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To,

Listing Department,	Department of Corporate Services – Listing,	
National Stock Exchange of India Limited,	BSE Limited,	
Exchange Plaza,	P. J. Towers,	
Bandra Kurla Complex,	Dalal Street,	
Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400 051	Mumbai – 400 001	

Re: Scrip Symbol: CENTUM/ Scrip Code: 517544

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: 31<sup>st</sup> (Thirty First) Annual General Meeting Notice, e-voting facility and record date for payment of final dividend on Equity Shares for the Financial Year 2023-24.

This is to inform that the 31<sup>st</sup> AGM of the Company will be held on **Friday**, **August 09**, **2024**, **at 11:30 A.M. IST** through video conference and other audio-visual means (VC/OAVM).

The Company has considered, **Friday, August 2, 2024**, as the cut- off date for ascertaining the list of shareholders eligible to participate in the e-voting facility being offered in respect of the businesses to be transacted at the Thirty First Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on May 22, 2024, had recommended final dividend for the financial year 2023- 24, subject to approval of the Members at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company. In this regard, pursuant to Regulation 42 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Company has fixed **Wednesday, July 31, 2024**, as Record Date for determining entitlement of members to final dividend of Rs. 3/- per share of face value of Rs. 10/- each for the financial year 2023-24.

We are also enclosing herewith the Notice for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The above information is also available on the website of the Company <a href="https://www.centumelectroncis.com">www.centumelectroncis.com</a>. This is for your information.



Yours faithfully,
For Centum Electronics Limited

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Company Secretary & Compliance Officer
Encl: as above



## Centum Electronics Limited

Corporate Identity Number (CIN) – L85110KA1993PLC013869 Registered Office: No.44, KHB Industrial Area, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore – 560 106 Tel. No: +91 80 4143 6000 Fax No: +91 80 4143 6005

Email: investors@centumelectronics.com Website: www.centumelectronics.com

#### Notice of the 31st Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty First (31st) Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Members of **Centum Electronics Limited will be held on Friday, August 9, 2024 at 11:30 A.M. IST** through Video Conferencing / Other Audio Visual Means ("VC / OAVM") to transact the following business:

The venue of the meeting shall be deemed to be the Registered Office of the Company at No. 44, KHB Industrial Area, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru - 560 106.

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

### Item No.1 – Adoption of Standalone Financial Statements

To receive, consider and adopt the audited standalone financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, including the audited Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss, the Cash Flow Statement, and notes to financial statements for the year ended on that date along with the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditor's thereon.

### Item No.2 – Adoption of Consolidated Financial Statements

To receive, consider and adopt the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, including the audited Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss, the Cash Flow Statement, and notes to financial statements for the year ended on that date along with the report of the Auditor's thereon.

#### Item No.3 - Declaration of Dividend

To declare a final Dividend of ₹ 3 per equity share (i.e. 30%) of ₹ 10/- each for the financial year ended 31st March 2024.

#### Item No.4 - Retirement of Director by rotation

To appoint a Director in place of Ms.Tanya Mallavarapu (DIN: 01728446) who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers herself for the re-appointment.

#### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

# Item No.5 – Appointment of Mr.Tarun Sawhney (DIN: 00382878) as an Independent Director of the Company

To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as a **Special Resolution**:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 149, 150, 152 read with Schedule IV and all other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 and the applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (the "Listing Regulations") (including any statutory modification(s), amendment(s) or re-enactment(s) thereof, for the time being in force) based on the recommendations of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board"), Mr.Tarun Sawhney (DIN:00382878), who was appointed as an Additional Non-Executive Independent Director of the Company with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2024 and who has submitted a declaration that he meets the criteria for independence as provided in Section 149(6) of the Act and Regulation 16(1)(b) of the Listing Regulations and who is eligible for appointment and in respect of whom the Company has received a notice in writing under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing his candidature to the office of Director, be and is hereby appointed as an Independent Director of the Company, not liable to retire by rotation, to hold office for a term of 5 years commencing from 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2024."

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors and Company Secretary & Compliance Officer of the Company be and are hereby severally authorised to do all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary, proper or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

### Item No.6 – Remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an **Ordinary Resolution**:



"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 148 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), M/s. K.S. Kamalakara & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Registration No. 000296), appointed as Cost Auditors by the Board of Directors to audit the cost records of the Company for the financial year 2024–25, be paid a remuneration of ₹1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand) per annum plus applicable taxes and out-of-pocket expenses that may be incurred during the course of audit.

**RESOLVED FURTHER THAT** the Board of Directors and Company Secretary & Compliance Officer of the Company be and are hereby severally authorised to do all such acts, deeds and things as may be necessary, proper, or expedient to give effect to this resolution."

