



Lakshmi Energy and Foods Limited

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Policy for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

I. PREAMBLE

LAKSHMI ENERGY AND FOODS LIMITED (LEAF) believes in corporate excellence and social welfare. This corporate philosophy is the force for integrating Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) into company's values, culture, operation and business decisions at all levels of the organization. Being a responsible corporate citizen, LEAF has a value system of giving back to society and improving life of the people and the surrounding environment. The Company's CSR initiatives are inspired by the opportunity to contribute to a more secure and sustainable future. LEAF believes that the corporate strategy which embraces social developments as an integral part of the business activities ensure long term sustainability of business enterprises. With this belief, the Company is committed to make substantial improvements in the social framework of the nearby community. Looking at the social problems which the country faces today, the contribution by any corporate may look tiny. However, we believe that every such contribution shall bring a big change in our society.

II. DEFINITION

- (a) "Act" means the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules framed thereunder;
- (b) "Company" The words "This Company", "The Company", "Company" wherever occur in the policy shall mean "LAKSHMI ENERGY AND FOODS LIMITED".
- (c) "Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)" means and includes but is not limited to :- (i) Projects or programs relating to activities specified in Schedule VII to the Act; or (ii) Projects or programs relating to activities undertaken by the Board of Directors of the Company (Board) in pursuance of recommendations of the CSR Committee of the Board as per declared CSR Policy of the Company subject to the condition that such policy will cover subjects enumerated in Schedule VII of the Act.
- (d) "CSR Committee" means the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee of the Board referred to in section 135 of the Act.
- (e) "CSR Policy" relates to the activities to be undertaken by the Company as specified in Clause IV of this policy or Schedule VII to the Act and the expenditure

thereon, excluding activities undertaken in pursuance of normal course of business of a company.

III. INTERPRETATION

Words and expressions used and not defined in this Policy shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Companies Act, 2013 or rules made thereunder, Listing Agreement and any other Guidelines/ Regulation(s) promulgated by SEBI/ other statutory authorities and any amended(s) thereto from time to time.

IV. GUIDELINES

(a) CSR Activities

The CSR initiatives of the Company are identified in consultation with the management, social experts, community and other stakeholders. The implementation strategy is planned in a way so as to give sustainable and scalable solutions.

The identified focus areas for the Company are:

- i) Eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting preventive health care and sanitation and making available safe drinking water;
- ii) Promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly, and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects;
- iii) Promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centres and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups;
- iv) Ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agroforestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water;
- v) Protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional arts and handicrafts;
- vi) Measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents;
- vii) Training to promote rural sports, nationally recognised sports, paralympic sports and Olympic sports;
- viii) Contribution to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund or any other fund set up by the Central Government for socio-economic development and

- relief and welfare of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women;
- ix) Contributions or funds provided to technology incubators located within academic institutions which are approved by the Central Government;
 - x) Rural development projects;
 - xi) Such other activities as may be recognized by the Committee/Board or as may be required/ permissible under prevailing law(s)."

(b) CSR Expenditure

The Company shall spend in every financial year, at least two percent of the average net profits of the Company made during the three immediately preceding financial years on CSR projects in accordance with the policy. Surplus, if any, arising out of the CSR projects, programmes or activities shall not form a part of the business profits of the Company and will be ploughed back into the CSR activities.

(c) Implementation Process:

The Company shall undertake CSR activities in any one or more of the following manners:

- a) The Company may carry on CSR activities directly by having its own personnel;
- b) In collaboration with other companies, provided that the Company shall report separately on its share of projects, programs and activities;
- c) Through various Implementing Institutions, having an established track record of at least three financial years, provided that such expenditure shall not exceed five percent of the total CSR expenditure of the Company in any one financial year; and
- d) Through a registered trust or a registered society or a company established by the Company or its holding or subsidiary or associate company under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013

(d) Monitoring mechanism

The implementation of the CSR policy and execution of projects, programmes and activities undertaken by the Company shall be carried out under the overall superintendence, control and guidance of the CSR Committee. The CSR Committee shall closely monitor such activities and may also further constitute

internal monitoring groups and/or sub-committees for different projects, programmes and activities, as may be required from time to time.

The minutes of the meetings of the CSR Committee shall be placed before the Board of Directors for their information. The Board of Directors shall have the power to make amendments, suggest new measures and/or otherwise amend the powers of the CSR Committee from time to time.

The contents of the CSR policy as amended from time to time shall be disclosed in the Board's Report and shall also be placed on the company's website viz. www.lakshmigroup.in