

AZTEC FLUIDS & MACHINERY LIMITED
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION PLAN 2025
(“ESOP 2025”/ “Plan”)



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1. Name, Objective and Term of the Plan

- 1.1 This Employee Stock Option Plan shall be called ‘**Aztec Fluids & Machinery Limited Employee Stock Option Plan 2025**’ (“**ESOP 2025**” / “**Plan**”).
- 1.2 The primary objective of the ESOP 2025 is to align the interests of Employees with the long-term goals of the Company by offering them an opportunity to become shareholders. This ESOP 2025 is designed to achieve the following:
- (i) **Reward Loyalty:** Recognize and reward Employees who have demonstrated long-term commitment and loyalty to the Company by granting them ownership rights, thereby fostering a deeper sense of belonging and motivation.
 - (ii) **Recognize Past Performance:** Offer Options as a form of recognition and reward for Employees who have consistently delivered exceptional performance, thereby encouraging continued excellence and dedication.
 - (iii) **Attract and Retain Talent:** Utilize the ESOP 2025 as a strategic tool to attract top talent in the industry, offering them a compelling reason to join and remain with the Company and Enhance competitiveness of executive awards by adding long term incentives with wealth creation opportunity.
 - (iv) **Drive Future Growth:** Encourage Employees to actively contribute to the Company’s future growth and success by sharing in the financial benefits of that growth. Create an opportunity to become part-owners/ partners in the company.
- 1.3 ESOP 2025 is established with effect from **27.12.2025** on which date the shareholders of the Company have approved ESOP 2025 by way of a special resolution. The Plan shall continue for 5 years from the effective date unless (i) its termination or extension by the Board as per provisions of Applicable Law, or (ii) the date on which all the Options available for Grant under the ESOP 2025 have been issued and exercised, whichever is earlier.

Provided that any such termination of ESOP 2025 shall not affect the Options already granted and such Options shall remain in full force and effect as if ESOP 2025 had not been terminated unless mutually agreed otherwise between the Option Grantee and the Company or the Committee.

2. Definitions and Interpretation

2.1 Definitions

- i. “**Applicable Law**” means every law relating to Employee Stock Options by whatever name called, including but without limitation to the Companies Act, Securities and Exchange Board of India Act 1992, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2018 (“**ICDR Regulations**”), the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (“**LODR Regulations**”), the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021 (“**SEBI SBEB Regulations**”), as amended and enacted from time to time read with all circulars and notifications issued thereunder and all relevant tax,

securities, exchange control or corporate laws of India or of any relevant jurisdiction or of any Stock Exchange on which the Shares are listed or quoted.

- ii. **“Board”** means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- iii. **“Committee”** means the Nomination and Remuneration Committee constituted by the Board from time to time, to administer and supervise the ESOP 2025 and other employee benefit schemes, if any, comprising of such members of the Board as provided under Regulation 19 of LODR Regulations, as amended from time to time and having such powers as specified under the SEBI SBEB Regulations read with powers specified in this ESOP 2025 .
- iv. **“Companies Act”** means the Companies Act, 2013 read with rules issued thereunder from time to time and includes any statutory modifications or reenactments thereof.
- v. **“Company”** means **“Aztec Fluids & Machinery Limited”**, a company registered in India under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, having CIN: U24100GJ2010PLC060446 and having its registered office at Part H Plinth, 5th Floor (Top Floor) Takshashila Square, Nr. Krishnabag Four Rd, Maninagar, Ahmedabad – 380028, Gujarat, India.
- vi. **“Company Policies/Terms of Employment”** means the Company’s Policies for Employees and the Terms of Employment as contained in the employment letter and the company handbook, which includes provisions requiring a desired level of performance, securing confidentiality, non-compete and non-poaching of other employees and customers.

Explanation: for this clause, the Company includes its Subsidiary Company to the extent Employees of the Subsidiary Company are covered.

- vii. **“Director”** means a member of the Board of the Company.
- viii. **“Eligibility Criteria”** means the criteria as may be determined from time to time by the Committee for granting the Options to the Employees.
- ix. **“Employee”** means
 - (i) an employee as designated by the Company, who is exclusively working in India or outside India;
 - (ii) a Director of the Company, whether a whole-time director or not, including a non-executive Director, who is not a Promoter or member of the Promoter Group but excluding an Independent Director; or
 - (iii) an employee as defined in sub-clauses (i) and (ii), of Subsidiary Company(ies), in India or outside India;

but excludes

 - a. an Employee who is a Promoter or a person belonging to the Promoter Group; or
 - b. a Director who, either by himself or through his relative or through any body corporate, directly or indirectly, holds more than 10% of the outstanding Shares of the Company.

