

LENDINGKART FINANCE LIMITED

INTERNAL GUIDELINES ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

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I. INTRODUCTION

Lendingkart Finance Limited (the "Company") is a Non-Banking Financial Company. In terms of the RBI Master Direction – Non Banking Financial Company–Systemically Important Non-Deposit taking Company and Deposit taking Company (Reserve Bank) Directions, 2016 ("Directions"), every Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFCs-ND-SI) ("NBFCs-ND-SI") should frame internal guidelines on corporate governance with the approval of the Board of Directors, enhancing the scope of the guidelines without sacrificing the spirit underlying the Directions and it shall be published on the company's website, if any, for the information of various stakeholders. The Company being an NBFC–ND-SI, is accordingly covered by the aforesaid Directions.

The Company is committed to adopt good practices and standards of corporate governance. The principles of corporate governance standards of the Company place strong emphasis on transparency, accountability and integrity.

II. OBJECTIVE

In order to enable NBFCs to adopt best practices and greater transparency in their operations, RBI has, vide the provisions of Chapter XI of the Directions required all applicable NBFCs to frame internal guidelines on Corporate Governance.

In pursuance of the aforesaid Directions issued by the RBI, the Company has framed these Internal Guidelines on Corporate Governance ("Guidelines").

III. GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Company's management shall act in accordance with the supervision, control and direction by the Board of Directors of the Company ("Board") and in accordance with the provisions of Memorandum of Association (MoA) and Articles of Association (AoA) of the Company. The Board has a vital role to play in the matters relating to policy formulation, implementation and strategic issues.

Composition:

The Board's strength shall be minimum 3 and the maximum number of directors be as per the limit specified in the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") and the AoA of the Company.



The Board shall have an optimum combination of Executive, Non-Executive and Independent Directors in line with the requirements of the provisions of the Act and the AoA of the Company.

Meetings:

The Board Meetings of the Company shall be held as per the requirements prescribed under the Act and other applicable laws and AoA.

Subject to the provisions of Section 173 of the Act, the Board shall meet no less frequently than 4 (four) times per year and once every 120 (one hundred and twenty) days.

The Company shall comply with all the procedural norms, including the quorum requirements, provided under the Act, any other applicable law(s), AoA for smooth conduct of the meetings.

All the proceedings of the meetings shall be duly recorded in the minutes, which shall be prepared, signed and circulated as per the provisions of Act.

B. COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

To focus effectively on the issues and ensure expedient resolution of diverse matters, the Board shall constitute a set of committees with specific terms of reference/scope.

The terms of reference, roles and responsibilities of such committees will be further aligned based on the changes in the regulations and business requirements with the approval of the Board. Minutes of the meetings of the Board Committees shall be placed before the Board for its perusal and noting.

The committees shall operate as per the terms of reference approved by the Board.

1. AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee's constitution and functioning shall be as decided by the Board of Directors of the Company. The powers and terms of reference of the Committee shall include the requirements set out in Section 177 of the Act and the relevant Rules framed thereunder.

Chairperson	The Chairperson of the Committee shall be a Non-		
	Executive Director. The Chairperson or any other		
	member of the Committee authorized by the Chairperson,		
	shall attend the Annual General Meeting to answer		
	shareholders' queries.		



C	Composition	The Committee shall comprise of such number of members, as appointed by the Board. The majority of members of the Committee including its Chairperson shall be persons with ability to read and understand the financial statements. The Company Secretary shall act as the secretary to the
N	Meetings and Quorum	Committee. The Committee shall meet at least four times in a year and the gap between two meetings shall not exceed 120 days. The quorum for the Committee meeting shall be one-third of its total strength (any fraction contained in that one-third shall be rounded off as one) or two members, whichever is greater.
	Role and esponsibilities	The Committee shall have the roles and responsibilities as per the charter approved by the Board and such other functions as may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any regulatory provisions from time to time.

2. NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Company shall have in place Nomination and Remuneration Committee ("NRC") constituted in accordance with the applicable Regulations contained in the Directions and the applicable provisions of the Act. The powers and terms of reference of the NRC shall include the requirements set out in Section 178 of the Act and the Rules framed thereunder, and 'Scale Based Regulation (SBR): A Revised Regulatory Framework for NBFCs' notified by RBI. The Committee shall primarily be responsible to assist the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities by recommending to the Board, criteria for Board membership, evaluation of directors, the committees and the Board as a whole.

