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# RAMA PHOSPHATES LIMITED

## CODE OF CONDUCT

The Company has adopted a Code of Conduct specifically for the members of the Board of Directors and members of the Senior Management of the Company, which sets out as follows:

- \* To act in the best interests of, and fulfill fiduciary obligations to the Company; act honestly, fairly, ethically and with integrity, conduct themselves in professional, courteous and respectful manner and not take improper advantage of the position of Director;
- \* To comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations;
- ♣ To act in good faith, responsibly, with due care, competence and diligence, without allowing their independent judgment to be subordinated;
- ♣ To act in a manner to enhance and maintain the reputation of the Company;
- \* To disclose any personal interest that they may have regarding any matters that may come before the Board and abstain from discussion, voting or otherwise influencing decision on any matter in which the concerned Director has or may have such interest;
- 4 To respect the confidentiality of information relating to the affairs of the Company acquired in the course of their service as Directors, while continuing as such a director and even after ceasing to be such a director, for a reasonable period of two years, except when authorised or legally required to disclose such information;
- \* Restrain from using the Company's property or position for personal gain;
- Avoid using any information or opportunity received in the capacity as Directors for personal gain, or in a manner that would be detrimental to the Company's interests;
- Abstain from discussion, voting or otherwise influencing decision on any matters that may come before the Board in which they may have a conflict or potential conflict of interest.





- \* Not to use confidential information acquired in the course of their service as Directors for their personal advantage or for the advantage of any other entity in which they have a direct or indirect interest, or where they occupy a position of board or executive responsibility with influence over their decisions;
- \* Help create and maintain a culture of high ethical standards and commitment to compliance.

No Director shall seek, or accept, any gifts or incentives in their capacity as director of the Company.

In addition, the Non-Executive Independent Directors shall also abide by the provisions of the 'Code for Independent Directors' as provided in Schedule IV of the Companies Act, 2013, enclosed herewith as Annexure 1.

A director who has concerns regarding compliance with this Code should raise such concerns with the Chairman of the Board who will deal with the same. No waiver or suspension of any or all requirements of this Policy, or any modifications of this policy, shall be valid unless approved by the Board and formally minuted with reasons for such action.

Directors and Senior Management Personnel will annually sign a confirmation that they have read and will comply with this Code.





### Annexure 1

# CODE FOR INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS SCHEDULE IV [See section 149(8)]

The Code is a guide to professional conduct for Independent Directors. Adherence to these standards by Independent Directors and fulfillment of their responsibilities in a professional and faithful manner will promote confidence of the investment community, particularly minority shareholders, regulators and companies in the institution of Independent Director(s).

# I. Guidelines of professional conduct:

An Independent Director shall:

- 1) uphold ethical standards of integrity and probity;
- 2) act objectively and constructively while exercising his duties;
- 3) exercise his responsibilities in a bona fide manner in the interest of the company;
- 4) devote sufficient time and attention to his professional obligations for informed and balanced decision making;
- 5) not allow any extraneous considerations that will vitiate his exercise of objective independent judgment in the paramount interest of the company as a whole, while concurring in or dissenting from the collective judgment of the Board in its decision making;
- 6) not abuse his position to the detriment of the company or its shareholders or for the purpose of gaining direct or indirect personal advantage or advantage for any associated person;
- 7) refrain from any action that would lead to loss of his independence;
- 8) where circumstances arise which make an Independent Director lose his independence, the Independent Director must immediately inform the Board accordingly;
- 9) assist the company in implementing the best corporate governance practices.





### II. Role and functions:

The Independent Director(s) shall:

- 1) help in bringing an independent judgment to bear on the Board's deliberations especially on issues of strategy, performance, risk management, resources, key appointments and standards of conduct;
- 2) bring an objective view in the evaluation of the performance of board and management;
- 3) scrutinize the performance of management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitor the reporting of performance;
- 4) satisfy themselves on the integrity of financial information and that financial controls and the systems of risk management are robust and defensible;
- 5) safeguard the interests of all stakeholders, particularly the minority shareholders;
- 6) balance the conflicting interest of the stakeholders;
- determine appropriate levels of remuneration of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management and have a prime role in appointing and where necessary recommend removal of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management;
- 8) moderate and arbitrate in the interest of the company as a whole, in situations of conflict between management and shareholder's interest.

## III. Duties:

The Independent Director(s) shall—

- 1) undertake appropriate induction and regularly update and refresh their skills, knowledge and familiarity with the company;
- 2) seek appropriate clarification or amplification of information and, where necessary, take and follow appropriate professional advice and opinion of outside experts at the expense of the company;
- 3) strive to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Board committees of which he is a member;

