

October 29, 2021

| The Secretary | The Secretary | |
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| National Stock Exchange of India Limited | BSE Limited | |
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| Bandra Kurla Complex | Dalal Street | |
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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Notice of Postal ballot

We refer to our intimation dated October 18, 2021, informing the exchange about Board approval for meeting the Minimum Public Shareholding (MPS) requirements stipulated by SEBI by raising a sum not exceeding Rs. 1,000 crore (including premium) through Qualified Institutions Placement (QIP) & obtaining shareholders approval through Postal Ballot process.

We hereby enclose a copy of the Notice of Postal Ballot dated October 18, 2021, seeking approval of members of the Bank, by way of Special resolution to approve "Issue of Equity Shares to Qualified Institutional Buyers for the purpose of achieving Minimum Public Shareholding" through postal ballot/electronic voting.

Eligible Members can vote through remote e-voting facility on the business specified in the Notice during the following voting period.

| Commencement of e-voting | End of e-voting |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| October 30, 2021 at 9.00 A.M. IST | November 28, 2021 at 5.00 P.M. IST |

Postal Ballot Notice along with the e-voting procedure can also be downloaded from the website of the Company, <u>https://ir.equitasbank.com/shareholder-services/</u>.

In terms of applicable MCA & SEBI circulars on passing ordinary/special resolutions, the Bank has commenced the dispatch (by electronic means) of the Notice of Postal ballot to all eligible members, whose email IDs are registered with the Bank/Depositories.



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Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, For Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited

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Sampathkumar K R Company Secretary



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Dear Member(s),

POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and other applicable provisions of the Act, read with Rule 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), relevant provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015, Secretarial Standard – 2 (SS-2) on General Meetings and any other applicable laws and regulations , the resolutions appended below are proposed to be passed by members of Equitas Small Finance Bank limited ("the Company" or "the Bank") through postal ballot ("the "Postal ballot") /electronic voting ("e-voting").

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Item No. 1 – Issue of Equity Shares to Qualified Institutional Buyers for the purpose of achieving Minimum Public Shareholding:

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

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the applicable provisions of Sections 23, 42, 62 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Companies Act") and the rules framed thereunder including the Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules, 2014 and the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, including any amendment(s) thereto or re-enactment(s) thereof, the relevant provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Bank, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 (hereinafter referred to as "SEBI ICDR Regulations") including any amendment(s), modification(s), variation(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as "SEBI Listing Regulations"), and the uniform listing agreements entered into with the BSE Limited and the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (collectively referred to as "Stock Exchanges"), the applicable provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, including any amendment(s), statutory modification(s), variation(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof ("FEMA"), the extant consolidated Foreign Direct Investment Policy issued by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, as amended and replaced from time to time ("FDI Policy") the Foreign Exchange Management (Non-debt Instruments) Rules, 2019, and such other applicable rules, regulations, guidelines, notifications, circulars and clarifications issued/ to be issued thereon by the Government of India ("GOI"), Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA"), the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI"), the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), the Stock Exchanges where the equity shares of the Bank of face value of ₹10 each are listed and/ or any other regulatory/ statutory authorities under any other applicable law, from time to time (hereinafter singly or collectively referred to as the "Appropriate Authorities") to the extent applicable and subject to the terms, conditions, modifications, consents, sanctions and approvals of any of the Appropriate Authorities and guidelines and clarifications issued thereon from time to time and subject to such conditions and modifications as may be prescribed by any of them while granting such terms, conditions, modifications, approvals, consents and

