

# BANGALORE FORT FARMES LIMITED

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**PRE-OFFER ADVERTISEMENT AND CONGRUENDUM TO THE DETAILED PUBLIC STATEMENT UNDER REGULATION 18(f) IN TERMS OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT, 1956 AND SEBI (SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE) REGULATIONS, 2011**

**This Pre-Offer Advertisement is Consequent upon the Detailed Public Statement is issued by Swang Shares and Securities Private Limited, the Manager to the offer of bank of Genesis Trade-Links Private Limited, the Corporate Acquirer, along with the Individual Acquirers, Mr. Vikash Singh, Acquiree 2, and Mrs. Nisha Singh, Acquiree 3, collectively referred to as the Acquirers, for acquisition of up to 12,47,844 fully-paid-up equity shares of face value of Rs. 10/- each, representing 28.00% of the Voting Share Capital of Bangalore Fort Farmes Limited, an Offer Price of Rs. 10/- per share, payable in cash, by the Public Shareholders of the Target Company in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 18 (f) of SEBI (SAST) Regulations (Pre-Offer cum consequent to the Detailed Public Statement Advertisement).**

**This Pre-Offer cum consequent to the Detailed Public Statement Advertisement is to be read in conjunction with the: (a) Public Announcement dated Wednesday, March 13, 2024 (Public Announcement); (b) Detailed Public Statement dated Thursday March 13, 2024, in connection with this Offer; (c) Financial Statements of Bangalore Fort Farmes Limited for the year ended March 31, 2023 (Financials); (d) Allotment Details (Held and Paid) (Allotment and Delivered Details); (e) Draft Letter of Offer dated Thursday, March 28, 2024 filed and submitted by SEBI pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 16 (i) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations (Draft Letter of Offer); (f) Letter of Offer dated Thursday, March 28, 2024, along with the Financials and the Detailed Public Statement (Letter of Offer); (g) Recommendations of the Independent Directors of the Target Company which were approved on Wednesday, March 28, 2024, and published in the Bangalore Fort Farmes on Thursday, June 27, 2024 (Recommendations of the Independent Directors of the Target Company) (the Public Announcement, Detailed Public Statement, Draft Letter of Offer, Letter of Offer, SEBI Circulars, and the Recommendations of the Independent Directors of the Target Company, together with the Detailed Public Statement of the Target Company are hereinafter collectively referred to as "Offer Documents") issued by the Manager on behalf of the Acquirers.**

**Public Shareholders of the Target Company are requested to kindly note the following:**

For capitalized terms used hereafter, please refer to the Paragraph 1 titled as Definitions and Abbreviations on page 7 of the Letter of Offer.

**A. Offer Price**

The Offer is being made at a price of Rs. 25.50/- per Offer Share, payable in cash and there has been no revision in the Offer Price.

**B. Recommendations of Independent Directors**

A Committee of Independent Directors of the Target Company comprising of Sundee Kumar Tayal, as the Chairperson of the Independent Directors Committee, and Naba Kumar Das, member of the Independent Directors Committee approved their recommendation on the Offer on Wednesday, June 27, 2024, and published in the Bangalore Fort Farmes on Thursday, June 27, 2024. The IDC Members are of the opinion that the Offer Price to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company is fair and reasonable and is in line with SEBI (SAST) Regulations. The Public Shareholders may, therefore, independently evaluate the Offer and take a call on their own decision.