Chairperson	The Chairperson of the NRC shall be a Non-Executive director. The Chairperson of the Company may be appointed as a member of the NRC but shall not chair the NRC.	
Composition	The NRC will comprise of such number of members, as appointed by the Board. The Company Secretary of the Company shall be the	
	Secretary of the NRC.	



Meetings and	The NRC will meet as frequently as required subject to a	
Quorum	minimum of four meetings in a year and gap between two	
	meetings shall not exceed 120 days.	
	The quorum for the NRC meeting shall be one-third of its total	
	strength (any fraction contained in that one-third be rounded	
	off as one) or two members, whichever is greater.	
Role and	The NRC shall have the roles and responsibilities as per the	
responsibilities of the	charter approved by the Board and such other functions as	
NRC	may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any	
	regulatory provisions from time to time.	

3. RISK OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

The Risk Oversight Committee's constitution and functioning shall be in line with the RBI regulations. The Committee shall be vested with necessary powers, as defined in its Charter to achieve its objectives.

Chairperson	The Chairperson of the Committee shall be a non- executive	
	director.	
Composition	The Committee shall comprise of such number of members,	
	as appointed by the Board, including CEO/MD.	
	The CRO will act as the secretary to the Committee.	
Meetings and	The Committee shall meet at least four times in a year and the	
Quorum	gap between two meetings shall not exceed 120 days.	
	The quorum shall be either two members or one third of its total strength (any fraction contained in that one-third to be rounded off as one), whichever is greater.	
Role and	The Committee shall have the roles and responsibilities as	
responsibilities	per	
of the	the charter approved by the Board and such other functions	
Committee	as	
	may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any	
	regulatory provisions from time to time.	



4. IT STRATEGY COMMITTEE

The Company shall have in place an IT Strategy Committee as required by the guidelines issued by the RBI in Master Direction - Information Technology Framework for the NBFC Sector ("IT Framework"). The constitution, functions and meetings of the Committee shall be in line with the requirements of the RBI guidelines.

Chairperson	The Chairperson of the Committee shall be an independent director having substantial IT expertise in managing/guiding information technology initiatives.		
Composition	The Committee shall consist of three or more members. The members of the Committee shall have adequate technical competency.		
	The Company Secretary of the Company shall be the Secretary of the Committee.		
	The Chief Information Security Officer ("CISO") and Chief Technology Officer ("CTO") shall be the permanent invitees to the meetings of the Committee.		
Meetings and Quorum	The Committee shall meet at least four times in a year on a quarterly basis and the gap between two meetings shall not exceed 120 days.		
	The quorum for the Committee meeting shall be either two members or one-third of its total strength (any fraction contained in that one-third be rounded off as one), whichever is greater.		
Role and responsibilities of the Committee	The Committee shall have the roles and responsibilities as per the charter approved by the Board and such other functions as may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any regulatory provisions from time to time.		

5. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE

The Company shall have in place a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee to meet the requirements of Section 135 of the Act. The Committee will be vested with necessary powers, as laid down in its charter to achieve its objectives.

Composition	The Committee shall be comprised of minimum three members out of which at least one member shall be an independent director.	
	The Company Secretary of the Company shall be the Secretary of the Committee.	



Meetings and	The Company shall convene at least 2 meetings of the	
Quorum	Corporate Social Responsibility Committee in a financial year.	
	The quorum for the meeting shall be one third of its total	
	strength (any fraction contained in that one-third to be	
	rounded-off as one) or two members, whichever is greater.	
Role and	The Committee shall undertake such functions as may be	
responsibilities of	delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any regulatory	
the	provisions from time to time.	
Committee		

6. STAKEHOLDERS RELATIONSHIP COMMITTEE

The Company shall have in place a Stakeholders Relationship Committee to meet the requirements of Section 178 of the Act. The Committee will be vested with necessary powers, as laid down in its charter to achieve its objectives.

Chairperson	The Chairperson of the SRC shall be a non-executive director.	
Composition	The SRC will comprise of a minimum three members, as	
	appointed by the Board.	
	The Company Secretary of the Company shall be the Secretary of the Committee.	
Meetings and	The SRC will meet as frequently as required subject to a	
Quorum	minimum of one meeting in a financial year.	
	The quorum for the meeting shall be one-third of its total strength (any fraction contained in that one-third be rounded off as one) or two members, whichever is greater.	
Role and	The Committee shall have the roles and responsibilities as per	
responsibilities of	the charter approved by the Board and such other functions as	
the	may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any	
Committee	regulatory provisions from time to time.	

