

DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER*'This document is important and requires your immediate attention'*

The Letter of Offer will be sent to you as a Public Shareholder of G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED. If you require any clarifications about the action to be taken, you may consult your stockbroker or investment consultant or Manager or the Registrar. In case you have recently sold your Equity Shares, please hand over the Letter of Offer and the accompanying form of acceptance-cum-acknowledgement and transfer deed to the member of the stock exchange through whom the said sale was effected.

OPEN OFFER BY

Name	Acquirer	Address	Contact Details	Email Address
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There is no person acting in concert for this Offer.				

OPEN OFFER FOR ACQUISITION OF UP TO 25,500 (TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED) EQUITY SHARES, REPRESENTING 25.50% (TWENTY-FIVE POINT FIVE ZERO PERCENT) OF THE VOTING SHARE CAPITAL OF G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED, AT AN OFFER PRICE OF ₹12.00/- (RUPEES TWELVE ONLY), PAYABLE IN CASH, MADE BY IRA RAMESH MISHRA, THE ACQUIRER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF REGULATIONS 3 (1) AND 4, AND SUCH OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND TAKEOVERS) REGULATIONS, 2011, AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS THERETO, FROM THE PUBLIC SHAREHOLDERS OF

G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED

A public limited company incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956

Corporate Identification Number: L51900MH1980PLC022672;

Registered Office: Indian Mercantile Chambers, 3rd Floor, 14 R, Kamani Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400001, Maharashtra, India;

Contact Number: +022-66314181/66314182; Website: www.gdta.com; Email Address: gdta12000@gmail.com;

- This Offer is being made by the Acquirer, in pursuance of the provisions of Regulations 3 (1) and 4 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, for substantial acquisition of Equity Shares and Voting Share capital accompanied with change in control and management of the Target Company.
- As on the date of this Draft Letter of Offer, to the best knowledge of the Acquirer, there are no statutory approval(s) required to acquire Equity Shares that are validly tendered pursuant to this Offer. However, if any other statutory or governmental approval(s) are required or become applicable later before closure of the Tendering Period, this Offer shall be subject to such statutory approvals and the Acquirer shall make the necessary applications for such statutory approvals and this Offer would also be subject to such other statutory or other governmental approval(s). Where any statutory or other approval extends to some but not all the Public Shareholders, the Acquirer shall have the option to make payment to such Public Shareholders in respect of whom no statutory or other approvals are required to complete this Offer.
- In the event that the number of Equity Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders under this Offer is more than the number of Offer Shares, the Acquirer shall accept those Equity Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders on a proportionate basis in consultation with the Manager, ensuring that the basis of acceptance is decided in a fair and equitable manner and does not result in non-marketable lots, provided that the acquisition of Equity Shares from a Public Shareholder shall not be less than the minimum marketable lot, or the entire holding if it is less than the marketable lot. The marketable lot for the Equity Shares for the purpose of this Offer shall be 1 (One) only.
- The Offer Price and/ or the Offer Size may be subject to upward revision, if any, pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 18 (4) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, at any time prior to commencement of the last 1 (One) Working Day prior to the Tendering Period i.e., Thursday, January 04, 2023, and the same would also be informed by way of a public announcement in the Newspapers. Where the Acquirer has acquired any Equity Shares during the Offer Period at a price higher than the Offer Price, the Offer Price shall stand revised to the highest price paid for such acquisition in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 8(8) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. However, the Acquirer shall not acquire any Equity Shares after the 3rd (Third) Working Day prior to the commencement of the Tendering Period, and until the expiry of the Tendering Period. In the event of such revision, the Acquirer shall: (i) make corresponding increase to the Escrow Amount; (ii) make a public announcement in the same newspapers in which the Detailed Public Statement was published; and (iii) simultaneously with the issue of such public announcement, inform SEBI, BSE, and the Target Company at its registered office of such revision. Such revised Offer Price shall be payable by the Acquirer for all the Offer Shares validly tendered during the Tendering Period of this Offer.
- The Acquirer may withdraw the Offer in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in 7.6.3 on page 25 of this Draft Letter of Offer. If the Offer is withdrawn, the Acquirer through the Manager, shall within 2 (Two) Working Days by an announcement in the Newspapers, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 23 (2) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations and such announcement shall be sent to SEBI, BSE, and the Target Company at its registered office.
- This Offer is not subject to a minimum level of acceptance and is not a conditional offer under Regulation 19 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- This is not a competitive offer in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 20 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, and there has been no competing offer as on date of this Draft Letter of Offer. If there is a competitive offer, then the Offer under all subsisting bids shall open and close on the same date.**
- Public Shareholders, who have accepted this Offer by tendering the requisite documents in terms of the Offer Documents, shall not be entitled to withdraw such acceptance during the Tendering Period.
- The procedure for acceptance is set out in Paragraph 8 titled as 'Procedure for Acceptance and Settlement of the Offer' at page 25 of this Draft Letter of Offer.
- The Offer Documents would also be available on SEBI's website accessible at www.sebi.gov.in, BSE's website accessible at www.bseindia.com, Manager's website accessible at www.swarajshares.com, and Registrar's website accessible at www.purvashare.com

For capitalized terms, refer to the Paragraph titled 'Definitions and Abbreviations' beginning on page 7 of this Draft Letter of Offer.

All future correspondences should be addressed to the Manager/ Registrar at the address mentioned below:

**MANAGER TO THE OFFER**

Swaraj Shares and Securities Private Limited

Principal Place of Business: Unit No 304, A Wing, 215 Atrium, Near Courtyard Marriot, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400093, Maharashtra, India

Contact Person: Pankita Patel/ Tanmoy Banerjee

Tel No.: +91-22-69649999

Email: compliance@swarajshares.com

Website: www.swarajshares.com

SEBI Registration No.: INM000012980

Validity: Permanent

Corporate Identification Number: U51101WB2000PTC092621

**REGISTRAR TO THE OFFER**

Purva Share Registry (India) Private Limited

Unit No. 9, Ground Floor, Shiv Shakti Industrial Estate, J. R. Boricha Marg, Lower Parel East, Mumbai – 400 011, Maharashtra, India

Telephone Number: 022-2301-2518/8261

E-mail Address: support@purvashare.com

Website: www.purvashare.com

Contact Person: Ms. Deepali Dhuri

SEBI Registration Number: INR000001112

Validity: Permanent

CIN: U67120MH1993PTC074079

OFFER OPENING DATE

Wednesday, November 22, 2023

OFFER CLOSING DATE

Wednesday, December 06, 2023

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF THE MAJOR ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THIS OFFER

Activity	Day and Date
Date of issue of the Public Announcement	Friday, November 10, 2023
Last date for publication of Detailed Public Statement in the newspapers	Monday, November 20, 2023
Last date for filing of the Draft Letter of Offer with SEBI	Tuesday, November 28, 2023
Last date for public announcement for a Competing Offer	Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Last date for receipt of SEBI observations on the Draft Letter of Offer (in the event SEBI has not sought clarifications or additional information from the Manager)	Tuesday, December 19, 2023
Identified Date*	Thursday, December 21, 2023
Last date by which the Letter of Offer after duly incorporating SEBI's comments to the Draft Letter of Offer, is required to be dispatched to the Public Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on the Identified Date	Friday, December 29, 2023
Last Date by which the committee of the independent directors of the Target Company shall give its recommendation on the Offer to the Public Shareholders	Wednesday, January 03, 2023
Last date for upward revision of the Offer price/ Offer size	Thursday, January 04, 2023
Last date of publication of the Offer opening public announcement, announcing the schedule of activities of this Offer, status of statutory and other approvals, if any, and procedure for tendering acceptances, in the newspapers in which this Detailed Public Statement has been published	Thursday, January 04, 2023
Date of commencement of Tendering Period ('Offer Opening Date')	Friday, January 05, 2023
Date of expiry of Tendering Period ('Offer Closing Date')	Thursday, January 18, 2023
Date by which all requirements including payment of consideration, rejection/acceptance and return of Equity Shares to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company whose Equity Shares have been rejected in this Offer	Friday, February 02, 2023

Note:

The above timelines are indicative (prepared based on the timelines provided under the SEBI (SAST) Regulations) and are subject to receipt of requisite approvals from various statutory/ regulatory authorities and may have to be revised accordingly. To clarify, the actions set out above may be completed prior to their corresponding dates subject to compliance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

#There has been no competing offer as of the date of this Draft Letter of Offer.

**Identified Date is only for the purpose of determining the names of the Public Shareholders to whom the Letter of Offer would be sent. All the public shareholders (registered or unregistered) of the Equity Shares (except the Acquirer and the parties to the Share Purchase Agreement) are eligible to participate in this Offer any time before the closure of this Offer.*

RISK FACTORS

The risk factors set forth below are limited to this Offer, the Underlying Transaction, and the Acquirer, and are not in relation to the present or future business operations of the Target Company or other related matters. These are neither exhaustive nor intended to constitute a complete analysis of all the risks involved in the participation by Public Shareholders in this Offer, or in association with the Acquirer, but are merely indicative in nature. Public Shareholders are advised to consult their stockbrokers, investment consultants and/or tax advisors, for understanding and analyzing all risks associated with respect to their participation in this Offer.

For capitalized terms used hereinafter, please refer to the 'Definitions' set out below.

A. Risks relating to Underlying Transaction

1. The consummation of the Underlying Transaction is subject to various conditions as specified under the Share Purchase Agreement, including:
 - (a) Receipt of all statutory approvals as set out in Paragraph 7.6 titled as '*Statutory Approvals and conditions of the Offer*' at page 24 of this Draft Letter of Offer and those which become applicable prior to the completion of this Offer;
 - (b) The satisfaction or waiver of the various conditions under the Share Purchase Agreement, including those conditions set out in Paragraph 3.1.10 at page 12 of this Draft Letter of Offer, and if these conditions are not satisfied or waived and subsequently terminated in accordance with the terms of the Share Purchase Agreement, then the Underlying Transaction may be terminated.
2. The Underlying Transaction is subject to completion risks as would be applicable to similar transactions.

B. Risks relating to this Offer

1. This Offer is a mandatory open offer to acquire up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of Voting Share Capital of the Target Company from the Public Shareholders. If the number of Equity Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders under this Offer is more than the Offer Size, then the Offer Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders will be accepted on a proportionate basis, subject to acquisition of a maximum of 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of Voting Share Capital of the Target Company. Accordingly, there is no assurance that all the Equity Shares tendered by the Public Shareholders in this Offer will be accepted. The unaccepted Equity Shares will be returned to the Public Shareholders in accordance with the schedule of activities for this Offer.
2. In the event that either:
 - (a) satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, are not obtained, granted, or satisfied, or are delayed, as applicable, or
 - (b) there is any litigation leading to stay/ injunction on this Offer, or
 - (c) there is any litigation that restricts/ restraints the Acquirer from performing their obligations hereunder, or
 - (d) SEBI instructs the Acquirer not to proceed with this Offer,

then the Offer process may be delayed beyond the Schedule of Activities indicated in this Draft Letter of Offer or may be withdrawn in terms of Regulation 23 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

In case any statutory approval or other governmental approval that may be required by the Acquirer, is not received in time, SEBI may, if satisfied, grant an extension of time to the Acquirer for making payment of the consideration to the Public Shareholders whose Offer Shares have been accepted in this Offer, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified by SEBI, including payment of interest, if any, in accordance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. In addition, where any statutory approval extends to some but not all the Public Shareholders, the Acquirer shall have the option to make payment to such Public Shareholders in respect of whom no statutory approvals are required to complete this Offer. Consequently, payment of consideration to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company whose Equity Shares have been accepted in this Offer as well as the return of the Equity Shares not accepted by the Acquirer may be delayed.