**C. Other details with respect to Offer**

- This Offer is not a compelling offer in terms of Regulation 20 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. There has been no competitive bid to the Offer.
- The Offer has been dispatched to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company whose names appear on Friday, June 14, 2024, being the Identified Date, on Monday, June 24, 2024, through electronic mode to all the Public Shareholders whose e-mail addresses had been registered with the Offer. The Public Shareholders who are registered on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, in Financials (English) (Held and Paid) (Allotment Details) (Delivered Details) of the Target Company, and the Public Shareholders who have not registered their e-mail addresses with the Depositories/Target Company or whose e-mail Address are inactive.
- The Draft Letter of Offer dated Thursday, March 28, 2024, was filed and submitted by SEBI pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 16 (i) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, for its Observations. In pursuance of which all the observations received from SEBI vide letter bearing reference number SEBI/CDOP/ICR/2022/1515 dated March 29, 2024, in Financials (English) (Held and Paid) (Allotment Details) (Delivered Details) of the Target Company, and the Public Shareholders who have not registered their e-mail addresses with the Depositories/Target Company or whose e-mail Address are inactive.
- The Public Shareholders should note that, the information on page 2 of the Letter of Offer under "SCHEDULE OF THE MAJOR ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THIS OFFER" for the last date of publication of the Recommendations of the independent directors committee of the Target Company for this Offer, namely, the Identified Date (Friday, June 14, 2024) shall be read as "Thursday, June 27, 2024", which is continuation of and in conjunction with the Letter of Offer, unless otherwise specified.
- Please note that a copy of the Letter of Offer is also available and accessible on the websites of SEBI at [www.sebi.gov.in](http://www.sebi.gov.in), the Target Company at [www.bangalorefortfarms.com](http://www.bangalorefortfarms.com), the Registrar to the Offer at [www.intertorindia.com](http://www.intertorindia.com), the Manager to the Offer at [www.swangshares.com](http://www.swangshares.com) and BSE Limited at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com). From which the Public Shareholders can download/print the same.

**D. Instructions for Public Shareholders**

- In case of Equity Shares are held in the Dematerialized Form:** The Public Shareholders who are holding Equity Shares in electronic/dematerialized form and who desire to tender their Equity Shares in this Offer shall approach their respective Selling Broker indicating to their Selling Broker the details of Equity Shares that such Public Shareholders intends to tender in this Offer. Public Shareholders should tender their Equity Shares before market hours on Thursday, June 27, 2024, to the "Tendering Period". For further information, kindly refer to the Paragraph 8.13, titled as Procedure for tendering Equity Shares held in Dematerialized Form on page 38 of the Letter of Offer.
- In case of Equity Shares are held in Physical Form:** As per the provisions of Regulation 43 (i) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations and SEBI's press release dated 3 December 2018, bearing reference no. PR 49/2018, requests for transfer of securities shall not be processed unless the securities are verified with the records of the Depositories on or before March 1, 2019. However, in accordance with the circular issued by SEBI bearing reference number SEBI/CHD/CMD/ICR/2020/144 dated 31 March 2020, shareholders holding securities in physical form are allowed to tender shares in this Offer. Such tendering shall be as per the provisions of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. Accordingly, Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in physical form will be eligible to tender their Equity Shares in this Offer as per the provisions of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in physical form and who are not registered with the Depositories, should approach their respective Selling Broker indicating to their Selling Broker the details of all documents for verification procedures to be carried out, including (i) the original share certificate(s), (ii) valid share transfer form(s), i.e. Form SH-4, duly filled and signed by the transferors (i.e., by all registered shareholders in same order and as per the specimen signatures registered with the Target Company and duly witnessed at the appropriate place, (iii) self-attested copy of the shareholders' PAN Card, (iv) Form of Authorization duly signed by the Transferor Shareholder and duly witnessed at the appropriate place, by sole/joint Public Shareholders whose names appear on the share certificate(s) in the same order in which they hold Equity Shares, and (v) any other relevant documents such as power of attorney, corporate authorization (including board resolution/special signature certificate), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probat will, if the original shareholder is deceased. For further information, kindly refer to the Paragraph 8.12, titled as Procedure for tendering Equity Shares held in Physical Form on page 37 of the Letter of Offer.
- Procedure for tendering the Shares in case of non-accept of the Letter of Offer:** Public Shareholders who have acquired Equity Shares but whose names do not appear in the records of Depositories on the Identified Date, or unregistered owners or those who have acquired Equity Shares after the Identified Date, or those who have received the Letter of Offer, may also participate in this Offer. In case of non-accept of the Letter of Offer, such Public Shareholders, if any, who are not registered with the Depositories may download the same from the SEBI website ([www.sebi.gov.in](http://www.sebi.gov.in)) or obtain a copy of the same from the Registrar to the Offer on providing suitable documentary evidences of holding of the Equity Shares of the Target Company. Alternatively, in case of non-accept of the Letter of Offer, shareholders holding the Equity Shares may participate in the Offer by providing their application in plain paper in writing along with the necessary documents, duly witnessed at the appropriate place, to the Registrar to the Offer. The Registrar to the Offer shall, along with the relevant documents, submit the same to the Acquirers. Public Shareholders have to ensure that their offer is entered in the electronic platform to be made available by BSE exchanges before the closure of the Offer. For further information, kindly refer to the Paragraph 8.15, titled as Procedure for tendering Equity Shares in case of non-accept of the Letter of Offer on page 39 of the Letter of Offer.

