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Appointment as an Independent Director of Britannia Industries Limited

We are pleased to inform you that the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting held on -------- -----, have approved your appointment as an Independent Director of the Company to hold office for --------upto --------.

This letter is being issued to comply with the requirements of Schedule IV to the Companies Act, 2013 (“Act”), pertaining to the Code of Independent Directors and Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (“SEBI Listing Regulations 2015”).

This letter sets out the broad terms of your appointment as an Independent Director, on the Board of the Company.

The term “Independent Director” should be construed as defined under the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015.

A. Preliminary

Your appointment is subject to the following:

1. During your tenure as an Independent Director, you will have to submit a declaration at the beginning of every Financial Year under Section 149 (7) of the Act stating that you meet the criteria of Independence.

2. So long as you are an Independent Director of the Company, the number of companies in which you hold office as a Director or a Chairman or Committee Member shall not exceed the limit stipulated under the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015.

3. So long as you are an Independent Director of the Company, you will ensure that you do not get disqualified to act as a Director pursuant to the provisions of Section 164 of the Act.

4. You will ensure compliance with other provisions of the Act and the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015 as applicable to you as an Independent Director.

5. As an Independent Director you will not be liable to retire by rotation.
B. Term

Your Appointment is for a term of five (5) years w.e.f. ---------- upto ----------.

Committees

You may be requested to be a Member / Chairman of any one or more Committees of the Board which may be constituted from time to time.

As on the date of this letter, you are the Chairman of --------- Committee and Member of ----  ------------ Committee of the Board.

C. Code of Conduct and Duties and Responsibilities

1. You will abide by the Britannia Code of Ethics and Business Principles Applicable to Non-Executive Directors and business principles to the extent applicable to an Independent Director of the Company, enclosed as Annexure-1.

2. You will abide by the guidelines of professional conduct, role, function and duties as an Independent Directors provided in Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013, enclosed as Anneuxre-2.


4. You are expected to stay updated on how best to discharge your roles, responsibilities, and duties and liabilities, as an Independent Director of the Company under applicable law, including keeping abreast of current changes and trends in economic, political, social, financial, legal and corporate governance practices.

5. You are expected to:

   (i) take decisions objectively and solely in the interests of the Company;

   (ii) facilitate Company’s adherence to high standards of ethics and corporate behaviour;

   (iii) guide the Board in monitoring the effectiveness of the Company’s governance practices and to recommend changes, required if any;
(iv) guide the Board in monitoring and managing potential conflicts of interest of Management, Board Members and Stakeholders, including misuse of corporate assets and abuse in related party transactions;

(v) guide the Board in ensuring the integrity of the Company’s accounting and financial reporting systems, including the independent audit, and that appropriate systems of control are in place, in particular, systems for risk management, financial and operational control, and compliance with the law and relevant standards.

D. Performance Evaluation

Your appointment on the Board shall be on the basis of the performance evaluation.

E. Remuneration

1. Your annual remuneration will be as under:

   (a) sitting fees for attending each meeting of the Board and its Committees as may be determined by the Board from time to time, and

   (b) commission that may be determined by the Board payable at the end of each financial year will be based on the performance of the Company and your performance evaluated by the Board of Directors.

2. You will be entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred by you in connection with attending the Board meetings, Committee meetings, General meetings and in relation to the business of the Company towards hotel accommodation, travelling and other out-of-pocket expenses.

3. Pursuant to applicable law, you will not be entitled to any stock options.

F. Insurance

The Company provides all its Directors with, and pays the premiums for, Directors and Officers insurance cover while acting in their capacities as Directors.

The copy of the policy can be furnished on request to the Company Secretary.

G. Training

You will be entitled to the benefit of various programs to familiarize yourself with the business and affairs of the Company, growth plans, the peculiarities of the industry in which the Company operates, its goals and expectations and long term plans and objectives.

H. Miscellaneous
You will have access to confidential information, whether or not the information is marked or designated as “confidential” or “proprietary”, relating to the Company and its business including legal, financial, technical, commercial, marketing and business related records, data, documents, reports, etc., client information, intellectual property rights (including trade secrets). (“Confidential Information”).

