

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

Dear Members,

Your Directors are pleased to present the **24<sup>th</sup> Annual Report** on the business and operations of the Company together with the Audited Statement of Accounts of **EXCELSOFT TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED** & its subsidiaries for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, along with material changes and commitments, if any, affecting the financial position of the Company, which have occurred between the financial year of the Company to which the Balance Sheet relates and the Date of this Report.

#### **Financial Results & related compliances:**

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in conformity with Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended (Ind AS) and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Management evaluates all recently issued or revised accounting standards on an ongoing basis. The Company has four subsidiary companies incorporated outside India, all of which are wholly-owned subsidiaries. The Company discloses stand-alone audited financial results annual basis.

#### **Fiscal performance:**

Key aspects of your Company's financial performance for the fiscal 2023-24 are tabulated below:

(in lakhs)

	Standalone		Consolidated	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Particulars	Current Financial Year ended 31-MAR-2024	Previous Financial Year ended 31-MAR-2023	Current Financial Year ended 31-MAR-2024	Previous Financial Year ended 31-MAR-2023
Revenue from operations	19,280.69	19,563.90	19,829.73	19,510.44
Expenses	17,727.11	16,776.79	18,176.87	16,727.22
Exceptional Items	1	1	1	-
Profit before Tax	1,778.55	3,045.03	1,878.27	3,061.76
Tax Expenses:				
(1) Current Tax	610.08	782.83	604.33	783.93
(2) Current Tax-MAT	-	-	-	-
(3) Deferred Tax Liability	(48.22)	(6.96)	(48.22)	(6.96)
(4) MAT Credit entitlement- current tax	-	-	-	-
Profit (Loss) for the period from continuing operations	1,216.69	2,269.16	1,322.16	2,284.79

Note: Previous year figures have been regrouped wherever necessary.



#### **Performance Overview:**

During the reporting financial year, your Directors inform that there was a slight decrease in overall Turnover and the Company is able to maintain a healthy growth.

Your Directors are confident in achieving higher revenue and profits in the coming years too, as the opportunities are huge and your Company is capable of exploring the same productively.

#### **SHARE CAPITAL:**

10/- each.

Issued and Paid-up Share Capital. The paid-up Share Capital of the Company, as on March 31, 2024, is Rs. 1,59,59,620/divided into 15,95,962 equity shares of Rs. 10/- each while the paid-up share capital as on March 31, 2023 was Rs. 1,59,36,420/divided into 15,93,642 equity shares of Rs.

Dematerialization of Shares is provided to the shareholders.

The shares of the Company are under dematerialization ("Demat") category and are available for demat on National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and Central Depository Limited (CDSL) in India. The International Securities Identification Number (ISIN) allotted to the Company's shares is INE606N01019. Of the entire paid up shares 15,87,599 shares, 99.47% are in dematerialized form as at March 31, 2024.

#### **LIQUIDITY AND CASH EQUIVALENTS:**

Your Company has a loan of Rs. 7672.48 lakhs for the year ended 2024. The Company has been conservative in its investment policy over the years, maintaining a reasonably high level of cash and cash equivalents which enable the Company to completely eliminate short and medium term liquidity risks. The goal of cash management at Excel soft is to:

- a. Use cash to provide sufficient working capital to manage business operations of the Company to be able to add value to all our stakeholders and continuously enhance the same.
- b. Maintain sufficient cash as reserves that will aid the Company in capturing meaningful business opportunities, including acquisitions.
- c. Invest surplus funds in low-risk bank deposits, debt schemes of mutual fund and secured bonds.

#### TRANSFER TO RESERVES

For the financial year ended 31st March, 2024, the Company had not transferred any sum to Reserves. Therefore, your Company proposes to transfer the entire amount of profit to Profit and Loss Account of the Company.

## PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS

Details of Loans, Guarantees and Investments covered under the provisions of Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 form part of the notes to the Financial Statements provided in this Annual Report.

#### **Dividend:**

To strengthen the long-term prospects and ensuring sustainable increase in revenue, it is important for your Company to evaluate various opportunities in which your Company operates. Keeping in mind expansion activities, conservation of funds is of vital importance. Your Directors do not recommend any dividend for the year ended 31st March, 2024.