By Order of the Board of Directors
For Centum Electronics Limited

Place: Bengaluru Indu H S

Date: May 22, 2024 Company Secretary

& Compliance Officer

#### **Registered Office:**

No.44, KHB Industrial Area Yelahanka New Town Bengaluru – 560 106 CIN: L85110KA1993PLC013869



#### **NOTES:**

In accordance with the provisions of the Act, read with the Rules made thereunder and General Circular No. 09/2023 dated 25th September, 2023, other Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") from time to time, Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/2023/120 dated 11th July, 2023 and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-2/P/ CIR/2023/167 dated 7th October, 2023 issued by SEBI ("the Circulars"), companies are allowed to hold AGM through video conference or other audio visual means ("VC/OAVM") upto 30th September, 2024, without the physical presence of members at a common venue. Accordingly, the AGM of the Company is being held through VC/OAVM, and video recording and transcript of the same shall be made available on the website of the Company. In accordance with the MCA Circulars and Circular No.SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/167 dated 7th October, 2023 issued by SEBI, the Notice of the 31st AGM along with the Annual Report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March, 2024 are being sent only through electronic mode (e-mail) to those Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company or the Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (the "RTA") or with their respective Depository Participant/s (DPs).

Members may note that the Notice and Annual Report for the financial year ended 31st March, 2024 is also available on the Company's website <a href="https://www.centumelectronics.com">www.centumelectronics.com</a>, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e.BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">www.bseindia.com</a> and <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">www.nseindia.com</a> respectively.

- 2. The Company has enabled the Members to participate at the 31<sup>st</sup> AGM through the VC / OAVM facility provided by KFin Technologies Limited, Registrar and Share Transfer Agent. The instructions for participation by Members are given in the subsequent paragraphs. Participation at the AGM through VC / OAVM shall be allowed on a first comefirst-serve basis.
- As per the provisions under the MCA Circulars, Members attending the 31st AGM through VC / OAVM shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 4. The Company has provided the facility to Members to exercise their right to vote by electronic means both through remote e-voting and Insta Poll during the AGM. The process of remote e-voting with necessary User ID and Password is given in the subsequent paragraphs. Such remote e-voting

- facility is in addition to voting that will take place at the 31st AGM being held through VC / OAVM.
- 5. Members joining the meeting through VC / OAVM, who have not already cast their vote by means of remote e-voting, shall be able to exercise their right to vote through Insta Poll at the AGM. The Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also join the AGM through VC / OAVM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again.
- 6. The Company has appointed Mr. S.P. Nagarajan, Practicing Company Secretary (Membership No. ACS 10028), who in the opinion of the Board is a duly qualified person, as a Scrutinizer who will collate the electronic voting process in a fair and transparent manner. The Scrutinizer shall within a period of two (2) working days from the date of conclusion of General Meeting, submit his report of the votes cast in favour or against, if any, to the Chairman of the Company. The result of the same will be disclosed through the Annual General Meeting proceedings. The e-voting results will also be uploaded in the website of the Company <a href="https://www.centumelectronics.com">https://www.centumelectronics.com</a>.
- 7. As per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, a member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf. Since the 31st AGM is being held through VC / OAVM as per the MCA Circulars, physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies to attend and cast vote for the members will not be made available for the 31st AGM and hence the Proxy Form and Attendance Slip are not annexed to this Notice.
- 8. Corporate Members are required to access the link <a href="https://evoting.kfintech.com">https://evoting.kfintech.com</a> and upload a certified copy of the Board Resolution authorizing their representative to attend the AGM through VC / OAVM and vote on their behalf. Institutional Investors are encouraged to attend and vote at the meeting through VC / OAVM.
- 9. In case of joint holders attending the meeting, only such joint holder who is higher in the order of names will be entitled to vote.
- The Company has fixed Wednesday, July 31, 2024, as Record Date for determining the members eligible for Dividend on Equity Shares, if declared at the Annual General Meeting.
- Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, dividend as recommended by the Board of Directors, if approved by the members will be paid on or before Tuesday, September 3, 2024, to those



members whose names appear in the Register of Members on the Record Date.

12. Pursuant to the Income-tax Act, 1961, dividend income will be taxable in the hands of shareholders and the Company is required to deduct tax at source from dividend paid to shareholders at the prescribed rates. For the prescribed rates for various categories, the shareholders are requested to refer to the Income-tax Act, 1961 and amendments thereof. The shareholders are requested to update their PAN with the Company/RTA (in case of shares held in physical mode) and depositories (in case of shares held in demat mode).

A Resident individual shareholder with PAN and who is not liable to pay income tax can submit a yearly declaration in Form No. 15G/15H, to avail the benefit of non-deduction of tax at source by sending an email to einward.ris@kfintech.com or investors@centumelectronics.com.Shareholders are requested to note that in case their PAN is not registered, the tax will be deducted at a higher rate of 20%.

Non-resident shareholders can avail beneficial rates under tax treaty between India and their country of residence, subject to providing necessary documents i.e. No Permanent Establishment and Beneficial Ownership Declaration, Tax Residency Certificate, Form 10F, self-declaration and any other document which may be required to avail the tax treaty benefits by sending an email to <a href="mailto:einward.ris@kfintech.com">einward.ris@kfintech.com</a> or <a href="mailto:inward.ris@centumelectronics.com">investors@centumelectronics.com</a>.