- x. **“Employee Stock Option”** means an Option granted to an Employee, which gives such Employee the right, but not an obligation, to purchase or subscribe at a future date the Shares underlying the Option at a pre-determined price.
- xi. **“ESOP 2025” or “Plan”** means ‘Aztec Fluids & Machinery Limited Employee Stock Option Plan 2025’ under which the Company is authorized to grant Options to the Employees and shall include any alterations, amendments, additions, deletions, modifications, addendums or variations thereof from time to time.
- xii. **“Exercise”** of an Option means expression of an intention by an Employee to the Company to purchase the Shares underlying the Options vested in him, in pursuance of the ESOP 2025, in accordance with the procedure laid down by the Company for Exercise of Options.
- xiii. **“Exercise Period”** means such time after Vesting within which the Employee should exercise the Options vested in him in pursuance of the ESOP 2025.
- xiv. **“Exercise Price”** means the price payable by an Employee in order to Exercise the Options granted to him in pursuance of the ESOP 2025.
- xv. **“Grant”** means issue of Options to the Employees under the ESOP 2025.
- xvi. **“Grant Date”** means the date of the meeting of the Committee in which Grant of Options to the Employees are approved or any such date which may be determined by the Committee as the Grant date.

Explanation: For accounting purposes, the Grant date will be determined in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

- xvii. **“Grant Letter”** means the letter issued to the Option Grantee evidencing the Grant and containing the details of the Grant.
- xviii. **“Independent Director”** means a Director within the meaning of Section 149(6) of the Companies Act read with Regulation 16(1)(b) of the LODR Regulations, as amended from time to time.
- xix. **“Market Price”** means the latest available closing price on the recognised Stock Exchange on which the Shares of the Company are listed on the date immediately prior to the Relevant Date.

Explanation- If such Shares are listed on more than one recognised Stock Exchange, then the closing price on the recognised Stock Exchange having higher trading volume shall be considered as the market price.

- xx. **“Merchant Banker”** shall have the same meaning assigned to it under regulation 2(1)(cb) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Merchant Bankers) Regulations, 1992, which is registered under Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
- xxi. **“Misconduct”** means any of the following acts or omissions by an Employee in addition to any provisions prescribed in the offer or Terms of Employment amounting to violation or breach of Terms of Employment as determined by the Committee after giving the Employee an opportunity of being heard:

- (i) dishonest statements or acts of an Employee, with respect to the Company;
 - (ii) any misdemeanour involving moral turpitude, deceit, dishonesty, or fraud committed by the Employee;
 - (iii) gross negligence, misconduct or insubordination of the Employee in connection with the performance of his duties and obligations towards the Company;
 - (iv) breach by the Employee of any terms of his employment agreement or the Company's policies or other documents or directions of Company;
 - (v) participating or abetting a strike in contravention of any law for the time being in force;
 - (vi) misconduct as provided under the labour laws after following the principles of natural justice; or
 - (vii) any other terms and conditions as notified by the Committee from time to time.
- xxii. **"Option(s)"** means Employee Stock Options within the meaning of the ESOP 2025.
- xxiii. **"Option Grantee"** means an Employee who has been granted an Option and has accepted such Grant as required under the ESOP 2025 and shall deem to include nominee or beneficiary or legal heir of an Option Grantee in case of his death to the extent provisions of the ESOP 2025 are applicable to such nominee or beneficiary or legal heir.
- xxiv. **"Permanent Incapacity"** means a condition of mental or physical impairment which, as determined by the Committee (or Board) in its sole discretion and based on certification by a qualified medical practitioner acceptable to the Company, renders the Employee completely and continuously incapable of performing the essential duties and responsibilities of the position held immediately prior to the commencement of the incapacity, and which disability is determined to be permanent and expected to result in death or to last for a continuous period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months. The date of Permanent Incapacity shall be the date on which the Committee (or Board) determines such Permanent Incapacity has occurred.
- xxv. **"Promoter"** shall have the same meaning assigned to it under ICDR Regulations, as amended from time to time.
- xxvi. **"Promoter Group"** shall have the same meaning assigned to it under ICDR Regulations, as amended from time to time.
- xxvii. **"Relevant Date"** means any of the following dates as the context requires:
- (i) in the case of Grant, the date of the meeting of the Committee on which the Grant is made; or
 - (ii) in the case of Exercise, the date on which the notice of Exercise is given to the Company by the Option Grantee.
- xxviii. **"Retirement"** means retirement or superannuation as per the prevalent rules of the Company.
- xxix. **"SEBI SBEB Regulations"** means the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021, as amended and reenacted from time to time, and includes any clarifications or circulars issued thereunder.
- xxx. **"Secretarial Auditor"** means a company secretary in practice appointed by the Company under rule 8 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 to conduct secretarial audit pursuant to regulation 24A of the LODR Regulations.

