## ELEGANT FLORICULTURE & AGROTECH (INDIA) LIMITED

## POLICY ON DEALING WITH RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### Introduction

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Elegant Floriculture & Agrotech (India) Limited (the "Company") has adopted this Policy upon recommendation of the Audit Committee and it includes the materiality threshold and the manner of dealing with Related Party Transactions ("Policy") in compliance with the requirements of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 23 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

This Policy applies to transactions between the Company and one or more of its Related Parties. It provides a framework for governance and reporting of Related Party Transactions including material transactions.

The Policy on Related Party Transactions may be amended at any time and is subject to any further change in the Listing Agreement or the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) or rules / regulations made thereunder.

#### **Objective**

This Policy is intended to ensure due and timely identification, approval, disclosure and reporting of transactions between the Company and any of its Related Parties.

This Policy shall regulate transactions between the Company and its Related Parties based on the applicable laws and regulations applicable on the Company and also lay down mechanism for identification, approval, review and reporting of such transactions.

The provisions of this Policy are designed to govern the approval process and disclosure requirements to ensure transparency in the conduct of Related Party Transactions in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders and to comply with the statutory provisions in this regard.

## **Definitions**

- "Audit Committee or Committee" means the Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company constituted from time to time under the provisions of the Listing Agreement and Section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- **"Board"** means Board of Directors of the Company as defined under the Companies Act, 2013.
- "Control" shall have the same meaning as defined in SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011.

- **"Key Managerial Personnel"** means Key Managerial Personnel as defined under Section 2(51) of the Companies Act, 2013.
- "Related Party" means a related party as defined under sub-section (76) of Section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 or under the applicable accounting standards.
- "Related Party Transaction" means any transaction between the Company and any Related Party for transfer of resources, services or obligations, regardless of whether a price is charged and includes
  - a. Sale, purchase or supply of any goods or materials;
  - b. Selling or otherwise disposing of, or buying property of any kind;
  - c. Leasing of property of any kind;
  - d. Availing or rendering of any services;
  - e. Appointment of any agent for the purchase or sale of goods, materials, services or property;
  - f. Such related party's appointment to any office or place of profit in the Company, its subsidiary Company or associate Company;
  - g. Underwriting the subscription of any securities or derivatives thereof, of the Company;
  - h. Financing (including loans and equity contributions in cash or kind);
  - i. Providing or obtaining guarantees and collaterals; and
  - j. Deputation of employees.

(The above is an indicative list and not an exhaustive one).

- "Relative" means relative as defined under section 2(76) of the Companies Act, 2013.
- "Policy" means this Policy on Related Party Transactions.
- "Material Related Party Transaction" means a Related Party Transaction which individually or taken together with previous transactions during the financial year, exceeds ten percent of the annual consolidated turnover of the Company as per the last audited financial statements of the Company or such limits as may be prescribed either in the Companies Act, 2013 or the Listing Agreement, from time to time.
- "Transaction" with a related party shall be construed to include a single transaction or a group of transactions.
- "Arm's length transaction" means a transaction between two related parties that is conducted as if they were unrelated, so that there is no conflict of interest.

#### **Policy**

The Audit Committee shall review and approve all Related Party Transactions based on this Policy.

All proposed Related Party Transactions must be reported to the Audit Committee for its prior approval in accordance with this Policy.

In case of any dispute or difference upon the meaning/interpretation of any word or provision in this Policy, the same shall be referred to the Audit Committee and the decision of the Audit Committee in such a case shall be final.

#### **Identification of Related Party Transactions**

Each Director and "KMP" and other Related Party shall promptly notify the Audit Committee of any material interest that such person or relative of such person had, has or may have in a RPT, by providing notice to the Board or Audit Committee of any potential RPT involving him or her or his or her Relative together with additional information about the RPT that the Board or Audit Committee reasonably request.

The Company prefers that notice of any RPT is given well in advance, so that the Audit Committee / the Board has adequate time to obtain and review information about the proposed RPT.

The Board / Audit Committee shall determine whether a transaction does, in fact, constitute a RPT requiring compliance with this Policy.

