

BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LTD. A Govt. of India Enterprise

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8th August, 2024

The Secretary, BSE Ltd., Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai 400 001 BSE Scrip Code: 500547 The Secretary, National Stock Exchange of India Ltd., Exchange Plaza, Plot No C/1, G Block, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Mumbai 400051 NSE Symbol : BPCL

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Notice of Annual General Meeting

The 71st Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company will be held on Friday, 30th August, 2024 at 1030 hrs IST through Video Conferencing (VC)/Other Audio Video Means (OAVM), in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and as per relevant circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and Securities and Exchange Board of India. The notice of AGM is enclosed herewith.

The Notice of AGM and Annual Report for the financial year 2023-24 is uploaded on the website of the Company at <u>www.bharatpetroleum.in</u>.

This is for your information.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully, For Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

(V. Kala) Company Secretary

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NOTICE TO THE MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given that the 71st Annual General Meeting of the members of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited ("the Company") will be held on Friday, August 30, 2024 at 10.30 a.m. IST through Video-Conferencing ("VC")/Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM") to transact the following Ordinary and Special Business:-

A. ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive, consider and adopt (a) the Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024 (b) the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024; and the Reports of the Board of Directors, the Statutory Auditors and the Comments of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India thereon.
- 2) To confirm the payment of Interim Dividend and to declare a Final Dividend on Equity Shares for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024.
- 3) To appoint a Director in place of Shri Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta, Director (DIN: 08188547), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment.
- 4) To authorize the Board of Directors of the Company to fix the remuneration of the Joint Statutory Auditors of the Company for the Financial Year 2024-25 in terms of the provisions of Section 139(5) read with Section 142 of the Companies Act, 2013 and to consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution, as an Ordinary Resolution:-

"RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to decide and fix the remuneration of the Joint Statutory Auditors of the Company as appointed by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India for the Financial Year 2024-25."

B. SPECIAL BUSINESS

5) Approval of Remuneration of the Cost Auditors for the Financial Year 2024-25

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:-

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 148 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time, the Cost Auditors viz. M/s. Dhananjay V. Joshi & Associates., Cost Accountants and M/s. Diwanji & Co., Cost Accountants, appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the Financial Year ending March 31, 2025 be paid the remuneration as set out below:-

Name of the Cost Auditors	Activities/Location	Audit fees
M/s. Dhananjay V. Joshi & Associates (Lead Auditor)	BPCL's activities where cost records are to be maintained including refineries, products, pipelines etc. (other than lubricants)	₹3,50,000 plus applicable tax and reasonable out of pocket expenses
M/s. Diwanji & Co,	Lubricants Oil Blending Plants – Wadilube, Tondiarpet, Budge-Budge, Loni etc.	₹ 1,25,000 plus applicable tax and reasonable out of pocket expenses

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts, deeds and things, and to take all such steps as may be necessary or expedient to give effect to this Resolution."

6. Appointment of Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish as Director

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:-

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Sections 149, 152 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") and the Rules framed thereunder, as amended from time to time, Regulation 17 and all other applicable Regulations of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force), Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish (DIN: 02504842), who was appointed by the Board of Directors as an Additional Director of the Company with effect from July 19, 2024 and who holds office up to the date of this Annual General Meeting of the Company in terms of Section 161 of the Act and in respect of whom the Company has received a Notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act proposing his candidature for the office of Director of the Company, be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors be and is hereby authorized to do all such acts and to take all such steps as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this Resolution."

By Order of the Board of Directors Sd/-(V. Kala) Company Secretary

Place: Mumbai Date: August 6, 2024

Registered Office: Bharat Bhavan, 4 & 6 Currimbhoy Road, Ballard Estate, Mumbai 400 001 CIN: L23220MH1952GOI008931 Phone: 2271 3000/4000 Email: <u>info@bharatpetroleum.in</u> Website: <u>www.bharatpetroleum.in</u>

Notes:

 Pursuant to various circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) and by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Circulars"), physical presence of the members at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) venue is not required and the AGM will be held through VC or OAVM. Hence, members can attend and participate in the AGM through VC/OAVM at <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.

