

25<sup>th</sup> May, 2023

The Secretary BSE Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, Dalal Street,

MUMBAI – 400 001.

Scrip Code: 519528

The Secretary

National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.

Exchange Plaza, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Plot No.C/1, `G' Block,

Bandra (East)

MUMBAI – 400 051.

Ref: ISIN - INE369C01017

<u>Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report under Regulation 24(A) of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.</u>

Respected Sir / Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 24(A) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligation & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, please find enclosed herewith Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the year ended March 31, 2023, issued by CS Ajay Kumar Agarwal, Practising Company Secretary.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

For Norben Tea & Exports Limited

Ashish Pathak Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Encl.: As above.



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#### SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF

#### NORBEN TEA AND EXPORTS LTD

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

To, The Board of Directors, Norben Tea and Exports Ltd 15-B, Hemanta Basu Sarani, 3rd Floor, Kolkata-700001,

We, M/s Agarwal A & Associates, Company Secretaries having our office at Plot No. IID/31/1, Street No. 1111, PS QUBE, Unit Number 1015A, 10th Floor, Beside City Centre 2, Kolkata-700161, have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by Norben Tea & Exports Limited ("the listed entity"),
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the year ended 31/03/2023 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of :

- (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include:-

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015; ('Listing Regulations')
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018:

(not attracted during year under review)

- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; (not attracted during year under review)
- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity)



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Regulations, 2021;

(not attracted during year under review)

- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008; (not attracted during year under review)
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021;

(not attracted during year under review)

(h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder;

We hereby report that, during the Review Period the compliance status of the listed entity is appended as below:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/ NA)	Observations /Remarks by PCS*
1.	Secretarial Standards:  The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.	Yes	
2.	<ul> <li>Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:</li> <li>All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities</li> <li>All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed &amp; updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI</li> </ul>	Yes Yes	



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3.	<ul> <li>Maintenance and disclosures on Website:</li> <li>The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website</li> </ul>	Yes	
	Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website	Yes	
	Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re- directs to the relevant document(s)/ section of the website	Yes	
4.	Disqualification of Director:		
	None of the Director(s) of the Company is/ are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.	Yes	
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.:		
	(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies	NA	The Listed entity does not have any Material
	(b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries	NA	Subsidiary.
6.	Preservation of Documents:		
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.	Yes	
7.	Performance Evaluation:		
	The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year/during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	
8.	Related Party Transactions:  (a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or	Yes	a) -
	(b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected by the Audit	NA	b) Please refer point No. 8(a)



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	Committee, in case no prior approval has been obtained.		
9.	Disclosure of events or information:  The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.	Yes	
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:  The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:  No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**).	Yes	BSE Vide its Notice No. 20230105-4 dated 5th January, 2023 informed that the suspension in trading of equity shares of the company revoked w.e.f. January 13, 2023. Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/ CIR/P/2020/12 dated January 22, 2020 (Erstwhile SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/ CIR/P/2018/77 dated May 3, 2018), trading in the securities of the company will be resumed in "T" group.
12.	Additional Non-compliances, if any:  No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	No	No additional non- compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/gui dance note etc. No additional non- compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/gui dance note etc.

Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2019:



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Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/	Observations /Remarks by		
140.		NA)	PCS*		
1.	Compliances with the following conditions while appoint	ointing/re-appointing an auditor			
	i. If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter; or	NA	No appointment or re-appointment		
	ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter; or	NA			
	iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review/ audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the auditreport for such financial year.	NA			
2.	Other conditions relating to resignation of statutory at	uditor			
	i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/its material subsidiary to the AuditCommittee:	NA	No such resignation		
	a. In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity/material subsidiary such as non-availability of information / non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings.				



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	<ul> <li>b. In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation, along with relevant documents has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of information / explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of information/explanation sought and not provided by the management, as applicable.</li> <li>c. The Audit Committee / Board of Directors, as the case may be, deliberated on the matter on receipt of such</li> </ul>		
	information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor.		
	ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information:  The auditor has provided an appropriate disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.		
3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the format as specified in Annexure- A in SEBI Circular CIR/ CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019.	NA	No such resignation

<sup>\*</sup>Observations /Remarks by PCS are mandatory if the Compliance status is provided as 'No' or 'NA'



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(a) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below:

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(b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

S r. N o.	Compliance Requiremen t (Regulations/circulars/guidelines including specific c clause)	Regul ation/ Circu lar No.	Deviati ons	Actio n Take nby	Type of Actio n	Detail s of Violat ion	Fine Amo unt	Observation s/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Management Response	Re- marks
1	-	-	-	BSE Limited	Trading in Equity Shares	Non complian ce of the then eligibilit y requirem ent for		Company is in Compliance to the applicable provisions of SEBI Act and Regulations and submitting the Report/	dated 5 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023 informed that the suspension has	The Equity Shares of the Company are traded at the Bombay Stock Exchange and National



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			us	with Stock	company w.e.f.	Exchange of
			listing.	Exchange.	January 13, 2023.	India
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Place: Kolkata

Date: 24th May, 2023

For **AGARWAL A & ASSOCIATES** 

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**CS Ajay Kumar Agarwal** 

Proprietor

C.P No.:**13493** 

M. **No. : F7604** 

Peer Review No. 1592/2021

UDIN: F007604E000368019