The aforesaid declarations and documents need to be submitted by the shareholders latest by Wednesday, July 31, 2024.

- Members are requested to note that the dividends not encashed or claimed within 7 (seven) years from the date of transfer to the Unpaid Dividend Account, will as per Section 124 of the Companies Act, 2013, along with the respective shares lying in the pool account be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF). Members who have not encashed or claimed the dividend for the earlier years are requested to approach the Company / Registrar & Transfer Agent and whose shares are transferred to IEPF can claim by making an application in form IEPF-5 to IEPF Authority through Company's Nodal Officer and Registrar & Transfer Agent at the earliest. Members can file only one consolidated claim in a financial year as per the IEPF Rules.
- 14. Updation of PAN and other details

SEBI vide its circular dated November 03, 2021 (subsequently amended by circulars dated

December 14, 2021, March 16, 2023, November 17, 2023 and May 7, 2024) mandated that the security holders (holding securities in physical form), whose folio(s) are not updated with the KYC details (any of the details viz., PAN, Choice of Nomination, Contact Details, Mobile Number, Bank Account Details and signature, if any) shall be eligible for any payment including dividend, in respect of such folios, only through electronic mode with effect from April 01, 2024.

Accordingly, as mandated vide captioned circulars, the dividend payable against your holdings is liable to be withheld if the KYC details are not updated against your holding. For updation of KYC details against your folio, you are requested to send the details as per the formats specified below along with the supporting documents: a. Form ISR 1 duly filled in along with self attested supporting documents for updation of KYC details. b. Form ISR-2 duly filled in with banker attestation of signature along with original cancelled cheque with your name(s) printed thereon or self-attested copy of bank passbook/statement. c. Form SH-13 for updation of Nomination for the aforesaid folio or ISR-3 for "Optout" of the Nomination.

Investors can download the following forms & SEBI Circulars, which are also uploaded on the website of the company: www.centumelectronics.com and on the website of Kfin Technologies Limited; https://ris.kfintech.com/clientservices/isc/isrforms.aspx

Please forward the duly executed KYC documents in any of the following modes to our RTA, M/s. KFin Technologies Limited (Unit: Centum Electronics Limited), Selenium Tower-B, Plot No 31 & 32, Gachibowli, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, Hyderabad – 500 032, Telangana

- a. Through hard copies which should be self -attested and dated OR
- b. Through electronic mode, provided that they are sent through E-mail ID of the holder registered with RTA and all documents should be electronically/digitally signed by the Shareholder and in case of joint holders, by first joint holder OR
- c. Through web portal of our RTA KFin Technologies Limited <a href="https://ris.kfintech.com">https://ris.kfintech.com</a>

The Company has also issued public notice urging the shareholders for registration and/or updation of their email id, Permanent Account Number (PAN) and bank mandate with the Company to ensure receipt of Annual Report, dividend and/or any other



consideration and other communication timely, faster and easier and more importantly avoids fraudulent encashment of warrants.

The Company has sent reminders to those shareholders whose bank details are not available with the RTA, requesting them to update KYC to enable the Company for payment of dividend.

The Company before processing the request for payment of Unclaimed / Unpaid Dividend, has been in practice of obtaining necessary particulars of Bank Account of the Payee.

- 15. Awareness about Online Resolution of Disputes in the Indian Securities Market through Online Dispute Resolution ('ODR') Portal:
  - I. This is to inform the members that Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") vide circular no. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE\_IADI/P/CIR/2023/131 dated July 31, 2023 issued guidelines for online resolution of disputes in the Indian securities market through establishment of a common ODR Portal which harnesses online conciliation and online arbitration for resolution of disputes arising between investors/clients and listed companies (including their RTA's) or specified intermediaries/ regulated entities in the securities market.
  - SEBI vide circular no. SEBI/HO/OIAE/OIAE\_IAD-1/P/CIR/2023/135 dated August 4, 2023 has further clarified that the investor shall first take up his/her/their grievance with the Market Participant (Listed Companies, specified intermediaries, regulated entities) by lodging a complaint directly with the concerned Market Participant. If the grievance is not redressed satisfactorily, the investor may escalate the same through the SCORES Portal https://scores. gov.in/scores/Welcome.html in accordance with the process laid out. After exhausting the above options for resolution of the grievance, if the investor is still not satisfied with the outcome, he/she/they can initiate dispute resolution through the ODR Portal.
  - III. The SMART ODR Portal can be accessed at: <a href="https://smartodr.in/login">https://smartodr.in/login</a>.
- 16. In accordance with the proviso to Regulation 40(1) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, effective from April 1, 2019, transfers of securities of the Company shall not be processed unless the securities are held in the dematerialized form with a depository. Accordingly,