In compliance of provisions of Regulation 44(6) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the top 100 Listed Companies determined on the basis of market capitalization are required to provide the facility of the live webcast of the proceedings of the General Meeting. Accordingly, BPCL is arranging a live webcast for the members at <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.

- 2. The Explanatory Statements pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013, for Item No. 5 and 6, is annexed hereto.
- 3. A Member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on a poll instead of himself and the proxy need not be a Member of the Company. Since the present AGM is being held through VC/OAVM pursuant to the MCA/SEBI Circulars, the facility to appoint a proxy to attend and cast a vote for the Member is not available. However, the Bodies Corporate are entitled to appoint authorized representatives to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM and participate thereat and cast their votes through e-voting.
- 4. Since the present AGM is being held through VC/OAVM, Proxy form, Attendance Slip and Route map are not enclosed to the notice.
- 5. The members can join the AGM in the VC/OAVM mode 30 minutes before and after the scheduled time of the commencement of the Meeting. The facility of participation at the AGM through VC/OAVM will be made available for 1000 members on first come first served basis. This will not include large Shareholders (Shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), Promoters, Institutional Investors, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel, the Chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Stakeholders Relationship Committee, Auditors etc. who are allowed to attend the AGM without restriction on account of first come first served basis.
- 6. The presence of the members attending the AGM through VC/OAVM will be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 7. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and Regulation 44 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (Listing Regulations) (as amended), and the Circulars issued by the MCA, the Company is providing the facility of remote e-voting to its members in respect of the business to be transacted at the AGM. The members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the meeting may also attend the meeting but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. For this purpose, the Company has entered into an agreement with National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) for facilitating voting through electronic means, as the authorized agency. The facility of casting votes by a member using the remote e-voting system as well as the electronic voting system at the AGM will be provided by NSDL. Facility is also being provided to those members attending the AGM through VC, who have not cast their vote through remote e-voting and who are not barred from doing so, to cast their vote by e-voting during the AGM, in respect of the business transacted at the AGM.

In line with the MCA Circular, the Notice convening the AGM and Annual Report will be available on the website of the Company at <u>https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/Bharat-Petroleum-For/Investors/Shareholders-Meetings/Annual-General-Meeting.aspx</u>. The Notice and Annual Report can also be accessed from the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e., BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at <u>www.bseindia.com</u> and <u>www.nseindia.com</u> respectively and will also be available on the website of NSDL (agency for providing the remote e-voting facility) i.e. <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.

In terms of the SEBI Circulars and Regulation 36(1) (c) of Listing Regulations, Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2023-24 is sent only through electronic mode to those members whose email addresses are registered with the Company or Depository Participant (DP). Physical copy of the Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2023-24 shall be sent to those members who request for the same.

For receiving the Annual Report and all other communications from the Company electronically:

a. Members holding shares in physical mode and who have not registered/updated their email address with the Company are requested to register/update the same by writing to the Registrar and Transfer Agent (RTA) of the Company, M/s. Data Software Research Co. Pvt. Ltd. (DSRC) at <u>bpcl@dsrc-cid.in</u> with details of folio number and attaching a self-attested copy of PAN card.

- b. Members holding shares in dematerialized mode are requested to register/update their email addresses with the relevant DP.
- c. If there is any change in the email ID already registered with the Company/RTA, members are requested to immediately notify such change to the Company/RTA in respect of shares held in physical form and to DP in respect of shares held in electronic form.
- d. In case of any queries relating to shares, members are requested to contact the RTA on the above email address.
- 8. The Board of Directors of the Company has recommended a Final dividend of ₹21 per share (pre-bonus issue) which translates into Final dividend of ₹10.50 per equity share (post-bonus issue). Final dividend, once approved by the members in the AGM, will be paid to the eligible shareholders within the stipulated period of 30 days from the date of declaration at the AGM.
- 9. The Company has fixed Friday, August 9, 2024 as the Record Date for the purpose of payment of final dividend on equity shares for the year ended March 31, 2024, if declared at the AGM. All members of the Company holding shares as on the said Record Date will be eligible for the final dividend as per the data to be made available by NSDL/CDSL/RTA.
- 10. SEBI vide its Circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/655 dated November 3, 2021 (subsequently amended by Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/687 dated December 14, 2021, SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/37 dated March 16, 2023 and SEBI/HO/MIRSD/POD-1/P/CIR/2023/181 dated November 17, 2023) has mandated that with effect from April 1, 2024, shareholders (including shareholders holding shares in physical form) shall be paid dividend only through electronic mode. Such payment shall be made only after furnishing the PAN, choice of nomination, contact details including mobile number, bank account details and specimen signature by such shareholders.

