## **SWARAJ ENGINES LIMITED**

# POLICY ON APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND SUCCESSION PLANNING FOR ORDERLY SUCCESSION TO THE BOARD AND THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT

# **DEFINITIONS**

The definitions of some of the key terms used in this Policy are given below.

"Board" means Board of Directors of Swaraj Engines Limited (SEL).

"Company" means Swaraj Engines Limited.

"Committee(s)" means Committees of the Board for the time being in force.

**"Employee"** means employee of the Company whether employed in India or outside India including employees in the Senior Management Team of the Company.

**"Key Managerial Personnel"** (KMP) refers to key managerial personnel as defined under the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") which includes:

- (i) Managing Director (MD), or Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or Manager, or Whole Time Director (WTD)
- (ii) Chief Financial Officer (CFO);
- (iii) Company Secretary (CS); and
- (iv) such other officer, not more than one level below the directors who is in whole-time employment, designated as key managerial personnel by the Board.

"Nomination and Remuneration Committee" (NRC) means Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company for the time being in force.

"Senior Management" shall mean the officers and personnel of the Company who are members of its core management team, excluding the Board of Directors, and shall also comprise all the members of the management one level below the Chief Executive Officer or Managing Director or Whole Time Director or Manager (including Chief Executive Officer and Manager, in case they are not part of the Board of Directors) and shall specifically include the functional heads, by whatever name called and the Company Secretary and the Chief Financial Officer.

# I. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS

- The NRC reviews and assesses Board composition and recommends the appointment of new Directors. In evaluating the suitability of individual Board member, the NRC shall take into account the following criteria regarding qualifications, positive attributes and independence of director:
  - 1. All Board appointments will be based on merit, in the context of the skills, experience, independence and knowledge, for the Board as a whole to be effective.
  - 2. Ability of the candidates to devote sufficient time and attention to his/her professional obligations as Independent Director for informed and balanced decision making.
  - 3. Adherence to the Code of Conduct and highest level of Corporate Governance in letter and in sprit by the Independent Directors.
- Based on recommendation of the NRC, the Board will evaluate the candidate(s) and decide on the selection of the appropriate member. Upon receipt of the consent, the new Director will be co-opted by the Board in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act and Rules made thereunder.

#### **REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS**

If a Director is attracted with any disqualification as mentioned in any of the applicable Act, rules and regulations or due to non-adherence to the applicable policies of the company, the NRC may recommend to the Board with reasons recorded in writing, removal of a Director subject to the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions.

# SENIOR MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The NRC shall identify persons who are qualified to become Whole Time / Executive director(s) and who may be appointed in senior management team in accordance with the criteria laid down above and recommend to the Board about their appointment and removal.

Other Senior Management personnel would be appointed or promoted and removed/relieved with the authority of Company Director (In-charge for overseeing SEL operations) on the recommendation of Whole Time / Executive Director.

### II. SUCCESSION PLANNING:

#### **Board:**

The successors for the Independent Directors shall be identified by the NRC at least one quarter before expiry of scheduled term. In case of separation of Independent Directors due to resignation or otherwise, successor will be appointed at the earliest but not later than the immediate next Board meeting or three months from the date of such vacancy, whichever is later.

The successor(s) for the Executive Director(s) shall be identified by the NRC from among the Senior Management or through external source as the Board may deem fit.

The NRC will accord due consideration for the expertise and other criteria required for the successor.

The Board may also decide not to fill the vacancy caused at its discretion.

# **Senior Management Personnel:**

A good succession-planning program aims to identify high growth individuals, train them and feed the pipelines with new talent. It will ensure replacements for key job incumbents in KMPs and senior management positions in the organization.

Significantly, we have a process of identifying Hi-pots and critical positions. Successors are mapped for these positions at the following levels:

- 1. Emergency successor
- 2. Ready now
- 3. Ready in 1 to 2 years
- 4. Ready in 2 to 5 years
- 5. Ready in more than 5 years

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