C. OTHER COMMITTEES

The Company has the following other Committee, named herein, (i) Credit Committee, (ii) Asset Liability Management Committee (ALCO), (iii) Model Assessment Committee (MAC), (iv) Expected Credit Loss – Model Assessment Committee (ECL-MAC), (v) Operational Risk Executive Committee (OREC), (vi) ICAAP Committee (vii) IT Steering Committee, (viii) Information Security Committee and the following are the Sub-Committees to OREC (i) Fraud Risk Management Committee, (ii) Business Continuity Plan Steering Committee



The objective of these committees, meeting frequency, quorum requirement, etc. are set out below:

Particulars	Credit Committee	ALCO
Goal	To manage credit risk and portfolio risks. The Credit committee is also	To manage Market Risk, balance sheet liquidity and optimize risk-
	responsible for the review of risk appetite and strategy issues, risk policies. Further, all Test programs must be agreed by the Credit Committee prior to launch, capped by Volume and Value and the rationale clearly outlined, supported by data.	return to enhance Return on Equity (ROE)
Reporting to	ROC	ROC
Membership	CEO*, COO, CRO, CFO, Head of Data Science, Chief Compliance Officer and Head of Collections shall constitute the Credit Committee.	CEO*, COO, CFO, CRO, Head – Capital Markets, CBO, Head of Data Science and CTO
Chairperson	CEO* or CRO	CEO* or MD
Permanent Invitees	Head- Credit Operations, CBO, Product – Head, (or their delegates)	-
Secretary	Head – Risk	Company Secretary
Quorum	COO and CRO mandatory along with three of the other five members. Delegation is not allowed by Committee members for any decision-making matters.	CEO*, CFO, CRO and Head of Capital Markets are mandatory along with other two members.
Meeting frequency	Minimum monthly. In addition, need based meetings of Credit Committee could be conducted as and when required.	Minimum quarterly. In addition, need based meetings of the ALCO could be conducted as and when required.
Terms of Reference	 Quarterly portfolio review which will cover: a) Review of business performance b) Review of the portfolio quality c) Review underwriting performance, delinquency data/trend d) Analyse Underwriting and Collections performance e) Review trends for all and initiate management actions 	 Review and manage asset and liability mix with a view to grow the balance sheet with an effective allocation of resources Optimize profitability with a view to enhance return on equity whilst ensuring that the business continues to achieve steady growth Proactively manage risks relating to liquidity and funding, interest



Particulars	Credit Committee	ALCO
Particulars	f) Recommend revisions to the credit risk and other policies and DOI for Risk teams if required. g) New product recommendation h) Ratification of decisions taken by the Large Credit Committee	rate, foreign exchange, credit and counterparty (as related to Treasury activities) Track market information and economic environment to consider implications on business vis-à-vis changes in regulations, interest rate trends and volatility, competitor products and services, market liquidity, foreign exchange and interest rate volatility Stress test various scenarios to consider implications of changes in rates, pricing, portfolio mix, contingency Administer transfer pricing and resource allocation issues between competing departments / units Review liquidity and funding strategy and periodically review
		 Set risk limits for liquidity risk and capital adequacy / leverage
Committee	The decisions will be taken by majority.	The decisions in the ALCO would
Decisions	The reasons for the decisions taken in the Credit Committee would be recorded as part of Minutes of Meeting. Further, in case of a non-unanimous decision, the voice of dissent along with the underlying reasons would be recorded as part of Minutes of Meeting.	be taken unanimously.



