

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1. Definitions

“Applicable Laws” shall mean the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made thereunder, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 together with the circulars issued thereunder; as amended from time to time and such other act, rules or regulations which deal with the distribution of dividends, which may apply to us from time to time.

“Board” or **“Board of Directors”** means the Board of the Directors of the Company.

“Companies Act” means the Companies Act, 2013, and rules and regulations issued thereunder, as amended from time to time.

“Company” means Lohia Corp Limited.

“Dividend” includes interim dividend.

“Financial Year” means the period of 12 months commencing on April 1 of the immediately preceding calendar year and ending on March 31 of that particular calendar year.

“Listing Regulations” means the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time.

“Policy” shall mean this Dividend Distribution Policy of the Company.

Words and expressions used and not defined in this Policy but defined in the Companies Act or other Applicable Laws shall have the same meaning respectively assigned to them in those Applicable Laws.

INTRODUCTION

2. Purpose and Scope

Regulation 43A of the Listing Regulations mandates framing of a dividend distribution policy by the prescribed listed companies, based on the market capitalization.¹

In view of the said requirement, the Board of Directors of Lohia Corp Limited recognizes the need to lay down a broad framework with regard to distribution of dividend to its shareholders and utilization of the retained earnings. This Policy reflects the intent of the Company to reward its shareholders by declaring dividend, and seeks to establish the parameters (including internal and external factors) to be considered by the board of the Company before declaring or recommending dividend.

The Policy, in the interest of providing transparency to the shareholders, sets out the circumstances and different factors for consideration by the Board at the time of deciding on distribution or retention of profits.

¹ **43A.** (1) The top 1000 listed entities based on market capitalization (calculated as on March 31 of every financial year) shall formulate a dividend distribution policy which shall be disclosed on the website of the listed entity and a web-link shall also be provided in their annual reports.

(2) The dividend distribution policy shall include the following parameters: (a) the circumstances under which the shareholders of the listed entities may or may not expect dividend; (b) the financial parameters that shall be considered while declaring dividend; (c) internal and external factors that shall be considered for declaration of dividend; (d) policy as to how the retained earnings shall be utilized; and (e) parameters that shall be adopted with regard to various classes of shares:

Provided that if the listed entity proposes to declare dividend on the basis of parameters in addition to clauses (a) to (e) or proposes to change such additional parameters or the dividend distribution policy contained in any of the parameters, it shall disclose such changes along with the rationale for the same in its annual report and on its website.

(3) The listed entities other than those specified at sub-regulation (1) of this regulation may disclose their dividend distribution policies on a voluntary basis on their websites and provide a web-link in their annual reports.

The Company will strive to strike the right balance between the quantum of the dividend paid and amount of profits retained in the business for various purposes, and to maintain a consistent approach to dividend pay-out plans. The Company believes that driving growth through the unique business model of the Company is the key to maintaining a balance between creating value for the shareholders and ensuring growth of the Company.

Towards this end, the Company would utilize its profits first towards various business requirements like expenditure to meet expansion, reducing debt, investment in technology infrastructure, maintaining optimum working capital, funds for inorganic growth opportunities. The Board of Directors will have regard to this policy while declaring / recommending dividends on behalf of the Company.

The Board of Directors of the Company in its meeting held on 18.06.2025 has approved and adopted this Policy.

The Policy shall become effective from the date of its approval by the Board.

DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION

3. Category of Dividends

The Companies Act provides for two forms of Dividend - final and interim. The Board of Directors shall have the power to recommend final dividend to the shareholders for their approval in the general meeting of the Company. The Board of Directors shall have the absolute power to declare interim dividend during the Financial Year, as and when they consider it fit.

Final Dividend

The final dividend is paid once for the Financial Year after the annual accounts are prepared. The Board of Directors of the Company has the power to recommend the payment of final dividend to the shareholders in a general meeting. The declaration of final dividend shall be included in the ordinary business items that are required to be transacted at the annual general meeting.

Interim Dividend

This form of dividend can be declared by the Board of Directors one or more times in a Financial Year as may be deemed fit by it. The Board of Directors of the Company would declare interim dividend, as and when considered appropriate, in line with the Companies Act and this Policy. Normally, the Board could consider declaring an interim dividend after finalization of quarterly (or half yearly) financial accounts.

