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# Policy on Determination of Materiality of Events / information and its disclosure to Stock Exchanges

#### 1. PREAMBLE:

- 1.1 This Policy (hereinafter referred to as "Policy") shall be called "Policy on determination of materiality of events or information and its disclosure to Stock Exchanges" of Simmonds Marshall Limited ("Company").
- 1.2 In terms of Regulation 30(4)(ii) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR Regulations"), every company which has listed its 'Specified Securities' is required to frame a policy for determining the materiality based on criteria specified in Regulation 30(4), duly approved by its Board which is to be disclosed on the website of the Company.

#### 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

The Company wishes to adopt the Policy to define the parameters / criteria to determine the materiality of events or information specified in the LODR Regulations with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries and its required disclosures to the Stock Exchanges.

#### 3. **DEFINITIONS:**

"Act" means the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rules including the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 made thereunder, for the time being in force and as may be clarified, amended, reenacted from time to time.

"Board" means the collective body of the Directors of the Company.

"Company" means "Simmonds Marshall Limited"

"Material Events" are those that are specified in Para A of Part A of Schedule III of the LODR Regulations.

"Other Events" are those as may be decided from time to time and in accordance with Para B of Part A of Schedule III, based on application of the guidelines for materiality, as specified in sub regulation (4) of Regulation 30 of LODR Regulations.

"Policy" means Policy on Determination of Materiality of Events / Information and its disclosure to Stock Exchanges

"Specified Securities" shall have the meaning ascribed to the term in Regulation 2(1)(zl) of the LODR Regulations;

Words and expressions used and defined and/or used but not defined in this Code shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (LODR Regulations) or the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules and regulations made thereunder, to the extent relevant in connection with this Code, as the case may be or in any amendment thereto.

# 4. CLASSIFICATION OF MATERIAL EVENTS OR INFORMATION

The Board of Directors of the Company shall determine the events which are classified under different categories to be material and / or other events having a bearing on the performance of the Company and on the share prices of the Company, which needs to be disclosed to the stock exchanges.

#### A. Material Events

The following events, as specified in Paragraph A of Part A of Schedule III of the SEBI Listing Regulations, shall be deemed to be material events and shall have to be disclosed to the Stock Exchanges as soon as reasonably possible and not later than twenty four hours from the occurrence of event or information without any application of the guidelines for materiality as specified in subregulation (4) of Regulation 30 of Listing Regulations:

1) Acquisition(s) (including agreement to acquire), scheme of arrangement (amalgamation/merger/demerger/restructuring), or sale or disposal of any unit(s), division(s) or subsidiary of the Company or any other restructuring.

Explanation: For the purpose of this sub-para, the word 'acquisition' shall mean:

- (i) acquiring control, whether directly or indirectly; or,
- (ii) acquiring or agreeing to acquire shares or voting rights in, a company, whether directly or indirectly, such that -
  - (a) the Company holds shares or voting rights aggregating to 5 (five) per cent or more of the shares or voting rights in the said company, or;
  - (b) there has been a change in holding from the last disclosure made under sub-clause (a) of clause (ii) of the explanation to this sub-para and such change exceeds 2 (two) per cent of the total shareholding or voting rights in the said company.
  - (c) the cost of acquisition or the price at which the shares are acquired exceeds threshold as specified in sub clause (c) of clause (i) of Regulation 30(4)

Explanation: For the purpose of this sub-para, the word 'sale or disposal of subsidiary' shall mean:

(i) an agreement to sell or sale of shares or voting rights in a company such that the company ceases to be a wholly owned subsidiary, a subsidiary or an associate company.

(ii) An agreement to sell or sale of shares or voting rights in a subsidiary or associate company such that the amount of sale exceeds the threshold specified in sub clause (c) of clause (i) of Regulation 30(4)

Explanation: For the purpose of this sub-para, the word 'undertaking' and substantially the whole of undertaking' shall mean the same as given in Section 180 of the Companies Act, 2013.