## TRANSFER OF UNCLAIMED DIVIDEND TO INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND

The provisions of Section 125(2) of the Companies Act, 2013 do not apply as there was no unclaimed dividend from earlier years, which is more than 7 years. Therefore, during the year under review, transfer of unclaimed dividend to Investor Education & Protection Fund shall not arise.

#### **Fixed Deposits:**

Your Company has neither invited not accepted any fixed deposit from the public within the meaning of Chapter V of the Companies Act, 2013 made there under and, as such, no amount of principal or interest was outstanding on the date of the Balance Sheet and also on the date of this Report.

# MATERIAL CHANGES AND COMMITMENTS AFFECTING FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY BETWEEN THE END OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2018 AND DATE OF THIS REPORT

There have been no material changes and commitments affecting the financial position of the Company between the end of the financial year and the date of the report.

## CHANGE IN THE NATURE OF BUSINESS

Your Directors are optimistic about Company's business and hopeful of better performance with increased revenue in next year. There has been no change in the nature of business of the Company.

#### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS & OUTLOOK**

#### **Business Development**

Both new customer acquisitions and new partnerships were part of our business development activity in the year 2023-24. New customer accounts have been added from different geographical markets. Significant wins are from the North America, Mexico, India, Malaysia and Australian markets.

Efficient mining has ensured increase in the revenues from big ticket customers in North America, United Kingdom, India and Middle East markets.

Our relationship with Key customers has strengthened further. In various market(s), we have extended our work with Educational Publisher customers to newer areas such as Big Data and Analytics. New customers have been added in the Asia Pacific markets as well.

We entered into new strategic partnerships with companies in the USA, Vietnam and Philippines.

## **R&D** and **Product Development Initiatives**

In the year 2023-24, we have continued to invest in the enhancements of our products with innovative features and functionality. We constantly put in efforts to innovate and continuously demonstrate thought leadership in the domain of technology education and learning.

Our efforts continued in building the K12 Education Solutions – curriculum solutions, projects and beyond-the-curriculum learning event.

#### **SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**

Your Company has four wholly owned subsidiaries across the globe.

The following table provides a list of all these subsidiaries as on March 31, 2024:



Name of Subsidiary	Location	Date of Incorporation
Excelsoft Technologies Pte Ltd [Formerly known as Imfinity Pte Ltd]	Singapore	12-Jun-2003
Freedom to Learn Limited	United Kingdom	02-Nov-2011
Meteor Online Learning Limited	United Kingdom	02-Dec-2009
Excelsoft Technologies Inc.	USA	29-Aug-2012

There has been no material change in the nature of the business of the subsidiaries.

A statement containing the salient features of the financial statement of our subsidiaries in the prescribed form AOC 1 is provided as **ANNEXURE A** to this Directors' Report. The statement also provides the details of performance, financial position of each of the subsidiaries.

#### **QUALITY MANAGEMENT:**

Quality is never an Accident. It is always the result of High Intension, Sincere Effort, Intelligent Direction and Skilful Execution. Your Company is aware of the importance of absolute quality in delivering products and services to Customers to win their acclamations, lovalty, and ultimately leading to a Positive Branding. Keeping the trend of absolute Quality Management in Company, it has further strengthened the quality policy already established and made aware to all the personnel connected with completing the task with a sense of accuracy, quality and perfection.

Your directors also believe that skill at all levels of our teams needs to be continuously sharpened because it is the employees who are responsible for the maintenance and enhancement of the quality. For this teams are trained through various technical seminars and peer knowledge-share sessions, besides participation in seminars, contributing articles etc.

## PARTICULARS OF CONTRACTS OR ARRANGEMENTS WITH RELATED PARTIES

All contracts / arrangements / transactions entered by the Company during the financial year with related parties were in the ordinary course of business and on an arm's length basis.

Particulars of contracts or arrangements with related parties referred to in Section 188(1) of the Companies Act, 2013, in the prescribed Form AOC-2, is appended as **ANNEXURE B** to the Board's Report.

#### **PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES:**

In terms of the provisions of Section 197 (12) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rules 5(2) and 5(3) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014, a statement showing the names and other particulars of the employees drawing remuneration in excess of the limits set out in the said rules are provided in the Annual Report.