Further, relevant FAQs published by SEBI on its website can be viewed at the following link: <u>https://www.sebi.gov.in/sebi_data/faqfiles/jan-2024/1704433843359.pdf</u>

- 11. For submitting the above information, members holding shares in physical form may access the following link: <u>https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petroleum-for/Investors/KYC-Updation.aspx</u>.
- 12. Members who hold physical shares may provide updated bank details by submitting a hard copy of the duly signed form ISR-1 along with relevant documents mentioned therein to RTA. The said form is available on https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petroleum-for/Investors/KYC-Updation.aspx
- 13. Members holding shares in electronic form are requested to submit their PAN, choice of nomination, contact details and update their bank particulars with their respective DPs, with whom they hold the demat account.
- 14. As per the provisions of Section 72 of the Companies Act, 2013, facility for making nomination is available to individuals holding shares in the Company. Members who are holding shares in physical form and have not yet registered their nomination are requested to submit Form SH-13 for registering their nomination, Form SH-14 for making changes to their nomination details and Form ISR -3 to opt out of nomination along with the relevant documents to RTA. The relevant forms are available on the company's website at https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petroleum-for/Investors/KYC-Updation.aspx. In case members are holding shares in dematerialized form, they can register their nomination with their respective DPs.
- 15. In terms of Regulation 40 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialized form with effect from April 1, 2019, except in case of requests received for transmission or transposition of securities.
- 16. As per SEBI circular nos. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 and SEBI/HO/ MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/70 dated May 25, 2022 the listed companies, with immediate effect, shall issue the securities only in demat mode while processing various investor service requests pertaining to issuance of duplicate shares certificate, claim from unclaimed suspense account, renewal/exchange of securities certificate, endorsement, sub-division/splitting of share certificate, consolidation of share certificate, transposition etc. Therefore, members are requested to submit a hard copy of duly signed Form ISR-4 along with relevant documents to RTA. The detailed procedure and the relevant documents are available on <u>https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petroleum-for/ Investors/Procedure-Related-to-Investor-Service-request.aspx</u>
- 17. SEBI vide circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/65 dated May 18, 2022 has simplified and standardized the procedure for transmission of shares. Therefore, members are requested to make a service request for transmission of shares by submitting a hard copy of duly signed Form ISR-5 along with relevant documents to RTA. The detailed procedure and the relevant documents are available on https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-pe