sanctions, which may be agreed to by the Board of Directors of the Bank (hereinafter referred to as the "Board" which term shall deemed to include any Committee(s) constituted/ to be constituted by the Board, from time to time, to exercise its powers including powers conferred by this resolution), consent of the Members be and is hereby accorded to the Board to create, offer, issue and allot (including with provisions for reservations on firm and/or competitive basis, or such part of issue and for such categories of persons as may be permitted) Equity Shares of face value of ₹10 each of the Bank (hereinafter after referred to as "Equity Shares", respectively) for the purpose of achieving the minimum public shareholding (MPS) applicable for the Bank in terms of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Rules, 1957, to Qualified Institutional Buyers ("QIBs"), as defined in SEBI ICDR Regulations, through a Qualified Institutions Placement ("QIP"), pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter VI of the SEBI ICDR Regulations, whether or not such QIBs are Members of the Bank, on the basis of the placement document(s) and/or other letter or circular, at such time or times in one or more tranche or tranches, for cash, at such price or prices as the Board may deem fit including a discount of up to five per cent on the floor price calculated as per Regulation 176 of SEBI ICDR Regulations, such that the total amount to be raised through issue of Equity Shares or in any combination thereof shall not exceed ₹1000 crore (Rupees One thousand crore only)or an equivalent amount thereof (inclusive of such premium as may be fixed on such Equity Shares) by all eligible investors, including resident or non-resident/foreign investors (whether institutions and/or incorporated bodies and/or trusts or otherwise) /foreign portfolio investors/mutual funds/pension funds/venture capital funds/banks/ alternate investment funds/ Indian and/or multilateral financial institutions/ insurance companies and any other category of persons or entities who are authorised to invest in Equity Shares of the Bank as per extant regulations/ guidelines or any combination of the above as may be deemed appropriate by the Board in its absolute discretion in consultation with the book running lead managers and whether or not such investors are Members of the Bank (collectively called "Investors"), to all or any of them, jointly or severally through placement document, on such terms and conditions considering the prevailing market conditions and other relevant factors wherever necessary, including securities premium and green shoe option attached thereto, in one or more tranche or tranches, at such price or prices (at prevailing market price or at permissible discount or premium to market price or prices permitted under applicable laws in such manner and on such terms and conditions in terms of applicable regulations) and including the discretion to determine the categories of Investors, considering the prevailing market conditions and other relevant factors wherever necessary, to whom the offer, issue and allotment of Equity Shares shall be made to the exclusion of others, in such manner and in consultation with the book running lead managers and/or other advisors or otherwise on such terms and conditions and deciding of other terms and conditions like number of Equity Shares to be issued and allotted, fixing of record date or book closure, if required, as the Board may in its absolute discretion decide, in each case, subject to the applicable laws.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT in case of issue and allotment of Equity Shares by way of QIP in terms of Chapter VI of the SEBI ICDR Regulations:

- i. the allotment of Equity Shares shall only be to qualified institutional buyers as defined in the SEBI ICDR Regulations;
- ii. the allotment of the Equity Shares as may be decided by the Board, shall be completed within 365 days from the date of passing of the special resolution of the Members of the Bank or such other time as may be allowed under the SEBI ICDR Regulations from time to time;
- iii. the Equity Shares issued shall rank pari passu in all respects including entitlement to dividend, voting rights or otherwise with the existing Equity Shares of the Bank in all respects as may be provided under the terms of issue and in accordance with the placement document(s);
- iv. the Equity Shares to be created, offered and issued shall be subject to the provisions of Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Bank;
- v. no partly paid-up Equity Shares shall be issued/allotted;

- vi. in case of allotment of Equity Shares, the relevant date for the purpose of pricing of the Equity Shares to be issued, shall be the date of the meeting in which the Board [or any Committee duly authorized by the Board] decides to open the proposed issue of Equity Shares, subsequent to the receipt of members' approval in terms of provisions of the Act and other applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines in relation to the proposed issue of the Equity Shares;
- vii. it shall be at such price which is not less than the price determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of Regulation 176(1) provided under Chapter VI of the SEBI ICDR Regulations (the "QIP Floor Price"). The Board may, however, at its absolute discretion in consultation with the book running lead managers, issue Equity Shares at a discount of not more than 5 per cent or such other discount as may be permitted under applicable regulations to the QIP Floor Price;
- viii. no single allottee shall be allotted more than fifty per cent of the issue size and the minimum number of allottees shall be as per the SEBI ICDR Regulations ; and
- ix. The Equity Shares allotted pursuant to the QIP shall not be sold for a period of 1 year from the date of allotment, except on a recognized Stock Exchange or except as may be permitted from time to time by the SEBI ICDR Regulations;