Particulars	Credit Committee	ALCO
Reporting requirements	 Portfolio quality and performance vis-à-vis risk appetite statement and tolerance limits MIS on various control caps / limits which form part of credit policy Performance of various products vis-à-vis key performance metrics as outlined in product notes Performance MIS on an on-going test programs vis-à-vis performance metrics Update on performance of various credit models in use 	 Macro-economic scenario with respect to NBFC funding Current liquidity position vis-àvis tolerance limits Funding pipeline for short term (next three months) as well as medium term Projected cash flow position in case of stress scenario

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Particulars	Operational Risk Executive	Model Assessment Committee
	Committee	
Goal	To proactively manage Operational	To manage "Model Risk", as
	risk excluding Strategy, Reputational,	defined in RMF, to achieve the best
	credit and market risk. The OREC is	risk management standard. This
	responsible for establishing,	committee's role is a crucial senior
	maintaining and reviewing procedures	management process to critically
	at management and operational level	examine the basis of risk-taking
	to identify, monitor and	decisions to support both Risk
	mitigate operational risk in accordance	Appetite metrics and accurate
	with the company's risk oversight and	forecasting.
	management policies. This committee	
	should ensure that the risk limits /	
	parameters are in line with Risk	
	Appetite.	
Reporting to	ROC	ROC via Credit Committee
Membership	CEO*,COO,CRO, President-	CEO*, COO, CRO, Head of Data
	Technology, Head of Data Science,	·
	CTO, CFO, Head HR, Chief	
	Compliance Officer, CBO.	
Chairperson	CEO* or CRO	CEO* or Head of Data Science



Particulars	Operational Risk Executive	Model Assessment Committee
	Committee	
Permanent Invitees	Head Collections, Product Head, Head of Internal Audit, Head of Co- Lending, Head of Cross-sell or any other vertical heads could be the invitees to this Committee on need basis.	Head-Risk
Secretary	Head Operational Risk Management (HORM)	Director-Analytics
Quorum	Any three of the Committee members along with the chair.	CEO*/ Head of Data Science mandatory along with CRO. (In case Chair is Head of Data Science then CFO to attend mandatorily)
Meeting frequency	Minimum Quarterly. In addition, need based meetings of OREC may be conducted as and when required.	Minimum quarterly. In addition, need based meetings of MAC could be conducted as and when required.
Terms of Reference	 Identify various risks which will be covered including Governance, Operations, Fraud & legal, Regulatory / Compliance, Human resource, Physical & Information Security, Product & process control risks, external events. Recommend and review Operational risk of losses as part of Risk Appetite Statement. Set operational risk parameters as applicable Review actions to mitigate / address risks Ensure that contingency plans are updated and tested Analyze loss incidents and actions to avoid recurrence New products - risk and controls Review of Risk data quality and supporting systems 	• All new scorecards or models covering risk taking activity must be assessed to critically review the data, design, scope, applicability of that data to the business and strategy and to ensure they are relevant.



Particulars	Operational Risk Executive	Model Assessment Committee
	Committee	
Committee Decisions	The decisions in the OREC, if any, would be taken unanimously.	In MAC, the decisions will be taken by majority. The reasons for the decisions taken in the MAC would be recorded as part of Minutes of Meeting. Further, in case of a non-unanimous decision, the voice of dissent along with the underlying reasons would be recorded as part of Minutes of Meeting.
Reporting requirements	 Operational Risk heat map Fraud Risk mitigation MIS Information security Risk data quality Contingency plans SORE Report 	 Notifying the Credit Committee on new credit models developed or changes made in the existing credit models. Results of quarterly review of all scorecards in production to be notified to the Credit Committee.

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Particulars	ECL - Model Assessment	IT Steering Committee
	Committee	
Goal	To manage "Model Risk" related to ECL	To define IT Project priorities and
	loss forecasting model. This committee's	assessing strategic fit for IT
	role is a crucial senior management	proposals and directing and
	process to critically examine the basis of	monitoring key IT governance
	ECL model calculations for accurate	processes.
	credit loss forecasting (and hence	
	provisioning).	
Reporting to	ROC via Credit Committee	IT Strategy Committee
Membership	CEO*, COO, Head of Data Science,	The Committee may be
	CFO and CRO	comprised of business owners,
		the development team and such
		other stakeholders as may be
		decided by the Board.
Chairperson	CEO* or CRO	As decided by the Board
Permanent	Head of Risk and Head of Collections	CISO
Invitees		
Secretary	Company Secretary	Company Secretary



