MISHRA DHATU NIGAM LIMITED (MIDHANI)

DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION POLICY (POLICY)

1. PREAMBLE

11. The shares of MIDHANI are listed on BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited. As per Regulation 43A of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI LODR Regulations") the top five hundred listed entities based on market capitalization (calculated as on March 31st of every year) need to formulate a dividend distribution policy which shall be disclosed in the company’s Annual Report and on its website.

12. This policy lays down the general parameters for considering and deciding the distribution of dividend to the Company’s shareholders and/or retaining of earnings for sustained growth.

2. POLICY FRAME WORK

21. MIDHANI being a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) follows the guidelines on Capital Restructuring issued by Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) vide F. No. 5/2/2016- Policy dated 27th May, 2016.

22. The Policy will be implemented by the Company keeping in view the provisions of the SEBI LODR Regulations, the Companies Act 2013 (Act) and also taking into consideration guidelines issued by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), Department of Public Enterprises (DPE), (DIPAM), Ministry of Defence and other guidelines to the extent applicable to the Company.

3. NON-APPLICABILITY

The policy shall not apply to:

a) Distribution of dividend in kind i.e. by issue of fully or partly paid bonus shares or other securities, subject to applicable law;

b) Distribution of cash as an alternative to payment of dividend through Buyback of equity shares.
4. PARAMETERS CONSIDERED WHILE DECLARING DIVIDEND

41. In pursuance of Section 123 of the Act, no dividend shall be declared or paid by the Company for any financial year except out of the profits of the Company for that year or out of the profits of the Company for any previous financial year or years arrived at after providing for depreciation.

42. Interim dividend will be based on profits of the current year as per unaudited results after providing for depreciation in accordance with law and management estimates of profits for financial year.

43. The quantum of dividend declared by the Company would depend upon following external and internal factors :-

a) The external factors that shall impact the decision to pay dividend will inter-alia include economic environment, market conditions expectation of shareholders, statutory requirements and Government directives as may be applicable from time to time.

b) The internal factors that shall be considered for dividend will be profitability of the Company, its net worth, its requirement for funds for its Capital Expenditure towards renewals & replacement/ up-gradation / R&D and expansion (CAPEX), and any other factors as may be identified by the Board that impact the decision to declare dividend.

44. The Company may endeavor to pay minimum annual dividend as per guidelines issued by DIPAM, subject to maximum dividend permitted under the extant legal provisions.

5. UTILISATION OF RETAINED EARNINGS

MIDHANI is acutely conscious of the need to plough back adequate profits for its smooth operations and capital investment in order to maintain and improve its market position in the face of emerging new technologies requiring investments to stay abreast of current technologies, competition arising from domestic and foreign industries. The Company has necessarily to invest in upgrading & renewals and replacement of its existing facility and R&D projects. Further, with the growth in revenue, the incremental working capital requirements also will have to be met increasingly from cash and reserves of the Company.
6. CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE SHAREHOLDERS MAY OR MAY NOT EXPECT DIVIDEND

The shareholders of the Company may or may not expect dividend depending upon the circumstances including, but not limited, to the following:-

a) In the event of inadequacy of profits or whenever the Company has incurred losses;

b) Whenever the Company undertakes or proposes to undertake significant capital expenditure that impact the retained earnings of the Company substantially;

c) Whenever the Company proposes to utilise the surplus cash for buyback of securities; and

d) Any other circumstance/instance which the Board of Directors may consider relevant to the dividend declaration decisions.

7. PARAMETERS TO BE ADOPTED WITH REGARD TO VARIOUS CLASSES OF SHARES

The Company has issued only one class of shares i.e. equity shares with equal voting rights. Hence, all the members of the Company are entitled to receive the same amount of dividend per share.

8. INTERPRETATION & AMENDMENTS

8.1. Any term which is used in policy and not defined shall have the same meaning as defined under the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI LODR Regulations and any other applicable statutory regulations/guidelines.

8.2. The Board of Directors may review, amend and modify the Policy at any point of time as it may deem necessary and/or as may be required from time to time in accordance with subsequent amendments in Act, Companies Rules, Circulars, Notifications, SEBI LODR Regulations, relevant guidelines of DPE, DIPAM, Ministry of Defence as also other guidelines to the extent applicable to the Company from time to time.

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