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT for the purpose of giving effect to any offer, issue or allotment of Equity Shares, the Board be and is hereby authorized on behalf of the Bank to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things, as it may, in its absolute discretion, deem necessary or desirable for such purpose, including without limitation, determining terms and conditions for issuance of Equity Shares including the number of such Equity Shares that may be offered in domestic and international markets and proportion thereof, issue price and discounts permitted under applicable law, timing for issuance of such Equity Shares and shall be entitled to vary, modify or alter any of the terms and conditions as it may deem expedient, entering into and executing arrangements for managing, marketing, listing, trading and entering into and executing arrangements with book running lead managers, merchant bankers, legal advisors, depository, custodian, registrar, escrow agent and executing other agreements, including any amendments or supplements thereto, as necessary or appropriate and to finalize, approve and issue any document(s) or agreement(s) including but not limited to a placement document and filing such documents (in draft or final form) with any Indian or foreign regulatory authority or Stock Exchanges and sign all deeds, documents and writings and to pay any fees, commissions, remuneration, expenses relating thereto and with power on behalf of the Bank to settle all questions, difficulties or doubts that may arise in regard to the issue, offer or allotment of Equity Shares and take all steps which are incidental and ancillary in this connection, including in relation to utilization of the issue proceeds, as it may in its absolute discretion deem fit without being required to seek further consent or approval of the Members or otherwise to the end and intent that the Members shall be deemed to have given their approval thereto expressly by the authority of this resolution.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board be and is hereby authorized to delegate all or any of the powers herein conferred to a Committee duly constituted by the Board or any committee of Directors or any Directors(s) or Officer(s) of the Bank in such manner as it may deem fit in its absolute discretion with the power to take such steps and to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as they may deem fit and proper for the purpose of the QIP and settle any questions or difficulties that may arise in connection with the aforesaid resolutions"

By Order of the Board For Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited

SampathKumar KR Company Secretary Membership No A27466

Place: Chennai Date: October 18, 2021

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

Item No 1

The Board of Directors of the Bank and Equitas Holdings Limited (the "Holding Company" or "EHL") at the respective Meetings held on July 26, 2021 had accorded their approval for Scheme of Amalgamation of Equitas Holdings Limited (EHL) with Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited (ESFBL) and their respective shareholders ("Scheme"). In this connection, the following exemptions were sought from SEBI to proceed with implementation of the Scheme.

- i) From EHL- Exemption under Regulation 300 of the SEBI ICDR Regulations to relax the three year minimum promoter lock-in requirements under Regulation 16 (1) (a), to the extent required to implement the Scheme of Amalgamation soon after receiving final NCLT approval.
- ii) From ESFBL prior permission of SEBI pursuant to the Circulars dated November 30, 2015 and February 22, 2018 to allow ESFBL to meet the minimum public shareholding norms (MPS) through the Scheme of Amalgamation.

SEBI vide its letter dated October 08, 2021 to EHL had acceded to relax three year minimum promoter lock-in requirements. In the said letter, SEBI advised that the above relaxation was subject to compliance with all the other regulations with respect to the Scheme, which included compliance with MPS requirements. Hence, ESFBL is required to achieve MPS by reducing the shareholding of EHL in ESFBL from its present 81.55% to 75% or lower and then re-apply to SEBI for the approval of scheme.

Accordingly, the Board at its Meeting on October 18, 2021 had evaluated various methods to achieve the MPS as prescribed by SEBI circulars dated November 30, 2015 & February 22, 2018. After deliberations, the Board approved the option to carry out a Qualified Institutions Placement (QIP) in terms of the SEBI (ICDR Regulations) to the extent necessary to achieve the MPS norms, provided the total issue proceeds shall not exceed ₹1000 crore. The proposed issue of capital is subject to the approvals under applicable regulations issued by the SEBI and any other government / regulatory approvals as may be required in this regard.

The issue/allotment of Equity Shares may be consummated in one or more tranches at such time or times and at such price, whether at a discount or premium to market price and on such terms and conditions as the Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Board" which term shall deemed to include any Committee(s) constituted/to be constituted by the Board) may in its absolute discretion decide, taking into consideration prevailing market conditions and other relevant factors and wherever necessary in consultation with advisors, book running lead managers and such other authority or authorities as may be necessary and subject to, as applicable, the SEBI ICDR Regulations, and other applicable guidelines, notifications, rules and regulations, each as amended.