- 18. The certificate of the Secretarial Auditor certifying that the ESPS scheme of the Company is implemented in accordance with SEBI (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2021 is available at https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petrole
- 19. All documents referred to in the Notice, if any, will be available electronically for inspection during office hours without any fee by the members from the date of circulation of the Notice up to the date of the AGM. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to ssc@bharatpetroleum.in.
- 20. The Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Act, the Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which the Directors are interested, maintained under Section 189 of the Act, and the relevant documents referred to in the Notice will be available electronically for inspection by the members during the AGM. Members desiring inspection of such Registers during the AGM may send their request in writing to the Company at <u>ssc@bharatpetroleum.in</u>.
- 21. Members seeking any information with regard to the accounts or any matter to be placed at the AGM, are requested to write to the Company on or before Friday, August 23, 2024 through email on <u>ssc@bharatpetroleum.in</u>. The same will be replied to by the Company suitably through email.
- 22. As required under Regulation 36(3) of Listing Regulations, a brief resume of persons seeking reappointment and appointment as Directors under Item No. 3 and 6 of the Notice is attached.
- 23. Non-Resident Indian members are requested to inform the RTA immediately about:
 - (i) Change in their residential status on return to India for permanent settlement.
 - (ii) Particulars of their bank account maintained in India with complete name, branch, account type, account number and address of the bank with pin code number, if not furnished earlier.
- 24. Members may note that the Income Tax Act, 1961, as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, mandates that dividends paid or distributed by a Company are taxable in the hands of members. The Company shall therefore be required to deduct tax at source ("TDS") at the time of making the payment of dividend. In order to enable us to determine the applicable TDS rate, members are requested to submit the relevant documents on or before Monday, August 12, 2024. The detailed communication regarding TDS on dividend sent to the members is provided on the link: <u>https://www.bharatpetroleum.in/bharat-petroleum-for/Investors/Procedure-Related-to-Investor-Service-request/Tax-Forms.aspx</u>. Kindly note that no documents in respect of TDS would be accepted from members after Monday, August 12, 2024.
- 25. The unclaimed dividends of BPCL and erstwhile Kochi Refineries Limited (KRL) for the Financial Years up to 1993-94 have been transferred by the Companies to the General Revenue Account of the Central Government, which can be claimed by the members from the Office of the Registrar of Companies at Mumbai and Kochi, respectively.
- 26. (a) Pursuant to Section 124 and 125 of the Companies Act, 2013, any amount of dividend remaining unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven years from the date of its transfer to the Unpaid Dividend Account of the Company is required to be transferred to the Investor Education & Protection Fund (IEPF) established by the Central Government. The unclaimed dividends for the Financial Years from 1994-95 to 2015-16 and two interim dividends for Financial Year 2016-17 have been transferred to the said Fund and no claim shall lie against the Company, for the amount of dividend so transferred.
 - (b) In terms of Section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013, read with the IEPF Rules as amended, all the shares in respect of which dividend has remained unpaid/unclaimed for seven consecutive years or more are required to be transferred to an IEPF Demat account. Accordingly, shares in respect of unclaimed final dividend for the Financial Year 2015-16, 1st Interim and 2nd interim dividend of Financial Year 2016-17 have been transferred to an IEPF Demat account. In the event of transfer of shares and the unclaimed dividends to IEPF, members are entitled to claim the same from IEPF by submitting an online application in the prescribed IEPF-5 web form by login on <u>www.mca.gov.in</u>. After login, click on 'MCA services', then click on 'Company E-filing', in the dropdown, click on 'IEPF Services' and select 'IEPF-5 web form' for claiming unpaid amounts and shares. Members can file only one consolidated claim in a financial year as per the IEPF Rules.
 - (c) Members of BPCL who have not yet encashed their dividend warrant(s) for the final dividend of Financial Year 2016-17 or dividend warrants(s) for any subsequent financial years are requested to make their claims without any delay to the RTA/Company. It may be noted that the unclaimed amount of final dividend for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2017 becomes due for transfer to IEPF Authority on October 17, 2024. It may please be noted that if no claim/application is received by the Company or the Company's RTA for the final dividend of Financial

Year 2016-17 before the said date, the Company will be compelled to transfer the underlying shares to the IEPF. The details of unclaimed dividend/shares to be transferred to IEPF are available on the website of the Company.

PROCESS AND MANNER OF E-VOTING AND JOINING THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The remote e-voting period begins on Sunday, August 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. and ends on Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. The remote e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members/Beneficial Owners as on the record date (cut-off date) i.e. Friday, August 23, 2024 may cast their vote electronically. The voting right of shareholders shall be in proportion to their share in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date, being Friday, August 23, 2024.

How do I vote electronically using the NSDL e-Voting system?

The way to vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system consists of "Two Steps" which are mentioned below:

Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system

A) Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode

In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and email Id in their demat accounts in order to access e-Voting facility.