- Members holding equity shares in physical form are urged to have their shares dematerialized to enable to transfer shares in a hassle free manner.
- 17. Members who hold shares in the physical form can nominate a person in respect of all the shares held by them singly or jointly. Members who hold shares in single name are advised, in their own interest, to avail of the nomination facility by filling Form No. SH-13 or Form ISR-3 (Declaration to Opt-out). Members holding shares in the dematerialised form may contact their DP's for recording the nomination in respect of their holdings.
- 18. Forms ISR-1, ISR-2, ISR-3, ISR-4 & SH-13 alongwith the supporting documents as stated above are required to be submitted to KFintech at the address mentioned below:

KFin Technologies Limited
Unit: Centum Electronics Limited
Selenium Tower B, Plot 31–32, Financial District,
Nanakramguda, Serilingampally Mandal,
Hyderabad – 500032, Telangana,
Toll Free No.: 1800–309–4001

E-mail: einward.ris@kfintech.com

- 19. In line with the MCA Circulars, the notice of the 31st AGM along with the Annual Report 2023-24 are being sent only by electronic mode to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company/ Depositories. Members may please note that this Notice and Annual Report 2023-24 will also be available on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.centumelectronics.com">https://www.centumelectronics.com</a>, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">www.bseindia.com</a> and <a href="https://www.nseindia.com">www.nseindia.com</a> respectively, and on the website of KFin Technologies Limited at <a href="https://evoting.kfintech.com">https://evoting.kfintech.com</a>.
- 20. Members who have not registered their e-mail address are requested to register the same in respect of shares held in electronic form with the Depository through their Depository Participant(s) and in respect of shares held in physical form by writing to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, KFin Technologies Limited, Selenium Building, Tower B, Plot No. 31 & 32, Gachibowli Financial District, Nanakramguda, Hyderabad-500 032.
- 21. The Statement pursuant to Section 102 (1) of the Companies Act, 2013 with respect to the Special Business set out in the Notice is annexed hereto.



- 22. Additional information pursuant to Regulation 36 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 in respect of the Director seeking appointment/ re-appointment at the Annual General Meeting is furnished and forms a part of the Notice. The Directors have furnished the requisite consents / declarations for appointment/ re-appointment.
- 23. The following documents will be available for inspection by the Members electronically during the 31st AGM. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to <a href="mailto:investors@centumelectronics.com">investors@centumelectronics.com</a>.
  - a. The Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Companies Act, 2013.
  - The Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which Directors are interested, maintained under Section 189 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 24. Members are requested to send all communications relating to Shares including dividend matters to our Registrar and Share Transfer Agents at the following address:

KFin Technologies Limited,

Selenium Building, Tower B, Plot Nos.31 & 32, Financial District,

Nanakramguda, Serilingampally Mandal,

Hyderabad - 500032

Toll Free No.1800 309 4001

Email: einward.ris@kfintech.com

- 25. All documents referred to in the Notice will be available for inspection at the Company's Registered Office during normal business hours on working days up to the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- 26. Pursuant to Section 108 of Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 and in compliance with the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, it is mandatory to extend to the Members of the Company, the facility to vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) by electronic means. Members of the Company can transact all the items of the business through electronic voting system as contained in the Notice of the Meeting.

### PROCEDURE AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR E-VOTING AND ATTENDING THE AGM THROUGH VC / OAVM:

- 27. The Company has entered into an agreement with KFin Technologies Limited (KFintech) for facilitating e-voting and for conducting the Annual General Meeting through Video Conferencing / Other Audio-Visual Means. The instructions are as follows:
  - In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Act, read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended from time to time, Regulation 44 of the SEBI Listing Regulations and in terms of SEBI vide circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 9, 2020 in relation to e-voting Facility Provided by Listed Entities, the Members are provided with the facility to cast their vote electronically, through the e-voting services provided by KFintech, on all the resolutions set forth in this Notice. The instructions for e-voting are given in subsequent paragraphs.
  - ii. However, in pursuant to SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated December 9, 2020 on "e-voting facility provided by Listed Companies", e-voting process has been enabled to all the individual demat account holders, by way of single login credential, through their demat accounts / websites of Depositories / DPs in order to increase the efficiency of the voting process.
  - ii. Individual demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the e-voting service provider (ESP) thereby not only facilitating seamless authentication but also ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process. Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and e-mail ID with their DPs to access e-voting facility.
  - iv. The remote e-voting period commences on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 9.00 a.m. to Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 5.00 p.m. During this period, the Members of the Company holding shares in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date being Friday, August 2, 2024, may cast their vote by electronic means in the manner and process set out hereinabove. The e-voting module shall be disabled for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, the Member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. Further, the Members who have cast their vote



- electronically shall not vote by way of poll, held at the Meeting.
- The voting rights of Members shall be in proportion to their shares in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date.
- vi. Any person holding shares in physical form and non-individual shareholders, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a Member of the Company after sending of the Notice and holding shares as on the cut-off date, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@Kfintech.com. However, if he / she is already registered with KFintech for remote e-voting then he /she can use his / her existing User ID and Password for casting the vote.
- vii. In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode and who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a

**Login Method** 

- Member of the Company after sending of the Notice and holding shares as on the cut-off date may follow steps mentioned below under "Login method for remote e-voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode."
- viii. The details of the process and manner remote e-voting and e-AGM are explained herein below:
  - Step 1: Access to Depositories e-voting system in case of individual shareholders holding shares in demat mode.
  - Step 2: Access to KFintech e-voting system in case of shareholders holding shares in physical and non-individual shareholders in demat mode.
  - Step 3: Access to join virtual meetings (AGM) of the Company on KFintech system to participate AGM and vote at the AGM.

