

CIN: L27100MH1973PLC016617

#### **Registered Office**

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Notice is hereby given that the 49th Annual General Meeting of the members of Sarda Energy & Minerals Limited will be held on Thursday, 29th September 2022 at 11.30 a.m. through Video Conferencing (VC) / Other Audio-Visual Means (OAVM), to transact the following business:

The proceedings of the AGM shall be deemed to be conducted at the Registered Office of the Company at 73-A, Central Avenue, Nagpur 440018, which shall be deemed venue of the AGM.

#### **Ordinary Business**

- 1. To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31st March 2022 along with the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To appoint a director in place of Mr. Pankaj Sarda (DIN: 00008190), who retires by rotation at this Annual General Meeting and being eligible, has offered himself for reappointment.

#### **Special Business**

- 3. To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of section 148 and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), the Cost Auditors appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company, to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March, 2023, be paid a remuneration as set out in the Explanatory Statement annexed to the notice of this Annual General Meeting.
  - RESOLVED FURTHER that the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to do all acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution."
- 4. To consider and if thought fit, to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 196, 197, 198 and any other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") read with Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 and Schedule V to the Act (including any statutory modification(s), amendment(s), clarification(s), reenactment(s) or substitution(s) thereof for the time being in force), the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 including any modification(s) thereof or supplements thereto ("SEBI Listing Regulations") and subject to the Articles of Association of the Company and such other approvals, permissions and sanctions, as may be required and subject to such conditions and modifications, as may be imposed or prescribed by any of the authorities while granting such approvals, permissions and sanctions and as recommended by Nomination and Remuneration Committee and approved by Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Board" which term shall deem to include the Nomination and Remuneration Committee or any other Committee constituted or to be constituted to exercise the powers including the powers conferred under this resolution), the consent of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded for reappointment of Mr. Pankaj Sarda (DIN: 00008190) as "Wholetime Director" (designated as Jt. Managing Director) of the Company, liable to retire by rotation, for five years, with effect from 1st November, 2022 on such terms and conditions and remuneration as set out in the explanatory statement annexed to the notice convening this meeting, with liberty given to the Board of Directors/Nomination & Remuneration Committee to alter and vary the terms and conditions of the said appointment and/or remuneration in such manner as may be agreed to by and between the Company and Mr. Pankaj Sarda, provided however, such alterations are within the maximum limits approved by the members / laid down in the Companies Act, 2013 for the time being in force.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorized to do all the acts and take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution and settle any questions, difficulties or doubts that may arise in this regard without further referring to the Members of the Company."

5. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

"RESOLVEDTHAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 42, 71 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") read with the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules, 2014 and the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, including any amendment, modification or variation thereof for the time being in force, and subject to all other applicable regulations, rules, notifications, circulars and guidelines prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), as amended, and subject to the applicable regulations, rules, notifications, circulars and guidelines prescribed by the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI"), the Memorandum of Association and the Articles of Association of the Company, and subject to such approvals, consents, permissions and sanctions as may be required and subject to such conditions and/ or modifications as may be prescribed or imposed by the Appropriate Authority while granting such approvals, consents, permissions and sanctions, which may be agreed to by the Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred to as the "Board" which term shall be deemed to include any Committee(s) constituted/to be constituted by the Board to exercise its powers including the powers conferred by this Resolution), subject to the total borrowings of the Company not exceeding the borrowing limits approved by the Members from time to time under Section 180(1)(c) of the Act, the consent of the Members of the Company be and is hereby accorded to the Board and the Board be and is hereby authorized to create, offer, invite for subscription, issue and allot, from time to time, in one or more tranches and/or series, whether secured or unsecured, cumulative or non-cumulative, listed or unlisted, redeemable non-convertible debentures and/or other debt securities, denominated in Indian rupees or any foreign currency ("NCDs"), aggregating to an amount not exceeding ₹ 500 crore (Rupees five hundred crore only) or its equivalent in one or more currencies, at par or at premium or at a discount, either at issue or at redemption, on a private placement basis or through a public issue, during the period of one year from the date of this Annual General Meeting or such other period as may be permitted under the Act and other applicable laws, as the Board in its absolute discretion deems fit and on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Board.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT for the purpose of giving effect to this Resolution, the Board be and is hereby authorized on behalf of the Company to determine the terms of issue including the class of investors to whom the NCDs are to be issued, time, the number of NCDs, tranches, issue price, tenor, interest rate, premium/ discount, listing (in India or overseas) and to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things and deal with all such matters and take all such steps as may be necessary and to sign and execute any deeds/ documents/undertakings/ agreements/ papers/ writings, as may be required in this regard and to resolve and settle all questions and difficulties that may arise at any stage from time to time.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorized to delegate all or any of the powers conferred herein to any Committee of Directors or any Director(s) or executive(s)/ officer(s) of the Company to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as also to execute such documents, writings etc. as may be necessary to give effect to this Resolution."