- xxxi. **“Shares”** means equity shares of the Company of face value of **Rs. 10/- (Rupees Ten Only)** each fully paid-up including the equity shares arising out of the Exercise of Options granted under ESOP 2025.
- xxxii. **“Stock Exchange”** means BSE Limited or any other recognised stock exchange in India on which the Company’s Shares are listed.
- xxxiii. **“Subsidiary” or “Subsidiary Company”** means any present or future subsidiary company(ies) of the Company, as per the provisions of the Companies Act.
- xxxiv. **“Unvested Option”** means an Option in respect of which the relevant Vesting Conditions have not been satisfied and as such, the Option Grantee has not become eligible to Exercise the Option.
- xxxv. **“Vested Option”** means an Option in respect of which the relevant Vesting Conditions have been satisfied, and the Option Grantee has become eligible to Exercise the Option.
- xxxvi. **“Vest” or “Vesting”** means the process by which the employee becomes entitled to receive the benefit of a grant made to him under ESOP 2025.
- xxxvii. **“Vesting Condition”** means any condition subject to which the Options granted would Vest in an Option Grantee.
- xxxviii. **“Vesting Period”** means the period during which the Vesting of the Option granted to the Employee, in pursuance of the ESOP 2025 takes place.

2.2 Interpretation

In this ESOP 2025, unless the contrary intention appears:

- a) the clause headings are for ease of reference only and shall not be relevant to interpretation;
- b) a reference to a clause number is a reference to its sub-clauses;
- c) words in singular number include the plural and vice versa;
- d) words importing a gender include any other gender;
- e) a reference to a schedule includes a reference to any part of that Schedule which is incorporated by reference;
- f) reference to any statute, rules, regulations, or notification shall include any amendment, modification, substitution or re-enactment thereof;
- g) the terms defined above, including their grammatical variations and cognate expressions, shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, for the purposes of the ESOP 2025 have the meanings herein specified and terms not defined above shall have the meanings as defined in the Applicable Law, as the context requires; and

3. Authority and Ceiling

- 3.1 The shareholders of the Company, while approving this ESOP 2025 by way of special resolution dated **27.12.2025** have authorized the Committee to grant not exceeding **3,00,000 (Three Lakhs only)** Options to the eligible Employees in one or more tranches, from time to time, which in aggregate exercisable into not more than **3,00,000 (Three Lakhs only)** Shares of face value of **Rs. 10/- (Rupees Ten Only)** each fully paid up, with each such Option conferring a right upon the Employees to apply for one Share in the Company in accordance

with the terms and conditions as may be decided by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of ESOP 2025 and in due compliance with Applicable Law.

- 3.2 The number of Options that may be granted under the ESOP 2025 per Employee during any year and in aggregate (taking into account all grants) for such Employee, shall not exceed **50,000 (Fifty Thousand Only)** Options.
- 3.3 Prior approval of shareholders of the Company in the general meeting by passing special resolution shall be obtained in case the Grant of Options to any identified Employee, in any one year, is equal to or exceeding 1% (one percent) of the issued capital (excluding outstanding warrants and conversions) of the Company at the time of Grant of Option.
- 3.4 If an Option expires, lapses or becomes un-exercisable due to any reason, it shall be brought back to the Options pool as mentioned in sub-clause 3.1 and shall become available for future Grants, subject to compliance with all Applicable Law.
- 3.5 Where Share are issued consequent upon Exercise of Options under the ESOP 2025, the maximum number of Shares that can be issued under the ESOP 2025 as referred to in sub-clause 3.1 above shall stand reduced to the extent of such Shares issued.
- 3.6 In case of a Share split or consolidation, if the revised face value of the Share is less or more than the current face value as prevailing on the date of coming into force of this ESOP 2025, the maximum number of Shares being granted under the ESOP 2025 as specified above shall stand modified accordingly, so as to ensure that the cumulative face value (number of Shares X face value per Share) prior to such Share split or consolidation remains unchanged after such Share split or consolidation.