Quorum Meeting frequency	CEO* or CRO with all other members (CFO, COO and Head of Data Science) attendance is mandatory. Minimum quarterly. In addition, need based meetings of ECL-MAC could be conducted as and when required.	The quorum for the IT Steering Committee meeting shall be one-third of its total strength (any fraction contained in that one-third be rounded off as one) or two members, whichever is higher. Minimum quarterly. In addition, need based meetings of IT Steering Committee could be conducted as and when required.
Terms of Reference	Inter alia, a) All new loss forecasting models must be assessed to critically review the data, design, scope, applicability of that data to the loss forecasting / provisioning and to ensure they are relevant. b) All key issues such as data quality, must be explicitly stated, and continuous improvement and mitigation plans put in place with hard deadlines, preferably before use. The Committee members must consider these issues and build in "conservatism" into PD estimates where risks are material.	The Committee shall undertake such functions as may be delegated by the Board and/or mandated by any regulatory provisions from time to time.
Committee	The decisions in the ECL-MAC, if any,	All decisions by the Committee
Decisions	would be taken unanimously.	shall be taken by majority.
Reporting requirements	Quarterly loss forecasting, and provisions related calculations to be notified to the Credit committee and reported to the ROC	The IT Steering Committee shall report to IT Strategy Committee and CEO periodically on the activities of IT Steering Committee.

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Particulars	Information Security Committee	ICAAP Committee
Goal	Development of information/ cyber	To assess material risks, put
	security policies, implementation of	required mitigations to ensure
	policies, standards and procedures to	capital adequacy to support the
	ensure that all identified risks are	business needs and meeting
	managed within the Company's risk	regulatory capital requirement.



	appetite.	ICAAP committee would have the
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		development and compilation of
		the ICAAP document for
		submission to the ROC and to the
		Board of Directors.
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		submission to the ROC and to the
		Board of Directors.
Reporting to	IT Strategy Committee (ITSC)	Risk Oversight Committee (ROC)
Membership	CRO, CEO*/MD, President-	CEO/MD*, COO, CRO, CFO,
1	Technology & Analytics, CTO, COO,	CBO and Head of Data Science
	CFO, CCO and CISO	
Chairperson	CRO	CEO* or CRO
1	In case of absence of CRO, CEO/MD	
	will chair the committee.	
Permanent	Product Head, General Counsel, Head -	Head Collection and Head -
Invitees	Operational Risk, Head - Enterprise	Platform Business
	Data Group	
Secretary	CISO	Head Operational Risk
		Management (HORM) will act as
		secretary to this Committee.
Quorum	CRO (Chair), CISO and any 2 members.	CRO and CFO is mandatory. In
		case of absence of CEO, CRO will
		chair the committee. At least 4
		members shall be required to
		constitute a valid quorum.
Meeting	Minimum quarterly. In addition, need	The committee shall meet yearly
frequency	based meetings of ISC could be	or as and when required.
	conducted as and when required.	
Terms of	a) Approving and monitoring	, ,
Reference	information security projects and	process including challenging
	security awareness initiatives.	the ICAAP and its underlying
	b) Reviewing cyber incidents,	assumptions
	information systems audit	/
	observations, monitoring and	and their impact on the capital
	mitigation activities.	c) Determining if LFL holds



	c) In the post implementation (of IT adequate capital against the
	project/ system upgrade, etc.) risks face.
	scenario, the VA/ PT shall be d) Assessing future capital needs
	performed in the production based on the risk profile of
	environment. Under unavoidable LFL and proposing necessary
	circumstances, if the PT is conducted adjustments to its strategic
	in a test environment, it needs to be plan.
	ensured that the version and e) Determine effectiveness of the
	configuration of the test stress testing framework in
	environment resembles the meeting its intended purpose.
	production environment. Any f) Reviewing the scope of
	deviation should be documented and coverage of the stress testing
	approved by the ISC. framework, risk factors, stress
	d) Updating ITSC and CEO scenarios and the levels of
	periodically on the activities of ISC. stress applied.
	g) Integrating ICAAP with the
	capital planning and
	management processes of
	LFL.
Committee	The decisions in the ISC, if any, would The decisions in the ICAAP, if
Decisions	be taken unanimously. any, would be taken unanimously.
Reporting	Update the ITSC and Chief Executive Assessment of material risks and
requirements	Officer (CEO) on the activities of ISC their impact on the capital.
	Assessing future capital needs
	based on the risk profile of LFL
	and proposing necessary
	adjustments to its strategic plan.
	Integrating ICAAP with the
	capital planning and management
	processes of LFL.