By Order of the Board of Directors For **Sarda Energy & Minerals Limited** Sd/-(**Manish Sethi**) Company Secretary

Raipur 30th July 2022

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#### **Notes:**

- 1. Pursuant to General Circular nos. 14/2020, 17/2020, 20/2020, 02/2021 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") and Circular nos. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 and SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 issued by the SEBI (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Circulars"), as amended from time to time, companies are allowed to hold "AGM" through Video Conferencing (VC) / Other Audio-Visual Means (OAVM), without the physical presence of the Members at a common venue. Accordingly, in compliance with the provisions of the Act, SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations") and the Circulars, the 49th AGM of the Company is being convened through VC / OAVM.
- 2. The Company has appointed National Securities Depository Limited ("NSDL"), to provide VC/OAVM facility for the AGM and the attendant enablers for conducting the AGM.
- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of the MCA Circulars and SEBI Circular for conducting AGM through VC/OAVM:
  - a. Members can attend the Meeting using the remote e-Voting login credentials provided to them to connect to Video conference.
  - b. Pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act"), a Member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf and the proxy need not be a Member of the Company. Since this AGM is being held through VC / OAVM, physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies by the Members will not be available for the AGM and hence the Proxy Form, Attendance Slip and Route Map of AGM are not annexed to this Notice.
  - c. Body Corporates are entitled to appoint authorized representatives to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM, participate thereat and cast their votes through remote e-voting or e-voting during the Meeting.
  - d. In case of joint holders attending the AGM through video conferencing, only such joint holder who is higher in the order of names will be entitled to do the e-Voting.
- 4. Attendance at the meeting will be on first come first serve basis, as participation through video conferencing will be available for 1,000 members and will be closed on expiry of 15 minutes from the scheduled time of the AGM. Members can login and join 15 (fifteen) minutes prior to the schedule time of meeting and window for joining shall be kept open till the expiry of 15 (fifteen) minutes after the schedule time of the Meeting. However, the participation of large Shareholders (Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders Relationship Committee and Auditors, etc. is not restricted on first come first serve basis.
- 5. The attendance of the Members (members logins) attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Act.
- 6. In line with the MCA Circulars and SEBI Circular, the Notice calling the AGM and Annual Report has been uploaded on the website of the Company at www.seml.co.in. The Notice can also be accessed from the websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, respectively and is also available on the website of e-voting agency NSDL at the website address <a href="https://www.evoting.nsdl.com">https://www.evoting.nsdl.com</a>
- 7. Procedure for obtaining the Annual Report, AGM notice and e-voting instructions by the shareholders whose email addresses are not registered with the depositories or with Registrar & Transfer Agent on physical folios.
  - In terms of the above-referred MCA Circulars and SEBI Circular, the Company has sent the Annual Report, Notice of AGM and e-Voting instructions only in electronic form to the registered email addresses of the shareholders. Therefore, those shareholders who have not yet registered their email address are requested to get their email addresses registered by following the procedure given below:
  - a. Those shareholders who have registered an incorrect email address /contact detail, may please contact and validate/update their details with the Depository Participant in case of shares held in electronic form and with M/s Bigshare Services Private Limited, Registrar & Transfer Agent of the Company ("RTA") in case the shares are held in physical form.
  - b. Shareholders who have not registered their e-mail address /contact details and inconsequence the Annual Report, Notice of AGM and e-voting notice could not be serviced, may also temporarily get their email address / contact details, by writing to Company's R&T Agent for sending the same.

