

# TTK Prestige LIMITED



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August 21, 2014

Mr R. Srinivasan  
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Bangalore 560 046

Dear Mr. Srinivasan

Re: Appointment as an Independent Director of TTK Prestige Limited  
("the Company")

On behalf of the Board of Directors ("the Board") of the Company, pursuant to the approval of the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014, I take immense pleasure in confirming your appointment as an Independent Director of the Company in terms of the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act"), Rules made thereunder and Revised Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement ("Clause 49").

Your appointment and other terms and conditions are subject to Company policy, Articles of Association of the Company, the relevant and applicable provisions of the Act read with Schedule IV to the Act and Rules made thereunder, Clause 49 as amended from time to time and as in force.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### **APPOINTMENT:**

- (i) The appointment is for a consecutive term of 5 (five) years commencing from 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2014 till 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 on non-rotational basis unless otherwise terminated earlier by either side in terms of Section 168 or Section 169 of the Act as applicable. Any re-appointment shall be on the basis of report of performance evaluation presented by the other Directors on the Board.
- (ii) You will strictly abide by the Code for Independent Directors detailed in Schedule IV to the Act. The Schedule IV is enclosed to this letter – **Annexure-A**.

- (iii) The Board, in order to derive benefit out of your rich and varied experience, may request and nominate you to serve on one or more Committees of the Board during your tenure.
- (iv) The Board expects you to dedicate sufficient time and attention towards the business affairs of the Company and participate actively / constructively in:
  - All meetings of the Board;
  - Committee(s) in which you are a member or Chairperson;
  - General Meetings of the Company; and
  - Annual Meeting of the Independent Directors.
- (v) By accepting the Appointment, you confirm that you will be in a position to allocate sufficient time to meet the expectations of your role as an Independent Director.

**ROLE:**

- (i) In addition to the role specified under Schedule IV to the Act, you are expected to bring an independent judgement to the Board's deliberations especially on issues of strategy, performance, risk management, resources, key appointments and standards of conduct.
- (ii) You are further expected to provide an objective view in the evaluation of performance of the Board and Management and further scrutinize the performance of Management in meeting agreed goals and objectives.

**DUTIES:**

You will adhere to the below mentioned Duties as specified under Section 166 of the Act in addition to the duties mandated under Schedule IV to the Act:

- (i) Subject to the provisions of this Act, you shall act in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company.
- (ii) You shall act in good faith in order to promote the objects of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole and in the best interests of the Company, its employees, the shareholders, the community and for the protection of environment.

- (iii) You shall exercise your duties with due and reasonable care, skill and diligence and shall exercise independent judgment.
- (iv) You shall not involve yourself in a situation, in which you may have a direct or indirect interest that conflict or possibly may conflict, with the interest of the Company.
- (v) You shall not achieve or attempt to achieve any undue gain or advantage either to yourself or to your relatives, partners or associates and if found guilty of making any undue gain, you shall be liable to pay an amount equal to that gain to the Company.
- (vi) You shall not assign your Office and any assignment so made shall be void.
- (vii) In addition to the above, you shall abide by the Code of Conduct devised by the Company for the Board and Senior Management.

**LIABILITIES:**

As an Independent Director of the Company you shall have the same responsibility like any other Director on the Board. However, you shall be held liable in respect of such acts of omission or commission of the Company which had occurred with your knowledge, attributable through Board processes and with your consent or connivance or where you had not acted diligently.

**FEES / COMMISSION / REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES:**

- (i) Subject to the provisions of the Act and Articles of Association of the Company, you will be paid a Sitting Fee of Rs.20,000 for attending every meeting of the Board as a Director and Rs.20,000 for every Meeting of the Committee as a Member. The Sitting Fee payable may be revised by the Board from time to time as it may deem appropriate within the ceiling as may be prescribed under the Companies Act 2013, .
- (ii) You shall be paid travelling and other out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending and returning from meetings of the Board of Directors or of any Committee thereof or in connection with the business of the Company. You are required to submit details of expenses together with appropriate receipts so incurred to the Company Secretary.
- (iii) Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, approval of the shareholders as required under the Act, and further based on the criteria that may be formulated, you may be paid annual commission.

- (iv) You shall not be entitled to any Stock Options that may be issued by the Company in future.
- (v) During your tenure of appointment as an Independent Director, the Company may seek your professional advice / service, if required, on certain issues whenever appropriate, at the Company's expense.

**INSURANCE:**

The Company will use its best endeavors to maintain appropriate Directors' and Officers' (D&O) liability insurance during your tenure as an Independent Director of the Company.