Login method for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

Type of Shareholders	Lo	gin Method	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL.	1.	Existing IDeAS user can visit the e-Services website of NSDL Viz. <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com</u> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. On the e-Services home page click on the " Beneficial Owner " icon under " Login " which is available under ' IDeAS ' section, this will prompt you to enter your existing User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services under Value added services. Click on " Access to e-Voting " under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be re-directed to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.	
	2.	If you are not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com</u> . Select " Register Online for IDeAS Portal " or click at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/</u> <u>IdeasDirectReg.jsp</u>	
	3.	Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen digit demat account number held with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to the NSDL Depository site wherein you can see the e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to the e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining the virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.	
	4.	Shareholders/Members can also download the NSDL Mobile App "NSDL Speede" facility by scanning the QR code mentioned below for a seamless voting experience.	
	NSDL Mobile App is available on		
		App Store	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	1.	Users who have opted for CDSL Easi/Easiest facility, can login through their existing user id and password. The option will be made available to reach the e-Voting page without any further authentication. The users to login Easi/Easiest are requested to visit the CDSL website www. cdslindia.com and click on login icon & New System Myeasi Tab and then use your existing my easi username & password.	
	2.	After successful login the Easi/Easiest user will be able to see the e-Voting option for eligible companies where the e-Voting is in progress as per the information provided by the company. On clicking the e-Voting option, the user will be able to see the e-Voting page of the e-Voting service provider for casting your vote during the remote the e-Voting period or joining the virtual meeting & voting during the meeting. Additionally, there are also links provided to access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers, so that the user can visit the e-Voting service providers' website directly.	

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Type of Shareholders	Login Method	
	3. If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at the CDSL website <u>www.</u> <u>cdslindia.com.</u> Click on login & New System Myeasi Tab and then click on registration option.	
	4. Alternatively, the user can directly access the e-Voting page by providing Demat Account Number and PAN No. from an e-Voting link available on <u>www.cdslindia.com</u> home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the Demat Account. After successful authentication, the user will be able to see the e-Voting option where the e-voting is in progress and also able to directly access the system of all e-Voting Service Providers.	
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their depository participants	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Upon logging in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see the e-Voting feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL and you will be redirected to the e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining the virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.	

Important note: Members who are unable to retrieve the User ID/Password are advised to use the Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at the above mentioned website.

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

Login type	Helpdesk details	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact the NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> or call at 022 - 4886 7000	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact the CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at <u>helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com</u> or contact at toll free no. 1800 21 09911	

B) Login Method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

How to Login to the NSDL e-Voting website?

- 1. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open the web browser by typing the following URL: <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/</u> either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile.
- 2. Once the home page of the e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/ Member' section.
- 3. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.

Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL e-services i.e. IDEAS, you can login at <u>https://eservices.nsdl.com/</u> with your existing IDEAS login. Once you login to NSDL e-services after using your login credentials, click on e-Voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.

4. Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of holding shares i.e. Demat

(NSDL or CDSL) or Physical		Your User ID is:	
a)	For Members who hold shares in demat account with NSDL	8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID For example if your DP ID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12****** then your user ID is IN300***12******.	
b)	For Members who hold shares in demat account with CDSL	16 Digit Beneficiary ID For example if your Beneficiary ID is 12*************** then your user ID is 12*************	
c)	For Members holding shares in Physical Form	EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the company For example if your folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 101456 then user ID is 101456001*	

5. Password details for shareholders other than Individual shareholders are given below:

a) If you are already registered for e-Voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.

b) If you are using NSDL e-Voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.

- c) How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
 - (i) If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the email and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the .pdf file is your 8 digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
 - (ii) If your email ID is not registered, please follow steps mentioned below in process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered.
- 6. If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the "Initial password" or have forgotten your password:
 - a) Click on "Forgot User Details/Password?" (If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
 - b) "Physical User Reset Password?" (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on <u>www.evoting.</u> <u>nsdl.com</u>.
 - c) If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address etc.
 - d) Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- 7. After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.
- 8. Now, you will have to click on the "Login" button.
- 9. After you click on the "Login" button, the Home page of e-Voting will open.

Step 2: Cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system.

How to cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-Voting system?