- 8. To prevent fraudulent transactions, Members are advised to exercise due diligence and notify the Company of any change in address or demise of any Member as soon as possible. Members are also advised to not leave their demat account(s) dormant for long. Periodic statement of holdings should be obtained from the concerned Depository Participant and holdings should be verified from time to time.
- 9. Members holding shares in physical form, in identical order of names, in more than one folio are requested to send to the Company or RTA, the details of such folios together with the share certificates along with the requisite KYC Documents for consolidating their holdings in one folio. Requests for consolidation of share certificates shall be processed in dematerialized form.
- 10. An Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Act which sets out details relating to the Special Business at the Meeting is annexed hereto and forms part of the Notice.
- 11. Details under Regulation 36(3) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (SEBI Listing Regulations) in respect of the Director(s) seeking appointment/ reappointment at the Annual General Meeting are provided in the Corporate Governance Report forming part of the Annual Report. The Directors have furnished the requisite declarations for their appointment/re-appointment.
- 12. Members are requested to intimate changes, if any, pertaining to their name, postal address, e-mail address, telephone/mobile numbers, PAN, registering of nomination, power of attorney registration, Bank Mandate details, etc., to their DPs in case the shares are held in electronic form and to the RTA in prescribed Form ISR-1 and other forms pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/655 dated November 3, 2021. Further, Members may note that SEBI has mandated the submission of PAN by every participant in securities market.
- 13. The Company has sent individual letters to all the Members holding shares of the Company in physical form for furnishing their PAN, KYC details and Nomination pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_ RTAMB/P/ CIR/2021/655 dated November 3, 2021, in Form ISR-1. The Form ISR-1 is also available on the website of the Company at https://www.seml.co.in/shares.php Attention of the Members holding shares of the Company in physical form is invited to go through and submit the said Form ISR-1
- 14. Members may please note that SEBI vide its Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 has mandated the Listed Companies to issue securities in demat form only while processing service requests viz. Issue of duplicate securities certificate; claim from Unclaimed Suspense Account; Renewal/Exchange of securities certificate; Endorsement; Sub-division/Splitting of securities certificate; Consolidation of securities certificates/ folios; Transmission and Transposition. Accordingly, Shareholders are requested to make service requests by submitting a duly filled and signed Form ISR-4, the format of which is available on the Company's website https://www.seml.co.in/shares.php and on the website of the Company's RTA at www.bigshareonline.com. It may be noted that any service request can be processed only after the folio is KYC compliant. SEBI vide its notification dated January 24, 2022, has mandated that all requests for transfer of securities including, transmission and transposition requests shall be processed only in dematerialized form. In view of the same and to eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and avail various benefits of dematerialization, Members are advised to dematerialize the shares held by them in physical form. Members can contact the Company or RTA, for assistance in this regard.
- 15. The Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under section 170 of the Act, the Register of Contracts or arrangements in which the Directors are interested under Section 189 of the Act will be available for inspection during the AGM, if the members so desire. All documents referred to in the Notice will also be available electronically for inspection, without any fee by the members from the date of circulation of this Notice up to the date of AGM. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to agmqueries@ seml.co.in.
- 16. The Company has transferred the unpaid or unclaimed dividends declared up to financial year 2013-14, from time to time on due dates to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (the IEPF) established by the Central Government. The Company has uploaded the details of unpaid and unclaimed amounts lying with the Company on the website of the Company and also on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. Members are requested to refer section Corporate Governance Report for details.
- 17. Adhering to the various requirements set out in the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, as amended, the Company has, transferred to the IEPF Authority all shares in respect of which dividend had remained unpaid or unclaimed for seven consecutive years or more as on the due date of transfer. Details of shares transferred to the IEPF Authority are available on the website of the Company and the same can be accessed through the link: http://www.seml.co.in/shares.php. The said details have also been