**OTHER COMPLIANCES:**

- (i) During your tenure as an Independent Director you will comply with all applicable and related provisions of the Act, Clause 49 (including any statutory or other modification or re-enactment thereof) and any other applicable law or regulation in force.
- (ii) You are requested to maintain the limits of Directorship / Committee Membership and Chairmanship as required under Section 165 of the Act read with the applicable rules made thereunder and as per Clause 49. Further, you shall inform the Company about appointment / cessation of Directorship / Committee Membership in the requisite format, as provided in Annexure-B.
- (iii) At the first meeting of the Board in every financial year or whenever there is any change in the circumstances which may affect your status as an Independent Director, you are required to give a declaration to that effect confirming that you meet the criteria of independence (as required under Sections 149(6) / 149(7) of the Act).
- (iv) You are requested to furnish disclosure of interest to the Company as required under Sections 184 and 164(2) of the Act as well as to avoid any conflicts.
- (v) You shall be required to attend the Annual Meeting of Independent Directors and discuss the agenda as provided in Schedule IV to the Act.
- (vi) During your tenure with the Company in case you get disqualified as provided in Section 164(1) of the Act, you are requested to intimate the Company.

- (vii) You are also requested to ensure that the conditions as prescribed under Section 167 of the Act are not attracted resulting in vacation of your office.

**INDUCTION/TRAINING:**

The Company has devised an induction programme for any new Directors joining the Board. The Company will also arrange periodical training/familiarization sessions including briefings from Management and site visits. Please avail yourself of these opportunities as are appropriate to your role and personal circumstances.

**INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ADVICE:**

There may be occasions when you consider that you need professional advice in furtherance of your duties as a Director and it will be appropriate for you to consult independent advisers at the Company's expense. The Company will reimburse the full cost of expenditure incurred in accordance with the Company's policy.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:**

- (i) You acknowledge that all information acquired during your appointment is confidential to the Company and should not be released, communicated nor disclosed either during your appointment or following termination (by whatever means), to third parties without prior clearance from the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (ii) Your attention is drawn to the requirements under the law, applicable regulations and the Company policy towards disclosure of price sensitive information. You shall abide by the Code of Insider Trading devised by the Company and strictly avoid making any statements that might risk a breach of these requirements without the prior clearance from Company Secretary.
- (iii) upon termination of your appointment with the Company (for whatever cause), you shall deliver to the Company all documents, records, papers or other Company property which may be in your possession or under your control and which relate in any way to the business affairs of the Company and you shall not retain any copies thereof.

**EVALUATION:**

You will be evaluated annually in terms of the Policy on Board Evaluation as may be in force from time to time. The policy is for the purpose for evaluation of the Board, the Committees of the Board and individual Director, including the Chairman of the Board. Your appointment and re-appointment on the Board shall be subject to the outcome of the yearly evaluation process.

**TERMINATION:**

- (i) You may resign from your position at any time in the manner provided under Section 168 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- (ii) Your appointment may be terminated in the manner provided under Section 169 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- (iii) Your appointment may also be terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company from time to time in force.
- (iv) Your appointment will stand terminated in case you attract disqualification as provided under Section 164 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- (v) You will not be entitled to compensation on account of termination of your office.

**PUBLICATION OF LETTER OF APPOINTMENT:**

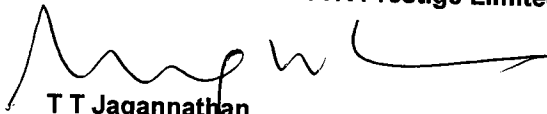
In terms of Schedule IV to the Act, your Letter of Appointment will be displayed on the Company's website [www.ttkprestige.com](http://www.ttkprestige.com) and the same shall be open for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company by any member during normal business hours.

**GOVERNING LAW:**

This Letter and any non-contractual obligations arising out or in connection with Letter are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of India and your engagement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Indian Courts.

Please confirm your agreement to the above terms and conditions by signing and returning to me the enclosed duplicate of this Letter.

**For and on behalf of TTK Prestige Limited**



**T T Jagannathan  
Chairman**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of and accept the terms set out in this Letter.

Signature : 

Date : 21-8-2014

## EXTRACT OF SCHEDULE IV OF COMPANIES ACT, 2013

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 directors.

### **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 directors 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) scrutinise 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;
- (7) 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 directors 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;
- (4) participate constructively and actively in the committees of the Board in which they are chairpersons or members;
- (5) strive to attend the general meetings of the company;
- (6) where they have concerns about the running of the company or a proposed action, ensure that these are addressed by the Board and, to the extent that they are not resolved, insist that their concerns are recorded in the minutes of the Board meeting;
- (7) keep themselves well informed about the company and the external environment in which it operates;
- (8) not to unfairly obstruct the functioning of an otherwise proper Board or committee of the Board;
- (9) pay sufficient attention and ensure that adequate deliberations are held before approving related party transactions and assure themselves that the same are in the interest of the company;
- (10) ascertain and ensure that the company has an adequate and functional vigil mechanism and to ensure that the interests of a person who uses such mechanism are not prejudicially affected on account of such use;
- (11) report concerns about unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the company's code of conduct or ethics policy;
- (12) acting within his authority, assist in protecting the legitimate interests of the company, shareholders and its employees;
- (13) not disclose confidential information, including commercial secrets, technologies, advertising and sales promotion plans, unpublished price sensitive information, unless such disclosure is expressly approved by the Board or required by law