3. As on the date of this Draft Letter of Offer, to the best of knowledge and belief of the Acquirer, there are no statutory approvals required to acquire the Equity Shares that are validly tendered pursuant to this Offer or to complete this Offer, for further details kindly refer to Paragraph 7.6 titled as '*Statutory Approvals and conditions of the Offer*' at page 24 of this Draft Letter of Offer. However, if any other statutory approvals are required or become applicable later before closure of the Tendering Period, then this Offer would be subject to the receipt of such other statutory approvals that may become applicable later, and the Acquirer shall make the necessary applications for such statutory approvals and this Offer would also be subject to such other statutory or other governmental approval(s).
4. In case of delay in receipt of statutory approvals that may be required by the Acquirer at a later date, in accordance with the provisions of Regulations 18 (11) and 18 (11A) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, then SEBI may, if satisfied that the non-receipt of approvals was not attributable to any wilful default, negligence, or failure on the part of the Acquirer to diligently pursue such approvals, grant an extension for the purpose of completion of this Offer, subject to the Acquirer agreeing to pay interest to the Public Shareholders for the delay beyond the 10th (Tenth) Working Day from the date of closure of the Tendering Period, subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified by SEBI.
5. The acquisition of Equity Shares under this Offer from all Public Shareholders (resident and non-resident) is subject to all approvals required to be obtained by such Public Shareholders in relation to this Offer and the transfer of Equity Shares held by them to the Acquirer. Further, if the Public Shareholders who are not persons resident in India require or had required any approvals in respect of the transfer of Equity Shares held by them, they will be required to submit such previous approvals that they would have obtained for holding the Equity Shares, to tender their Equity Shares held by them pursuant to this Offer, along with the other documents required to be tendered to accept this Offer. In the event such prior approvals are not submitted, the Acquirer reserves its right to reject such Equity Shares tendered in this Offer. If the Equity Shares are held under general permission of the RBI, the non-resident Public Shareholder should state that the Equity Shares are held under general permission and clarify whether the Equity Shares are held on repatriable basis or non-repatriable basis.
6. Public Shareholders should note that the Equity Shares tendered by them and accepted in this Offer shall not be entitled to be withdrawn post-acceptance of such Equity Shares during the Tendering Period, even if the acceptance of such Equity Shares under this Offer and the payment of consideration gets delayed. The tendered Equity Shares and documents would be held by the Registrar, till such time as the process of acceptance of tenders and the payment of consideration is completed. The Public Shareholders will not be able to trade in such Equity Shares which have been tendered in this Offer. During such period, there may be fluctuations in the market price of the Equity Shares. Neither the Acquirer nor the Manager makes any assurance with respect to the market price of the Equity Shares, both during the Tendering Period and upon completion of this Offer and disclaim any responsibility with respect to any decision taken by the Public Shareholders with respect to whether to participate in this Offer. The Public Shareholders will be solely responsible for their decisions regarding their participation in this Offer.
7. This Draft Letter of Offer not been filed, registered, or approved in any jurisdiction outside India. Recipients of this Draft Letter of Offer, resident in jurisdictions outside India should inform themselves of and comply with all applicable legal requirements. This Offer is not directed towards any person or entity in any jurisdiction or country where the same would be contrary to the applicable laws or regulations or would subject the Acquirer or the Manager to any new or additional registration requirements. This is not an offer for sale, or a solicitation of an offer to buy in, any foreign jurisdictions covered under the Sub-Paragraph titled 'General Disclaimer' under Paragraph 2 titled as 'Disclaimer Clause' on page 10 of this Draft Letter of Offer and cannot be accepted by any means or instrumentality from within any such foreign jurisdictions.
8. The information contained in this Draft Letter of Offer is as of the date of this Draft Letter of Offer unless expressly stated otherwise. The Acquirer and the Manager are under no obligation to update the information contained herein at any time after the date of this Draft Letter of Offer.
9. Public Shareholders are advised to consult their respective stockbroker, legal, financial, investment or other advisors and consultants of their choice, if any, for assessing further risks with respect to their participation in this Offer, and related transfer of Equity Shares to the Acquirer. Public Shareholders are advised to consult their respective tax advisors for assessing the tax liability, pursuant to this Offer, or in respect of other aspects such as the treatment that may be given by their respective assessing officers in their case, and the appropriate course of action that they should take. The Acquirer and the Manager do not accept any responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise of the tax provisions set forth in this Draft Letter of Offer.

10. In relation to this Offer, the Acquirer and the Manager accept responsibility only for the statements made by them in the Offer Documents issued by or at the instance of the Acquirer, or the Manager in relation to this Offer (other than information pertaining to the:

- (a) Target Company which been obtained from publicly available sources or provided by the Target Company;
- (b) Promoters who have been obtained from the Promoters.

Anyone placing reliance on any sources of information (other than as mentioned in this paragraph) would be doing so at his/her/its own risk.

- (c) Neither the Acquirer, the Manager, or the Registrar, accept any responsibility for any loss of documents during transit (including but not limited to the Offer acceptance forms, etc.), and Public Shareholders are advised to adequately safeguard their interest in this regard.

C. Risks involved in associating with the Acquirer

- 1. The Acquirer intends to acquire up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, at an offer price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share, payable in cash, under the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. The Target Company does not have any partly paid-up Equity Shares as on the date of this Draft Letter of Offer. Post this Offer, the Acquirer will have significant equity ownership and effective management control over the Target Company, pursuant to the provisions of Regulations 3 (1) and 4 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 2. The Acquirer makes no assurance with respect to the market price of the Equity Shares during the Offer Period and upon the completion of this Offer and disclaims any responsibilities with respect to any decision by the Public Shareholders on whether to participate in this Offer.
- 3. The Acquirer makes no assurance with respect to the financial performance of the Target Company or the continuance of past trends in the financial performance of the Target Company nor do they make any assurance with respect to the market price of the Equity Shares before, during or after this Offer.
- 4. The Acquirer and the Manager, accept no responsibility for the statements made otherwise than in the Offer Documents or in the advertisement or any materials issued by or at the instance of the Acquirer and the Manager, and any person placing reliance on any other source of information would be doing so at its own risk.

CURRENCY OF PRESENTATION

In this Draft Letter of Offer,

- 1. All references to '₹', 'Rs.', 'Rupees', 'Re', 'Rupee' are references to the official currency of India.
- 2. Any discrepancy in any table between the total and sums of the amounts listed are due to rounding off and/ or regrouping.

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1. DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviations	Particulars
Acquirer	Ms. Ira Ramesh Mishra Daughter of Ramesh Chandra Mishra, aged 25 years, Indian Resident, bearing Permanent Account Number 'DDGPM0606E' under the Income Tax Act, 1961, resident at 1204, T-6, Emerald Isle, Powai, Saki Vihar Road, L&T Gate No.6, Mumbai - 400072, Maharashtra, India.
Acquisition Window	The facility for acquisition of Equity Shares through stock exchange mechanism pursuant to this Offer shall be available on the BSE, in the form of a separate window.
Acquisition Window Circulars	Stock exchange mechanism as provided under SEBI (SAST) Regulations and the SEBI circulars bearing reference number 'CIR/CFD/POLICY/CELL/1/2015 dated April 13, 2015', 'CFD/DCR2/CIR/P/2016/131 dated December 09, 2016' and 'SEBI/HO/CFD/DCR-III/CIR/P/2021/615 dated August 13, 2021' and on such terms and conditions as may be permitted by law from time to time.
Board	Board of Directors of the Target Company.
Book Value per Equity Share	Net-Worth / Number of Equity Share.
BSE	The stock exchange where the Equity Shares of the Target Company are listed, i.e., BSE Ltd or BSE.
Buying Broker	Nikunj Stock Brokers Limited.
CDSL	Central Depository Services (India) Limited.
CKYC	Central know your client.
CIN	Corporate Identification Number.
Clearing Corporation	Indian Clearing Corporation Limited.
Companies Act, 2013	The Companies Act, 2013, along with the relevant rules made thereunder.
Depositories	CDSL and NSDL.
DIN	Director Identification Number.
DLoF/ Draft Letter of Offer	This draft letter of offer dated Tuesday, November 28, 2023, filed and submitted with SEBI pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 16 (1) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, for its observations.
DP	Depository Participant.
DPS/ Detailed Public Statement	Detailed Public Statement dated Saturday, November 18, 2023, in connection with this Offer, published on behalf of the Acquirer on Monday, November 20, 2023, in Financial Express (English daily) (All India Edition), Jansatta (Hindi daily) (All India Edition), Mumbai Lakshadeep (Marathi Daily) (Mumbai Edition)
ECS	Electronic Clearing Service.
EPS	Earnings Per Equity Share calculated as Profit after tax / number of outstanding Equity Shares at the close of the year/ period.
Escrow Agreement	Escrow Agreement, dated Friday, November 10, 2023, entered amongst and between the Acquirer, the Escrow Banker, and the Manager to the Offer.
Escrow Account	The escrow account with account number '923020062442390' and in the name and style of 'GD Trading Open Offer Escrow Account' opened by the Acquirer with the Escrow Bank, in accordance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
Escrow Amount	The amount aggregating to ₹3,10,000.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Ten Thousand Only) maintained by the Acquirer with the Escrow Banker, in accordance with the Escrow Agreement.
Escrow Banker	Axis Bank Limited.
Equity Shares	The fully paid-up equity shares of the Target Company of face value of ₹10.00/- (Rupees Ten Only) each.
Equity Share Capital	The paid-up share capital is Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only comprising of 1,00,000 (One lakh) Equity Shares of ₹10.00/- (Rupees Ten Only) and 50,000 (Fifty Thousand) Preference Shares of ₹100.00/- (Rupees Hundred Only) each fully paid-up.
Finance Act	The Finance Act, 2021.
FATCA	Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act.
FEMA	The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations framed thereunder, as amended or modified from time to time.

Abbreviations	Particulars
FIIIs	Erstwhile Foreign Institutional Investor(s), as defined under Section 2(1)(f) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors) Regulations, 1995, as amended and modified from time to time.
FIPB	Erstwhile Foreign Investment Promotion Board or the Foreign Investment Facilitation Portal, and which shall include the erstwhile Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, and which shall include the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.
FPIs	Foreign Portfolio Investor(s), as defined under Regulation 2(1)(j) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2019, as amended and modified from time to time.
Form of Acceptance	Form of Acceptance-cum-Acknowledgement.
Identified Date	The date for the purpose of determining the names of the shareholders as on such date to whom the Letter of Offer would be sent, being Thursday, December 21, 2023
IT Act	Income Tax Act, 1961, as amended and modified from time to time.
ISIN	International Securities Identification Number.
IFSC	Indian Financial System Code.
IPV	In person verification.
Letter of Offer	Letter of Offer along with along with Form of Acceptance-Cum-Acknowledgement (for holding Equity Shares in physical form), and Form SH-4 Securities Transfer Form, which shall be dispatched to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company.
LTCG	Long Term Capital Gains.
Manager	Swaraj Shares and Securities Private Limited
Maximum Consideration	The total funding requirement for this Offer, assuming full acceptance of this Offer being ₹ Rs.3,06,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only).
Negotiated Price	‘Negotiated Price’ means a price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Sale Share, aggregating to a purchase consideration of ₹3,06,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only) for the sale of 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, by Selling Promoter Shareholders to the Acquirer, pursuant to the execution of the Share Purchase Agreement.
Newspapers	Financial Express (English daily) (All India Edition), Jansatta (Hindi daily) (All India Edition), Mumbai Lakshadeep (Marathi Daily) (Mumbai Edition), wherein the Detailed Public Statement dated Saturday, November 18, 2023, and which shall be published on Monday, November 20, 2023, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 14 (3) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
NRE	Non-Resident External.
NRIs	Non - Resident Indians.
NRO	Non-Resident (Ordinary).
NSDL	National Securities Depository Limited.
OCBs	Overseas Corporate Bodies.
Offer	Open offer being made by the Acquirer for acquisition of up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, at an offer price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share, to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company, payable in cash, assuming full acceptance aggregating to a maximum consideration of aggregating to an amount of ₹3,06,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only).
Offer Documents	Public Announcement, Detailed Public Statement, Draft Letter of Offer, Letter of Offer, Recommendation of the Committee of the Independent Directors of the Company, Pre-Offer Cum Corrigendum to Detailed Public Statement, and Post Offer Public Announcement, and any other notices, advertisements, and corrigendum issued by or on behalf of the Manager.
Offer Period	The period from the date of entering into an agreement, to acquire the Equity Shares, and Voting Share Capital in, or control over, the Target Company requiring a Public Announcement or the date on which the Public Announcement was issued

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	by the Acquirer, i.e., Friday, November 10, 2023, and the date on which the payment of consideration to the Public Shareholders whose Equity Shares are validly accepted in this Offer, is made, or the date on which this Offer is withdrawn, as the case may be.
Offer Price	An offer price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share.
Offer Shares	25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred).
Offer Size	25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares representing 25.50% of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, aggregating to an amount of ₹3,06,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only) payable in cash.
PA/ Public Announcement	Public Announcement dated Friday, November 10, 2023.
PAN	Permanent Account Number.
GDTRAGN / Target Company	G.D. Trading and Agencies Limited bearing corporate identity number 'L51900MH1980PLC022672', with its registered office located at Indian Mercantile Chambers, 3rd Floor, 14 R, Kamani Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai-400001, Maharashtra, India..
PAT	Profit After Tax.
Selling Promoter Shareholders	The existing promoters of the Target Company, in accordance with the provisions of Regulations 2 (1) (s), and 2 (1) (t) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, read with Regulations 2 (1) (oo) and 2 (1) (pp) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, in this case, namely being Rekha Ravindrakumar Ruia, Shekhar Somani, Nitya Somani and Ceres Company Pvt Ltd..
Public Shareholders	All the equity shareholders of the Target Company other than (i) the parties to the Share Purchase Agreement, and (ii) persons deemed to be acting in concert with parties at (i), undertaking sale of Equity Shares of the Target Company in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 7(6) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
RBI	Reserve Bank of India.
Registrar	Purva Shareregistry (India) Private Limited
Return on Net Worth	Profit After Tax/ Net-Worth.
RTGS	Real Time Gross Settlement.
Sale Shares	25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company.
SCRR	Securities Contract (Regulation) Rules, 1957, as amended.
SEBI	Securities and Exchange Board of India.
SEBI Act	Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 and subsequent amendments thereto.
SEBI (LODR) Regulations	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and subsequent amendment thereto.
SEBI (SAST) Regulations	Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011 and subsequent amendments thereof.
Selling Brokers	Respective stockbrokers of all the Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Equity Shares under this Offer.
SPA/ Share Purchase Agreement	The share purchase agreement dated Friday, November 10, 2023 executed between the Acquirer and the Selling Promoter Shareholders, pursuant to which the Acquirer has agreed to acquire 74,500 (Seventy Four Thousand and Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 74.50% (Seventy- Four Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company from the Selling Promoter Shareholders at a price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Sale Share, aggregating to an amount of ₹8,94,000.00/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Only).
STCG	Short term capital gains.
Stock Exchange	BSE Ltd or BSE.
STT	Securities Transaction Tax.
Voting Share Capital	The fully diluted Equity Share Capital and voting share capital of the Target Company as of the 10 th (Tenth) working day from the closure of the Tendering Period.