Disclosures pertaining to remuneration and other details as required under Section 197(12) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 5(1) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration Managerial Personnel ) Rules, 2014 and a statement containing the names of every emplovee employed throughout financial in receipt vear and remuneration of INR 60 lakh or more, or employed for part of the year and in receipt



of remuneration of INR 5 lakh or more a month, under Rule 5(2) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014, is appended as **ANNEXURE C** to the Board's report.

Further, the details of employees posted outside India can be made available on request.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

Given the knowledge-intensive nature of your Company's activities, human resources are among its most critical assets. Company's ongoing endeavour has been towards being an employee friendly organization which in turn will have a the positive impact on employee's motivation, morale and there by their contribution towards the larger goal of the organization to be the "Best in Class" by increased productivity, improved quality and continue to add business value and enhanced customer satisfaction. In order to achieve the above various activities and various initiatives were taken up keeping in mind the entire life cycle of an employee starting from recruitment to exit, some of the initiatives implemented during the year under review, were;

#### **Learning & Development:**

- a. Focused interventions to cater to the developmental needs arising out of structured performance feedback, took a successful step towards 360° (BH/Manager + Associate + Trainer + Customer) approach of collaboration while identifying learning & developmental needs.
- b. Role based Training introduced to ensure inclusivity at all levels & significant increase in 1-on-1 coaching.

#### **Talent Acquisition:**

- a. Improvement in recruitment operations effectiveness through better data management and analytics & Upskilling of Talent Acquisition team's efficiency in terms of sourcing profiles on a daily basis, quality of interactions with candidates through constant mentoring and L & D interventions, effective delegation thereby creating opportunities for higher responsibilities.
- Efforts to build well rounded professional panellists through "Art of interviewing" sessions / workshops mandated for all panellists resulting in better evaluations, quality hiring and brand building.

The efforts have shown some visible outcomes in terms of employee's participation in the initiatives & events and overall morale of the employees. As also lead to retain high-calibre talent across its various lines of business and in all key corporate functions.

## INTERNAL CONTROL – SYSTEMS & PROCEDURES:

Your Company prepares and maintains its accounts fairly and accurately and in accordance with the accounting and financial reporting standards which represent the generally accepted guidelines, principles, standards, laws and regulations.

The Company has a well-defined Internal Control Systems & Standards that is/are adequate and commensurate with the size, complexity and nature of business. Clear roles, responsibilities and authorities coupled with internal information systems ensure appropriate information flow to facilitate effective monitoring. We have always believed that transparency, system and controls are important factors in the success and growth of any organization.



Adequate controls are established to achieve:

- → effectiveness and efficiency in operations;
- → optimum utilization of resources;
- → reliability of financial reporting; and
- → effective monitoring and compliance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.

## CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT & ETHICS – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE:

We pursue our business objectives with integrity and in strict compliance with the law. This is the right thing to do and it makes good business sense. By acting with integrity, we earn the trust of our customers, shareholders, co-workers, regulators, suppliers and the communities in which we live and work – those whose trust we need to be successful.

For your Company, the Corporate governance is a multi-faceted subject. It advocates your Company the important task of adopting accountability with the fiduciary duty of implementing the policies, mechanisms that are required to ensure good behaviour and protect shareholders. One more important factor for drawing the attention of the management is the economic efficiency which helps your Company to optimize economic results, with strong emphasis on shareholders welfare.

With a view to develop a good corporate governance practices within your Company, your management utilizes the services of external experts to conduct auditing, due diligence and training.

Thus, your Company has implemented the corporate governance policy suitable for its size and operations, and ensures that it complies with all the qualities enumerated above and high standard of corporate governance is always maintained.

### MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board were duly met 13 times in the FY 2023-24.

SL No	Date	Directors Present	
1	01-Apr-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
2	18-Apr-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
3	20-Apr-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
4	19-May-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
5	12-Jun-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
6	14-Aug-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
7	02-Sep-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
8	04-Sep-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva	
9	23-Oct-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Colin Hughes	
10	29-Nov-23	M. H. Dhananjaya D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva Shruthi Sudhanva	
11	01-Feb-24	D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva Shruthi Sudhanva Colin Hughes	
12	25-Mar-24	D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva Shruthi Sudhanva	
13	27-Mar-24	D Sudhanva Lajwanthi Sudhanva Shruthi Sudhanva	



## DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL (KMP)

#### a. Re-appointment

Mrs. Shruthi Sudhanva who was appointed as Additional Director in Board Meeting dated 23-October-2023 and was reappointed as Director in the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting dated 07-March-2024.

#### b. Appointment

During the year under review, the constitution of the Board changed. Mrs. Shruthi Sudhanva (DIN:06426159) was appointed as Additional Director on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024 and regularized as Director in the Extra- Ordinary General Meeting dated 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Due to demise of Late. Prof. M H Dhananjaya, company is required to appoint new Chairman and Mr. Sudhanva Dhananjaya was appointed as Chairman of the company at Board Meeting dated 01-February-2024.

#### c. Resignation/ Cessation

There is a Cessation of Directorship of Late Prof. M.H. Dhananjaya due to his demise on 8th January 2024. Time reminiscing the invaluable contributions and achievements, of Late Prof M. H. Dhananjaya as a Chairman of the company and a valued member of the board.

#### **COMMITTEES OF BOARD**

## Disclosure of composition of audit committee and providing vigil mechanism

The provisions of Section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 6 of the Companies (Meetings of the Board and its Powers) Rules, 2013, pertaining to Audit Committee is not applicable to the Company.

## Vigil Mechanism under section 177(8) & (9) of the Companies Act, 2013 is applicable to the Company.

The Company has adopted a whistle blower policy and has established necessary vigil mechanism as defined under section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013 for stakeholders including directors and employees to report their concerns about unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the Company's code of conduct or ethical policy. The policy provides for adequate safeguards against victimization of employees who avail of the mechanism.

## Company's policy on Directors' appointment, remuneration and discharge of their duties

The provisions of Section 178(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 6 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 relating to constitution of Nomination and Committee Remuneration are not applicable to the Company.

### Corporate Social Responsibility [CSR] Committee

In accordance with requirements of The Companies Act 2013, the Company has a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee chaired by Mr. Sudhanva Dhananjaya, (Chairman of the Committee), Ms. Lajwanti Sudhanva and Mr. Prashanth H M are the other members. The Committee examined framed and recommended a CSR Policy to the Board for adoption and instituted а transparent monitoring mechanism for ensuring implementation of the projects / activities to be undertaken by the Company.

DISCLOSURE AS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 22 OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION,



### PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013

Our Company provides equal opportunities and is committed to creating a healthy working environment that enables our Employees to work with equality and without fear of discrimination, prejudice, gender bias or any form of harassment at workplace. Our Company has in place a Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) policy in accordance with the requirements of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. During the period, the Company has not received any complaints and hence no outstanding complaints exists during the end of the FY 23-24.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY**

The Company does not have any Risk Management Policy as the elements of risk threatening the Company's existence are very minimal.

## DECLARATION BY INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

The provisions of Section 149 for appointment of Independent Directors do not apply to the company. Hence declaration by Independent Directors does not arise.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO SHAREHOLDERS

During the year under review for Mar 2024, the Company has undertaken following transactions:

#### **AUDITORS:**

#### **Statutory Auditors**

Statutory Auditors of the Company, M/s. Ramaswamy Vijayanand., Chartered Accountants, were appointed in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting to hold the office from the conclusion of 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of Annual General Meeting to be held in the year 2028.

#### **Secretarial Auditor**

As per provisions of Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 9 (c) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 and per the latest audited financial statements, the Company has outstanding loans or borrowings from banks exceeding one hundred crore rupees. Hence the appointment of Secretarial Auditor is applicable to the Company.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules 2014 the Board of Directors of the Company had appointed Mr. VD and Associates, Secretary in Practice Bangalore to undertake the Secretarial Audit of the Company for the financial year 2023-24.

The Secretarial Auditor has provided their Secretarial Audit Report in MR-3 and the same is annexed to the report as **ANNEXURE D**.

