



Dividend Distribution Policy

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ALKEM LABORATORIES LIMITED

DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION POLICY

Preamble

As per Regulation 43A of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, the top five hundred listed entities based on market capitalization (calculated as on March 31 of every financial year) shall formulate a dividend distribution policy which shall be disclosed in their annual reports and on their websites. Alkem Laboratories being one of the top five hundred listed companies as per the market capitalization, frames this policy to comply with the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.

Objective

The objective of the policy is to broadly specify the external and internal factors including financial parameters that shall be considered while declaring dividend and the circumstances under which the shareholders of the Company may or may not expect dividend.

Philosophy

The Company is deeply committed to driving superior value creation for all its stakeholders. The Company believes that driving growth creates maximum shareholder value and thus it would first like to deploy its profits to fund its working capital requirements, capital expenditure requirements, reducing debt, allocate reserves for inorganic growth opportunities and thereafter distribute the surplus profits in the form of dividend to the shareholders.

Definitions

- **'Company'** means Alkem Laboratories Ltd.
- **'Board'** or **'Board of Directors'** means Board of Directors of the Company
- **'Dividend'** means Dividend as defined under Companies Act, 2013
- **'Policy or this Policy'** means the Dividend Distribution Policy
- **'SEBI (LODR) Regulations'** means the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 together with the circulars issued thereunder, including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof for the time being in force
- **'Subsidiary'** shall mean Subsidiary of the Company as defined under the Companies Act, 2013

Parameters for declaration of Dividend

Internal Factors / Financial Parameters - The Board of Directors of the Company would consider the following financial parameters before declaring or recommending dividend to shareholders

- The Board of Directors of the Company shall declare dividend depending on the consolidated net profit after tax earned by it during the financial year
- The Board of Directors of the Company would consider its working capital requirements, R&D expenditure and capital expenditure requirements for future growth before declaring the dividend
- The Board of Directors of the Company shall take into account resources required to fund acquisitions and / or new businesses and additional investment required in its subsidiaries/associates of the Company

- The dividend declaration would also depend upon the liquidity position of the Company, Outstanding borrowings and the cash flow required to meet contingencies
- The Board of Directors of the Company shall also take into account past dividend trends of the Company

External Factors

- Dividend declared would be in compliance with prevailing legal requirements, regulatory conditions or restrictions laid down under the Applicable Laws including tax laws
- The Board of Directors of the Company would consider dividend pay-out ratios of companies in the same industry

Circumstances under which the shareholders may or may not expect Dividend

The Company shall not recommend dividend if it is of the opinion that it is financially not prudent to do so. The shareholders of the Company may not expect Dividend under the following circumstances:

- In case the Company is undertaking significant expansion which would require higher allocation of resources
- If the Company requires significant amount of working capital to fund its future growth
- In case the Company proposes to utilise surplus cash for buy-back of securities
- In the event of inadequacy of profits or whenever the Company has incurred losses

The Company may declare dividend out of the profits of the Company for the year or out of the profits for any previous year or years or out of the free reserves available for distribution of Dividend, after having due regard to the parameters laid down in this Policy.

Modification of the Policy

The Board is authorised to change/amend this policy from time to time at its sole discretion and/or in pursuance of any amendments made in the Companies Act, 2013, the Regulations, etc.

Disclosure

The Company shall make appropriate disclosures as required under the SEBI Regulations.