Abbreviations	Particulars
Tendering Period	The period commencing from Friday, January 05, 2023, and ending on Thursday, January 18, 2023 both days inclusive.
TRS	Transaction Registration Slip.
Underlying Transaction	The transaction for sale and purchase of the Sale Shares as contemplated under the Share Purchase Agreement.
Working Day	Working days of SEBI as defined in the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

Note:

All terms beginning with a capital letter used in this Draft Letter of Offer, but not otherwise defined herein, shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the SEBI (SAST) Regulations unless specified.

In this Draft Letter of Offer, any reference to the singular will include the plural and vice-versa.

2. DISCLAIMER CLAUSE

‘IT IS TO BE DISTINCTLY UNDERSTOOD THAT FILING OF THIS DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER WITH SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA SHOULD NOT, IN ANY WAY, BE DEEMED OR CONSTRUED THAT, THE SAME HAS BEEN CLEARED, VETTED, OR APPROVED BY SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA. THIS DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA FOR A LIMITED PURPOSE FOR OVERSEEING WHETHER THE DISCLOSURES CONTAINED THEREIN ARE GENERALLY ADEQUATE AND ARE IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND TAKEOVERS) REGULATIONS, 2011, INCLUDING SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS THERETO. THIS REQUIREMENT IS TO FACILITATE PUBLIC SHAREHOLDERS OF G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED TO TAKE AN INFORMED DECISION WITH REGARD TO THIS OFFER. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA DOES NOT TAKE ANY RESPONSIBILITY EITHER FOR THE FINANCIAL SOUNDNESS OF THE ACQUIRER OR FOR THE TARGET COMPANY WHOSE EQUITY SHARES AND CONTROL IS PROPOSED TO BE ACQUIRED OR FOR THE CORRECTNESS OF THE STATEMENTS MADE OR THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THIS DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER. IT SHOULD ALSO BE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT WHILE THE ACQUIRER IS PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CORRECTNESS, ADEQUACY, AND DISCLOSURE OF ALL THE RELEVANT INFORMATION IN THIS DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER, THE MANAGER IS EXPECTED TO EXERCISE DUE-DILIGENCE TO ENSURE THAT THE ACQUIRER DULY DISCHARGE HIS RESPONSIBILITY ADEQUATELY. IN THIS BEHALF, AND TOWARDS THIS PURPOSE, THE MANAGER HAS SUBMITTED A DUE DILIGENCE CERTIFICATE DATED TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023, TO SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (SUBSTANTIAL ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND TAKEOVERS) REGULATIONS, 2011, INCLUDING SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS THERETO. THE FILING OF THIS DRAFT LETTER OF OFFER DOES NOT, HOWEVER, ABSOLVE THE ACQUIRER FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF OBTAINING SUCH STATUTORY CLEARANCES AS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS OFFER.’

General Disclaimer

This Offer Documents in connection with the Offer, have been prepared for the purposes of compliance with the provisions of applicable laws and regulations in India, including the SEBI Act and the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. Accordingly, the information disclosed may not be the same as that which would have been disclosed if this document had been prepared in accordance with the laws and regulations of any jurisdiction outside of India. The delivery of Offer Documents, does not under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Target Company and the Acquirer since the date hereof or that the information contained herein is correct as at any time subsequent to this date. Nor is it to be implied that the Acquirer is under any obligation to update the information contained herein at any time after this date.

No action has been or will be taken to permit this Offer in any jurisdiction where action would be required for that purpose. The Letter of Offer shall be sent to all Public Shareholders whose names appear in the register of members of the Target Company, at their stated address, as of the Identified Date. However, receipt of the Letter of Offer by any Public Shareholder in a jurisdiction in which it would be illegal to make this Offer, or where making this Offer would require any

action to be taken (including, but not restricted to, registration of this Draft Letter of Offer and/or the Letter of Offer under any local securities laws), shall not be treated by such Public Shareholder as an offer being made to them, and shall be construed by them as being sent for information purposes only. Accordingly, no such Public Shareholder may tender his/her/ its Equity Shares in this Offer in such jurisdiction.

Persons in possession of the Offer Documents are required to inform themselves of any relevant restrictions. Any Public Shareholder who tenders his, her, or its Equity Shares in this Offer shall be deemed to have declared, represented, warranted, and agreed that he, she, or it is authorized under the provisions of any applicable local laws, rules, regulations, and statutes to participate in this Offer.

3. DETAILS OF THIS OFFER

3.1. Background of the Offer

3.1.1. This is a mandatory Offer, being made by the Acquirer, in pursuance of and in compliance with the provisions of Regulations 3 (1) and 4 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company, pursuant to the execution of the Share Purchase Agreement.

3.1.2. The Acquirer has entered into an Share Purchase Agreement with the Promoter Sellers with an intention to acquire 74,500 (Seventy-Four Thousand and Five Hundred) Equity Shares, constituting 74.50% (Seventy-Four Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company at a negotiated price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Sale Share, aggregating to an amount of ₹8,94,000.00/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Only), payable in compliance with the terms and conditions scheduled in the Share Purchase Agreement.

3.1.3. The prime object of this Offer is to acquire substantial Equity Shares and Voting Rights capital accompanied by control over the Target Company. The Acquirer intends to expand the Target Company's business activities by carrying on additional business for commercial reasons and operational efficiencies. The Acquirer reserves the right to modify the present structure of the business in a manner which is useful to the larger interest of the shareholders. Any change in the structure that may be carried out, will be in accordance with applicable laws.

3.1.4. There is/ are no person acting in concert/s with the Acquirer within the meaning of Regulation 2(1)(q) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

3.1.5. The Acquirer is making this Offer to acquire up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five-point Five Percent) of Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, at an offer price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share, aggregating to a total consideration of ₹3,06,000.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Six Thousand Only), payable in cash, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 9 (1) (a) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Offer Documents.

3.1.6. The details of Promoter Sellers, who have entered into the Share Purchase Agreement with the Acquirer is stated hereunder:

Sr. No.	Name, and Address of the Selling Shareholders	Nature of Entity Address	Group	Part of Promoter/ Promoter Group of Target company	Details of Shares/Voting Rights held by the Selling Shareholders			
					Pre-Transaction		Post Transaction	
					No of Equity Shares	% of equity shareholding	No of Equity Shares	% of equity shareholding
1.	Mr. Shekhar Somani Resident at 5th Floor, Kapur Mahal, Netaji Subhash Road, Marine Drive, Mumbai – 400020, Maharashtra, India	Individual	None	Yes	7,010	7.01	Nil	Nil
2.	Ms. Rekha Ravindrakumar Ruia Resident at 211, Samudra Mahal, Dr Annie Beasant Road,	Individual	None	Yes	6,000	6.00	Nil	Nil

	Worli, Mumbai-400018, Maharashtra, India							
3.	Ms. Nitya Somani Resident at 5th Floor, Kapur Mahal, Netaji Subhash Road, Marine Drive, Mumbai – 400020, Maharashtra, India #	Individual	None	Yes	37,070	37.07	Nil	Nil
4.	M/s Ceres Company Private Limited Registered Office located at Indian Mercantile Chambers 3 rd Floor 19 R, Kamani Marg, Mumbai - 400001, Maharashtra, India	Private Limited Company	None	Yes	24,420	24.42	Nil	Nil
Total					74,500	74.50%	Nil	Nil

Earlier Mr. Shekhar Somani was holding shares on behalf of Ms. Nitya Somani (Minor) as a legal heir.

- 3.1.7. Except for the proposed acquisition of 74,500 (Seventy-Four Thousand and Five Hundred) Equity Shares, constituting 74.50% (Seventy-Four Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, by the Acquirer pursuant to execution of the Share Purchase Agreement, the Acquirer is not holding any Equity Shares of the Target Company.
- 3.1.8. This Offer is not as a result of global acquisition resulting in indirect acquisition of the Target Company.
- 3.1.9. The salient features of the Share Purchase Agreement are as follows:
- The Promoter Sellers are holding 74,500 (Seventy-Four Thousand and Five Hundred) Equity Shares, constituting 74.50% (Seventy-Four Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company.
 - The Promoter Sellers have agreed to sell and the Acquirer has agreed to acquire 74,500 (Seventy-Four Thousand and Five Hundred) Equity Shares, constituting 74.50% (Seventy-Four Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company, at a negotiated price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Sale Share, aggregating to an amount of ₹8,94,000.00/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Only), payable in accordance with terms and conditions stipulated of the Share Purchase Agreement (**‘Purchase Price’**).
 - The Sale Shares are not subject to lock-in period.
 - The aggregate entire purchase consideration for the Sale Shares aggregating to an amount of ₹8,94,000.00/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Only) shall be payable by the Acquirer to the Promoter Sellers, in the following manner:
 - Rs. 8,94,000.00/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Ninety-Four Thousand Only) shall be paid within 21 working days of the DPS.
 - After completion of this Offer and consummation of the Share Purchase Agreement, the Promoter Sellers shall not hold any Equity Shares and Voting Share Capital in the Target Company, and hence shall no longer be the shareholder of the Target Company in any capacity.
 - The Promoter Sellers shall sell, convey, and deliver to the Acquirer the Sale Shares, and the Acquirer shall purchase, acquire, and accept the said Sale Shares from the Promoter Sellers.
 - The Acquirer has no intention to delist the Target Company pursuant to this Offer.

- h. The Acquirer and the Promoter Sellers have agreed to abide by their obligations as contained in the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- i. Non-compliance with any provisions of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations will lead to termination of the Share Purchase Agreement, effecting such sale from being acted upon by the Promoter Sellers or the Acquirer.
- 3.1.10. The Promoters have irrevocably agreed to relinquish the management control of the Target Company in favor of the Acquirer, subject to the receipt of all the necessary approvals and the Acquirer completing all the Offer formalities. The Promoters shall declassify themselves from the 'promoter and promoter group' category of the Target Company subject to receipt of necessary approvals required in terms of Regulation 31A(10) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations and the satisfaction of conditions prescribed therein.
- 3.1.11. The total consideration of the Share Purchase Agreement shall be paid in cash by the Acquirer. The Offer Price shall be payable in cash in accordance with Regulation 9(1)(a) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, and subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Offer Documents that will be dispatched to the Public Shareholders in accordance with the provisions of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 3.1.12. As per the provisions of Regulations 26 (6) and 26 (7) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Board of Directors of the Target Company is required to constitute a committee of independent directors who would provide written reasoned recommendation on this Offer to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company and such recommendations shall be published at least 2 (Two) Working Days before the commencement of the Tendering Period in the same newspaper where the Detailed Public Statement was published.

3.2. Details of the proposed Offer

- 3.2.1. This Offer is being made by the Acquirer in compliance with the provisions of Regulations 3 (1) and 4 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, to the Public Shareholders of the Target Company, pursuant to the execution of the Share Purchase Agreement.
- 3.2.2. The Public Announcement announcing the Offer under the provisions of Regulations 3 (1), and 4 read with Regulations 13 (1) and 15 (1) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations was issued on Friday, November 10, 2023, by the Manager, for and on behalf of the Acquirer. A copy of the said Public Announcement was filed with SEBI, the BSE, and sent to the Target Company at its registered office and to SEBI on Friday, November 10, 2023.
- 3.2.3. The Detailed Public Statement dated Saturday, November 18, 2023, was subsequently published in the following newspapers on Monday, November 20, 2023, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 14 (3) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations:

Publication	Language	Edition
Financial Express	English daily	All Editions
Jansatta	Hindi daily	All Editions
Mumbai Lakshadeep	Marathi daily	Mumbai Edition

- 3.2.4. The Detailed Public Statement along with other Offer Documents is/ shall also available on the website of SEBI accessible at www.sebi.gov.in, website of BSE accessible at www.bseindia.com, and the website of Manager accessible at www.swarajshares.com.
- 3.2.5. The Acquirer has proposed to acquire from the Public Shareholders up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five-point Five Percent) Equity Shares, of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company at a price of ₹12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share, aggregating to an amount of ₹3,06,000.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Six Thousand Only) payable in cash, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 9 (1) (a) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, and subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Offer Documents.
- 3.2.6. The Acquirer will accept all the Equity Shares of the Target Company, that are tendered in valid form in terms of this Offer up to a maximum of 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five-point Five Percent) of the Voting Share Capital.