4. Administration

- 4.1 The ESOP 2025 shall be administered by the Committee. All questions of interpretation of the ESOP 2025 or any Option shall be determined by the Committee, and such determination shall be final and binding upon all people having an interest in the ESOP 2025 or in any Option issued thereunder.
- 4.2 Neither the Committee nor any of its members shall be liable for any actions taken in good faith for the implementation of ESOP 2025.
- 4.3 The Committee may rely upon the advice and assistance of any professional it deems appropriate in the implementation of ESOP 2025.
- 4.4 The Committee, inter- alia, shall in accordance with this ESOP 2025 and Applicable Law determine the following:
 - (a) the Eligibility Criteria for Grant of Options to the Employees;
 - (b) the quantum of the Option to be granted under the ESOP 2025 per Employee, subject to the ceiling as specified in sub-clause 3.1 and 3.2;
 - (c) terms and conditions in respect of Grant, Vesting and Exercise of Options by the Employees which may be different for different Employees or classes thereof falling into the same tranche of Grant of Options under the ESOP 2025;

- (d) the specific Exercise Period within which the Option Grantee should Exercise the Option and that Option would lapse on failure to Exercise the Option within the Exercise Period;
 - (e) the procedure for making a fair and reasonable adjustment to the number of Option and to the Exercise Price in case of corporate actions such as rights issues, bonus issues, merger, sale of division and others. In this regard the following shall be taken into consideration by the Committee:
 - (i) the number and the price of Option shall be adjusted in a manner such that total value of the Option remains the same after the corporate action; and
 - (ii) the Vesting Period and the life of the Option shall be left unaltered as far as possible to protect the rights of the Option Grantees.
 - (f) the procedure and terms for the Grant, Vesting and Exercise of Option in case of Employees who are on long leave;
 - (g) the conditions under which Option vested in Option Grantee may lapse in case of termination of employment for Misconduct;
 - (h) the procedure for buy-back of Options granted under the ESOP 2025 if to be undertaken at any time by the Company, and the applicable terms and conditions, including:
 - i) permissible sources of financing for buy-back;
 - ii) any minimum financial thresholds to be maintained by the Company as per its last financial statements; and
 - iii) limits upon quantum of Options that the Company may buy-back in a financial year;
 - (i) the procedure for funding for Exercise of Options, as permitted under the Applicable Law;
 - (j) approve forms, writings and/or agreements for use in pursuance of the ESOP 2025; and
 - (k) to deal with all incidental and related matters in connection with the items (a) to (j) above and otherwise to ensure compliance with the requirements of Applicable Law.
- 4.5 The Committee shall also frame suitable policies and systems to ensure that there is no violation of (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015 (as amended from time to time) (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to the Securities Market) Regulations, 2003 (as amended from time to time) and (c) any other regulation as may be notified by the Securities and Exchange Board of India or any other authority from time to time, by the Company, its Subsidiary Company(ies) and any of its Employee.
- 4.6 The Committee shall have a right to delegate or authorize any officer of the Company, if required and subject to the extent allowed under the Applicable Law, such power to do specific acts and things without limitation to the listing of Shares on recognized Stock Exchange(s) arising pursuant to Exercise of Vested Options, execution and submission of various document(s) to Stock Exchange or any other institution as may be deemed necessary in connection with the ESOP 2025.

- 4.7 All the decisions made by the Committee in the matter referred to above shall be conclusive and binding on all the parties concerned (including, but not limited to, Option Grantee and/or their beneficiaries or successors).

5. Eligibility and Applicability

- 5.1 Only those Employees who fall within the definition prescribed under ESOP 2025 and have successfully completed their probation period shall be eligible for the grant of Options. The specific Employees to whom the Options would be granted, and their Eligibility Criteria shall be determined by the Committee as recommended by the management from time to time.
- 5.2 ESOP 2025 shall be applicable to the Company, its Subsidiary Company(ies) and any successor company thereof and Options may be granted to the Employees of the Company or its Subsidiary Company(ies) as determined by the Committee at its sole discretion.
- 5.3 The appraisal process for determining eligibility shall be decided from time to time by the Committee. The broad criteria for appraisal and selection may include parameters based on current salary structure, designation, tenure with the Company or Subsidiary Company, performance during the previous years, contribution towards strategic growth, contribution to team building and succession, cross-functional relationship, expected role for corporate growth, etc.
- 5.4 However, for new joiners, the broad criteria for appraisal and selection shall be basis prior work experience, applicable skills, designated job role or such other factors as determined by the Committee.

