar No.	Devia tions	Action Taken by	Type of Action	Details of Violati on	Fine Amo unt	Obser- vations/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Man- age- ment Re- sponse	Re- marks
					Advisory/ Clarificatio n/ Fine /Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc.					
					NIL					

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

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-					Not Applicable) <u> </u>				_



Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:

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

Place: Panaji, Goa *Date*: May 19, 2023



Shivaram Bhat Practicing Company Secretary ACS10454 CP7853 PR1775/2022

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