The Acquirer has not acquired any equity Shares during period of 52 (Fifty-Two) weeks prior to the date of the Public Announcement.

- 3.2.7. The Acquirer has deposited an amount of ₹ 3,10,000 /- (Rupees Three Lakhs Ten Thousand Only) i.e., more than 25.00% (Twenty-Five Percent) of the total consideration payable in the Offer, assuming full acceptance in the Escrow Account pursuant to this Offer, in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 22 (2) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 3.2.8. No competing offer has been received as on date of this Draft Letter of Offer.
- 3.2.9. There is no differential pricing in this Offer.
- 3.2.10. This Offer is not conditional upon any minimum level of acceptance in terms of the Regulation 19 (1) of SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 3.2.11. This Offer is not a competing offer in terms of the Regulation 20 of SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 3.2.12. This Offer is not pursuant to any global acquisition resulting in an indirect acquisition of Equity Shares.
- 3.2.13. The Equity Shares will be acquired by the Acquirer free from all liens, charges, and encumbrances together with all rights attached thereto, including the right to all dividends, bonus, and rights offer declared hereafter.
- 3.2.14. Pursuant to Regulation 12 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Acquirer has appointed Swaraj Shares and Securities Private Limited as the Manager.
- 3.2.15. As on the date of this Draft Letter of Offer, the Manager does not hold any Equity Shares in the Target Company and is not related to the Acquirer and the Target Company in any manner whatsoever. The Manager declares and undertakes that, they shall not deal on its own account in the Equity Shares during the Offer Period. Further, the Manager confirms that, as on date of this Draft Letter of Offer, there are no directions subsisting or proceedings pending against them under the SEBI Act and the regulations made thereunder, and no other statutory approval is pending.
- 3.2.16. As per Regulation 38 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, read with Rule 19A of the SCRR, the Target Company is required to maintain at least 25.00% (Twenty-Five Percent) of the public shareholding, on continuous basis for listing. Pursuant to completion of this Offer, assuming full acceptance, the public shareholding in the Target Company reduces below the minimum level required as per the listing agreement entered into by the Target Company with BSE read with Rule 19A of the SCRR, the Acquirer hereby undertakes that the Target Company shall satisfy the minimum public shareholding set out in Rule 19A of the SCRR in compliance with applicable laws, within the prescribed time.
- 3.2.17. Upon completion of this Offer, assuming full acceptances, the Acquirer will hold 1,00,000 (One Lakhs) Equity Shares, representing 100.00% (One Hundred) of the Voting Share capital of the Target Company.
- 3.2.18. If the Acquirer acquires Equity Shares of the Target Company during the period of 26 (Twenty-Six) weeks after the Tendering Period at a price higher than the Offer Price, then the Acquirer shall pay the difference between the highest acquisition price and the Offer Price, to all Public Shareholders whose Offer Shares have been accepted in the Offer within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of such acquisition. However, no such difference shall be paid in the event that such acquisition is made under another open offer under the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, or pursuant to Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021, including subsequent amendments thereto, or open market purchases made in the ordinary course on the stock exchange, not being negotiated acquisition of Equity Shares of the Target Company in any form.
- 3.2.19. The payment of consideration shall be made to all the Public Shareholders, who have tendered their Equity Shares in acceptance of the Offer within 10 (Ten) Working Days of the expiry of the Tendering Period. Credit for consideration will be paid to the Public Shareholders who have validly tendered Equity Shares in the Offer by crossed account payee cheques/pay order/demand drafts/electronic transfer. It is desirable that Public Shareholders provide bank details in the Form of Acceptance cum Acknowledgement, so that the same can be incorporated in the cheques/demand draft/pay order.
- 3.3. **Object of the Offer**
- 3.3.1. The prime object of this Offer is to acquire substantial acquisition of Equity Shares and voting rights accompanied with the change in control and management of the Target Company.

- 3.3.2. The Acquirer has proposed to continue the business as specified under the object clause of Memorandum of Association of the Target Company and may diversify its business activities in the future with the prior approval of the shareholders. The main purpose of this takeover is to expand the Company's business activities in same or diversified line of business through exercising effective control over the Target Company. However, no firm decision in this regard has been taken or proposed so far.
- 3.3.3. The Acquirer states that, it does not have any plan to dispose-off or otherwise encumber any significant assets of the Target Company in the succeeding 2 (Two) years from the date of closure of this Offer, except: (a) in the ordinary course of business of the Target Company, and (b) on account of the regulatory approvals or conditions or compliance with any law that is binding on or applicable to the Target company. In the event any substantial asset of the Target Company is to be sold, disposed-off, or otherwise encumbered other than in the ordinary course of business, the Acquirer undertakes that, it shall do so only upon the receipt of the prior approval of the shareholders of the Target Company through a special resolution in terms of Regulation 25 (2) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, and subject to the such other provisions of applicable law as may be required.
- 3.3.4. The Acquirer has reserved the right to streamline or restructure, pledge, or encumber its holding in the Target Company and/ or the operations, assets, liabilities and/ or the businesses of the Target Company through arrangements, reconstructions, restructurings, mergers, demergers, sale of assets, or undertakings and/ or re-negotiation or termination of the existing contractual or operating arrangements, later in accordance with the relevant applicable laws. Such decisions will be taken in accordance with the procedures set out under the relevant applicable laws, pursuant to business requirements, and in line with opportunities or changes in economic circumstances, from time to time.
- 3.3.5. Pursuant to this Offer and the transactions contemplated in the Share Purchase Agreement, the Acquirer shall become the Promoter of the Target Company and, the Seller Promoters will cease to be the promoters of the Target Company in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 31A (10) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations.

4. BACKGROUND OF THE ACQUIRER - MS. IRA RAMESH MISHRA

- 4.1. Ms. Ira Ramesh Mishra daughter of Ramesh Chandra Mishra aged 25 years, Indian Resident, bearing Permanent Account Number 'DDGPM0606E' under the Income Tax Act, 1961, resident at 1204, T-6, Emerald Isle, Powai, Saki Vihar Road, L&T Gate No.6, Mumbai - 400072, Maharashtra, India with contact number '+91-9822200989'.
- 4.2. Acquirer has completed her bachelor's in computer science from NIIT University and completed Bachelor of Legislative Law from Utkal University. She has a specialization in Data Science and Business Analytics. She is also a member of Bar Council. She worked on Cyber Security Project relating to Telecom Industry. As on date, is acting in the capacity of a Managing Director at Aris International Limited and is holding directorship at Rover Finance Limited, additionally, she is a designated partner at Careerup LLP.
- 4.3. The Net Worth of Acquirer as on Friday, November 10, 2023, is Rs.44,63,400/- Lakhs (Rupees Forty-Four Lakhs Sixty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Only) as certified bearing unique document identification number '23175050BGZFNN7249' on Friday, November 10, 2023, by Chartered Accountant, Jay Ashok Shah bearing membership number '175050', partner at M/s Jay A Shah & Associates (Chartered Accountants) bearing firm registration number '0144800W' having their office located at B-101-102, Shree Sai Towers CHS Ltd, Sodawala Lane, 1st Floor, Borivali West, Mumbai - 400092, India, and with contact details being '+91-9699468404', Email Address being 'jashahassociates@gmail.com'.
- 4.4. As on date of this Detailed Public Statement, the Acquirer, has individually confirmed, warranted, and undertaken that:
- Acquirer does not hold any shares or voting rights of the Target Company. Except for the underlying transaction, as on the date of this DPS, the Acquirer does not have any relationship or interest in the Target Company.
 - After completion of open offer, the Acquirer shall be classified and will become the Promoter of the Target Company, subject to the compliance of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations. Pursuant to the consummation of the Underlying Transaction and subject to compliance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Acquirer will acquire sole control over the Target Company and shall become a promoter of the Target Company including in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (LODR) Regulations. Upon completion of the Offer, the existing Selling Promoter Shareholders shall cease to be promoters of the Target Company and the Acquirer shall be the new promoter of the Target Company, subject to compliance with conditions specified in Regulation 31A of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations.

- iii. The Acquirer does not belong to any group.
- iv. The Acquirer is not forming part of the present promoter and promoter group of the Target Company.
- v. There are no directors representing the Acquirer on the board of the Target Company.
- vi. The Acquirer has not been prohibited by SEBI from dealing in securities, in terms of the provisions of Section 11B of the ('SEBI Act') or under any other Regulation made under the SEBI Act.
- vii. The Acquirer has not been categorized nor are appearing in the 'Wilful Defaulter or a fraudulent borrower' list issued by any bank, financial institution, or consortium thereof in accordance with the guidelines on wilful defaulters or fraudulent borrowers issued by Reserve Bank of India.
- viii. The Acquirer is not declared as 'Fugitive Economic Offenders' under Section 12 of the Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018.
- ix. There is/are no persons acting in concert in relation to this Offer within the meaning of Regulation 2(1)(q)(1) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- x. The Acquirer will not sell the Equity Shares of the Target Company, held, and acquired, if any, during the Offer period in terms of Regulation 25(4) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

5. BACKGROUND OF THE TARGET COMPANY – G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED

(The disclosure mentioned under this section has been sourced from information published by the Target Company or provided by the Target Company or publicly available sources)

- 5.1. The Target Company was incorporated on May 28, 1980, under the provisions of Companies Act, 1956, bearing Corporate Identification Number 'L51900MH1980PLC022672' and there has been no change in the name of the Target Company since incorporation. The registered office of the Target Company is situated at Indian Mercantile Chambers, 3rd Floor, 14 R, Kamani Marg, Ballard Estate, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400001 and the contact details of the Target Company, namely being, Email Address is 'gdta2000@gmail.com', contact number is '+022-66314181,66314182 and website is 'www.gdta.com'.
- 5.2. The Equity Shares of the Target Company bearing International Securities Identification Number 'INE713N01013'. The Target Company are presently listed on the BSE. The Target Company has already established connectivity with National Securities Depository Limited ('NSDL').
- 5.3. The Scrip Code and Scrip ID are as follows:

Particulars	BSE Limited
Scrip Code	504346
Scrip ID	GDTRAGN

- 5.4. The Equity Share Capital of the Target Company is as follows:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Number of Shares	Face Value	Aggregate Amount
1.	Authorized Share capital			
a.	Equity Share Capital	2,50,000 (Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand)	Rs.10.00/- (Rupees Ten Only)	Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Lakhs Only)
b.	Preference Share Capital	50,000 (Fifty Thousand)	Rs.100.00/- (Rupees Hundred Only)	Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only)
	Total	3,00,000 (Three Lakhs)		Rs.75,00,000/-

Sr. No.	Particulars	Number of Shares	Face Value	Aggregate Amount
				(Rupees Seventy-Five Lakhs Only)
2.	Issued, subscribed and paid-up Share capital			
a.	Equity Share Capital	1,00,000 (One Lakh)	Rs.10.00/- (Rupees Ten Only)	Rs.10,00,000.00/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Only)
b.	Preference Share capital	50,000 (Fifty Thousand)	Rs.100.00/- (Rupees Hundred Only)	Rs.50,00,000.00/- (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only)
	Total	1,50,000 (One Lakh Fifty Thousand)		Rs.60,00,000.00/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only)

5.5. As on date of this Draft Letter of Offer, the Target Company doesn't have:

5.5.1 Equity Shares which are forfeited or kept in abeyance;

5.5.2 Outstanding Equity Shares that have been issued but not listed on the BSE Limited;

5.6. As per the shareholding pattern filed by the Target Company with the Stock Exchange for the quarter ended September 30, 2023, the Target Company has disclosed that it has not issued any partly paid-up shares, convertible securities or warrants, and there are no shares against which depository receipts have been issued.

5.7. The Equity Shares of the Target Company are not frequently traded on BSE within the meaning of explanation under the provisions of Regulation 2 (1) (j) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

5.8. The Target Company is not registered with any regulatory or governmental authority in any capacity and hence is not required to obtain any No Objection Certificate from any regulatory or governmental authority for effecting change in control of the Target Company.

5.9. The Target Company, its Promoters, including existing Promoter Sellers, and its directors and key managerial personnel are not declared as 'Fugitive Economic Offenders' under Section 12 of the Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018 nor have he has been categorized nor are appearing in the 'Wilful Defaulter or Fraudulent Borrower' list issued by any bank, financial institution, or consortium thereof in accordance with the guidelines on wilful defaulters or fraudulent borrowers issued by SEBI.