#### Details on Step 1 are mentioned below:

Login method for remote e-voting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.

Individual Shareholders 1. holding securities in demat mode with NSDL

Type of shareholders

#### User already registered for IDeAS facility:

Visit URL: <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com">https://eservices.nsdl.com</a>

Click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" under 'IDeAS' section.

On the new page, enter User ID and Password. Post successful authentication, click on "Access to e-voting"

Click on company name or e-voting service provider and you will be re-directed to e-voting service provider website for casting the vote during the remote e-voting period.

#### User not registered for IDeAS e-Services

To register click on link: <a href="https://eservices.nsdl.com">https://eservices.nsdl.com</a>

Select "Register Online for IDeAS" or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/ <u>IdeasDirectReg.jsp</u>

Proceed with completing the required fields.

Follow steps given in point 1

#### Alternatively, by directly accessing the e-voting website of NSDL

Open URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/

Click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section.

A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen-digit demat account number held with NSDL), Password / OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. Post successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page.

Click on Company name of e-Voting service provider name and you will be redirected to e-Voting service provider website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.



#### Type of shareholders Login Method

Individual Shareholders 1. holding securities in demat mode with CDSL

#### . Existing user who have opted for Easi / Easiest

Visit URL: https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or

URL: www.cdslindia.com

Click on New System Myeasi

Login with your registered User ID and Password.

After successful login of Easi / Easiest, Option will be made available to reach e-voting page.

Click on e-voting service provider name to cast your vote

#### 2. User not registered for Easi/Easiest

Option to register is available at

https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration

Proceed with completing the required fields.

#### 3. Alternatively, by directly accessing the e-voting website of CDSL

Visit URL: www.cdslindia.com

Provide your demat Account Number and PAN No.

System will authenticate user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the demat Account.

After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP, where the e- Voting is in progress.

Individual Shareholder login through their demat accounts / Website of Depository Participant

Shareholder You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your DP bugh their registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-voting facility.

Once logged-in, you will be able to see e-voting option. Once you click on e-voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL / CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-voting feature.

Click on options available against company name or e-voting service provider and you will be redirected to e-voting website of service provider for casting your vote during the remote e-voting period.

**Important note:** Members who are unable to retrieve User ID / Password are advised to use Forgot User ID and Forgot Password option available at respective websites.

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
Securities held with NSDL	Please contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at <a href="mailto:evoting@nsdl.co.in">evoting@nsdl.co.in</a> or call at toll
	free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30
Securities held with CDSL	Please contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com
	or contact at 022- 23058738 or 022-23058542-43

#### Details on Step 2 are mentioned below:

Login method for e-voting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

- (A) Members whose email IDs are registered with the Company/ Depository Participants (s), will receive an email from KFintech which will include details of e-voting Event Number (EVEN), User ID and Password. They will have to follow the below process:
- i. Launch internet browser by typing the URL: <a href="https://evoting.kfintech.com/">https://evoting.kfintech.com/</a>
- ii. Enter the login credentials (i.e. User ID and Password). In case of physical folio, User ID will be EVEN (e-voting Event Number), followed by folio number. In case of Demat account, User ID will be your DP ID and Client ID. However, if you are already registered with KFintech for e-voting, you can use your existing User ID and Password for casting the vote.



- After entering these details appropriately, click on "LOGIN".
- iv. You will now reach password change Menu wherein you are required to mandatorily change your password. The new password shall comprise of minimum 8 characters with at least one upper case (A- Z), one lower case (a-z), one numeric value (0-9) and a special character (@,#,\$, etc.,). It is strongly recommended that you do not share your password with any other person and that you take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- v. You need to login again with the new credentials.
- vi. On successful login, the system will prompt you to select the "EVEN" i.e., 'Centum Electronics Limited AGM" and click on "Submit"
- vii. On the voting page, enter the number of shares (which represents the number of votes) as on the Cut-off Date under "FOR/AGAINST" or alternatively, you may partially enter any number in "FOR" and partially "AGAINST" but the total number in "FOR/AGAINST" taken together shall not exceed your total shareholding as mentioned herein above. You may also choose the option ABSTAIN. If the Member does not indicate either "FOR" or "AGAINST" it will be treated as "ABSTAIN" and the shares held will not be counted under either head.
- viii. Members holding multiple folios/demat accounts shall choose the voting process separately for each folio/ demat accounts.
- ix. Cast your votes by selecting an appropriate option and click on 'SUBMIT'. A confirmation box will be displayed. Click 'OK' to confirm, else 'CANCEL' to modify. Once you confirm, you will not be allowed to modify your vote subsequently. During the voting period, you can login multiple times till you have confirmed that you have voted on the resolution.
- x. Corporate/Institutional Members (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are also required to send scanned certified true copy (PDF Format) of the Board Resolution/Authority Letter etc., authorizing its representative to attend the AGM through VC / OAVM on its behalf and to cast its vote through remote e-voting together with attested specimen signature(s) of the duly authorised representative(s), to the Scrutinizer at email id cs@nagarajsp818.com with a copy marked to evoting@kfintech.com. The scanned image of the above-mentioned