uploaded on the website of the IEPF Authority and the same can be accessed through the link: www.iepf.gov.in. Please refer section Corporate Governance Report for details.

- 18. As per the provisions of Section 72 of the Act, the facility for making nomination is available to the Members in respect of the shares held by them. Members who have not yet registered their nomination are requested to register the same by submitting Form No. SH-13. If a Member desires to opt-out or cancel the earlier nomination and record a fresh nomination, the Member may submit the same in Form ISR-3 or Form SH-14, as the case may be. The said forms can be downloaded from the Company's website www.seml.co.in. Members are requested to submit the said form to their DPs in case the shares are held in electronic form and to the RTA in case the shares are held in physical form, quoting their folio no(s).
- 19. In accordance with the proviso to Regulation 40(1) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, effective from 1st April 2019, transfers of shares of the Company shall not be processed unless the shares are held in the dematerialized form with a depository. Accordingly, shareholders holding equity shares in physical form are urged to have their shares dematerialized to be able to freely transfer them and participate in various corporate actions.
- 20. The instructions for shareholders voting electronically are as under:
  - Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), and MCA Circulars, the Company is providing facility of remote e-voting to its Members in respect of the business to be transacted at the 49th AGM. The facility of casting votes by a member using remote e-voting system as well as venue voting on the date of the AGM will be provided by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL). Members who have voted through remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM but will not be eligible to vote thereat.
  - a. The remote e-voting period commences on Monday, 26th September 2022 (9.00 a.m. IST) and ends on Wednesday, 28th September 2022 (5.00 p.m. IST). During this period, the Members of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date of Thursday, 22nd September 2022, may cast their vote by remote e-voting. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Those Members, who will be present at the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not cast their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-voting, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting system during the AGM.
  - b. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, such Member will not be allowed to change it subsequently.
  - c. A person who is not a Member as on cut-off date should treat this Notice for information purpose only.
  - d. A person, whose name is recorded in the register of Members or in the register of beneficial owners maintained by the depositories as on the cut-off date, viz., Thursday, 22nd September 2022 only shall be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting as well as voting at the AGM through electronic voting system.
  - e. Mr. Kamlesh Ojha (FCS: 10807, CP: 14660) or failing him, Mr. S.G. Kankani, (FCS: 3127, CP: 14730) from M/s. S.G. Kankani & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, has been appointed as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner. The Scrutinizer will, after the conclusion of e-voting at the Meeting, scrutinize the votes cast at the Meeting and votes cast through remote e-voting, make a consolidated Scrutinizer's Report and submit the same to the Chairman or a person authorized by him in writing, who shall countersign the same. The result of e-voting will be declared within two working days of the conclusion of the Meeting and the same, along with the consolidated Scrutinizer's Report, will be placed on the website of the Company www.seml.co.in. The result will simultaneously be communicated to BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited, where the equity shares of the Company are listed. The results will also be displayed at the Notice board of the company at its Registered Office and will be placed on the website of NSDL i.e., www. evoting.nsdl.com.
  - f. Subject to receipt of requisite number of votes, the Resolutions shall be deemed to have been passed on the date of the AGM i.e., 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022.
  - g. The detailed steps on the process and manner to access the VC/OAVM facility at the AGM and for remote e-voting/e-voting at the AGM and are as follows:

#### Step 1: Access to NSDL e-voting system

A) Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode

In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 2020, on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and email ld in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

Login method for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

Type of shareholders	Login Method		
Individual	A. NSDL IDeAS facility		
Shareholders holding	If you are already registered, follow the below steps:		
securities in demat mode with NSDL	1. Visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com/ either on a personal computer or on a mobile.		
	2. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the <b>'Beneficial Owner'</b> icon under <b>'Login'</b> which is available under <b>'IDeAS'</b> section.		
	3. A new screen will open. You will need to enter your User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-voting services under Value Added Services section.		
	4. Click on 'Access to e-voting' appearing on the left-hand side under e-voting services and you will be able to see e-voting page.		
	5. Click on options available against Company name or <b>e-voting service provider – NSDL</b> and you will be re-directed to NSDL e-voting website for casting your vote during the remote e-voting period or joining virtual meeting & e-voting during the meeting.		
	If you are not registered, follow the below steps:		
	a. Option to register is available at https://eservices.nsdl.com		
	b. Select 'Register Online for IDeAS' Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/ SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp		
	c. Please follow steps given in points 1-5		
	B. e-voting website of NSDL		
	1. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/either on a personal computer or on a mobile phone.		
	2. Once the home page of e-voting system is launched, click on the icon <b>'Login'</b> which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section.		
	3. A new screen will open. You will need to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number held with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.		
	4. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL website wherein you can see e-voting page. Click on options available against Company name or <b>e-voting service provider - NSDL</b> and you will be redirected to e-voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-voting period or joining virtual meeting & e-voting during the meeting.		
	C. Shareholders/Members can also download NSDL Mobile App <b>'NSDL Speede'</b> facility by scanning the QR code mentioned below for seamless voting experience.  NSDL Mobile App is available on		
	App Store Google Play		

Type of shareholders	Login Method
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	<ol> <li>Existing users who have opted for Easi / Easiest, they can login through their user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi / Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or www.cdslindia.com and click on New System Myeasi.</li> <li>After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be also able to see the E Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL. Click on NSDL</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>to cast your vote.</li> <li>If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration.</li> <li>Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a link in www.cdslindia.com home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile &amp; Email as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP i.e. NSDL where the e-Voting is in progress.</li> </ol>
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their depository participants	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Once login, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Once you click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider-NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

**Important note:** Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at 022- 23058738 or 022-23058542-43

B) Login Method for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

How to Log-in to NSDL e-voting website?

- i. Visit the e-voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: www.evoting.nsdl.com/either on a personal computer or on a mobile.
- ii. Once the home page of e-voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholders' section.
- iii. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.
  - Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL e-services i.e., IDEAS, you can log-in at https://eservices.nsdl.com/with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL e-services after using your log-in credentials, click on e-voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e., cast your vote electronically.
- iv. Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of Holding shares Demat (NSDL or CDSL) or Physical	Your User ID is:
a) Members who hold shares in demat account with NSDL	8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID.
	For example, if your DPID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12***** then your user ID is IN300***12******.
b) Members who hold shares in demat account with CDSL.	16 Digit Beneficiary ID.
	For example, if your Beneficiary ID is 12******* then your user ID is12************************************
c) Members holding shares in Physical Form.	EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the Company.
	For example, if folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 101456 then user ID is 101456001***

- v. Your password details are given below:
  - a. If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.
  - b. If you are using NSDL e-Voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.
  - c. How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
    - i) If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the email and open the attachment i.e., a pdf file. Open the pdf file. The password to open the pdf file is your 8-digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
    - ii) If your Email ID is not registered, please follow the process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered.
- vi. If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the 'initial password' or you have forgotten your password:
  - a) Click on "Forgot User Details/Password?" If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
  - b) Physical User Reset Password?" (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on www. evoting.nsdl.com.
  - c) If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at evoting@nsdl. co.in mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address.
  - d) Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- vii. After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.
- viii. Now, you will have to click on "Login" button.
- ix. After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