4. Circumstances Under Which the Shareholders May or May Not Expect Dividend

The decision regarding dividend payout is an important decision as it determines the amount of profit to be distributed among shareholders and amount of profit to be retained in the business. Hence, the shareholders of the Company may expect dividend only if the Company is having adequate profits after complying with all other statutory requirements under the Applicable Laws.

The shareholders of the Company may not expect dividend in the following circumstances, subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors:

- i. in case of inadequacy of profits or whenever the Company has incurred losses;
- ii. whenever the Company undertakes or proposes to undertake a significant expansion project requiring higher allocation of capital;
- iii. whenever the Company undertakes any acquisitions or joint arrangements requiring significant allocation of capital;
- iv. significantly higher working capital requirement affecting free cash flow;
- v. whenever the Company proposes to utilize surplus cash for buy- back of securities or setting off of previous year losses or losses of its subsidiary/ies; and

- vi. in case the Company is prohibited to recommend/declare dividend by any regulatory body.

The Board of Directors of the Company may not declare or recommend dividend for a particular period if it is of the view that it would be prudent to conserve capital for the then ongoing or planned business expansion or other factors which may be considered by the Board. The statement of the Policy does not in any way restrict the right of the Board to use its discretion in the recommendation of the Dividend to be distributed in the year and the Board reserves the right to depart from the Policy as and when circumstances so warrant.

Given the aforementioned uncertainties, prospective or present investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of the forward-looking statements in the Policy, if any.

5. Financial and Other Parameters to be Considered Before Recommending Dividend

The Board of Directors of the Company shall consider the following ***financial / internal parameters*** while declaring or recommending dividend to shareholders:

- i. Profits earned and available for distribution;
- ii. Accumulated Reserves including Retained Earnings;
- iii. Earnings outlook for next three to five years;
- iv. Expected future capital / expenditure requirements of the Company;
- v. Organic growth plans / expansions;
- vi. Crystallization of contingent liabilities of the Company;
- vii. Cash Flows;
- viii. Current and projected cash balance; and
- ix. Any other relevant factors and material events.

The Board of Directors of the Company shall consider the following ***external parameters*** while declaring or recommending dividend to shareholders:

- i. Macro-economic environment - Significant changes in macro-economic environment materially affecting the business in which the Company is engaged in the geographies in which the Company operates.
- ii. Regulatory changes - Introduction of new regulatory requirements or material changes in existing taxation or regulatory requirements, which significantly affect the business in which the Company is engaged.
- iii. Technological changes which necessitate significant new investments in any of the businesses in which the Company is engaged.
- iv. Other factors like statutory and contractual restrictions.

6. Utilization of Retained Earnings

Retained earnings shall be utilized in a manner which is beneficial to the interests of the Company and also its shareholders. The retained earnings may be utilized by the Company for making investments for future growth and expansion plans, for the purpose of generating higher returns for the shareholders or it can be redistributed to the shareholders or used for any other specific purpose, as approved by the Board of Directors of the Company.

7. Parameters that Shall be Adopted with Regard to Various Classes of Shares

To the extent the Company has any holders of preference shares (such shares, the “**Preference Shares**” and such shareholders, the “**Preference Shareholders**”) at the time of declaring Dividend, such Preference Shareholders shall be entitled to receive Dividend as per the terms of allotment of their respective preference shares and as recorded in the articles of association of the Company, including wherever prescribed in such terms, in priority to the equity shareholders for payment of Dividend. Upon conversion of all outstanding preference shares to equity shares in accordance with

their terms, this paragraph shall cease to apply

8. Rate/ Quantum of Dividend

It has always been the Company's endeavour to deliver sustainable value to all its stakeholders. The Company will strive to distribute an optimal and appropriate level of the profits earned by it in its business, to the shareholders, in the form of dividend.

9. Conflict in Policy

In the event of any conflict between this Policy and the provisions contained in the Applicable Laws, the provisions of Applicable Laws shall prevail.

10. Review / Amendment

The Board of Directors can amend this Policy, as and when deemed fit.

11. Disclosure

The Policy shall be disclosed on the website of the Company and a web-link shall also be provided in its annual report.