6. Grant and Acceptance of Grant

6.1 Grant of Options

- (a) Grants contemplated under the ESOP 2025 shall be made on such day and month as decided by the Committee at its discretion upon recommendation of the management of the Company.
- (b) Each Grant of Option under the ESOP 2025 shall be made in writing by the Company to the eligible Employees fulfilling the Eligibility Criteria in Grant Letter as may be approved containing specific details of the Grant, and disclosure requirements, as prescribed under Applicable Law.

6.2 ;P;

- (a) Any Employee who wishes to accept the Grant made under the ESOP 2025 must deliver to the Company a duly signed acceptance of Grant Letter on or before the date (“**Closing Date**”) as stated in the Grant Letter.
- (b) Any Employee who fails to deliver the signed acceptance of Grant Letter on or before the Closing Date stated above shall be deemed to have rejected the Grant unless the Committee determines otherwise.
- (c) Upon acceptance of the Grant in the manner described above, the Employee henceforth as an Option Grantee, shall be bound by the terms, conditions and restrictions of the ESOP 2025 and the Grant Letter. No amount would be required to be paid by the Option Grantee at the time of Grant and Vesting.

7. Vesting Schedule and Vesting Conditions

- 7.1 The Option granted under the ESOP 2025 would vest not earlier than the minimum Vesting Period of **1 (one) year** and not later than maximum Vesting Period of **3 (three) years** from the date of Grant. The Committee at its discretion may Grant Options specifying Vesting Period ranging between minimum and maximum period.

Provided that in case where Options are granted by the Company under the ESOP 2025 in lieu of Options held by a person under a similar scheme in another company (“**Transferor Company**”) which has merged or amalgamated with the Company, the period during which the Options granted by the Transferor Company were held by him may be adjusted against the minimum Vesting Period required under this sub-clause in due compliance with the provisions of SEBI SBEB Regulations.

Provided further that in the event of death or Permanent Incapacity of an Option Grantee, the minimum Vesting Period shall not be applicable and in such instances, all the Unvested Options shall vest with effect from date of the death or Permanent Incapacity.

- 7.2 The Options granted under ESOP 2025 shall Vest in a staggered manner over a period of up to 3 (three) years from the date of Grant. Vesting of Option would be subject to continued employment with the Company or Subsidiary Company. In addition to this, the Committee may also specify certain performance criteria for each Employee, subject to satisfaction of which the Options would Vest.
- 7.3 As a prerequisite for a valid Vesting, an Option Grantee is required to be in employment or service of the Company or Subsidiary Company, on the date of Vesting and must neither be serving his notice for termination of employment/ service, nor be subject to any disciplinary proceedings pending against him on such date of Vesting. In case of any disciplinary proceedings against any Option Grantee, the relevant Vesting shall be kept in abeyance until disposal of the proceedings, and such Vesting shall be determined accordingly.
- 7.4 The specific vesting schedule and Vesting Condition(s), along with their respective weightages, if any, in respect of the Options granted under the ESOP 2025 shall be determined by the Committee and may vary from an Employee to Employee or any class thereof and / or in respect of the number or percentage of Options to be vested and would be outlined in the document given to the Option Grantee at the time of Grant of Options.
- 7.5 **Vesting of Options in case of Option Grantee on long leave**

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Plan, duly approved long leave of the Option Grantee shall not have any effect on the Vesting of any amount granted as applicable to the Option Grantee. Committee shall have the right to extend the Vesting Period for unvested amount granted to the Option Grantee in case of any unapproved leaves, by the duration of the unapproved leaves.

8. Exercise

8.1 Exercise Price

- (a) The Exercise Price per Option shall be determined by the Committee at the time of each Grant. Such Exercise Price shall not exceed the Market Price of the Shares of the Company as on the date of the respective Grant and may, at the discretion of the Committee, be fixed

at a discount to such Market Price. However, in no event shall the Exercise Price be lower than the Face Value of the Shares of the Company.

- (b) The Exercise Price shall be specified in the Grant Letter issued to the Option Grantee.
- (c) Payment of the Exercise Price shall be made by a crossed cheque, or a demand draft drawn in favor of the Company or by any electronic mode or in such other manner as the Committee may decide from time to time.

8.2 Exercise Period

(a) Exercise while in employment:

The Exercise Period for Vested Options shall be within a period of **1 (one) year** commencing from the relevant date of Vesting of Options, or such other shorter period as may be prescribed by the Committee at the time of Grant. All the Vested Options can be exercised by the Option Grantee at one time or at various points of time within the Exercise Period.