**E. Status of Statement and Other Approvals**

All documents of the Offer, including the Financials, no statutory approvals are required for the Offer except as mentioned in the Letter of Offer. For further information, kindly refer to the Paragraph 7, titled as Statutory Approvals and conditions of the Offer at page 34 of Letter of Offer.

**F. Procedure for Acceptance and Settlement of Offer**

The Open Offer will be implemented by the Acquirers through Stock Exchange mechanism made available by BSE Limited in the form of separate window (Acquisition Window) as provided under the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. SEBI circular bearing reference number CIR/CFDOP/ICR/CELL/1/2021 dated 12 December 2021, and SEBI Circular bearing reference number CIR/CFDOP/ICR/CELL/1/2021 dated 12 December 2021, and SEBI Circular bearing reference number SEBI/CHD/CMD/ICR/2021/1515 dated March 29, 2021, a firm shall be marked against the names of the shareholders participating in the tender offers. Upon finalisation of the entitlement, only accepted quantity of shares shall be debited from the demat account of the shareholders. The firm marked against the name of the shareholder shall be relieving the detailed procedure for tendering and settlement of shares under the related mechanism is specified under the Paragraph 8 titled as Procedure for Acceptance and Settlement of Offer on page 35 of the Letter of Offer.

**G. Revised Schedule of Activities**

| Schedule of Activities                                                                                                                                              | Tentative Schedule of Activities (Year and Date) | Actual Schedule of Activities (Year and Date) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Issue date of the Public Announcement                                                                                                                               | Wednesday, March 13, 2024                        | Wednesday, March 13, 2024                     |
| Publication date of the Detailed Public Statement in the Newspapers                                                                                                 | Wednesday, March 28, 2024                        | Wednesday, March 28, 2024                     |
| Last date for filing of the Draft Letter of Offer with SEBI                                                                                                         | Thursday, March 28, 2024                         | Thursday, March 28, 2024                      |
| Last date for public announcement for a compelling offer (if any)                                                                                                   | Tuesday, April 16, 2024                          | Tuesday, April 16, 2024                       |
| Last Date for receipt of comments from SEBI on the Draft Letter of Offer                                                                                            | Friday, April 26, 2024                           | Friday, April 26, 2024                        |
| Last date for dispatch of the Letter of Offer to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company whose names appear on the register of members on the Identified Date | Monday, May 06, 2024                             | Friday, June 14, 2024                         |
| Last date by which a committee of the independent directors of the Target Company shall submit its recommendation to the Public Shareholders for the Offer          | Thursday, May 09, 2024                           | Monday, June 24, 2024                         |
| Last date by which a committee of the independent directors of the Target Company shall submit its recommendation to the Public Shareholders for the Offer          | Friday, May 10, 2024                             | Thursday, June 27, 2024                       |
| Last date of upward revision of the Offer Price and/or the Offer Size                                                                                               | Friday, May 10, 2024                             | Friday, June 28, 2024                         |
| Last date of publication of opening of Offer public announcement in the Newspapers                                                                                  | Monday, May 13, 2024                             | Friday, June 28, 2024                         |
| Commencement of Tendering Period                                                                                                                                    | Monday, May 27, 2024                             | Monday, July 01, 2024                         |
| Date of closing of Tendering Period                                                                                                                                 | Monday, May 27, 2024                             | Friday, July 12, 2024                         |
| Date of commencing the rejection/acceptance and completion of payment of consideration of refund of Equity Shares to the Public Shareholders                        | Friday, April 26, 2024                           | Friday, July 12, 2024                         |

Note:

- ① Last date of being in receipt of SEBI Observation Letter.
- ② @ the date, the actions set out above may be completed prior to their corresponding dates subject to compliance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.</