- documents should be in the naming format "Corporate Name\_Even No."
- xi. In case of any queries/grievances, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for members and e-voting User Manual available at the 'download' section of <a href="https://evoting.kfintech.com">https://evoting.kfintech.com</a> or call KFin on 1800 309 4001 (toll free).

#### Details on Step 3 are mentioned below:

Instructions for all the shareholders, including Individual, other than Individual and Physical, for attending the AGM of the Company through VC /OAVM and e-voting during the meeting.

- the AGM through VC / OAVM platform provided by KFintech. Members may access the same at <a href="https://emeetings.kfintech.com/">https://emeetings.kfintech.com/</a> by using the e-voting login credentials provided in the email received from the Company/KFintech. After logging in, click on the Video Conference tab and select the EVEN of the Company. Click on the video symbol and accept the meeting etiquettes to join the meeting. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-voting instructions mentioned above.
- Facility for joining AGM though VC / OAVM shall open atleast 30 minutes before the commencement of the Meeting.
- iiii. Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops/ Desktops with Google Chrome (preferred browser), Safari, Internet Explorer, Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox 22.
- iv. Members will be required to grant access to the webcam to enable VC / OAVM. Further, Members connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- v. As the AGM is being conducted through VC / OAVM, for the smooth conduct of proceedings of the AGM, Members are encouraged to express their views / send their queries in advance mentioning their name, demat account number / folio number, email id, mobile number at investors@centumelectronics. com. Questions /queries received by the Company till Wednesday, August, 7, 2024, shall only be considered and responded during the AGM.
- vi. The Members who have not cast their vote through remote e-voting shall be eligible to cast their vote through e-voting system available during the AGM. E-voting during the AGM is integrated with the VC /



- OAVM platform. The Members may click on the voting icon displayed on the screen to cast their votes.
- vii. A Member can opt for only single mode of voting i.e., through Remote e-voting or voting at the AGM. If a Member cast votes by both modes, then voting done through Remote e-voting shall prevail and vote at the AGM shall be treated as invalid.
- viii. Facility of joining the AGM through VC / OAVM shall be available for atleast 2000 members on firstcome-first-serve basis.
- ix. Institutional Members are encouraged to attend and vote at the AGM through VC / OAVM.

#### **OTHER INSTRUCTIONS:**

- I. Speaker Registration: The Members who wish to speak during the meeting may register themselves as speakers for the AGM to express their views. They can visit <a href="https://emeetings.kfintech.com">https://emeetings.kfintech.com</a> and login through the User ID and Password provided in the mail received from KFintech. On successful login, select 'Speaker Registration' which will open from Monday, August 5, 2024 to Wednesday, August 7, 2024. Members shall be provided a 'queue number' before the meeting. The Company reserves the right to restrict the speakers at the AGM to only those Members who have registered themselves, depending on the availability of time for the AGM.
- II. Post your Question: The Members who wish to post their questions prior to the meeting can do the same by visiting <a href="https://emeetings.kfintech.com">https://emeetings.kfintech.com</a>. Please login through the User ID and Password provided in the mail received from KFintech. On successful login, select 'Post Your Question' option which will be opened from Monday, August 5, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. to Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

- III. In case of any query and/or grievance, in respect of voting by electronic means, Members may refer to the Help & Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and e-voting user manual available at the download section of <a href="https://evoting.kfintech.com">https://evoting.kfintech.com</a> (KFintech Website) or contact Mr. N Shiva Kumar, Manager at <a href="evoting@kfintech.com">evoting@kfintech.com</a> or call KFintech's toll free No. 1-800-309-4001 for any further clarifications.
- IV. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members / list of Beneficial Owners as on Friday, August 2, 2024, being the cut-off date, are entitled to vote on the Resolutions set forth in this Notice. A person who is not a member as on the cut-off date should treat this Notice for information purposes only. Once the vote on a resolution(s) is cast by the Member, the Member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.
- V. The results of the electronic voting shall be declared to the Stock Exchanges after the AGM. The results along with the Scrutinizer's Report, shall also be placed on the website of the Company.
- Members who may require any technical assistance or support before or during the AGM are requested to contact KFin Technologies Limited at toll free number 1-800-3094-001 or write to them at evoting@kfintech.com.
- 29. A video guide assisting the members attending e-AGM either as a speaker or participant is available for quick reference at URL <a href="https://emeetings.kfintech.com/">https://emeetings.kfintech.com/</a> under the "How It Works" tab placed on the top of the page.