The proposed QIP may result in the issuance of Equity Shares to investors who may not be Members of the Bank. Therefore, consent of the Members is being sought by passing a special resolution as set out in the Notice, pursuant to applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, the SEBI Listing Regulations, the SEBI ICDR Regulations and any other law for the time being in force and being applicable.

Since, the pricing and other terms of the QIP cannot be decided, except at a later stage, an enabling resolution is being passed to give adequate flexibility and discretion to the Board to finalize the terms of the Equity Shares that may be issued to the Qualified Institutional Bidders (as defined in Regulation 2(1)(ss) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations) ("QIBs") in the QIP in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations. The price at which the Equity Shares shall be allotted to QIBs shall not be less than the price determined in accordance with the pricing formula in terms of the SEBI ICDR Regulations, the Companies Act, 2013, the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made thereunder, including the Foreign Exchange Management (Non-debt Instruments) Rules, 2019, the Consolidated FDI Policy issued by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India from time to time, each as amended, and other applicable law.

The Board in accordance with applicable law and in consultation with book running lead managers, may offer a discount of not more than 5 per cent or such percentage as permitted under applicable law on the floor price

determined pursuant to the SEBI ICDR Regulations (i.e. not less than the average of the weekly high and low of the closing prices of the equity shares quoted on the stock exchange during the two weeks preceding the 'Relevant Date'). (as defined below). For this purpose, 'stock exchange' shall refer to any of the stock exchanges where the Equity Shares are listed and in which the highest trading volume in the Equity Shares has been recorded during the two weeks immediately preceding the Relevant Date).

The 'Relevant Date', in case of allotment of Equity Shares will be the date when the Board decides to open the QIP for subscription.

The allotment of Equity Shares shall be completed within 365 days from the date of resolution passed by the Members.

The Equity Shares shall rank pari passu in all respects, including in respect of entitlement to dividend with the existing equity shares, as may be provided under the terms of the QIP, and in accordance with the provisions of the placement document(s).

The Equity Shares shall not be eligible to be sold for a period of one year from the date of allotment, except on a recognised stock exchange, or except as may be permitted under the SEBI ICDR Regulations from time to time.

Pursuant to Sections 42, 62 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Companies (Prospectus and Allotment of Securities) Rules, 2014, the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014 and other applicable provisions, if any (including any amendments, statutory modification(s) and/ or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force), the SEBI ICDR Regulations and the SEBI Listing Regulations, approval of Members is required to be obtained by way of a special resolution.

The consent of the members is sought to proceed with the issue of Equity Shares to enable compliance with the MPS norms stipulated by SEBI.

The Directors and the Promoter of the Bank would not subscribe to the Equity Shares, if made under Chapter VI of SEBI Regulations.

The Net Proceeds from the issue of Equity Shares would be utilized towards augmenting our Bank's Tier I capital base to meet our Bank's future capital requirements.

The Board recommends the resolutions set out at Item No. 1 of the accompanying notice for approval of the Members by way of Special Resolution. None of the Directors of the Bank or the Key Managerial Personnel of the Bank and/or their relatives are concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the proposed resolutions except to the extent of his/her holding of Equity Shares and also to the extent of subscription by a financial institution/ company/body corporate in which the KMPs, Director or his/her relatives may be directly or indirectly interested.

By Order of the Board For Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited

Place: Chennai Date: October 18, 2021 SampathKumar KR Company Secretary Membership No A27466