You shall use reasonable efforts to keep confidential and to not disclose to any third party, such Confidential Information.

If any Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by you in response to any summons or in connection with any litigation, or in order to comply with any applicable law, order, regulation or ruling, then any such disclosure should be, to the extent possible, with the prior consent of the Board.

Please confirm your acceptance by signing and returning this letter to the Company for its records.

Yours faithfully,

For Britannia Industries Limited

Name:
Designation: Chairman

Agreed and Accepted
(Name of Independent Director)

I have read and understood the terms of my appointment as an Independent Director of the Company and I hereby affirm my acceptance to the same.
CODE OF ETHICS AND BUSINESS PRINCIPLES APPLICABLE TO NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

(Already uploaded on the Company’s website under Code of Conduct and Policies Section)
Guidelines of professional conduct, Role, Function and Duties as an Independent Director
(As provided in Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013)

Guidelines for Professional conduct:

1. To uphold ethical standards of integrity and probity;
2. To act objectively and constructively while exercising your duties;
3. To exercise their responsibilities in a bona fide manner in the interest of the Company;
4. To devote sufficient time and attention towards your professional obligations for informed and balanced decision making;
5. To not allow any extraneous considerations that will vitiate their exercise of objective independent judgment in the paramount interest of the Company as a whole, while concurring in or dissenting from the collective judgment of the Board in its decision making;
6. To not abuse their position to the detriment of the Company or its shareholders or for the purpose of gaining direct or indirect personal advantage or advantage for any associated person;
7. To refrain from any action that would lead to loss of their independence;
8. Where circumstances arise which make an independent Director lose her independence, the independent Director must immediately inform the Board accordingly;
9. To assist the Company in implementing the best corporate governance practices.

Role and functions:

1. Assist in bringing an independent judgment to bear on the Board’s deliberations especially on issues of strategy, performance, risk management, resources, key appointments and standards of conduct.
2. Bring an objective view in the evaluation of the performance of Board and management.
3. Scrutinise the performance of management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitor the reporting of performance.
4. Satisfy yourself on the integrity of financial information and that financial controls and systems of risk management are robust and defensible.

5. Safeguard the interests of all stakeholders, particularly the minority shareholders.

6. Balance the conflicting interest of the stakeholders.

7. Determine appropriate levels of remuneration of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management and have a prime role in appointing and where necessary recommend removal of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management.

8. Moderate and arbitrate in the interest of the Company as a whole, in situations of conflict between management and shareholder’s interest.

Duties:

1. Undertake appropriate induction and regularly update and refresh your skills, knowledge and familiarity with the Company.

2. Seek appropriate clarification or amplification of information and, where necessary, take and follow appropriate professional advice and opinion of outside experts at the expense of the Company.

3. Strive to attend all meetings of the Board including a Separate meeting of the independent director and of the Board committees of which you are a member.

4. Participate constructively and actively in the committees of the Board in which you are chairperson or member.

5. Strive to attend the general meetings of the Company.

6. Where you have concerns about the running of the Company or a proposed action, ensure that these are addressed by the Board and, to the extent that they are not resolved, insist that your concerns are recorded in the minutes of the Board meeting.

7. Keep yourself well informed about the Company and the external environment in which it operates.

8. Not to unfairly obstruct the functioning of an otherwise proper Board or committee of the Board.

9. Pay sufficient attention and ensure that adequate deliberations are held before approving related party transactions and assure yourself that the same are in the interest of the Company.
10. Ascertain and ensure that the Company has an adequate and functional vigil mechanism and to ensure that the interests of a person who uses such mechanism are not prejudicially affected on account of such use.

11. Report concerns about unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the Company’s code of conduct or ethics policy.


13. Not disclose confidential information, including commercial secrets, technologies, advertising and sales promotion plans, unpublished price sensitive information, unless such disclosure is expressly approved by the Board or required by law.