(b) Exercise in case of separation from employment:

Subject to maximum Exercise Period specified in sub-clause 8.2(a), the treatment of Vested and Unvested Options shall be as follows:

S. No.	Events of separation	Vested Options	Unvested Options
1	Resignation/ Termination (Other than due to Misconduct)	All the Vested Options as on the date of resignation/ termination shall be exercisable by the Option Grantee within the Exercise Period.	All the Unvested Options on date of submission of resignation/termination shall stand cancelled with effect from date such resignation/termination.
2	Termination due to Misconduct	All the Vested Options at the time of such termination shall stand cancelled with effect from the date of such termination.	All the Unvested Options at the time of such termination shall stand cancelled with effect from the date of such termination.
3	Retirement	All the Vested Options as on the date of Retirement shall be exercisable by the Option Grantee within the Exercise Period.	All Unvested Options as on the date of Retirement would continue to Vest in accordance with the original vesting schedule even after Retirement in accordance with the Company's Policies and provisions of the prevailing Applicable Law. Such aforesaid Vested Options, if any, can be exercised within the Exercise Period.

S. No.	Events of separation	Vested Options	Unvested Options
4	Death	All the Vested Options as on date of death shall be exercisable by the legal heir/nominee of such deceased Option Grantee within the Exercise Period.	All the Unvested Options as on date of death shall Vest immediately in the Option Grantee's nominee or legal heir and can be exercised in the manner defined for Vested Options.
5	Permanent Incapacity	All the Vested Options as on the date of incurring such Permanent Incapacity shall be exercisable by the Option Grantee within the Exercise Period.	All the Unvested Options as on the date of incurring such Permanent Incapacity shall Vest immediately and can be exercised in the manner defined for Vested Options.
6	Transfer / deputation from/ to the Subsidiary Company	Exercise Period to remain the same as per the terms of the Grant. In case of subsequent separation, treatment of Vested Options shall be as per applicable circumstance mentioned in this table.	Vesting schedule and Exercise Period to remain same as per the terms of the Grant. In case of subsequent separation, treatment of Unvested Options shall be as per applicable circumstance mentioned in this table.
7	Separation due to reasons apart from those mentioned above	The Committee shall decide whether the Vested Options as on that date can be exercised by the Option Grantee or not, and such a decision shall be final.	All Unvested Options on the date of such separation shall stand cancelled unless otherwise required by Applicable Law.

- 8.3 The Options shall be deemed to have been exercised when an Employee makes an application in writing to the Company or by any other means as decided by the Committee, for the issue of Shares against the Options Vested in him, subject to payment of Exercise Price and compliance with other requisite conditions of Exercise.

Vested Options may be exercised at least once per quarter, either in full or in part, subject to a minimum lot size of 500 Shares or such other lot size as may be prescribed by the Stock Exchange in respect of the security being traded on the date of Exercise, unless otherwise waived by the Committee. Fractional Exercise of Vested Options shall not be permitted.

Exercise of the Options shall take place at the time and place designated by the Committee and by executing such documents as may be required under the Applicable Law. Upon completion of a valid Exercise of Options as laid out above, the Board or Committee shall allot the Shares to the Option Grantee.

8.4 **Lapse of Options**

The Options not exercised within the Exercise Period shall lapse and be deemed to cancelled on expiry of such Exercise Period. The Option Grantee shall have no right or recourse over such lapsed/ cancelled Options.

9. Lock-in

The Shares arising out of Exercise of Vested Options shall not be subject to any lock-in from the date of allotment of such Shares under the ESOP 2025.

Provided that the Shares allotted on such Exercise cannot be sold for such further period or intermittently as required under the terms of Code of Conduct for Prevention of Insider Trading of the Company framed under Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading), Regulations, 2015.

10. Exit route in case of de-listing

If the Company gets delisted from all the recognized Stock Exchange(s), then the Committee as authorized by the Board shall have the power to set out terms and conditions for the treatment of Vested Options and Unvested Options in due compliance with the Applicable Law.

11. Restriction on transfer of Options

- 11.1 The Option shall not be pledged, hypothecated, mortgaged, or otherwise alienated in any other manner.
- 11.2 Options shall not be transferable to any person except in the event of death of the Option Grantee, in which case provisions at sub-clause 8.2(b) would apply.
- 11.3 No person other than the Option Grantee shall be entitled to Exercise the Option except in the event of the death of the Option Grantee, in which case provisions at sub-clause 8.2(b) would apply.