NOTES

- 1. An Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") read with Rules made thereunder, setting out material facts concerning the Resolutions, is annexed hereto.
- 2. The Notice of E-voting is being sent to the Members whose names appear in the Register of Members as on October 22, 2021, so as to enable Members for sending their assent or dissent electronically.
- 3. The Board of Directors vide its resolution on October 18, 2021 has appointed M/s. B. Ravi & Associates, Practising Company Secretaries represented by Dr. B.Ravi, Practising Company Secretary (Membership No. FCS1810, CP No.3318) to act as the Scrutinizer for conducting the postal ballot /e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- 4. All documents referred to in this Notice and the Explanatory Statement will be posted on the Bank's https:// ir.equitasbank.com/ to facilitate online inspection of relevant documents until last date of E-voting of this Postal Ballot until the last date for receipt of votes by remote e-voting.
- 5. All correspondence related to change of address, change in e-mail ID already registered with the Bank, transfer / transmission of shares, issue of duplicate share certificates, bank mandates and all other matters relating to the shareholding in the Company may be made to M/s. KFin Technologies Private Ltd., the Registrar and Share Transfer Agent ("RTA/KFin"). The Members holding shares in electronic form may send such communication to their respective Depository Participant/s (DPs).
- 6. As an eco-friendly measure intending to benefit the society at large, we request you to be part of e-initiatives of the Bank and register your e-mail ID to receive all communications and documents including Annual Reports from time to time in electronic form to the e-mail ID provided by you. Members holding shares in electronic form, may send such communication to their respective DPs and those holding shares in physical form, may send such communication to KFin.
- 7. In accordance with Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI LODR Regulations") and Section 108 of the Act and the Rules made thereunder, the Bank has engaged Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) as the agency for facilitating the Members to communicate their assent or dissent through Electronic Means in respect of the aforesaid resolutions. The detailed procedure for Voting through electronic means ("e-voting") is appended in the Notes to Notice. The e-voting shall commence at 9.00 A.M. on October, 30, 2021.
- As per Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 & the General Circular No. 39/2020 dated December 31, 2020 & General Circular No. 10/2021 dated June 23, 2021 (MCA Circulars) Notice of Postal Ballot may be served on the Members through electronic means. Members who have registered e-mail IDs are being sent this Notice of Postal Ballot by e-mail.
- 9. Postal Ballot Notice can be downloaded from the Bank's website i.e. <u>www.equitasbank.com</u>
- 10. Resolutions passed by the Members through Postal Ballot are deemed to have been passed as if they have been passed at a General Meeting of the Members.
- 11. Voting rights shall be reckoned on the paid-up value of shares registered in the name of the Members as on October 22, 2021 and a person who is not a Member as on the record date should treat this Notice for information purposes only.
- 12. Information as required under SEBI LODR Regulations in respect of the special business forming part of the Notice of Postal Ballot is furnished in the annexed Explanatory Statement and forms part of the Notice.
- 13. The Scrutiniser's decision on the validity of the vote shall be final.
- 14. Once the vote on a resolution stated in this Notice is cast by shareholder through Remote e-voting, the shareholder shall not be allowed to change it subsequently and such e-vote shall be treated as final.
- 15. The Scrutinizer will submit his report to the Chairman/Director after the completion of scrutiny, and the Results will be declared by the Bank within 48 hours of the closing of e-voting period on its website https://www.equitasbank.com and communicated to the Stock Exchanges, where the shares of theBank are listed.

VOTING THROUGH ELECTRONIC MEANS – INSTRUCTIONS

I. Remote e-voting:

The e-voting facility will be available during the following voting period:

| Commencement of e-voting | End of e-voting |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| October 30, 2021 at 9.00 A.M. IST | November 28, 2021 at 5.00 P.M. IST |

- The voting period begins on October 30, 2021 at 9.00 A.M. IST and ends on November 28, 2021 at 5.00 P.M. IST. During this period shareholders' of the Bank, holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date (record date) of October 22, 2021 may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- 2. Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 09.12.2020, under Regulation 44 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, listed entities are required to provide remote e-voting facility to its shareholders, in respect of all shareholders' resolutions. However, it has been observed that the participation by the public non-institutional shareholders/ retail shareholders is at a negligible level.
- 3. Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers (ESPs) providing e-voting facility to listed entities in India. This necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.
- 4. In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders, by way of a single login credential, through their demat accounts/ websites of Depositories/ Depository Participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.
- 5. In terms of SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 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 Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

| Pursuant to above said SEBI Circular, Login method for e-Voting for Individual shareholders holding | |
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| securities in Demat mode is given below: | |

