

May 26, 2023

The Secretary Listing Department, BSE Limited, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street, Mumbai 400001 Scrip Code: 540975	The Manager, Listing Department, The National Stock Exchange of India Ltd Exchange Plaza, C-1, Block G Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra (East), Mumbai 400051 Scrip Symbol: ASTERDM
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the financial year ended March 31, 2023**

Pursuant to regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with SEBI circular no: CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 8, 2019, please find enclosed the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2023.

We request you to kindly take this is on record.

Thank you

For **Aster DM Healthcare Limited**

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Company Secretary and Compliance Officer



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### SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF ASTER DM HEALTHCARE LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2023

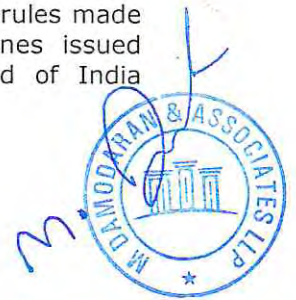
*(Pursuant to Regulation 24A of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated February 08, 2019)*

I have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **Aster DM Healthcare Limited** (hereinafter referred as 'the Company'), having its Registered Office at No.1785, Sarjapur Road, Sector -1, HSR Layout, Ward No.174, Agara Extension, Bangalore - 560102. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided me a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and to provide my observations thereon.

Based on my verification of the Company's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the company and also the information provided by the company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, I hereby report that the company has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on **March 31, 2023** complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter :

I, M. Damodaran, Managing Partner of M Damodaran & Associates LLP, Practicing Company Secretaries have examined:

- a) all the documents and records made available to me and explanation provided by the Company,
- b) the filings/ submissions made by the Company to the stock exchanges,
- c) website of the Company,
- d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification, for the year ended **March 31, 2023** ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:
  - i. Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued there under; and
  - ii. Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made there under and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued there under by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");





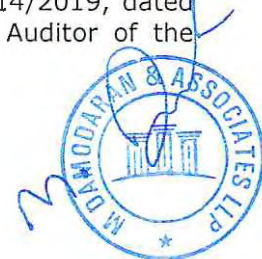
The specific Regulations prescribed under the SEBI Act whose provisions and the circulars/guidelines issued thereunder, (wherever applicable), have been examined, include:-

- a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ('SEBI LODR')
- b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018.
- c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011.
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018 - *Not applicable during the review period.*
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021.
- f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021 - *Not applicable during the review period.*
- g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.
- h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client and ESOP.
- i) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018.
- j) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021 - *Not Applicable during the review period.*

and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder;

and based on the above examination, I hereby report that, during the Review Period:

- a) The Company has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, during the review period.
- b) The action taken by the Company to comply with the observations made by the Secretarial Auditor in the previous reports are specified in **Annexure - A:**
- c) The Company has suitably included the conditions as mentioned in Para 6(A) and Para 6(B) of the SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019, dated October 18, 2019 in terms of appointment of Statutory Auditor of the Company.



I hereby further report that, during the Review Period the compliance status of the Company is appended as below:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/Remarks
1.	<u>Secretarial Standards:</u> The compliances of the Company are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.	Yes	-
2.	<u>Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the Company</li> <li>• All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed &amp; updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI.</li> </ul>	Yes	-
3.	<u>Maintenance and disclosures on Website:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Company is maintaining a functional website.</li> <li>• Timely dissemination of the documents/information under a separate section on the website.</li> <li>• Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re-directs to the relevant document(s)/section of the website.</li> </ul>	Yes	-
4.	<u>Disqualification of Director:</u> None of the Director(s) of the Company is disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the Company.	Yes	-
5.	<u>Details related to Subsidiaries of the Company have been examined w.r.t.:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies.</li> <li>(b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries.</li> </ul>	Yes	-

6.	<u>Preservation of Documents:</u> The Company is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.	Yes	-
7.	<u>Performance Evaluation:</u> The Company has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	-
8.	<u>Related Party Transactions:</u>  (a) The Company has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or (b) The Company has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected by the Audit Committee, in case no prior approval has been obtained.	Yes	-
9.	<u>Disclosure of events or information:</u> The Company has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.	Yes	-
10.	<u>Prohibition of Insider Trading:</u> The Company is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) of SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	-
11.	<u>Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:</u>  No action(s) has been taken against the Company / its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder.	NA	No action(s) has been taken against the Company / its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges



12.	<u>Additional Non-compliances, if any:</u> No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	NA	No additional non-compliance observed
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**Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:**

1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the Company.
2. My responsibility is to report based upon my examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
3. I have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial Records and Books of Accounts of the Company.
4. This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the company.

Place: Chennai  
Date: 25.05.2023

For **M DAMODARAN & ASSOCIATES LLP**

M. DAMODARAN  
Managing Partner  
Membership No.: 5837  
COP. No.: 5081  
FRN: L2019TN006000  
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ICSI UDIN:F005837E000380530



**Annexure- A**

**The Company has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:**

Sr. No.	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars / guidelines including specific clause)	Regulation /Circular No.	Deviations	Action Taken by	Type of Action (Advisory /Clarification/Fine /Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc.)	Details of Violation	Fine Amount	Observations/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Management Response	Remarks
1.	As per Regulation 17 (1) (b) of SEBI LODR, where the listed entity does not have a regular non-executive chairperson, at least half of the board of directors shall comprise of independent directors	Regulation 17 (1) (b) of SEBI LODR	<p>The composition of the Board was 12 directors with 6 independent directors and 6 non independent directors.</p> <p>Mr. Suresh Muthukrishna Kumar, an independent director of the Company, retired from the Board from the closure of business hours on September 15, 2021.</p> <p>Due to the retirement of the above director, the total strength of the independent directors on the Board came down from 6 to 5.</p> <p>Subsequently, Mr. Wayne Earl Keathley was appointed as an independent director of the Company w.e.f. October 04, 2021.</p>	No action taken	NA	The Company has complied with regulation 17(1) (b) of SEBI LODR during the period except for 18 days i.e., from September 16, 2021 to October 03, 2021.	NA	The Company has complied with regulation 17(1) (b) of SEBI LODR during the period except for 18 days i.e., from September 16, 2021 to October 03, 2021.	<p>The Company has complied with regulation during the period except for 18 days i.e., from September 16, 2021 to October 03, 2021. The lag was due to the delay in obtaining DIN of the Independent Director resident in USA due to Covid-19.</p> <p>Subsequently, Mr. Wayne Earl Keathley was appointed as an Independent Director of the Company w.e.f. October 04, 2021.</p>	NA