By Order of the Board of Directors
For Centum Electronics Limited

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 22, 2024 Indu H S
Company Secretary
& Compliance Officer



### Application(s) by our RTA KFINTECH

Members are requested to note that as an ongoing endeavor to enhance shareholders experience and leverage new technology, Kfintech has developed following applications for shareholders:

#### **Investor Support Centre:**

Members are hereby notified that our RTA , KFin Technologies Limited (Formerly known as KFin Technologies Private Limited), based on the SEBI Circular (SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/72 ) dated Jun 08, 2023, have created an online application which can be accessed at https://ris.kfintech.com/default.aspx# > Investor Services > Investor Support.

Members are required to register / signup, using the Name, PAN, Mobile and email ID. Post registration, user can login via OTP and execute activities like, raising Service Request, Query, Complaints, check for status, KYC details, Dividend, Interest, Redemptions, eMeeting and eVoting Details.

Quick link to access the signup page: https://kprism. kfintech.com/signup

- Summary of the features and benefits are as follows: The provision for the shareholders to register online.
- OTP based login (PAN and Registered mobile number combination)
- 3. Raise service requests, general query, and complaints.
- 4. Track the status of the request.
- 5. View KYC status for the folios mapped with the specific PAN.
- 6. Quick links for SCORES, ODR, e-Meetings and eVoting.
- 7. Branch Locator
- 8. FAQ's

#### **Senior Citizens investor cell:**

As part of our RTA's initiative to enhance the investor experience for Senior Citizens, a dedicated cell has been newly formed to assist exclusively the Senior Citizens in redressing their grievances, complaints, and queries. The Senior Citizens wishing to avail this service can send the communication with the below details to the email id, senior.citizen@kfintech.com.

Senior Citizens (above 60 years of age) have to provide the following details:

- 1. ID proof showing Date of Birth
- 2. Folio Number
- 3. Company Name
- 4. Nature of Grievance

The cell closely monitors the complaints coming from Senior Citizens through this channel and assists them at every stage of processing till closure of the grievance.

#### **Online PV:**

In today's ever-changing dynamic digital landscape, security, foolproof systems and efficiency in identity verification are paramount. We understand the need to protect the interests of you (shareholders) and also comply with KYC standards. Ensuring security and KYC compliance is paramount of importance in today's remote world. Digital identity verification, using biometrics and digital ID document checks, helps combat fraud, even when individuals aren't physically present. To counteract common spoofing attempts, we engage in capturing liveness detection and facial comparison technology.

We are excited to announce that our RTA has introduced an Online Personal Verification (OPV) process, based on liveness detection and document verification.

#### **Key Benefits:**

- A fully digital process, only requiring internet access and a device.
- Effectively reduces fraud for remote and unknown applicants.
- Supports KYC requirements.

#### Here's how it works:

- I. Users receive a link via email and SMS.
- II. Users record a video, take a selfie, and capture an image with their PAN card.
- Facial comparison ensures the user's identity matches their verified ID (PAN).

#### WhatsApp:

Shareholders can use WhatsApp Number: (91) 910 009 4099 to avail bouquet of services.



### Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013

#### Item No.5:

The Board of Directors of the Company, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee had approved the appointment of Mr. Tarun Sawhney (DIN: 00382878), as an Additional Non-Executive Independent Director of the Company with effect from 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2024 under Sections 149, 150, 152 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 (the "Act").

In accordance with the provisions of Section 149 read with Schedule IV of the Act, appointment of Independent Director requires approval of the members of the Company. The Company has received notice under Section 160 of the Act from a member proposing the candidature of Mr. Tarun Sawhney for the office of an Independent Director of the Company. The Company has also received from Mr. Tarun Sawhney (i) consent in writing to act as Director in Form DIR-2 pursuant to Rule 8 of the Companies (Appointment & Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014, (ii) intimation in Form DIR-8 in terms of the Companies (Appointment & Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014, to the effect that he is not disqualified under Section 164(1) and 164(2) of the Act, (iii) a declaration to the effect that he meets the criteria of independence as provided under Section 149(6) of the Act and Rules framed thereunder and Regulation 16(1)(b) of the SEBI Listing Regulations, (iv) declaration pursuant to BSE Circular No. LIST/COMP/14/2018-19 dated June 20, 2018 and NSE Circular No. NSE/CML/2018/24 dated June 20, 2018, that he has not been debarred from holding office of a Director by virtue of any Order passed by the Securities and Exchange Board of India or any other such authority.

Further, Mr. Tarun Sawhney has confirmed that he is not aware of any circumstance or situation which exists or may be reasonably anticipated that could impair or impact his ability to discharge his duties as an Independent Director of the Company. Mr. Tarun Sawhney has confirmed that he is in compliance with Rules 6(1) and 6(2) of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014, with respect to his registration with the data bank of Independent Directors maintained by the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs.