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Particulars	Fraud Risk Management Committee	Business Continuity Plan Steering Committee
Delegating	OBEC	ODEC
Committee	OREC	OREC
Goal	To manage Fraud risk, excluding IT routine incidents, Operations errors, NPA, Credit losses, Operating losses, FCC.	Maintaining a current and comprehensive Business Continuity Plan (BCP).
Reporting to	ROC via OREC	ROC via OREC



Membership	CEO*/MD, CRO, COO, CFO, Head of Data Science, CBO, CTO or CIO, CCO, Head HR, Head collection and Head operational Risk	CEO*/MD, CRO, CTO, Head HR, CFO, CBO, CCO and Head collection
Chairperson	CEO* or CRO	CEO* or CRO
Permanent Invitees	Product Head, Head of Internal Audit, Head Co-Lending, Head Cross-sell or any other vertical head	Head Operational Risk, Head FCU, Head of Internal Audit or any other vertical Head.
Secretary	Head FCU	Director- technology (Head BCP)
Quorum	Any three of the Committee members along with the chair and secretary. Delegation is not allowed by Committee members	Any three of the Committee members along with the chair and secretary. Delegation is not allowed by Committee members
Meeting frequency	Minimum three in a year	Minimum Two in a year
Terms of Reference	 Identify various Fraud risks covered under the scope. Recommend and review Operational risk of Fraud losses as part of Risk Appetite. Analyse Fraud loss incidents and actions to avoid recurrence. Set fraud risk parameters as applicable. Review actions to mitigate / address fraud risk. New products – Fraud risk controls. Review of Risk data quality and supporting systems. 	 Approve Business Continuity parameters as applicable. Review Implementation status of action plan to address Business Continuity. Ensure that contingency plans are updated and tested. Review of BC Risk infrastructure quality and supporting systems.
Committee Decisions	Decisions will be taken unanimously. Joint MD/CEO and CRO's decision will be binding in absence of unanimous outcome.	unanimously. Joint
Reporting requirements	FRMC will report significant issues to ROC / OREC	BCP SC will report significant issues to the Board through ROC

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IV. VIGIL MECHANISM

The Company adheres to the highest standards of ethical, moral and legal conduct of business operations and has thus established a Vigil Mechanism/Whistle Blower policy to facilitate employees to report concerns of any unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the Company's code of conduct and also provide adequate safeguards against victimization of persons who use this mechanism.

V. DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY

The Board shall be apprised with the following information at regular intervals as may be prescribed by the Board in this regard:

- 1) The progress made in putting in place a progressive risk management system and risk management policy and strategy followed by the Company;
- 2) Conformity with corporate governance standards viz., composition of various committees, their role and functions, periodicity of the meetings and compliance with coverage and review functions, etc.; and
- 3) Disclosures of such information, as may be prescribed by RBI from time to time, in the annual financial statements of the Company.

VI. ROTATION OF STATUTORY AUDITORS/AUDIT PARTNER(S)

The Company shall appoint and rotate the auditors in accordance with the "Guidelines for Appointment of Statutory Central Auditors (SCAs)/Statutory Auditors (SAs) of Commercial Banks (excluding RRBs), UCBs and NBFCs (including HFCs)" dated April 27, 2021 notified by the Reserve Bank of India and the extant provisions of the Act.

VII. FIT AND PROPER CRITERIA

The Company has a policy in place for ascertaining the 'fit and proper' criteria at the time of appointment of Directors and on a continuing basis. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee reviews the appointment/re-appointment of Directors considering their qualifications, expertise, track record, integrity and other 'fit and proper' criteria.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee should obtain such declarations / undertakings, deed of covenant from the Directors and shall scrutinize the furnished statement and certificates as may be prescribed for determining Fit and Proper Criteria in line with the guidelines issued by the RBI for the time being in force. A quarterly statement on change of directors and a certificate by the Managing Director/Whole-time Director of the Company certifying that 'fit and proper' criteria in selection of Directors has been followed by the Company should be furnished to the Regional Office of the RBI within 15 days of the



close of each quarter. Further, the statement for the quarter ending March 31 should also be certified by the statutory auditors.

VIII. AMENDMENT

These Guidelines may be amended following any relevant amendment in the Act, the Directions or any amendment done by the Board in the constitution of the committees of the Board or as may be deemed necessary by the Board. The changes, if any, shall be effective only upon approval by the Board.

IX. REVIEW OF THE GUIDELINES

The Guidelines shall be reviewed at yearly interval or earlier if considered necessary by the Board of Directors.