- Issuance or forfeiture of securities, split or consolidation of shares, buyback of securities, any
  restriction on transferability of securities or alteration in terms or structure of existing securities
  including forfeiture, reissue of forfeited securities, alteration of calls, redemption of securities
  etc.
- 3) New Ratings(s) or Revision in rating(s).
- 4) Outcome of the meetings of the Board: The Company shall disclose to the Stock Exchange(s), within 30 minutes of the closure of the meeting, held to consider the following:
  - (a) dividends and/or cash bonuses recommended or declared or the decision to pass any dividend and the date on which dividend shall be paid/dispatched;
  - (b) any cancellation of dividend with reasons thereof;
  - (c) the decision on buyback of securities;
  - (d) the decision with respect to fund raising proposed to be undertaken;
  - (e) increase in capital by issue of bonus shares through capitalization including the date on which such bonus shares shall be credited/dispatched;
  - (f) reissue of forfeited shares or securities, or the issue of shares or securities held in reserve for future issue or the creation in any form or manner of new shares or securities or any other rights, privileges or benefits to subscribe to:
  - (g) short particulars of any other alterations of capital, including calls;
  - (h) financial results;
  - (i) decision on voluntary delisting by the Company from Stock Exchange(s).
- 5) Agreements (viz. shareholder agreement(s), joint venture agreement(s), family settlement agreement(s) (to the extent that it impacts management and control of the Company), agreement(s)/treaty(ies)/contract(s) with media companies) which are binding and not in normal course of business, revision(s) or amendment(s) and termination(s) thereof.
- 5A) Agreements entered into by the shareholders, promoters, promoter group entities, related parties, directors, key managerial personnel, employees of the Company or of its holding, subsidiary or associate company, among themselves or with the Company or with a third party, either directly or indirectly or whose purpose and effect is to impact the management or control of the Company or impose restriction or create liability on the Company shall be disclosed to the Stock Exchanges, whether or not the Company is a party to such agreements except for agreements entered into by the Company in normal course of business,
- 6) Fraud/defaults by promoter or key managerial personnel, senior management or subsidiary of the Company or arrest of key managerial personnel, senior management or promoter or director of the Company whether occurred within India or abroad.

For the purpose of this sub-para:

- (i) 'Fraud' shall include fraud as defined under Regulation 2(1)(c) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 2003.
- (ii) 'Default' shall mean non-payment of the interest or principal amount in full on the date when the debt has become due and payable.

Explanation 1- In case of revolving facilities like cash credit, an entity would be considered to be in 'default' if the outstanding balance remains continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit or drawing power, whichever is lower, for more than thirty days.

Explanation 2- Default by a promoter, director, key managerial personnel, senior management, subsidiary shall mean default which has or may have an impact on the listed entity.

- 7) Change in the Board of the Company, key managerial personnel (managing director, chief executive officer, chief financial officer, company secretary etc.), senior management, auditor and Compliance Officer.
- 7A) In case of resignation of the auditor of the listed entity, detailed reasons for resignation of auditor, as given by the said auditor, shall be disclosed by the listed entities to the stock exchanges as soon as possible but not later than twenty four hours of receipt of such reasons from the auditor.
- 7B) Resignation of auditor including reasons for resignation: In case of resignation of an independent director of the listed entity, within seven days from the date of resignation, the following disclosures shall be made to the stock exchanges by the listed entities:
  - i. Detailed reasons for the resignation of independent directors as given by the said director shall be disclosed by the listed entities to the stock exchanges.
  - ii. The independent director shall, along with the detailed reasons, also provide a confirmation that there is no other material reasons other than those provided.
  - iii. The confirmation as provided by the independent director above shall also be disclosed by the listed entities to the stock exchanges along with the detailed reasons as specified in sub-clause (i) and (ii) above."
- 7C) In case of resignation of key managerial personnel, senior management, Compliance Officer or director other than an independent director; the letter of resignation along with detailed reasons for the resignation as given by the key managerial personnel, senior management, Compliance Officer or director shall be disclosed to the stock exchanges by the listed entities within seven days from the date that such resignation comes into effect.
- 7D) In case the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer of the listed entity was indisposed or unavailable to fulfil the requirements of the role in a regular manner for more than forty five days in any rolling period of ninety days, the same along with the reasons for such indisposition or unavailability, shall be disclosed to the stock exchange(s).