#### **Review and Approval of Related Party Transactions**

All RPTs shall require approval of Audit Committee;

RPTs shall be referred to the next regularly scheduled meeting(s) of Audit Committee for its review and approval; The Audit Committee, in order to review a RPT, shall be provided with all relevant material information of the RPT, including the terms of the transaction, the business purpose of the transaction, the benefits to the Company and to the Related Party, and any other relevant matters;

Any member of the Audit Committee who has an interest in any RPT shall recuse him or her and abstain from discussion and voting on the approval of such RPTs;

#### Criteria for approving Related Party Transactions by Audit Committee

While considering any transaction, the Committee shall take into account all relevant facts and circumstances including the terms of the transaction, the business purpose of the transaction, the benefits to the Company and to the Related Party, and any other relevant matters.

Prior to the approval, the Committee shall, inter-alia, consider the following factors to the extent relevant to the transaction:

(i) Whether the terms of the Related Party Transaction are in the ordinary course of the Company's business and are on an arm's length basis;

- (ii) Whether there are any business reasons for the Company to enter into the Related Party Transaction and the nature of alternative transactions, if any;
- (iii) Whether the Related Party Transaction would affect the independence of an independent director;
- (iv) Whether the Related Party Transaction includes any potential reputational risks that may arise as a result of or in connection with the proposed Transaction;
- (v) Whether the Related Party Transaction would present an improper conflict of interest for any director or KMP of the Company, taking into account the size of the transaction, the overall financial position of the director, KMP or other Related Party, the direct or indirect nature of the director's, KMP's or other Related Party's interest in the transaction and the ongoing nature of any proposed relationship and any other factors the Audit Committee deems relevant.

#### **Approval of Related Party Transactions by the Board**

If the Audit Committee determines that a Related Party Transaction should be brought before the Board, or if the Board in any case elects to review any such matter or it is mandatory under any law for Board to approve the Related Party Transaction, the Board shall consider and approve the Related Party Transaction at a meeting and the considerations set forth above shall apply to the Board's review and approval of the matter, with such modification as may be necessary or appropriate under the circumstances.

## **Omnibus Approval by the Audit Committee**

In the case of frequent / regular / repetitive transactions which are in the normal course of business of the Company, the Committee may grant omnibus approval for Related Party Transactions.

While granting the approval, the Audit Committee shall satisfy itself of the need for the omnibus approval and that same is in the interest of the Company. The omnibus approval shall specify the following:

- 1. Name of the related party;
- 2. Nature of the transaction:
- 3. Period of the transaction;
- 4. Maximum amount of the transactions that can be entered into;
- 5. Indicative base price / current contracted price and formula for variation in price, if any:
- 6. Such other conditions as the Audit Committee may deem fit.

Where the need of the Related Party Transaction cannot be foreseen and all the prescribed details are not available, the Audit Committee may grant Omnibus approval for such RPTs provided each transaction does not exceed Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lacs Only). The details of such transaction shall be reported at the next meeting of the Audit Committee for ratification.

Audit Committee shall review, the details of actual RPTs entered into by the Company pursuant to each of the Omnibus Approvals on an annual basis. The omnibus approval shall be valid for a period of one year.

## **Approval of Material Related Party Transactions**

All Material Related Party Transactions shall require approval of the shareholders through special resolution and the Related Parties shall abstain from voting on such resolution.

#### Transactions not in Ordinary Course of Business or not at Arm's Length

All Related Party Transactions in excess of the limits prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013, which are not in the Ordinary Course of Business or not at Arms' Length shall also require the prior approval of the shareholders through special resolution and the Related Parties shall abstain from voting on such resolution.

## Related Party Transactions not previously approved

In the event the Company becomes aware of a Related Party Transaction that has not been approved or ratified under this Policy, the transaction shall be placed as promptly as practicable before the Committee or Board or the Shareholders as may be required in accordance with this Policy for review and ratification.

The Committee or the Board or the Shareholders shall consider all relevant facts and circumstances respecting such transaction and shall evaluate all options available to the Company, including but not limited to ratification, revision, or termination of such transaction, and the Company shall take such action as the Committee may deem appropriate under the circumstances.

## **Reporting and Disclosure of Related Party Transactions**

Every Related Party Transaction entered into by the Company shall be referred to in the Board's report to the shareholders along with justification for entering into such transaction. The Company shall disclose to the Stock Exchange along with the compliance report on corporate governance on a quarterly basis details of all material transactions with related parties.

#### **Limitation**

In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Policy and of the Listing Agreement / Companies Act, 2013 or any other statutory enactments, rules, the provisions of such Listing Agreement / Companies Act, 2013 or statutory enactments, rules shall prevail over this Policy.

# **Dissemination of Policy**

This Policy shall be communicated to all operational employees and other concerned personnel of the Company.