5.10. The Target Company has not been a party to any scheme of amalgamation, restructuring, merger / de-merger, buy-back and spin off during the last 3 (Three) years.

5.11. Except as stated below, there have been no other instances of Non-Compliance/delayed Compliance where the stock exchange /SEBI has levied fines against the Target Company under SEBI (LODR) Regulations and any other rules, act, regulation etc.

Particulars	Decision
Non-compliance of SEBI (LODR) Regulations.	SEBI vide order no SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2018/77 dated May 03, 2018 imposed penalty for the amount of Rs. 43,000/- in relation to Regulation 6(1) of SEBI (LODR) Regulations.
Action against the Defaulting Companies for non-payment of Annual Listing Fees	BSE vide notice no 20161214-16 dated December 14, 2016 has issued show cause notice. The name of the Target Company has been appeared in the list of defaulting companies due to non-payment of Annual Listing Fees.
	BSE vide notice no 20170428-27 dated April 28, 2017 has issued show cause notice. The name of the Target Company has been appeared in the list of defaulting companies due to non-payment of Annual Listing Fees.

PMLA and PML RULES	Earlier, the Target Company did not comply with PMLA and PML rules i.e Non Registration of Principal Officer and has been categorised as high risk financial institutions. in the list dated October 31, 2018.
Cancellation of NBFC Registration	RBI vide order dated August 6, 2018 has cancelled the Certificate of Registration as NBFC

The Target Company was suspended due to non-compliances of Listing Agreement, BSE vide Notice No 20131030-2 dated October 30, 2013 has issued notice of revocation of suspension for trading of shares.

Source: <https://www.watchoutinvestors.com>, <https://www.bseindia.com>.

The present Board of Directors of the Target Company are as follows:

Sr. No.	Name	Date of Appointment	Director Identification Number	Designation
1.	Bharat Somani	04/04/2019	00286793	Non-Executive Non-Independent Director
2.	Sanjay Somani	26/09/2010	00629858	Non-Executive - Independent Director
3.	Sejal Dattaram Yerapale	03/09/2022	08544413	Non Executive - Independent Director

5.14 There are no directors representing the Acquirer appointed as directors on the Board of the Target Company.

5.15 Financial Information

The financial details of the Target Company as per audited financial statement for the period ended September 30, 2023 and last 3 (Three) financial year ended March 31, 2023, March 31, 2022, and March 31, 2021, are as follows:

Profit and Loss Statement

(Amount in Lakhs except Equity Share data)

Particulars	For the period ended September 30, 2023	Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year ending March 31		
		2023	2022	2021
Income from Operations	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-
Total Income	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditure excluding Interest, Depreciation and Tax	6.88	7.22	6.57	8.26
Profit/ (Loss) before Interest, Depreciation and Tax	(6.88)	(7.22)	(6.57)	(8.25)
Depreciation & Amortization Expenses	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	-	-	-
Profit/ (Loss) before Tax	(6.88)	(7.22)	(6.57)	(8.25)
Add: Exceptional Items	-	-	-	-
Less: Current Tax	-	-	-	-
Deferred Tax	-	-	-	-
Taxes for earlier period	-	-	-	-
Profit/ (Loss) After tax	(6.88)	(7.22)	(6.57)	(8.25)

Balance Sheet

(Amount in Lakhs)

Particulars	For the period ended September 30, 2023	Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year ending March 31		
		2023	2022	2021
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
SHAREHOLDER'S FUND				
Share Capital	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Reserve and Surplus	(843.91)	(837.03)	(829.81)	(823.24)
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long term borrowings	784.18	776.60	792.89	786.35
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Short term Borrowings	-	-	-	-
Trade Payables	-	-	-	-
1) Total outstanding dues of MESE	-	-	-	-
2) Total outstanding dues of creditors other than MESE	-	-	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	0.64	0.41	0.33	1.48
Short term Provision		0.90	1.10	0.80
TOTAL	0.90	0.88	24.50	25.38
ASSETS				
NON-CURRENT ASSETS				
Property, Plant, Equipment & Intangible assets				
Non-Current investment				
Deferred Tax Asset (Net)				
Other Non-Current Assets	0.85	0.85	24.35	24.35
CURRENT ASSETS				
Trade Receivables				
Cash and Bank Balance	0.05	0.03	0.15	1.03
Short term Loans and advances				
Other Current Assets				
TOTAL	0.90	0.88	24.50	25.38

(Amount in Lakhs except Equity Share Data)

Particulars	For the period ended September 30, 2023	Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year ending March 31		
		2023	2022	2021
Total Income	-	-	-	-
Net Earnings or Profit/(Loss) after tax	(6.88)	(7.22)	(6.57)	(8.25)
Earnings per Share (EPS)	(6.88)	(7.22)	(6.57)	(8.25)
Net Worth	(783.91)	(777.03)	(769.81)	(763.24)

Notes:

- a. The financial information for the 6 (Six) month period ending September 30, 2023, has been extracted from review report of the unaudited financial results submitted to BSE Ltd under Regulation 33 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations.

- b. The financial information set forth above has been extracted from the audited financial statements for the Financial Years ending March 31, 2023, 2022, and 2021, as audited by the statutory auditors of the Target Company.
- c. There are no major contingent liabilities existing in the Target Company.

5.16 The pre-Offer and post-Offer shareholding of the Target Company (based on the issued, subscribed, and paid-up Equity Share capital and Voting Share capital), assuming full acceptance under this Offer is as specified below:

Shareholders' Category	Shareholding/voting rights prior to the SPA/ acquisition and Offer		Shares/voting rights agreed to be acquired which triggered off the SEBI (SAST) Regulations		Shares/voting rights to be acquired in Offer (assuming full acceptances)		Shareholding /voting rights after Acquisition and Offer (A+B+C)	
	(A)		(B)		(C)		(D)	
	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding
1. Promoter and Promoter Group								
a) Parties to the Share Purchase Agreement								
Mr. Shekhar Somani	7,010	7.01%	(7,010)	(7.01%)	--	--	--	--
Ms. Rekha Ravindrakumar Ruia	6,000	6.00%	(6,000)	(6.00%)				
Ms. Nitya Somani	37,070	37.07	(37,070)	(37.07)				
M/s Ceres Company Private Limited	24,420	24.42	(24,420)	(24.42)				
Total (a)	74,500	74.50%	(74,500)	(74.50%)	--	--	--	--
b) Promoters other than (a) above#	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2. Acquirer								
Ms. Ira Ramesh Mishra			74,500	74.50%	25,500	25.50%	1,00,000	100%
Total 2			74,500	74.50%	25,500	25.50%	1,00,000	100%
3. Parties to Share Purchase Agreement other than 1(a) & 2								
None	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
4. Public (other than Parties to Agreement and Acquirer) #								
a. FIs/ MFs/ FIIs/ Banks/ SFIs (Indicate names)								
b. Others								
(i) Non-institutions Individual share capital upto ₹2,00,000.00/-	25,500	25.50%	--	--	(25,500)	(25.50%)	-	-
(ii) Non-institutions	-	-						

Shareholders' Category	Shareholding/voting rights prior to the SPA/ acquisition and Offer		Shares/voting rights agreed to be acquired which triggered off the SEBI (SAST) Regulations		Shares/voting rights to be acquired in Offer (assuming full acceptances)		Shareholding /voting rights after Acquisition and Offer (A+B+C)	
	(A)		(B)		(C)		(D)	
	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding	No. of Equity Shares	% of Equity Shareholding
Individual share capital in excess of ₹2,00,000.00/-								
(iii) Bodies Corporate	-	-						
(iv) Any Other	-	-						
Total (4) (a+b)	25,500	25.50%	--	--	(25,500)	(25.50%)	--	--
GRAND TOTAL (1+ 2+ 3+ 4)	1,00,000	100.00%	--	--	--	--	--	--

Notes:

#The Promoters who are the parties to the Share Purchase Agreement, are not eligible to participate for this Offer in accordance with the provisions of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations and shall make an application for declassifying themselves from the 'promoter and promoter group' to the 'public category' of the Target Company, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 31A of SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

There are 52 (Fifty Two) Public Shareholders as per the shareholding pattern filed with BSE for the quarter ending September 30, 2023.

- d. There closing market price of the Equity Shares of the Target Company are encapsulated as under:

Date	Particulars	Closing Market Price
Friday, November 10, 2023	Date of Public Announcement	No trades were executed
Saturday, November 18, 2023	Date of Detailed Public Statement	No trades were executed
Monday, November 20, 2023	Date of publication of Detailed Public Statement	No trades were executed

6 OFFER PRICE AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

6.1. Justification of the Offer Price

6.1.1. The Equity Shares of the Target Company bearing International Securities Identification Number 'INE713N01013' and are presently listed on BSE bearing Scrip ID 'GDTRAGN' Scrip Code '504346'.

6.1.2. The trading turnover in the Equity Shares of the Target Company on BSE based on trading volume during the 12 (twelve) calendar months prior to the month of Public Announcement (November 01, 2022, to October 31, 2023) have been obtained from www.bseindia.com, as given below:

Stock Exchange	Total no. of Equity Shares traded during the 12 (twelve) calendar months prior to the month of PA	Total no. of listed Equity Shares	Trading turnover (as % of Equity Shares listed)
BSE	0 (Nil)	1,00,000 (One Lakh)	NA

Based on the information provided above, the Equity Shares of the Target Company are infrequently traded on the BSE within the meaning of explanation provided in regulation 2(1)(j) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

- 6.1.3. The Offer Price of Rs.12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) is justified in terms of Regulation 8 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, being more than highest of the following:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Price
1.	Negotiated Price under the Share Purchase Agreement attracting the obligations to make a Public Announcement for the Offer	Rs.12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only)
2.	The volume-weighted average price paid or payable for acquisition(s) by the Acquirer, during the 52 (fifty-two) weeks immediately preceding the date of Public Announcement	Not Applicable
3.	The highest price paid or payable for any acquisition by the Acquirer, during the 26 (twenty-six) weeks immediately preceding the date of Public Announcement	Not Applicable
4.	The volume-weighted average market price of Equity Shares for a period of 60 (sixty) trading days immediately preceding the date of Public Announcement as traded on BSE where the maximum volume of trading in the Equity Shares of the Target Company are recorded during such period, provided such shares are frequently traded	Not Applicable
5.	Where the Equity Shares are not frequently traded, the price determined by the Acquirer and the Manager considering valuation parameters per Equity Share including, book value, comparable trading multiples, and such other parameters as are customary for valuation of Equity Shares	Rs. (777.03)/- (Rupees seven Hundred Seventy-Seven and Three Paise Only)

**Cost Accountant, Mr. Suman Kumar Verma, bearing Membership number '28453', IBBI Registered Valuer Registration number 'IBBI/RV/05/2019/12376' and having his office at Lane No. 10, Indra Park, Palam Colony, New Delhi - 110045 with the Email address being 'ipskverma@gmail.com', through his valuation report dated Friday, November 10, 2023, has certified that the fair value of the Equity Share of Target Company is Rs.0.00/- (Nil) per Equity Share*

- 6.1.4. In view of the parameters considered and presented in the table above, in the opinion of the Acquirer and Manger to the Offer the Offer Price of Rs.12.00/- (Rupees Twelve Only) per Equity Share being the highest of the prices mentioned above is justified in terms of Regulation 8 (2) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations and is payable in cash. There have been no corporate actions undertaken by the Target Company warranting adjustment of any of the relevant price parameters under Regulation 8(9) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 6.1.5. There has been no revision in the Offer Price or to the size of this Offer as on the date of this Detailed Public Statement.
- 6.1.6. An upward revision in the Offer Price or to the size of this Offer, if any, on account of competing offers or otherwise, will be done at any time prior to the commencement of the last 1 (one) Working Day before the commencement of the Tendering Period in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 18(4) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. In the event of such revision, the Acquirer shall (i) make corresponding increases to the escrow amounts, as more particularly set out in paragraph V (E) of this Detailed Public Statement; (ii) make a public announcement in the same newspapers in which this Detailed Public Statement has been published; and (iii) simultaneously with the issue of such announcement, inform SEBI, BSE, and the Target Company at its registered office of such revision.
- 6.1.7. As on date of this Draft Letter of Offer, there is no revision in Offer Price or Offer Size. In case of any revision in the Offer Price or Offer Size, the Acquirer would comply with Regulation 18 and all other applicable provisions of SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 6.1.8. There have been no corporate actions by the Target Company warranting adjustment of any of the relevant price parameters under Regulation 8 (9) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. The Offer Price may be adjusted in the event of any corporate actions like bonus, rights issue, stock split, consolidation, dividend, demergers, reduction, etc. where the record date for effecting such corporate actions falls between the date of this Draft Letter of Offer up to 3 (Three) Working Days prior to the commencement of the Tendering Period of the Offer, in accordance with Regulation 8 (9) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 6.1.9. In the event of any acquisition of Equity Shares by the Acquirer during the Offer Period, at a price higher than the Offer Price, then the Offer Price will be revised upwards to be equal to or more than the highest price paid for such acquisition

in terms of Regulation 8 (8) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. However, the Acquirer shall not acquire any Equity Shares after the 3rd (Third) Working Day prior to the commencement and until the expiry of the Tendering Period of this Offer.