#### Step 2: Cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system.

- i. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see the Home page of e-voting. Click on "e-voting". Then, click on "Active Voting Cycles".
- ii. After clicking on "Active Voting Cycles", you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle is in active status.
- iii. Select "EVEN" of "Sarda Energy & Minerals Limited". Now you are ready for e-voting as the Voting page opens.
- iv. Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e., "Assent" or "Dissent", verify/ modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on "Submit" and also "Confirm" when prompted.
- v. Upon confirmation, the message "Vote cast successfully" will be displayed.
- vi. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the "print" option on the confirmation page.
- vii. Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- 21. Process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered with the depositories for procuring user id and password and registration of e-mail ids for e-voting for the resolutions set out in this notice:
  - a. In case shares are held in physical mode please provide Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to cs@seml.co.in.
  - b. In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-CLID (16-digit DPID + CLID or 16-digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) to cs@seml.co.in. If you are an Individual shareholder holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at step 1 (A) i.e. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.
  - c. Alternatively, shareholder/members may send a request to evoting@nsdl.co.in for procuring user id and password for e-voting by providing above mentioned documents.
  - d. In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are required to update their mobile number and email ID correctly in their demat account in order to access e-Voting facility.
- 22. The instructions for Members for e-voting at the AGM
  - a. The procedure for e-Voting at the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
  - o. As mentioned hereinabove, only those Shareholders, who will be present at the AGM through VC/ OAVM facility and who have not cast their vote by remote voting prior to the AGM and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting system at the AGM.
  - c. Shareholders who have voted through remote e-voting will be eligible to attend the AGM and their presence shall be counted for the purpose of quorum, however such Shareholders shall not be entitled to cast their vote again at the AGM.
  - d. The details of the person who may be contacted for any grievances connected with the facility for e-Voting on the day of the EGM/AGM shall be the same person mentioned for Remote e-voting.
- 23. Instructions for the Members for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM are as under:
  - a) Members will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access by following the steps mentioned above for Access to NSDL e-Voting system. After successful login, you can see link of "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against company name. You are requested to click on VC/OAVM link placed under Join General Meeting menu. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the

User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush.

- b) Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through laptops for better experience.
- c) Further, Members will be required to allow camera, if any, and hence use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the Meeting.
- d) Please note that participants connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to fluctuations in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- 24. Procedure to raise questions/seek clarifications with respect to Annual Report:
  - a. As the AGM is being conducted through VC/OAVM, Members are encouraged to express their views/ send their queries in advance mentioning their name, DP Id and Client Id/Folio No., e-mail id, mobile number at agmqueries@seml.co.in to enable smooth conduct of proceedings at the AGM. Questions/Queries received by the Company on or before Saturday, 24th September 2022 shall only be considered and responded to during the AGM.
  - b. Members who would like to express their views or ask questions during the AGM may register themselves as a speaker by sending their request from their registered email address mentioning their name, DP Id and Client Id/Folio No., PAN, mobile number at agmqueries@seml.co.in from Friday, 23rd September, 2022 (9.00 a.m. IST) to Monday, 26th September, 2022 (5.00 p.m. IST). Those Members who have registered themselves as a speaker will only be allowed to express their views/ask questions during the AGM. Speakers are requested to submit their questions at the time of registration, to enable the Company to respond appropriately.
  - c. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of questions and number of speakers, as appropriate, to ensure the smooth conduct of the AGM.

#### 25. General Guidelines for shareholders

- a. Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are required to send scanned copy (PDF/ JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer by e-mail to kamal@sgkindia.net with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.
- b. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the "Forgot User Details/ Password?" or "Physical User Reset Password?" option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com to reset the password.
- c. In case of any query, please refer to the FAQs for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of https://www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no.: 1800-1020-990 and 1800-22 44 30 or send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in.