The nomination and remuneration committee and the Board are of the view that Mr. Tarun Sawhney possesses

the requisite skills and capabilities, which would be of immense benefit to the Company, and hence, it is desirable to appoint him as an independent director. In the opinion of the Board, Mr. Tarun Sawhney is independent of the management.

Mr. Tarun Sawhney has no shareholding in the Company.

The Board recommends the Special Resolution set out at Item No. 5 of the Notice for approval by the shareholders.

None of the Promoters, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel or their relatives are interested, financially or otherwise, if any in the Resolution No.5 of the accompanying Notice except to the extent of their Shareholding, if any in the Company.

#### Item No. 6:

The provisions of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014 mandates the Company to get its cost records audited every year. The Board of Directors has considered the appointment of M/s. K.S. Kamalakara & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Registration No. 000296) as the Cost Auditors of the Company for the financial year 2024-25 at a remuneration of ₹1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) apart from applicable taxes and out-of-pocket expenses, if any.

Ratification of remuneration payable to Cost Auditors needs to be done by the Shareholders of the Company in terms of Section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, due to which consent of the members is sought for ratification of the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors for the financial year 2024-25.

The Board of Directors recommends the Ordinary Resolution as set out in Item No.6 of the Notice for the approval of the shareholders.

None of the Promoters, Directors, Key Managerial Personnel or their relatives are interested, financially or otherwise, if any in the Resolution No.6 of the accompanying Notice except to the extent of their Shareholding, if any in the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors
For Centum Electronics Limited

Place: Bengaluru Date: May 22, 2024 Indu H S
Company Secretary
& Compliance Officer



Details of the Directors seeking appointment/re-appointment at the 31st Annual General Meeting [Pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Secretarial Standard on General Meeting]

#### 1. Ms.Tanya Mallavarapu

Date of birth	09.02.1989
Date of appointment	27.05.2023

#### Profile:

Ms. Tanya completed her Master's Degree in Economics from Duke University, in U.S. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and was on the Dean's List.

Ms. Tanya is the founder of TMR Design Co. LLP, an interdisciplinary design firm that emphasizes on innovation, creativity and functionality in a wide array of industries from healthcare, residential, commercial and hospitality. Prior to this Tanya served as a marketing executive in the luxury retail industry, involved in building marketing strategies for global retail expansion. She launched an Indian based luxury brand across cities including New York, Hong Kong, London and Delhi. Prior to this she worked as a business analyst at Intuit, creating revenue models and marketing strategies to launch the newly developed GoPayment product.

No. of shares held in the Company	6,44,240	
Names of Listed entities in which she holds to Directorship as on 31st March, 2024	he Centum Electronics Limited	
Inter-se relationship with other Directors	Ms.Tanya Mallavarapu is the daughter of Mr. Apparao V Mallavarapu, Chairman & Managing Director and Promoter, Dr.Swarnalatha Mallavarapu, Promoter and sister of Mr. Nikhil Mallavarapu, Whole-Time Director.	

#### 2. Mr.Tarun Sawhney

Date of birth	25.09.1973
Date of appointment	22.05.2024

#### Profile:

Mr. Tarun Sawhney is an MBA from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania (USA) and holds a Master's degree from Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge (UK).

Mr. Tarun Sawhney is the Vice Chairman & Managing Director of Triveni Engineering & Industries Ltd (TEIL) a Director of Triveni Turbine Limited, a global industrial steam turbine and energy solutions company, and a Director of Triveni Energy Solutions Limited.

Mr.Tarun Sawhney has played a pivotal role in the sugar and bioenergy industry, having served as the President of the Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA) and Chairman of the Indian Sugar Exim Corporation Limited. He currently holds key positions in the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), serving as a member of the National Council, the Chairman of the Agricultural Council, and the Co-Chairman of the National Committee on Bioenergy. He is also a member of the advisory board of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). His significant contributions to the sugar industry have earned him widespread recognition, exemplified by the prestigious Industry Excellence Award conferred by the former Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Pratibha Rao Patil.

In addition to his professional and academic pursuits, Tarun is committed to philanthropy and community welfare. He serves as a trustee of the Tirath Ram Shah Charitable Hospital in New Delhi which is one of India's oldest charitable hospitals. He actively participates on the board of the Triveni Foundation, which focuses on healthcare and education in North India.

Mr. Tarun's interest in art and culture is evident through his roles as a member of the International Advisory Council of the Tate Modern (UK) and the International Leadership Council of the New Museum, New York. He was also intronised as a Chevalier du Tastevin in 2023.



No. of shares held in the Company	-	
Names of listed entities in which he holds the Directorship as on March 31, 2024	Triveni Engineering      Triveni Turbine Limit	
Chairman/Member of the Committees of the listed entities Board as on March 31, 2024	Name of the Company	Name of the Committee
	Triveni Engineering & Industries Limited	Audit Committee Stakeholders' Relationship Committee CSR Committee
	Triveni Turbine Limited	Risk Management Committee Stakeholders' Relationship Committee CSR Committee
Inter-se relationship with other Directors	Nil	