EXPLANATION OR COMMENTS ON QUALIFICATIONS, RESERVATIONS OR ADVERSE REMARKS OR DISCLAIMERS MADE BY THE AUDITORS AND THE PRACTICING COMPANY SECRETARY IN THEIR REPORTS

The Notes on financial statement referred to in the Auditors' Report are self-



explanatory and do not call for any further comments. The Auditors' Report does not contain any qualification, reservation, or adverse remark.

### SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS

There are no significant or material orders passed by the Regulators or Courts or Tribunals during the FY 2023-24.

#### **EXTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURN**

In accordance with Section 134(3)(a) of the Companies Act, 2013, read with Rule 12 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, an extract of Annual Return of the Company, in the prescribed Form MGT-9, is appended as **ANNEXURE E** to the Boards' Report.

#### **DISCLAIMER:**

As on the date of this Report, your Directors are not aware of any circumstances not otherwise dealt with in this Report or in the financial statements of the Company, which would render any amount stated in the Accounts of the Company misleading.

In the opinion of the Directors, no item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report, which would affect substantially the results, or the operations of the Company for the financial year in respect of which this report is made.

## CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR)

Inclusive growth and sustainable development are strong pillars of your Company's responsible corporate citizenship and are a part of the core values

and driving force for many of its initiatives. The Company believes that responsible investments in this regard will generate long term value for all the stakeholders.

The objective of CSR Policy of your Company is to support the guiding principle of "Together We Grow". Through the CSR initiatives, your Company strives to provide equitable opportunities for sustainable growth. Your Company would engage in activities whereby business contributes to make a positive and distinguishing impact on the environment, employees customers, and other stakeholders. The objective of CSR will be through concentrated achieved dedicated initiatives encompassing the identified core areas of Education, Health & Medical Care, Community at large and Environment.

Your Company is conscious of its duties towards the community and our planet and the coming years shall witness your Company in several CSR areas.

The Company has made the relevant provisions for CSR activities in the Books of Accounts and has allocated the money.

The Annual Report on CSR activities is provided as **ANNEXURE F** to this Directors' Report. The Company is committed to CSR and shall strive to spend the amount as provided in law.

## **EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION PLAN** (ESOP)

Details of ESOP as per the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made thereunder form part of the notes to the Financial Statements provided in this Annual Report.



During the year under the review Board of the Directors of the company proposed to consider and approve Employee Stock Option Scheme 2023 to be offered to employees of the company the company. The shareholders in their meeting held on 19-April-2023, approved the ESOS 2023 scheme.

Share allotted under ESOP 2008 scheme at Rs. 2572.46/Share were repriced to Ra.50/share to make them significantly more attractive and to align the exercise price with the options granted under the new ESOP 2023. This change is intended to enhance the value of your options, ensuring they remain a strong incentive and benefit for your continued contributions to the company.

The Company has allotted 2320 shares of shares vested and exercised under ESOP scheme 2008, in Financial Year 2023-24.

## DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to as per Sec 134 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013, the Directors confirm that:

- a. in the preparation of the annual accounts for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, the applicable accounting standards had been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures;
- the Directors had selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the financial year and of the profit and loss of the Company for that period;

- c. the Directors had taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- d. the Directors had prepared the annual accounts on a going concern basis;
- e. the Directors, had laid down internal financial controls to be followed by the Company and that such internal financial controls are adequate and were operating effectively; and
- f. the Directors had devised proper systems to ensure compliance with;
- g. the provisions of all applicable laws and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

## CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS AND OUTGO

The information pertaining to conservation of energy, technology absorption, Foreign exchange Earnings and outgo as required under Section 134 (3)(m) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 8(3) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 is furnished in **ANNEXURE G** and is attached to this report.



#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Your Directors would like to express their appreciation for the co-operation and assistance received from the Government authorities, the financial institutions, banks, vendors, customers and shareholders. In specific, the Board would like to put on record its sincere appreciation of the commitment and contribution made by all employees of the Company.

for and on behalf of the Board of Directors of Excelsoft Technologies Private Limited

#### **SUDHANVA DHANANJAYA**

Chairman & Managing Director DIN: 00423641

#### **SHRUTHI SUDHANVA**

Director DIN: 06426159

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