- 1. After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status.
- 2. Select "EVEN" of the company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period and casting your vote during the General Meeting. For joining the virtual meeting, you need to click on the "VC/OAVM" link placed under "Join Meeting".
- 3. Now you are ready for e-Voting as the Voting page opens.
- 4. Cast your vote by selecting the appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify/modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on "Submit" and also "Confirm" when prompted.
- 5. Upon confirmation, the message "Vote cast successfully" will be displayed.
- 6. You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- 7. Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

General Guidelines for shareholders

- Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are required to send a scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution/Authority letter etc. with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer by email to <u>mail@csraginichokshi.com</u> with a copy marked to <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u>. Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) can also upload their Board Resolution/Power of Attorney/Authority Letter etc. by clicking on "Upload Board Resolution/Authority Letter" displayed under the "e-Voting" tab in their login.
- 2. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the "Forgot User Details/Password?" or "Physical User Reset Password?" option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> to reset the password.
- 3. In case of any queries, you may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> or call on 022 4886 7000 or send a request to Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL, 4th Floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamla Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013 at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u>

Process for those shareholders whose email ids are not registered with the depositories for procuring user id and password and registration of email ids for e-voting for the resolutions set out in this notice:

- In case shares are held in physical mode please provide Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by email to <u>ssc@bharatpetroleum.in</u>.
- 2. In case shares are held in demat mode, please provide DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) to <u>ssc@bharatpetroleum.in</u>. If you are an Individual shareholder holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at step 1 (A) i.e. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.
- 3. Alternatively shareholders/members may send a request to <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> for procuring the user id and password for e-voting by providing the above mentioned documents.
- 4. In terms of SEBI circular dated December 9, 2020 on e-Voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are required to update their mobile number and email ID correctly in their demat account in order to access the e-Voting facility.

THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR E-VOTING ON THE DAY OF THE AGM ARE AS UNDER:-

- 1. The procedure for e-Voting on the day of the AGM is the same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
- Only those Members, who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not cast their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-Voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through the e-Voting system in the AGM.
- 3. Members who have voted through Remote e-Voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- 4. For any grievances connected with the facility for e-voting on the day of the AGM, the members may contact the person whose details are mentioned in the general guidelines for shareholders under remote e-voting.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS FOR ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM ARE AS UNDER:

- 1. Members will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access by following the steps mentioned above for Access to the NSDL e-Voting system. After successful login, you can see the link of "VC/OAVM" placed under the "Join meeting" menu against the company name. You are requested to click on the VC/OAVM link placed under the Join Meeting menu. The link for the VC/OAVM will be available in the Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of the Company will be displayed. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush.
- 2. Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through laptops for a better experience.
- 3. Further, Members will be required to allow the Camera and use the Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
- 4. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to Fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use a Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- Members who would like to express their views/have questions may send their questions in advance mentioning their name, demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number at <u>ssc@bharatpetroleum.in</u>. The same will be replied by the company suitably.
- 6. The members who would like to express their views/have questions may pre-register themselves as a speaker, by sending their request from their registered email address mentioning their name, DPID and Client ID/folio number, PAN, email id, and mobile number at <u>bpclagm24@bharatpetroleum.in</u> from Wednesday, August 21, 2024 to Saturday, August 24, 2024. Only those members who have pre-registered themselves as a speaker will be allowed to express their views/ ask questions during the AGM. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of questions and number of speakers, depending upon availability of time as appropriate for smooth conduct of the AGM.

7. The members who need technical assistance w.r.t. VC/OAVM before or during the AGM, can contact NSDL on <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> or call on 022 - 4886 7000 or send a request to Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL, 4th floor, 'A' Wing, Trade World, Kamla Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013 at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u>

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS:-

- 1. Members can also update their mobile number and email id in the user profile details of the folio by providing this information to the DP/RTA, which may be used for sending future communication.
- 2. The members holding shares in electronic form are therefore requested to submit the Permanent Account Number (PAN) details to their DP with whom they are maintaining their demat accounts. Members holding shares in physical form can submit their PAN details to the Company or to RTA.
- 3. The voting rights of members shall be in proportion to their shares in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, August 23, 2024. A person whose name is recorded in the register of members or in the register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the DP as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, August 23, 2024 only shall be entitled to avail of the facility of remote e-voting at the AGM. A person who is not a member as on the cut-off date, should treat the Notice for information purpose only.
- 4. Any person holding shares in physical form as on the cut-off date and non-individual shareholders who acquire shares of the Company and become members of the Company after dispatch of the notice and holding shares as on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, August 23, 2024, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.com</u> or <u>bpcl@dsrc-cid.in</u>.