- 8) Appointment or discontinuation of share transfer agent.
- 9) Resolution plan/ Restructuring in relation to loans/borrowings from banks/financial institutions including the following details:
  - (i) Decision to initiate resolution of loans/borrowings;
  - (ii) Signing of Inter-Creditors Agreement (ICA) by lenders;
  - (iii) Finalization of Resolution Plan;
  - (iv) Implementation of Resolution Plan;
  - (v) Salient features, not involving commercial secrets, of the resolution/ restructuring plan as decided by lenders.
- 10) One time settlement with a bank.
- 11) Winding-up petition filed by any party /creditors of the Company.
- 12) Issuance of notices, call letters, resolutions and circulars sent to shareholders, debenture holders or creditors or any class of them or advertised in the media by the Company.
- 13) Proceedings of annual and extraordinary general meetings of the Company.
- 14) Amendments to memorandum and articles of association of the Company, in brief.
- 15) (a) Schedule of analysts or institutional investors meet and presentations made by the listed entity to analysts or institutional investors. Explanation: For the purpose of this clause 'meet' shall mean group meetings or group conference calls conducted physically or through digital means.
  - (b) Audio or video recordings and transcripts of post earnings/quarterly calls, by whatever name called, conducted physically or through digital means, simultaneously with submission to the recognized stock exchange(s), in the following manner:
    - (i) the presentation and the audio/video recordings shall be promptly made available on the website and in any case, before the next trading day or within twenty-four hours from the conclusion of such calls, whichever is earlier;
    - (ii) the transcripts of such calls shall be made available on the website within five working days of the conclusion of such calls.
- 16) The following events in relation to the corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) of a listed corporate debtor under the Insolvency Code:
  - a) Filing of application by the corporate applicant for initiation of CIRP, also specifying the amount of default;
  - b) Filing of application by financial creditors for initiation of CIRP against the corporate debtor, also specifying the amount of default;
  - c) Admission of application by the Tribunal, along with amount of default or rejection or withdrawal, as applicable;

- d) Public announcement made pursuant to order passed by the Tribunal under section 13 of Insolvency Code;
- e) List of creditors as required to be displayed by the corporate debtor under regulation 13(2)(c) of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016;
- f) Appointment/Replacement of the Resolution Professional;
- g) Prior or post-facto intimation of the meetings of Committee of Creditors:
- h) Brief particulars of invitation of resolution plans under section 25(2)(h) of Insolvency Code in the Form specified under regulation 36A(5) of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016;
- i) Number of resolution plans received by Resolution Professional;
- j) Filing of resolution plan with the Tribunal;
- k) Approval of resolution plan by the Tribunal or rejection, if applicable;
- Salient features, not involving commercial secrets, of the resolution plan approved by the Tribunal, in such form as may be specified;
- m) Any other material information not involving commercial secrets.
- 17) Initiation of Forensic audit: In case of initiation of forensic audit, (by whatever name called), the following disclosures shall be made to the stock exchanges by listed entities:
  - a) The fact of initiation of forensic audit along-with name of entity initiating the audit and reasons for the same, if available;
  - b) Final forensic audit report (other than for forensic audit initiated by regulatory / enforcement agencies) on receipt by the listed entity along with comments of the management, if any.
- Announcement or communication through social media intermediaries or mainstream media by directors, promoters, key managerial personnel or senior management of a listed entity, in relation to any event or information which is material for the listed entity in terms of regulation 30 of these regulations and is not already made available in the public domain by the listed entity.
  - Explanation "social media intermediaries" shall have the same meaning as defined under the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.
- Action(s) initiated or orders passed by any regulatory, statutory, enforcement authority or judicial body against the listed entity or its directors, key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or subsidiary, in relation to the listed entity, in respect of the following:
  - (a) search or seizure; or
  - (b) re-opening of accounts under section 130 of the Companies Act, 2013; or
  - (c) investigation under the provisions of Chapter XIV of the Companies Act, 2013;