- 6.1.10. As on the date of this Draft Letter of Offer, there is no revision in the Offer Price or Offer Size. An upward revision to the Offer Price or to the Offer Size, if any, on account of competing offers or otherwise, may also be done at any time prior to the commencement of 1 (One) Working Day before the commencement of the Tendering Period in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 18 (4) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. Such revision would be done in compliance with other formalities prescribed under the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. In the event of such revision, the Acquirer shall: (i) make corresponding increase to the escrow amount (ii) make an announcement in the same newspapers in which this Detailed Public Statement has been published; and (iii) simultaneously notify the BSE, the SEBI, and the Target Company at its registered office of such revision.
- 6.1.11. If the Acquirer acquires Equity Shares during the period of 26 (Twenty-Six) weeks after the Tendering Period at a price higher than the Offer Price, the Acquirer will pay the difference between the highest acquisition price and the Offer Price, to all the Public Shareholders whose Equity Shares have been accepted in the Offer within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of such acquisition. However, no such difference shall be paid in the event that such acquisition is made under another open offer under SEBI (SAST) Regulations, or pursuant to Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021, or open market purchases made in the ordinary course on the stock exchanges, not being negotiated acquisition of Equity Shares of the Target Company in any form.

6.2. Financial Arrangements

- 6.2.1. In terms of Regulation 25(1) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Acquirer has adequate financial resources and has made firm financial arrangements for the implementation of the Offer in full out of their own sources/ Net-worth and no borrowings from any Bank and/ or Financial Institutions are envisaged, the details of which are specified by Chartered Accountant Jay Ashok Shah bearing membership number '175050', partner at M/s Jay A Shah & Associates, Chartered Accountants bearing firm registration number '0144800W' having their head office located at B-101-102, Shree Sai Towers CHS Ltd, Sodawala Lane, 1st Floor, Borivali West, Mumbai - 400 092, India, with contact details being +91- 96994 68404, Email Address being 'jashahassociates@gmail.com', has vide certificate dated Friday, November 10, 2023, certified that sufficient resources are available with the Acquirer for fulfilling her Offer obligations in full;
- 6.2.2. The maximum consideration payable by the Acquirer to acquire up to 25,500 (Twenty-Five Thousand Five Hundred) Equity Shares, representing 25.50% (Twenty-Five Point Five Zero Percent) of the Voting Share Capital of the Target Company at the Offer Price of Rs.12.00/- (Twelve Only) per Equity Share, assuming full acceptance of the Offer aggregating to an amount of Rs.3,06,000.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Six Thousand Only). In accordance with Regulation 17 of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Acquirer has opened an Escrow Account under the name and style of 'GD Trading-Open Offer Escrow Account' with Axis Bank Limited and has made Cash Deposit of Rs.3,10,000.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Ten Thousand Only) i.e. more than 100.00% of the total consideration payable in the Offer, assuming full acceptance.
- 6.2.3. The Manager is duly authorized to operate the Escrow Account to the exclusion of all others and has been duly empowered to realize the value of the Escrow Account in terms of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 6.2.4. Based on the aforesaid financial arrangements and on the confirmations received from the Escrow Banker and the Chartered Accountant, the Manager is satisfied about the ability of the Acquirer to fulfil her obligations in respect of this Offer in accordance with the provisions of SEBI (SAST) Regulations.
- 6.2.5. In case of upward revision of the Offer Price and/ or the Offer Size, the Acquirer would deposit additional appropriate amount into an Escrow Account to ensure compliance with Regulation 18 (5) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, prior to effecting such revision.

7. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFER

- 7.1. The Letter of Offer will be mailed to all those Public Shareholders of the Target Company whose names appear on the Register of Members and to the beneficial owners of the Equity Shares of the Target Company whose names appear on the beneficial records of the Depository Participant, at the close of business hours on Thursday, December 21, 2023.
- 7.2. Accidental omission to dispatch the Letter of Offer or the non-receipt or delayed receipt of the Letter of Offer will not invalidate this Offer in anyway.

7.3. In terms of the provisions of Regulation 18 (9) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the Public Shareholders who tender their Equity Shares in this Offer shall not be entitled to withdraw such acceptance.

7.4. Locked-in Shares

None of the Equity Shares of the Target Company are subject to lock-in.

7.5. Eligibility for accepting the Offer

7.5.1. The Letter of Offer shall be mailed to all the Public Shareholders and/or beneficial owners holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form whose names appear in register of Target Company as on Thursday, December 21, 2023, the Identified Date.

7.5.2. This Offer is also open to persons who own Equity Shares but are not registered Public Shareholders as on the Identified Date.

7.5.3. All Public Shareholders and/or beneficial owners who own Equity Shares of the Target Company any time before the closure of this Offer are eligible to participate in this Offer.

7.5.4. The Acquirer has appointed Purva Sharegistry (India) Private Limited, as the Registrar, having office at Unit No. 9, Ground Floor, Shiv Shakti Industrial Estate, J. R. Boricha Marg, Lower Parel East, Mumbai – 400 011, Maharashtra, India, bearing contact details such as contact number '022-2301-2518/8261', Email Address 'support@purvashare.com' and website 'www.purvashare.com'. The Contact Person Ms. Deepali Dhuri can be contacted from 10:00 a.m. (Indian Standard Time) to 5:00 p.m. (Indian Standard Time) on working days (except Saturdays, Sundays and all public holidays), during the Tendering Period.

7.5.5. The Offer Documents will also be available on the website of SEBI accessible at 'www.sebi.gov.in', BSE accessible at 'www.bseindia.com' and Manager to the offer accessible at 'www.swarajshares.com'. In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer, all Public Shareholders including unregistered Public Shareholders, if they so desire, may download the Letter of Offer, the Form of Acceptance from the website of SEBI for applying in this Offer.

7.5.6. Unregistered Public Shareholders, those who hold in street name and those who apply in plain paper will not be required to provide any indemnity. They may follow the same procedure mentioned above for registered Public Shareholders.

7.5.7. The acceptance of this Offer by the Public Shareholders of Target Company must be absolute and unqualified. Any acceptance to this Offer which is conditional or incomplete in any respect will be rejected without assigning any reason whatsoever.

7.5.8. The acceptance of this Offer is entirely at the discretion of the Public Shareholder(s)/beneficial owner(s) of Target Company.

7.5.9. The Acquirer, Manager, or the Registrar accept no responsibility for any loss of Equity Share certificates, Offer Acceptance Forms, and Share Transfer Deed, etc., during transit and the Public Shareholders of Target Company are advised to adequately safeguard their interest in this regard.

7.5.10. The acceptance of Equity Shares tendered in this Offer will be made by the Acquirer in consultation with the Manager.

7.5.11. The instructions, authorizations and provisions contained in the Form of Acceptance constitute part of the terms of this Offer.

7.6. Statutory Approvals and conditions of the Offer

7.6.1. As of the date of this Detailed Public Statement, to the knowledge of the Acquirer, there are no statutory approvals required to complete this Offer. However, in case of any such statutory approvals are required by the Acquirer at a later date before the expiry of the Tendering Period, this Offer shall be subject to such approvals and the Acquirer shall make the necessary applications for such statutory approvals.

- 7.6.2. All Public Shareholders, including non-residents holders of Equity Shares, must obtain all requisite approvals required, if any, to tender the Offer Shares (including without limitation, the approval from the Reserve Bank of India) and submit such approvals, along with the other documents required to accept this Offer. In the event such approvals are not submitted, the Acquirer reserves the right to reject such Equity Shares tendered in this Offer. Further, if the holders of the Equity Shares who are not persons resident in India had required any approvals (including from the Reserve Bank of India, or any other regulatory body) in respect of the Equity Shares held by them, they will be required to submit such previous approvals, that they would have obtained for holding the Equity Shares, to tender the Offer Shares, along with the other documents required to be tendered to accept this Offer. In the event such approvals are not submitted, the Acquirer reserves the right to reject such Offer Shares.
- 7.6.3. The Acquirer shall complete all procedures relating to payment of consideration under this Offer within a period of 10 (ten) Working Days from the date of expiry of the Tendering Period to those Public Shareholders who have tendered Equity Shares and are found valid and are accepted for acquisition by the Acquirer.
- 7.6.4. In case of delay in receipt of any statutory approval, SEBI may, if satisfied that delayed receipt of the requisite approvals was not due to any wilful default or neglect of the Acquirer or the failure of the Acquirer to diligently pursue the application for the approval, grant extension of time for the purpose, subject to the Acquirer agrees to pay interest to the Public Shareholders as directed by SEBI, in terms of Regulation 18(11) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations. Further, if delay occurs on account of wilful default by the Acquirer in obtaining the requisite approvals, Regulation 17(9) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations will also become applicable and the amount lying in the Escrow Account shall become liable for forfeiture.
- 7.6.5. In terms of Regulation 23(1) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, if the approvals mentioned in Section VI (A) are not satisfactorily complied with or any of the statutory approvals are refused, the Acquirer has a right to withdraw the Offer. In the event of withdrawal, the Acquirer (through the Manager), shall within 2 (two) Working Days of such withdrawal, make an announcement stating the grounds for the withdrawal in accordance with Regulation 23(2) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, in the same newspapers in which the Detailed Public Statement was published, and such announcement will also be sent to SEBI, BSE's, and the Target Company at its registered office.

8. PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTANCE AND SETTLEMENT OF THE OFFER

- 8.1. This Offer will be implemented by the Acquirer, through stock exchange mechanism as provided under Acquisition Window Circulars.
- 8.2. BSE shall be the designated stock exchange for the purpose of tendering Equity Shares in this Offer.
- 8.3. The facility for acquisition of Equity Shares through stock exchange mechanism pursuant to this Offer shall be available on the BSE, in the form of a separate window.
- 8.4. For implementation of this Offer, the Acquirer has appointed Nikunj Stock Brokers Limited through whom the purchases and settlements on account of this Offer would be made by the Acquirer. The contact details of the Buying Broker are as follows:

Name	Nikunj Stock Brokers Limited
Address	A-92, Gf, Left Portion, Kamla Nagar, New Delhi-110 007, India
Contact Number	011-47030000-01
Email Address	complianceofficer@nikunjonline.com
Contact Person	Mr. Pramod Kumar Sultania

- 8.5. All the Public Shareholders who desire to tender their Equity Shares under this Offer would have to approach their respective stockbrokers, during the normal trading hours of the secondary market during the Tendering Period.
- 8.6. The Acquisition Window provided by the BSE shall facilitate placing of sell orders. The Selling Brokers can enter orders for dematerialized Equity Shares only.
- 8.7. The cumulative quantity tendered shall be displayed on the BSE's website throughout the trading session at specific intervals by the BSE during Tendering Period.