In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode, who acquire shares of the Company and become members of the Company after sending of the notice and holding the shares as of the cut-off date i.e. Friday, August 23, 2024 may follow the steps mentioned under "Access to NSDL e-Voting system".

However, if you are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting, then you can use your existing user ID and password for casting your vote. If you forgot your password, you can reset your password by using "Forgot User Details/ Password" or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> or call on 022 - 4886 7000.

- 5. Once the vote on a Resolution is cast by a member, whether partially or otherwise, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently or cast the vote again.
- 6. Mrs. Ragini Chokshi, (C.P. No. 1436) Practising Company Secretary (Membership No. 2390) of Ragini Chokshi & Co. Company Secretaries has been appointed as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the voting and remote e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- 7. The Chairman shall, at the end of the discussion on the resolutions on which voting is to be held, allow voting with the assistance of the Scrutinizer, by use of e-voting for all those members who have not cast their votes by availing the remote e-voting facility.
- 8. The Scrutinizer will, within fifteen minutes after the conclusion of voting at the AGM, first unblock the votes cast through remote e-voting and shall make available, within two working days of conclusion of the meeting, a Consolidated Scrutinizer's report of the total votes cast in favor of, or against, if any, to the chairman or a person authorized by him in writing who shall countersign the same and declare the results of voting.
- 9. The results of e-voting, declared along with the report of the Scrutinizer, shall be placed on the Company's website <u>www.bharatpetroleum.in</u> and on the website of NSDL <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u> immediately after the result is declared. The Company shall simultaneously forward the results to BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited, where the shares of the Company are listed.
- 10. Members holding multiple folios may get their shareholding consolidated.

ANNEXURE TO THE NOTICE

Explanatory Statement Pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013

Item No. 5: Approval of Remuneration of the Cost Auditors for the Financial Year 2024-25

The Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, has approved the appointment and remuneration of M/s. Dhananjay V. Joshi & Associates., Cost Accountants and M/s. Diwanji & Co., Cost Accountants to conduct the audit of the Cost records for the Financial Year 2024-25.

With the completion of the Cost Audit for the Financial Year 2023-24, both existing Cost Auditors (M/s. R. Nanabhoy & Co., Cost Accountants and M/s. G.R. Kulkarni & Associates, Cost Accountants) have completed 4 years of Cost Audit. Hence, appointment of new Cost Auditors for the Financial Year 2024-25 in place of the existing Cost Auditors was considered. The remuneration proposed to the newly appointed Cost Auditors remains the same.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, ratification for the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors for the Financial Year 2024-25 by way of an Ordinary Resolution is being sought, as set out at Item No. 5 of the notice.

The Board of Directors accordingly recommends the passing of the proposed Ordinary Resolution for approval by the Members. None of the Directors or Key Managerial Personnel of the Company or their relatives have any concern or interest, financially or otherwise in passing of the said Ordinary Resolution.

Item No.6: Appointment of Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish as Director

Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish was appointed as Additional Director on the Board upon nomination by the Government of India as Government Nominee Director, under the provisions of Article 77A of the Articles of Association of the Company, read with Section 161 of the Companies Act, 2013, effective July 19, 2024, in accordance with the directions of the Government of India.

Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish, being an Additional Director, holds office up to the date of the ensuing Annual General Meeting. The Company has received a Notice in writing along with the deposit of requisite amount under Section 160 of the Companies Act, 2013 proposing his candidature.

Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish, is a senior IAS officer from 1996 batch and holds B. Tech degree in Civil Engineering from College of Engineering, Trivandrum. He is presently serving as Principal Secretary, Industries, Commerce and Waqf Department in Government of Kerala. His brief resume containing his age, qualification, expertise etc. is annexed herewith.

Relevant documents, if any, in respect of the said item will be available for inspection in electronic form on request by the Members of the Company, up to the last date of the remote e-voting.

The Board of Directors accordingly, recommends the passing of the proposed Ordinary Resolution as contained in the Notice by Members of the Company.

Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish is interested in the Resolution to the extent as it concerns his appointment. None of the other Directors or Key Managerial Personnel or their relatives has any concern or interest, financial or otherwise, in passing of the said Ordinary Resolution.

> By Order of the Board of Directors Sd/-

Place: Mumbai Date: August 6, 2024 (V. Kala) Company Secretary

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BRIEF RESUME OF DIRECTOR SEEKING REAPPOINTMENT AT THE 71st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN TERMS OF REGULATION 36(3) OF LISTING REGULATIONS AND SECRETARIAL STANDARD – 2

Name	Shri Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta	Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish
Date of Birth	29.06.1971	17.02.1969
Date of first Appointment	07.09.2021	19.07.2024
Qualifications	B.Com, ACA, AICWA	IAS, B. Tech (Civil) from College of Engineering, Trivandrum
Experience in specific functional areas	Shri Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (1998 batch) and a Bachelor of Commerce. He is also a member of Institute of Cost Accountants of India. With an illustrious career spanning over 26 years at BPCL in various finance roles, he is currently holding charge of Director (Finance).	Shri Acharath Parakat Mahalil Mohamedhanish is presently serving as Principal Secretary, Industries, Commerce and Waqf Departments in Government of Kerala. He has held the position of Principal Secretary, General Education, Health & family Welfare and AYUSH, Govt. of Kerala. He has also held
	Shri Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta has a well-rounded experience profile, and in his rich and diverse career, he has held various positions in BPCL handling various facets of finance covering Corporate Accounts, Risk Management, Business Plan, Budgeting, Treasury operations etc. Apart from his corporate role, he has vast experience of handling finance in various business units of BPCL. He played a critical role in strategy formulation and implementation to ensure Corporate Governance, including internal controls and monitoring. He was a key architect in implementing IND-AS in BPCL.	various positions such as District Collector & District Magistrate, Ernakulam, Director of Public Instruction, Kerala. He has also served as Secretary, Urban Affairs & PWD, Chairman & Managing Director, Supply Co, Managing Director, Kochi Metro Rail Ltd, CEO, Kochi Smart City.
	As a Board member under his able leadership, merger of Bharat Oman Refineries Limited (BORL)/Bharat Gas Resources Limited (BGRL) with BPCL was carried out smoothly and a conducive environment was created for onboarding BORL/BGRL employees into the BPCL family. He has been instrumental in co-creating 'Project Aspire', our five-year strategic framework under which BPCL has set ambitious goals by FY 2028-29.	
Membership/ Chairmanships of Board Committees in BPCL	 Memberships in the following Committees: Stakeholders Relationship Committee Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Committee Risk Management Committee Project Evaluation Committee Sustainable Development Committee Standing Committee of the Board for Tenders Standing Committee of the Board for Release of Flats. BPCL Trust for Investment in Shares Committee Standing Committee of the Board for Issue of Share Certificates Monitoring Committee on Investments in JVs/Subsidiaries 	-
Directorship held in	Director:	Director:
Directorship held in other Companies	 Bharat PetroResources Limited 	 Malabar Cements Limited Additional Skill Acquisition Program Kerala Travancore Titanium Products Limited Kerala Medical Services Corporation Limited Nitta Gelatin India Limited Cheraman Financial Services Limited Kel Electrical Machines Limited
Listed companies from which the Director has resigned in the past 3 years	NIL	NIL
No. of Board Meetings attended during the Financial Year 2023-24	16	NA
Relationship with other Directors & KMP	None	None
No. of shares held in BPCL	5,250 Equity Shares	None
Terms of Appointment	As per the letter dated 07.09.2021 issued by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India, he was appointed as Director (Finance) (Whole Time Director) for a period of five years with effect from his assumption of charge of the post or till the date of his superannuation or until further orders, whichever is earliest. As BPCL is a Government of India Enterprise, his remuneration and other terms and conditions will be as per the applicable guidelines issued by Department of Public Enterprises from time to time.	As per the letter dated 18.07.2024 issued by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India, he was appointed as Director for a period of three years on co-terminous basis or until further orders, whichever is earlier.