By Order of the Board of Directors For **Sarda Energy & Minerals Limited** Sd/-(**Manish Sethi**) Company Secretary

Raipur 30th July 2022

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#### Statement Pursuant to Section 102(1) of The Companies Act, 2013 ("Act")

The following Statement sets out all material facts relating to Item Nos. 3 to 5 mentioned in the accompanying Notice.

#### Item No.3

The Board, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, has in its meeting held on 21st May 2022, approved the appointment of M/s. S.N. & Co., Cost & Management Accountants, as the Cost Auditors to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March 2023 at a remuneration not exceeding ₹ 2,00,000/-(Rupees two lakh only) plus applicable tax plus reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 148 of the Act read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors has to be ratified by the shareholders of the Company.

Accordingly, consent of the members is sought by way of an Ordinary Resolution as set out at Item No. 3 of the Notice for ratification of the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors for the financial year ending 31st March 2023.

The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 3 of the Notice for approval by the shareholders.

None of the Directors/Key Managerial Personnel of the Company/their relatives are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution set out at Item No. 3 of the Notice.

#### Item No.4

The present term of Mr. Pankaj Sarda, Wholetime Director (designated as Jt. Managing Director) of the company shall expire on 31st October 2022. Mr. Pankaj Sarda aged about 43 years has done his B.E. (Industrial Engineering) from Nagpur University, Nagpur and Masters from Purdue University, USA. He has more than 19 years of experience in the field of strategic planning, production, operations and general management.

Keeping in view his experience and in view of his involvement in the operations and management of the affairs of the Company, the Board of Directors of the Company in its meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022, had, on the recommendation of the Nomination & Remuneration Committee and subject to the consent of the members in the general meeting, approved the re-appointment of Mr. Pankaj Sarda as Wholetime Director (designated as Jt. Managing Director) of the Company for a further period of 5 years w.e.f. 1st November 2022, liable to retire by rotation.

During his tenure, Mr. Pankaj Sarda will be entitled for remuneration as under:

Salary	:		Such amount per month as may be fixed by the Nomination & Remuneration Committee in the band of ₹ 2,50,000/- to ₹ 10,00,000/ The increment will be merit based and take into account the Company's performance.
Performance Allowance	:		Based on the previous year's performance of the Company, such amount and in such form, payable monthly or quarterly or in any other manner, as may be approved by the Nomination & Remuneration Committee subject to a maximum of ₹ 1,20,00,000/- p.a.
Perquisites	:		In addition to the salary and performance incentive, subject to a ceiling equal to 100% of the annual salary, Mr. Pankaj Sarda will be entitled to such perquisites in such form and manner as the Nomination & Remuneration Committee of the Company may decide, including but not restricted to the following:
		a)	Furnished accommodation with expenditure on gas, electricity, water and maintenance and repair thereof, or
			House Rent Allowance and House Maintenance Allowance with expenditure on gas, electricity, water and furnishings
		b)	Leave Travel Allowance for self and family
		c)	Medical expenses and medical insurance for self and family
		d)	Personal Accident Insurance
		e)	Club Fees
			and such other perquisites and allowance in accordance with the Rules of the Company or as may be agreed by the Appointment and Compensation Committee.