- 8.8. Equity Shareholders can tender their Equity Shares only through a broker with whom the shareholder is registered as client (KYC Compliant).
- 8.9. **Procedure for Equity Shares held in physical form**
- 8.9.1. In accordance with the Frequently Asked Questions issued by SEBI, 'FAQs – Tendering of physical shares in buyback offer/ open offer/ exit offer/ delisting dated February 20, 2020' and SEBI circular bearing reference number 'SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/144 dated July 31, 2020', shareholders holding securities in physical form are allowed to tender shares in the open offer through Tender Offer route. However, such tendering shall be as per the provisions of respective regulations.
- 8.9.2. Public Shareholders who are holding physical Equity Shares and intend to participate in this Offer shall approach Selling Broker. The Selling Broker should place bids on the BSE's platform with relevant details as mentioned on physical share certificate(s). The Selling Broker(s) shall print the TRS generated by the Exchange Bidding System. TRS will contain the details of order submitted like Folio No., Certificate No. Dist. Nos., No. of Equity Shares etc.
- 8.9.3. After placement of order, the Selling Broker(s)/ Eligible Shareholders must ensure delivery of the Form of Acceptance-cum-Acknowledgement duly completed and signed in accordance with the instructions contained therein the along with the complete set of documents for verification procedures to be carried out, namely being: (a) original share certificate(s), (b) valid share transfer form(s) 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 authorizing the transfer in favour of the Target Company, (c) self-attested copy of the shareholder's PAN Card, and (d) TRS, any other relevant documents such as power of attorney, corporate authorization (including board resolution/ specimen signature), notarized copy of death certificate and succession certificate or probated will, if the original shareholder has deceased, etc., as applicable either by registered post or courier or hand delivery to the Registrar to the Offer (at the address mentioned on the cover page not later than 2 (Two) days from the closure of the Tendering Period latest by 5:00 PM (Indian Standard Time). The envelope should be superscripted as '**G.D. TRADING AND AGENCIES LIMITED OPEN OFFER**'. One copy of the TRS will be retained by Registrar and it will provide acknowledgement of the same to the Selling Broker.
- 8.9.4. In addition, if the address of the Public Shareholder has undergone a change from the address registered in the register of members of the Target Company, the relevant Public Shareholder would be required to submit a self-attested copy of address proof consisting of any one of the following documents: (a) valid Aadhar Card; (b) Voter Identity Card; or (c) Passport.
- 8.9.5. Public Shareholders holding physical Equity Shares should note that physical Equity Shares will not be accepted unless the complete set of documents is submitted. Acceptance of the physical Equity Shares for this Offer shall be subject to verification by the Registrar. On receipt of the confirmation from the Registrar, the bid will be accepted else rejected and accordingly the same will be depicted on the BSE platform.
- 8.9.6. Public Shareholders who have sent the Equity Shares held by them for dematerialization need to ensure that the process of dematerialization is completed in time for the credit in the Escrow Demat Account, to be received on or before the closure of the Tendering Period or else their application will be rejected.
- 8.9.7. Public Shareholders should also provide all relevant documents, which are necessary to ensure transferability of Equity Shares in respect of which the application is being sent failing which the tender would be considered invalid and would be liable to be rejected. Such documents may include (but not be limited to):
- a) Duly attested death certificate and succession certificate (for single shareholder) in case the original shareholder has expired;
 - b) Duly attested power of attorney if any person apart from the shareholder has signed acceptance form or transfer deed(s);
 - c) No objection certificate from any lender, if the Equity Shares in respect of which the acceptance is sent, were under any charge, lien, or encumbrance;

8.10. Procedure for tendering the Equity Shares held in dematerialized form

- 8.10.1. The Public Shareholders who are holding the Equity Shares in demat form and who desire to tender their Equity Shares in this Offer shall approach their Selling Broker/ Seller Member, indicating details of Equity Shares they wish to tender in this Offer.
- 8.10.2. The Seller Member would be required to place a bid on behalf of the Public Shareholders who wish to tender their Equity Shares in this Offer using the Acquisition Window of the Bombay Stock Exchange of India Ltd .
- 8.10.3. The lien shall be marked in demat account of the Eligible Public Shareholders for the Equity Shares tendered in this Offer. The details of Equity Shares marked as lien in the demat account of the Eligible Public Shareholders shall be provided by Depositories to the Clearing Corporation.
- 8.10.4. In case, the demat account of the Eligible Public Shareholders is held in one depository and clearing member pool and clearing corporation account is held with another depository, the Equity Shares tendered under this Offer shall be blocked in the Public Shareholders demat account at the source depository during the Tendering Period. Inter Depository Tender Offer ('IDT') instruction shall be initiated by the Public Shareholder at source depository to clearing member pool/ clearing corporation account at target depository. Source depository shall block the Public Shareholder's securities (i.e., transfers from free balance to blocked balance) and send IDT message to target depository for confirming creation of lien. The details of Equity Shares blocked in the shareholders demat account shall be provided by the target Depository to the Clearing Corporation.
- 8.10.5. For Custodian Participant orders for Equity Shares in demat form, early pay-in is mandatory prior to confirmation of order by custodian. The custodian shall either confirm or reject the orders not later than closing of trading hours on the last day of the Tendering Period. Thereafter, all unconfirmed orders shall be deemed to be rejected. For all confirmed Custodian Participant orders, order modification shall revoke the custodian confirmation and the revised order shall be sent to custodian again for confirmation.
- 8.10.6. Upon placing the order, the Seller Member shall provide a transaction registration slip generated by the exchange bidding system to the Eligible Public Shareholder on whose behalf the order has been placed. The TRS will contain details of order submitted like Bid ID No., DP ID, Client ID, no. of Equity Shares tendered, etc.
- 8.10.7. It is clarified that in case of dematerialized Equity Shares, non-receipt of the completed acceptance form and other documents, but if the lien is marked successfully in the depository system and a valid bid in the exchange bidding system, the tender for this Offer shall be deemed to have been accepted.
- 8.10.8. The Eligible Shareholders will have to ensure that they keep the DP Account active and unblocked to receive credit in case of return of Equity Shares due to rejection or due to prorata (if applicable) decided by the Company.

9. ACCEPTANCE OF EQUITY SHARES

- 9.1. The Registrar shall provide details of order acceptance to Clearing Corporation within the specified timelines.
- 9.2. In the event that the number of Equity Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders under this Offer is more than the number of Offer Shares, the Acquirer shall accept those Equity Shares validly tendered by the Public Shareholders on a proportionate basis in consultation with the Manager, taking care to ensure that the basis of acceptance is decided in a fair and equitable manner and does not result in non-marketable lots, provided that acquisition of Equity Shares from a Public Shareholder shall not be less than the minimum marketable lot.

10. PROCEDURE FOR TENDERING THE EQUITY SHARES IN CASE OF NON-RECEIPT OF THE LETTER OF OFFER

- 10.1. Persons who have acquired Equity Shares but whose names do not appear in the register of members of the Target Company on the Identified Date, or unregistered owners or those who have acquired Equity Shares after the Identified Date, or those who have not received the Letter of Offer, may also participate in this Offer.
- 10.2. A Public Shareholder may participate in this Offer by approaching their broker/ Selling Broker and tender Equity Shares in this Offer as per the procedure mentioned in the Letter of Offer.

- 10.3. The Letter of Offer along with acceptance form will be dispatched to all the eligible Public Shareholders of the Target Company, as appearing in the list of members of the Target Company. In case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer, such eligible shareholders of the Target Company may download the same from the website of SEBI at 'www.sebi.gov.in' or obtain a copy of the same from the Registrar on providing suitable documentary evidence of holding of the Equity Shares.
- 10.4. The Letter of Offer along with the Form of Acceptance would also be available at website of SEBI at 'www.sebi.gov.in' and Public Shareholders can also apply by downloading such forms from the said website.
- 10.5. Alternatively, in case of non-receipt of the Letter of Offer, the eligible Public Shareholders holding the Equity Shares may participate in this Offer by providing their application in plain paper in writing signed by all the shareholder(s), stating name, address, number of Equity Shares held, client-ID number, DP name, DP-ID number, number of Equity Shares tendered and other relevant documents as mentioned in Paragraph 8.9 titled as '*Procedure for Equity Shares held in physical form*' at page 26 of this Draft Letter of Offer. Such eligible Public Shareholders have to ensure that their order is entered in the electronic platform of BSE, made available by BSE before the closure of the Tendering Period.

11. SETTLEMENT PROCESS AND PAYMENT OF CONSIDERATION

- 11.1. Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per the SEBI (SAST) Regulations, the settlement of trades shall be carried out in the manner similar to settlement of trades in the secondary market and as intimated by the Clearing Corporation from time to time.
- 11.2. Details in respect of Public Shareholder's entitlement for this Offer shall be provided to Clearing Corporation by Company/ Registrar to the Offer. On receipt of the same, the Clearing Corporation will cancel excess or unaccepted blocked Equity Shares. On settlement date, all blocked Equity Shares mentioned in the accepted tender will be transferred to the Clearing Corporation.
- 11.3. In the case of IDT, Clearing Corporation will cancel the excess or unaccepted Equity Shares in target depository. Source depository will not be able to release the lien without a release of IDT message from target depository. Further, release of IDT message shall be sent by target depository either based on cancellation request received from Clearing Corporation or automatically generated after matching with tender accepted detail as received from the Registrar to the Offer. Post receiving the IDT message from target depository, source depository will cancel/release excess or unaccepted block Equity Shares in the demat account of the Public Shareholder. Post completion of the Tendering Period and receiving the requisite details viz., demat account details and accepted tendered quantity, source depository shall debit the Equity Shares as per the communication/ message received from target depository to the extent of accepted tendered Equity Shares from the Public Shareholder's demat account and credit it to Clearing Corporation settlement account in target depository on settlement date.
- 11.4. The Buying Broker will transfer the consideration pertaining to this Offer to the Clearing Corporation's bank account as per the secondary market mechanism, as per the prescribed schedule. For demat Equity Shares accepted under this Offer, the Clearing Corporation will make direct funds pay-out to the respective Eligible Public Shareholders. If the bank account details of any Eligible Public Shareholder holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form are not available or if the fund transfer instruction is rejected by the Reserve Bank of India or any other relevant Bank, due to any reasons, then the amount payable to the Eligible Public Shareholders will be transferred to the concerned Seller Member for onward transfer to such Eligible Public Shareholder holding Equity Shares in dematerialized form.
- 11.5. In case of certain client types viz. NRI, foreign clients etc. (where there are specific RBI and other regulatory requirements pertaining to funds pay-out) who do not opt to settle through custodians, the funds pay-out would be given to their respective Selling Member's settlement accounts for releasing the same to the respective Eligible Public Shareholder's account. For this purpose, the client type details would be collected from the Depositories, whereas funds payout pertaining to the tenders settled through custodians will be transferred to the settlement bank account of the custodian, each in accordance with the applicable mechanism prescribed by the Bombay Stock Exchange of India Ltd and the Clearing Corporation from time to time.
- 11.6. For the Eligible Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in physical form, the funds pay-out would be given to their respective Seller Member's settlement accounts for releasing the same to the respective Eligible Public Shareholder's account. On settlement date, all blocked Equity Shares mentioned in accepted tender shall be transferred to Clearing Corporation.

- 11.7. The Equity Shares tendered in the dematerialized form would be transferred directly to the escrow demat account/ demat account of the Acquirer provided it is indicated by the Buying Brokers or it will be transferred by the Buying Broker to the demat escrow account/ demat account of the Acquirer on receipt of the Equity Shares from the clearing and settlement mechanism of National Stock Exchange of India Ltd .
- 11.8. Excess Equity Shares or unaccepted Equity Shares, in dematerialized form, if any, tendered by the Eligible Public Shareholders would be transferred by the Clearing Corporation directly to the respective Eligible Public Shareholder's DP account. If the securities transfer instruction is rejected in the Depository system, due to any issue then such securities will be transferred to the Seller Member's depository pool account for onward transfer to the respective Eligible Public Shareholder. The Public Shareholders of the demat Equity Shares will have to ensure that they keep the DP account active and unblocked to receive credit in case of return of demat Equity Shares, due to rejection or due to non-acceptance in this Offer.
- 11.9. Any excess Equity Shares, in physical form, pursuant to proportionate acceptance/ rejection will be returned to the Eligible Public Shareholders directly by the Registrar to the Offer. The Target Company is authorized to split the share certificate and issue new consolidated share certificate for the unaccepted Equity Shares in case the Equity Shares accepted are less than the Equity Shares tendered in this Offer by Eligible Public Shareholders holding Equity Shares in the physical form.
- 11.10. The Seller Member would issue contract note for the Equity Shares accepted under this Offer and will unblock the excess unaccepted Equity Shares. The Buying Broker would also issue a contract note to the Company for the Equity Shares accepted under this Offer.
- 11.11. Equity Shareholders who intend to participate in this Offer should consult their respective Seller Member for payment to them of any cost, applicable taxes, charges, and expenses (including brokerage) that may be levied by the Seller Member for tendering Equity Shares in this Offer (secondary market transaction). Therefore, the Offer consideration received by the selling Eligible Public Shareholders, in respect of accepted Equity Shares, could be net of such costs, applicable taxes, charges and expenses (including brokerage). The Manager and the Acquirer accept no responsibility to bear or pay any additional cost, applicable taxes, charges, and expenses (including brokerage) levied by the Seller Member, and such costs will be borne solely by the Eligible Public Shareholders.
- 11.12. In case of delay in receipt of any statutory approval(s), the SEBI may, if satisfied that such delay in receipt of the statutory approval(s) was not attributable to any wilful default, failure, or neglect on the part of the Acquirer to diligently pursue such approval, and subject to such terms and conditions as specified by the SEBI (including payment of interest in accordance with Regulation 18 (11) of the SEBI (SAST) Regulations grant an extension of time to the Acquirer pending receipt of such statutory approval(s) to make the payment of the consideration to the Eligible Public Shareholders whose Equity Shares have been accepted in the Offer.