12. Rights as a shareholder

- 12.1 The Option Grantee shall not have a right to receive any dividend or to vote or in any manner or enjoy the benefits of a shareholder in respect of Options granted, till Shares underlying such Options are issued by the Company upon Exercise of such Options.
- 12.2 Nothing herein is intended to or shall give the Option Grantee any right or status of any kind as a shareholder of the Company (for example, bonus issue, rights issue, dividend, voting, etc.) in respect of any Shares covered by the Grant unless the Option Grantee Exercises the Options and becomes a registered holder of the Shares of the Company.
- 12.3 In case of any corporate action (for example, bonus issue, right issue, share split, buyback, merger, sale of divisions, etc.) the Option Grantee shall not be eligible for any right or status of any kind as a shareholder of the Company. However, the necessary adjustments to the number of Options or the Exercise Price or both would be made in accordance with sub-clause 4.4(e) of the ESOP 2025.

13. Deduction/Recovery of Tax

- 13.1 The liability of paying taxes, if any, in respect of Options granted pursuant to this ESOP 2025 and the Shares issued pursuant to Exercise thereof shall be entirely on Option Grantee (his nominee(s)/ legal heir(s)/ successor(s) as the case may be) and shall be in accordance with the provisions of Income Tax Act, 1961 read with rules issued thereunder and/or Income Tax Laws

of respective countries as applicable to eligible Employees of Company working abroad, if any.

13.2 The Company shall have the right to deduct from the Option Grantee's (his nominee(s)/ legal heir(s)/ successor(s) as the case may be) salary or recover separately, any of the Option Grantee's tax obligations arising in connection with the Options upon the Exercise thereof. In case of non-continuance of employment, the outstanding amount of the tax shall be recovered fully on or before full and final settlement.

13.3 The Company shall have no obligation to deliver Shares until the Company's tax deduction obligations, if any, have been satisfied by the Option Grantee in full.

14. Authority to vary terms

14.1 For the purpose of efficient implementation and administration of the ESOP 2025 and with the prior approval of the shareholders' of the Company by way of a special resolution, the Committee may revise the terms of the ESOP 2025 and/ or terms of the Options already granted but not yet exercised under the ESOP 2025 subject to the condition that such amendment, alteration, or variation, as the case may be is not detrimental to the interest of Option Grantee.

Provided that the Company shall be entitled to vary the terms of the ESOP 2025 to meet any regulatory requirement without seeking shareholders' approval by way of a special resolution.

14.2 The Committee may also re-price the Options which are not exercised, whether or not they have vested, if ESOP 2025 is rendered unattractive due to fall in the price of the Shares, provided that the Company ensures that such re-pricing shall not be detrimental to the interest of the Option Grantee and approval of the shareholders by way of a special resolution has been obtained for such re-pricing.

15. Miscellaneous

15.1 Government Regulations

This ESOP 2025 shall be subject to all Applicable Law including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, and approvals from government authorities. The Grant and the allotment of Shares under this ESOP 2025 shall also be subject to the Company requiring Option Grantee to comply with all Applicable Law.

15.2 Inability to obtain approval

The inability of the Company to obtain approval from any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the Company, or under any Applicable Law, for the lawful issuance and sale of any Shares hereunder shall relieve and wholly discharge the Company from any or all liability in respect of the failure to Grant the Options or issue Shares.

15.3 Neither the existence of this ESOP 2025 nor the fact that an individual has on any occasion been granted an Option shall give such individual any right, entitlement or expectation that he has or will in future have any such right, entitlement or expectation to participate in this ESOP 2025 by being granted an Option on any other occasion.

15.4 The rights granted to an Option Grantee upon the Grant of an Option shall not afford the Option Grantee any rights or additional rights to compensation or damages in consequence of the loss or termination of his office or employment with the Company or Subsidiary Company, for any reason whatsoever (whether or not such termination is ultimately held to be wrongful or unfair).

15.5 The Option Grantee shall not be entitled to any compensation or damages for any loss or potential loss which he may suffer by reason of being unable to Exercise an Option in whole or in part.

15.6 Participation in the ESOP 2025 shall not be construed as any guarantee of return on the equity investment. Any loss due to fluctuations in the price of Shares and the risks associated with the investments is that of the Option Grantee.

16. Accounting and Disclosures

The Company shall follow the requirements including the disclosure requirements pursuant to relevant accounting standards as may be prescribed by the Central Government in terms of Section 133 of the Companies Act or any other appropriate authority, from time to time, including any guidance note on accounting for employee share-based payments issued in that regard from time to time and the disclosure requirements prescribed therein, in compliance with relevant provisions of Regulation 15 of SEBI SBEB Regulations.