| Type of shareholders | Login Method |
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| Individual Shareholders | Users who have opted for CDSL Easi / Easiest facility, can login through their existing user |
| holding securities in | id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further |
| Demat mode with | authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi / Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/ |
| CDSL | myeasi/home/login or visit www.cdslindia.com and click on Login icon and select New System |
| | Myeasi. |
| | After successful login the Easi / Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting option for eligible |
| | companies where the evoting is in progress as per the information provided by company. On |
| | clicking the e-Voting option, the user will be able to see e-Voting page of the e-Voting service |
| | provider for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period & voting during the meeting. |
| | Additionally, there is also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers |
| | i.e. CDSL/NSDL/KARVY/LINKINTIME, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service |
| | providers' website directly. |
| | If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https://web. |
| | cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration |
| | Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number |
| | and PAN No. from a e-Voting link available on <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> home page. The system will |
| | authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the Demat |
| | Account. After successful authentication, user will be able to see the e-Voting option where |
| | the evoting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting Service |
| | Providers. |

| Login Method | |
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| If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, please visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com</u> either on Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on th "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under 'IDeAS' section. A new screet will open. You will have to enter your User ID and Password. After successful authentication you will be able to see e-Voting services. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting service and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provide name and you will be re-directed to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vot during the remote e-Voting period | |
| If the user is not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at https:// eservices.nsdl.com. Select "Register Online for IDeAS "Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl. com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https:// www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/ Member' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period | |
| You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. After Successful 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 company name or e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period. | |
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Important note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at above mentioned website.

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

| Login type | Helpdesk details |
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| 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 and 22-23058542-43. |
| 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 |

Login method for e-Voting for shareholders other than individual shareholders holding in Demat form & physical shareholders.

- 1) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website <u>www.evotingindia.com.</u>
- 2) Click on "Shareholders" module.
- 3) Now enter your User ID
 - a. For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID,
 - b. For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID,
 - c. Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.

- 4) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- 5) If you are holding shares in demat form and had logged on to <u>www.evotingindia.com</u> and voted on an earlier e-voting of any company, then your existing password is to be used.
- 6) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below:

| | For Shareholders holding shares in Demat Form other than individual and Physical Form |
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| PAN | Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department (Applicable for both demat shareholders as well as physical shareholders) |
| | • Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the sequence number sent by Company/RTA or contact Company/RTA. |
| Dividend Bank Details OR Date of Birth (DOB) | Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as recorded in your demat account or in the company records in order to login. If both the details are not recorded with the depository or company, please enter |
| | the member id / folio number in the Dividend Bank details field as mentioned in instruction (v). |

- (ii) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (iii) Shareholders holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, shareholders holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- (iv) For shareholders holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (v) Click on the EVSN for the relevant <Company Name> on which you choose to vote.
- (vi) On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
- (vii) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (viii) After selecting the resolution, you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- (ix) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.
- (x) You can also take a print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.
- (xi) If a demat account holder has forgotten the login password then Enter the User ID and the image verification code and click on Forgot Password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xii) Facility for Non Individual Shareholders and Custodians –Remote Voting
 - Non-Individual shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodians are required to log on to <u>www.evotingindia.com</u> and register themselves in the "Corporates" module.
 - A scanned copy of the Registration Form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.</u>

- After receiving the login details a Compliance User should be created using the admin login and password. The Compliance User would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
- The list of accounts linked in the login should be mailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.
- A scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney (POA) which they have issued in favour of the Custodian, if any, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

Alternatively Non Individual shareholders are required to send the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer and to the Bank at the email address viz; cs@equitasbank.com or csbravi@gmail.com (designated email address by Bank), if they have voted from individual tab & not uploaded same in the CDSL e-voting system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.

PROCESS FOR THOSE SHAREHOLDERS WHOSE EMAIL/MOBILE NO. ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE BANK/DEPOSITORIES.

- 1. For Physical shareholders- please provide necessary details like 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 Bank/RTA email id.
- 2. For Demat shareholders -, Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP)
- 3. For Individual Demat shareholders Please update your email id & mobile no. with your respective Depository Participant (DP) which is mandatory while e-Voting & joining virtual meetings through Depository.

If you have any queries or issues regarding attending AGM & e-Voting from the CDSL e-Voting System, you can write an email to <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or contact at 022- 23058738 and 022-23058542/43.

All grievances connected with the facility for voting by electronic means may be addressed to Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, Sr. Manager, (CDSL,) Central Depository Services (India) Limited, A Wing, 25th Floor, Marathon Futurex, Mafatlal Mill Compounds, N M Joshi Marg, Lower Parel (East), Mumbai - 400013 or send an email to helpdesk.evoting@ cdslindia.com or call on 022-23058542/43.