- Action(s) taken or orders passed by any regulatory, statutory, enforcement authority or judicial body against the listed entity or its directors, key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or subsidiary, in relation to the listed entity, in respect of the following:
  - (a) suspension;
  - (b) imposition of fine or penalty;
  - (c) settlement of proceedings;
  - (d) debarment;
  - (e) disqualification;
  - (f) closure of operations;
  - (g) sanctions imposed;
  - (h) warning or caution; or
  - (i) any other similar action(s) by whatever name called;
- 21. Voluntary revision of financial statements or the report of the board of directors of the listed entity under section 131 of the Companies Act, 2013.]

# B. Events shall be disclosed upon application of Materiality guidelines

The Company shall disclose to stock exchange(s) of all events, as specified in Para B of Part A of Schedule III as reproduced below, based on application of the guidelines for materiality, as specified in sub-regulation (4) of Regulation 30 of Listing Regulations:

- 1) Commencement or any postponement in the date of commencement of commercial production or commercial operations of any unit/division.
- 2) Any of the following events pertaining to the Company:
  - (a) arrangements for strategic, technical, manufacturing, or marketing tie-up or
  - (b) adoption of new lines of business or
  - (c) closure of operations of any unit/division or subsidiary (in entirety or piecemeal).
- 3) Capacity addition or product launch.
- 4) Awarding, bagging/ receiving, amendment or termination of awarded/bagged orders/contracts not in the normal course of business.
- 5) Agreements (viz. loan agreement(s) or any other agreement(s) which are binding and not in normal course of business) and revision(s) or amendment(s) or termination(s)thereof.
- 6) Disruption of operations of any one or more units or division of the listed entity due to natural calamity (earthquake, flood, fire etc.), force majeure or events such as strikes, lockouts etc.
- Effect(s) arising out of change in the regulatory framework applicable to the listed entity
- 8) Pendency of any Litigation(s) / dispute(s) or the outcome thereof which may have impact on the Company,.
- 9) Fraud/defaults etc. by employees of the Company which may have an impact on the Company.
- 10) Options to purchase securities including any ESOP/ESPS Scheme.
- 11) Giving of guarantees or indemnity or becoming a surety for any third party.
- 12) Granting, withdrawal, surrender, cancellation or suspension of key licenses or regulatory approvals.
- 13) Delay or Defaults in the payment of fines, penalties, dues etc. to any regulatory, statutory, enforcement of judicial authority.

# C. Any other events (As per Para C of Part A of Schedule III)

Any other information/event viz. major development that is likely to affect business, e.g. emergence of new technologies, expiry of patents, any change of accounting policy that may have a significant impact on the accounts, etc. and brief details thereof and any other information which is exclusively known to the listed entity which may be necessary to enable the holders of securities of the listed entity to appraise its position and to avoid the establishment of a false market in such securities.

The Company shall, with respect to disclosures referred to in LODR Regulations, make disclosures updating material developments on a regular basis, till such time the event is resolved/closed, with relevant explanations

# 5. DISCLOSURE OF EVENTS / INFORMATION ON SUBSIDIARIES

The Company shall disclose all events or information with respect to subsidiaries which are material for the Company.

# 6. <u>CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING MATERIALITY OF EVENTS/ INFORMATION:</u>

The criteria for determining materiality of events/information have been listed out in Regulation 30 (4) (i) of Listing Regulations, which are as under:

- a) the omission of an event or information, which is likely to result in discontinuity or alteration of event or information already available publicly; or
- (b) the omission of an event or information is likely to result in significant market reaction if the said omission came to light at a later date; or
- (c) the omission of an event or information, whose value or the expected impact in terms of value, exceeds the lower of the following:
  - (1) two percent of turnover, as per the last audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity;
  - (2) two percent of net worth, as per the last audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity, except in case the arithmetic value of the net worth is negative;
  - (3) five percent of the average of absolute value of profit or loss after tax, as per the last three audited consolidated financial statements of the listed entity
- (d) In case where the criteria specified in sub-clauses (a), (b) and (c) is not applicable, an event or information may be treated as being material if in the opinion of the board of directors of the listed entity, the event or information is considered material:



# 7. AUTHORITY FOR DETERMINING MATERIALITY OF AN EVENT OR INFORMATION

The following KMPs are authorized by the Board for the purpose of determining materiality of an event or information and for the purpose of making disclosures to the Stock Exchange(s), where the securities of the Company are listed:

- (a) Chairman;
- (b) Chief Financial Officer:
- (c) Whole Time Director
- (d) Company Secretary & Compliance officer; and.