	For the purpose of calculating the ceiling of 100% as mentioned above, perquisites shall be evaluated as per the Income Tax Rules, 1962, wherever applicable, and in the absence of any such Rules, perquisites shall be evaluated at actual cost.
	Provision for use of Company's car, telephone and internet connectivity at residence (including payment of local calls and long-distance official calls) shall not be included in the computation of perquisites for the purposes of calculating such ceiling.
	Company's contribution, to Provident Fund and Superannuation or Annuity Fund or such other similar fund, to the extent these either singly or together are not taxable under the Income Tax Act, 1961, Gratuity payable, and encashment of leave at the end of the tenure shall not be included in the computation of limits for remuneration or perquisites as aforesaid.
	<u>Note</u> - 'Family' for the purpose shall mean the spouse and the dependent children of Mr. Pankaj Sarda.
Commission	: Such sum by way of commission, in addition to salary, perquisites and allowances payable, calculated with reference to the net profits of the Company in a particular financial year, as may be determined by the Nomination & Remuneration Committee of the Company at the end of each financial year, subject to the overall ceiling stipulated under the Companies Act, 2013, Rules made thereunder and/or the applicable provisions of the Listing Regulations.
Compensation for loss of office	: In the event of loss of office of the Jt. Managing Director, he shall be paid compensation in the manner and to the extent permissible under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.
Minimum Remuneration	: Notwithstanding the above, where in any financial year during the currency of term of office of Mr. Pankaj Sarda, the Company has made no profits or its profits are inadequate, the Company shall pay salary, performance incentive, perquisites and allowances (except

During his tenure, Mr. Pankaj Sarda, subject to the superintendence, control and direction of Chairman & Managing Director, shall perform such functions as may be conferred upon him by the Chairman & Managing Director or Board of Directors from time to time

commission) as specified above to Mr. Pankaj Sarda.

Since the re-appointment of Mr. Pankaj Sarda requires confirmation by the members in the general meeting, the Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution at point no. 4 of the Notice for the approval of the members.

Mr. K.K. Sarda is father of Mr. Pankaj Sarda. Accordingly, Mr. Pankaj Sarda, Mr. K.K. Sarda and their relatives are interested in the resolution. Except Mr. Pankaj Sarda, Mr. K.K. Sarda and their relatives, no other director/Key Managerial Personnel or their relatives, is in any manner, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the resolution.

This explanatory statement may also be read and treated as disclosure in compliance with the requirements of Section 190 of the Companies Act, 2013.

#### Item No.5

The members of the Company, at the 48th Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September 2021, had passed a special resolution authorizing the Board of Directors of the Company to offer or invite subscriptions for redeemable non-convertible debentures, in one or more series / tranches, on private placement. The said resolution is valid and effective for 1 (one) year from 23rd September 2021. The members may note that the Company has not made any private placement of redeemable non-convertible debentures pursuant to the said authorization.

The Board may, at an appropriate time, consider offering or inviting subscriptions for secured/ unsecured redeemable non-convertible debentures, in one or more series / tranches on private placement, issuable / redeemable at par, to augment long-term resources for optimizing the borrowing cost and for financing inter alia the capital expenditure and for general corporate purposes. The flexibility to raise capital through issue of market instruments becomes more important in view of the changing regulatory landscape.

The provisions of Sections 23, 42 and 71 of the Act read with Rule 14(2)(a) of the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules, 2014 (the 'PAS Rules'), provide that a company shall not make a private placement of its securities unless the proposed offer of securities or invitation to subscribe to the securities has been previously approved by the Members of the Company by a special resolution. The second proviso to Rule 14(2)(a) of the PAS Rules provides that in case of an

offer or invitation to subscribe to Non-Convertible Debentures ('NCDs') on private placement basis, the Company can obtain prior approval by means of a special resolution once a year for all offers or invitations for such NCDs during the year.

Accordingly, the Company is seeking approval from its Members under Sections 23, 42, 71 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act, read together with the PAS Rules and Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, as amended, to issue securities, as set out in the Special Resolution at Item No. 5 of the Notice, upto an aggregate value not exceeding ₹ 500 crore through issuance of NCDs in the international and/or domestic capital markets, within a period of one year from the date of the 49th Annual General Meeting.

The Board recommends the Special Resolution set forth in Item No. 5 of the Notice for the approval of the Members.

None of the Directors / Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / their relatives are, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the Special Resolution.

By Order of the Board of Directors For **Sarda Energy & Minerals Limited** Sd/-(**Manish Sethi**) Company Secretary

Raipur 30th July 2022

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