12. NOTE ON TAXATION

12.1. General

- 12.1.1. Securities transaction tax will not be applicable to the Equity Shares accepted in this Offer.
- 12.1.2. The basis of charge of Indian income-tax depends upon the residential status of the taxpayer during a tax year. The Indian tax year runs from April 1 until March 31. A person who is an Indian tax resident is liable to income-tax in India on his/her worldwide income, subject to certain tax exemptions, which are provided under the Income Tax Act, 1961. A person who is treated as a non-resident for Indian income-tax purposes is generally subject to tax in India only on such person's India-sourced income (i.e., income which accrues or arises or is deemed to accrue or arise in India) as also income received by such person in India. In case of shares of a company, the source of income from shares will depend on the 'situs' of such shares. As per judicial precedents, the 'situs' of the shares is where a company is 'incorporated' and where its shares can be transferred.
- 12.1.3. Accordingly, since the Target Company is incorporated in India, the Target Company's shares should be deemed to be 'situated' in India and any gains arising to a non-resident on transfer of such shares should be taxable in India under the IT Act.
- 12.1.4. Further, the non-resident shareholder can avail beneficial treatment under the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement ('DTAA') between India and the respective country of which the said shareholder is tax resident subject to satisfying relevant conditions including but not limited to (a) conditions (if any) present in the said DTAA read with the relevant

provisions of the Multilateral Instrument ('MLI') as ratified by India with the respective country of which the said shareholder is a tax resident and (b) non-applicability of General Anti-Avoidance Rule ('GAAR') and (c) providing and maintaining necessary information and documents as prescribed under the IT Act.

12.1.5. The IT Act also provides for different income-tax regimes/rates applicable to the gains arising from the tendering of shares under the Offer, based on the period of holding, residential status, classification of the shareholder and nature of the income earned, etc.

12.1.6. The Public Shareholders may be required to undertake compliances such as filing an annual income tax return, as may be applicable to different categories of persons, with the income-tax authorities, reporting their income for the relevant year.

12.1.7. The summary of income-tax implications on tendering of listed equity shares is set out below. All references to equity shares herein refer to listed equity shares unless stated otherwise.

12.2. **Classification of Shareholders: Public Shareholders can be classified under the following categories:**

a) Resident Shareholders being:

- Individuals, Hindu Undivided Family ('HUF'), Association of Persons ('AOP') and Body of Individuals ('BOI')

- Others:

- (i) Company

- (ii) Other Than Company

b) Non-Resident Shareholders being:

- Non-Resident Indians (NRIs)

- Foreign Institution Investors (FIIs) / Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs)

- Others:

- (i) Company

- (ii) Other Than Company

12.3. Gains arising from the transfer of shares may be treated either as 'capital gains' or as 'business income' for income-tax purposes, depending upon whether such shares were held as a capital asset or business asset (i.e., stock-in-trade). The IT Act also provides for different income-tax regimes/ rates applicable to the gains arising from the tendering of Equity Shares under the Offer, based on the period of holding, residential status, classification of the shareholder and nature of the income earned, etc.

12.4. **Taxability of Capital Gains in the hands of shareholders**

12.4.1. Gains arising from the transfer of shares may be treated either as 'capital gains' or as 'business income' for income-tax purposes, unless specifically exempted, depending upon whether such shares were held as a capital asset or trading asset (i.e., stock-in-trade).

12.4.2. As per the current provisions of the IT Act, where the shares are held as investments (i.e., capital assets), income arising from the transfer of such shares is taxable under the head 'Capital Gains'. Further, Section 2(14) of the IT Act has provided for deemed characterization of securities held by FPIs as capital assets, whether or not such assets have been held as a capital asset; and therefore, the gains arising in the hands of FPIs will be taxable in India as capital gains.

12.4.3. Capital Gains in the hands of shareholders would be computed as per the provisions of Section 48 of the IT Act.

12.4.4. Period of holding: Depending on the period for which the shares are held, the gains would be taxable as 'short-term capital gain/ STCG' or 'long-term capital gain/ LTCG':

- a) In respect of equity shares held for a period less than or equal to 12 (Twelve) months prior to the date of transfer, the same should be treated as a 'short-term capital asset', and accordingly the gains arising therefrom should be taxable as 'STCG'.
 - b) Similarly, where equity shares are held for a period more than 12 (Twelve) months prior to the date of transfer, the same should be treated as a 'long-term capital asset', and accordingly the gains arising therefrom should be taxable as 'LTCG'.
- 12.4.5. The Finance Act, 2018, vide Section 112A, has imposed an income tax on LTCG at the rate of 10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) on transfer of equity shares that are listed on a recognized stock exchange, which have been held for more than 12 (Twelve) months and have been subject to STT upon both acquisition and sale exceeding ₹ 1,00,000 (Rupees One lakh only) (without any indexation and foreign exchange fluctuation benefits).
- 12.4.6. As per section 111A of the IT Act, STCG arising from transfer of listed shares on which STT is paid would be subject to tax at the rate of 15% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) (except under specific categories).
- However, since STT will not be applicable to the Equity Shares transferred in this Offer, the provisions of Section 112A and Section 111A of the IT Act shall not be applicable.
- 12.4.7. LTCG arising from tendering of Equity Shares in the Offer shall be subject to tax as follows:
- a) LTCG will be chargeable to tax at the rate of up to 20% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) in the case of a non-resident Public Shareholder (other than an FPI/FII, or a NRI who is governed by the provisions of Chapter XII-A of the IT Act) in accordance with provisions of section 112 of the IT Act.
 - b) In the case of FIIs/FPIs, LTCG would be taxable at 10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) in accordance with provisions of section 115AD of the IT Act (without benefit of indexation and foreign exchange fluctuation).
 - c) For a NRI who is governed by the provisions of Chapter XII-A of the IT Act, LTCG would be taxable at 20% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) under Section 115E of the IT Act on meeting certain conditions. While computing the LTCG, the benefit of indexation of cost may not be available.
 - d) For a resident Public Shareholder, an option is available to pay tax on such LTCG at either 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) with indexation or 10% (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess) without indexation.
- 12.4.8. Further, any gain realized on the sale of listed equity shares held for a period of 12 (twelve) months or less, which are transferred under the Offer, will be subject to short term capital gains tax and shall be taxable at the rates prescribed in First Schedule to the Finance Act (i.e., applicable marginal tax rates applicable to different categories of persons) (plus applicable surcharge and health and education cess).
- 12.4.9. Taxability of capital gain arising to a non-resident in India from the transfer of equity shares shall be determined basis the provisions of the IT Act or the DTAA entered between India and the country of which the non-resident seller is resident, whichever is more beneficial, subject to fulfilling relevant conditions and maintaining & providing necessary documents prescribed under the IT Act.
- 12.4.10. As per Section 70 of the IT Act, short-term capital loss computed for a given year is allowed to be set off against STCG as well as LTCG computed for the said year. The balance loss, which is not set off, is allowed to be carried forward for subsequent eight assessment years, for being set-off against subsequent years' STCG as well as LTCG, in terms of Section 74 of the IT Act.
- 12.4.11. Long-term capital loss computed for a given year is allowed to be set-off only against LTCG computed for the said year, in terms of Section 70 of the IT Act. The balance loss, which is not set off, is allowed to be carried forward for subsequent eight assessment years, for being set off only against subsequent years' LTCG, in terms of Section 74 of the IT Act.
- 12.4.12. Investment Funds

Under Section 10 (23FBA) of the IT Act, any income of an Investment Fund, other than the income chargeable under the head, 'Profits and gains of business or profession' would be exempt from income tax but would be taxable in the hands of their investors. For this purpose, an 'Investment Fund' means a fund registered as Category I or Category II Alternative

Investment Fund and is regulated under the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Alternate Investment Fund) Regulations, 2012.

12.4.13. Mutual Funds

Under Section 10(23D) of the IT Act, any income of mutual funds registered under SEBI or Regulations made thereunder or mutual funds set up by public sector banks or public financial institutions or mutual funds authorized by the RBI and subject to the conditions specified therein, is exempt from tax subject to such conditions as the Central Government may by notification in the Official Gazette, specify in this behalf.

12.5. Taxability of business income in hands of shareholders (Shares held as Stock-in-Trade)

If the shares are held as stock-in-trade by any of the eligible Public Shareholders of the Target Company, then the gains will be characterized as business income and taxable under the head 'Profits and Gains from Business or Profession'.

12.5.1 Profit of Resident Shareholders

- (i) Individuals, HUF, AOP and BOI will be taxable at applicable slab rates.
- (ii) Domestic companies having turnover or gross receipts not exceeding ₹400 crores in the prescribed financial year, will be taxable @ 25%.
- (iii) Domestic companies which have opted for concessional tax regime under Section 115BAA and 115BAB of the IT Act will be taxable at 22%, upon meeting certain conditions.
- (iv) For persons other than stated in (A), (B) and (C) above, profits will be taxable @ 30%.
- (v) No benefit of indexation by virtue of period of holding will be available in any case.

12.5.2 Profit of Non-Resident Shareholders

- (i) Non-resident Public Shareholders can avail beneficial provisions of the applicable DTAA entered into by India with the relevant country of residence of the shareholder but subject to fulfilling relevant conditions and maintaining & providing necessary documents prescribed under the IT Act, as discussed in para 1(d) above.
- (ii) Where DTAA provisions are not applicable:
- (iii) For non-resident individuals, HUF, AOP and BOI, profits (as determined in accordance with the provisions of the IT Act) will be taxable at slab rates.
- (iv) For foreign companies, profits (as determined in accordance with the provisions of the IT Act) will be taxed in India @40%.
- (v) For other non-resident Public Shareholders, such as foreign firms, profits (as determined in accordance with the provisions of the IT Act) will be taxed in India @30%.

12.6. **THE ABOVE DISCLOSURE ON TAXATION SETS OUT THE PROVISIONS OF LAW IN A SUMMARY MANNER ONLY AND IS NOT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OR LISTING OF ALL POTENTIAL TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE DISPOSAL OF THE EQUITY SHARES. THIS DISCLOSURE IS NEITHER BINDING ON ANY REGULATORS NOR CAN THERE BE ANY ASSURANCE THAT THEY WILL NOT TAKE A POSITION CONTRARY TO THE COMMENTS MENTIONED HEREIN. HENCE, THE PUBLIC SHAREHOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS FOR TAX TREATMENT ARISING OUT OF THE PROPOSED OFFER THROUGH TENDER OFFER AND APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION THAT THEY SHOULD TAKE. THE ACQUIRER AND THE MANAGER DO NOT ACCEPT NOR HOLD ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY TAX LIABILITY ARISING TO ANY PUBLIC SHAREHOLDER AS A REASON OF THIS OFFER.**

13. DOCUMENTS FOR INSPECTION

The copies of the following documents will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Manager, Swaraj Shares and Securities Private Limited, located at Unit No 304, A Wing, 215 Atrium, Near Courtyard Marriot, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400093, Maharashtra, India on any working day between 10:00 a.m. (Indian Standard Time) and 5:00 p.m. (Indian Standard Time) during the Tendering Period commencing from Friday, January 05, 2023, to Thursday, January 18, 2023:

- 13.1. Memorandum and Articles of Association and Certificate of Incorporation of the Target Company.
- 13.2. Certificate of Incorporation of G.D. Trading and Agencies limited.
- 13.3. Memorandum of Understanding between the Manager and the Acquirer.
- 13.4. The copy of Agreement between the Registrar and the Acquirer.
- 13.5. The Net Worth of Acquirer as on Friday, November 10, 2023, is Rs.44,63,400/- Lakhs (Rupees Forty-Four Lakhs Sixty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Only) as certified bearing unique document identification number '23175050BGZFNN7249' on Friday, November 10, 2023, by Chartered Accountant, Jay Ashok Shah bearing membership number '175050', partner at M/s Jay A Shah & Associates (Chartered Accountants) bearing firm registration number '0144800W' having their office located at B-101-102, Shree Sai Towers CHS Ltd, Sodawala Lane, 1st Floor, Borivali West, Mumbai – 400092, India, and with contact details being '+91-9699468404', Email Address being 'jashahassociates@gmail.com'.
- 13.6. Audited Annual Reports for the last 3 (three) Financial Years ending March 31, 2023, March 31, 2022, and March 31, 2021.
- 13.7. Balance Confirmation Letter and Bank Statement received from, Axis Bank Limited for required amount kept in the escrow account and marked lien in favor of Manager.
- 13.8. The copy of Share Purchase Agreement dated Friday, November 10, 2023 entered between the Promoter Sellers and the Acquirer, which triggered this Offer.
- 13.9. Copy of the Public Announcement dated Friday, November 10, 2023.
- 13.10. Copy of the Detailed Public Statement dated Saturday, November 18, 2023, published on behalf of the Acquirer on Monday, November 20, 2023, in the newspapers.
- 13.11. Copy of the recommendations to be published on Wednesday, January 03, 2023, by the Committee of Independent Directors of the Target Company.
- 13.12. Copy of SEBI Observation letter bearing reference number '[●]' dated [●].
- 13.13. Escrow Agreement between Acquirer, Escrow Bank, and Manager.

14. DECLARATION BY THE ACQUIRER

For the purpose of disclosures in this Draft Letter of Offer relating to the Target Company, the Acquirer has relied on the information provided by the Target Company and has not independently verified the accuracy of details of the Target Company. Subject to the aforesaid, the Acquirer accept full responsibility for the information contained in this Draft Letter of Offer. The Acquirer shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the SEBI (SAST) Regulations.

Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2023

Place: Mumbai

On Behalf of the Acquirer

Sd/-

Ira Ramesh Mishra