The KMPs are also empowered to seek appropriate counsel or guidance, as and when necessary, from other internal or external stakeholders as may deem fit. The contact details of the KMPs shall be made available to the Stock Exchanges and shall also be available on the website of the Company.

The KMPs shall have the following powers and responsibilities for determining the material events or information.

- a) To review and assess an event or information that may qualify as "material" and may require disclosure, on the basis of facts and circumstances prevailing at a given point in time.
- b) To determine appropriate time at which the disclosures are to be made to the stock exchanges based on assessment of actual time of occurrence of an event or information.
- c) To disclose the developments that are material in nature on a regular basis, till such time the event or information is resolved / closed, with relevant explanations.
- d) To consider such other events or information that may require disclosure to be made to Stock Exchanges which are not explicitly defined in the Listing Regulations and determine the materiality, appropriate time and contents of disclosure for such matters
- e) To disclose all events or information with respect to the subsidiaries which are material for the Company.

#### 8. TIMELINES FOR DISCLOSING ALL EVENTS OR INFORMATION WHICH ARE MATERIAL:

The Company shall first disclose to the stock exchange(s) all events or information which are material in terms of the provisions of this regulation as soon as reasonably possible and in any case not later than the following:

- (i) thirty minutes from the closure of the meeting of the board of directors in which the decision pertaining to the event or information has been taken;
- (ii) twelve hours from the occurrence of the event or information, in case the event or information is emanating from within the listed entity;
- (iii) twenty four hours from the occurrence of the event or information, in case the event or information is not emanating from within the listed entity:

Provided that disclosure with respect to events for which timelines have been specified in Part A of Schedule III shall be made within such timelines:

Provided further that in case the disclosure is made after the timelines specified under the regulation, the Company shall, along with such disclosure provide the explanation for the delay.

#### 9. MARKET RUMOURS

The Company shall not comment, affirmatively or negatively, on market rumours. Should a stock exchange request that the Company make a definitive statement in response to a market rumor that is causing significant volatility in the securities of the Company, the authorized KMPs shall consider the matter and content of the Company's response, such as confirming "no corporate development at this time" and shall provide specific and adequate reply on same.

#### 10. POLICY REVIEW AND DISCLOSURE

In case of any subsequent changes in the Regulations which make any of the provisions in the Policy inconsistent with the Regulations, the provisions of the regulations would prevail over the Policy and the provisions in the Policy would be modified in due course to make it consistent with law.

This Policy shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors as and when any changes are to be incorporated in the Policy due to change in regulations or as may be felt appropriate by the Board. Any changes or modification on the Policy would be approved by the Board of Directors and the decision of the Board in this respect shall be final and binding.

#### 11. AUTHORITY AND AMENDMENTS TO THE POLICY

The Board, may, subject to applicable laws amend, alter, modify, substitute any of the provision(s) with a new provision(s) or replace this Policy entirely with a new policy from time to time based on the requirements as prescribed under the LODR Regulations.

In case of any amendment(s), clarification(s), circular(s) etc. issued by the relevant authorities, not being consistent with the provisions laid down under this Policy, then such amendment(s), clarification(s), circular(s) etc. shall prevail upon the provisions hereunder and this Policy shall stand amended accordingly from the effective date as laid down under such amendment(s), Clarification, circular(s) etc.

#### **DISCLOSURE**

This Policy shall be uploaded on the Company's website for investors and public information and a web link thereto shall be provided in the Board's Report as part of the Annual Report of the Company.