17. Certificate from Secretarial Auditors

The Committee shall at each annual general meeting place before the shareholders, a certificate from the Secretarial Auditors of the Company that ESOP 2025 has been implemented in accordance with the SEBI SBEB Regulations and in accordance with the resolution of the Company in the general meeting.

18. Governing Laws

18.1 The terms and conditions of the ESOP 2025 shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Applicable Law including the foreign exchange laws mentioned below.

18.2 Foreign Exchange Laws

In case any Options are granted to any Employee being resident outside India, the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and rules or regulations made thereunder as amended and enacted from time to time shall be applicable and the Company has to comply with such requirements as prescribed from time to time in connection with Grant, Vest, Exercise of Options and issue of Shares thereof.

19. Notices

19.1 All notices of communication required to be given by the Company to an Option Grantee by virtue of this ESOP 2025 shall be in writing. The communications shall be made by the Company in any one or more of the following ways:

- i. Sending communication(s) to the address of the Option Grantee available in the records of the Company; and/ or
- ii. Delivering the communication(s) to the Option Grantee in person with acknowledgement of receipt thereof; and/ or
- iii. Emailing the communication(s) to the Option Grantee at the official email address provided if any to the Company during the continuance of employment or at the email address provided by the Option Grantee after cessation of employment.

19.2 All notices of communication to be given by an Option Grantee to the Company in respect of the ESOP 2025 shall be sent to the registered/corporate office of the Company or at a place as may be notified by the Board or Committee in writing.

Designation: Compliance Officer

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20. Nomination

Each Option Grantee under ESOP 2025 may nominate, from time to time, any nominee(s) to whom any benefit accrued to such Option Grantee under ESOP 2025 is to be delivered in case of his death or Permanent Incapacity, before he receives all such benefit. Each such nomination shall revoke all prior nominations by the same Option Grantee, shall be in a form prescribed by the Company and will be effective only when filed by the Option Grantee in writing with the Company during the Option Grantee's lifetime.

21. Arbitration and Jurisdiction

In the event of any dispute arising out of or in connection with the provisions of ESOP 2025 (including any dispute relating to the interpretation or performance thereof), the parties shall, in the first instance, endeavour to resolve such dispute through mutual and amicable discussions. If such efforts do not result in a resolution within a period of 90 (ninety) days from the commencement of discussions, either party may, upon giving 90 (ninety) days' written notice to the other party, refer the dispute to arbitration.

Arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof. In the event the parties are unable to mutually appoint a sole arbitrator, the dispute shall be referred to a panel of three arbitrators, one to be appointed by each party, and the third to be jointly appointed by the two arbitrators so appointed.

The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. The arbitral tribunal shall render a reasoned award in writing and shall also determine the costs of the arbitration proceedings. The parties agree to be bound by the arbitral award, which shall be enforceable in the competent courts at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

21 Listing of the Shares

- 21.1 The Company shall not Grant Options under the ESOP 2025 unless it obtains in-principle approval from the Stock Exchange where it is listed.
- 21.2 The Company shall appoint a Merchant Banker for the implementation of the ESOP 2025 and for the purpose of obtaining in-principle approval from the Stock Exchange(s), where it is listed.
- 21.3 Subject to the approval of the Stock Exchange(s), the Shares issued and allotted on Exercise of the Options shall be listed on the recognized Stock Exchange(s) on which the Shares of the Company are listed.

22 Severability

In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this ESOP 2025 shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect the other provisions of this ESOP 2025, but the ESOP 2025 shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been set forth herein, and the ESOP 2025 shall be carried out as nearly as possible according to its original intent and terms.

23 Confidentiality

An Option Grantee must keep the details of ESOP 2025 and all other documents in connection thereto strictly confidential and must not disclose the details with any of his peers, colleagues, co-employees or with any employee and/ or associate of the Company or that of its affiliates. In case Option Grantee is found in breach of this confidentiality Clause, the Company has undisputed right to terminate any agreement, and all unexercised Options shall stand cancelled immediately. The decision and judgment of the Company regarding breach of this confidentiality clause shall be final, binding and cannot be questioned by Option Grantee. In the event of non-adherence to the provisions of this clause, the Committee shall have the authority to deal with such cases as it may deem fit. On acceptance of the Grant of Option offered by the Company, it shall be deemed that as if the Option Grantee has authorized the Company to disclose information relating to the Option Grantee during the process of implementation of the ESOP 2025 or while availing any consulting or advisory services thereof or any other incidental services to its officers, professional advisors, agents and consultants on a need to know basis.

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