

LK & ASSOCIATES

COMPANY SECRETARIES

To,

The Board of Directors
The United Nilgiri Tea Estates Co. Ltd.
3, Savithiri Shanmugam Road
Race Course
Coimbatore - 641018

**Sub : Annual Secretarial Compliance Report of The United Nilgiri Tea Estates Company Limited
for the financial year ended 31.03.2023**

Dear Sir

I, Laliitha Kannan of L K & Associates, Company Secretaries, have conducted the Secretarial Compliance Audit of the applicable SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India), Regulations and the circulars/guidelines issued thereunder of **The United Nilgiri Tea Estates Company Limited** (hereinafter referred as 'the Company') (**CIN LO1132TZ1922PLC000234**), having its Registered Office at No 3, Savithri Shanmugam Road, Race Course, Coimbatore 641018. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

I have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by The United Nilgiri Tea Estates Company Limited ("the Company"),
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the year ended 31.03.2023, in respect of compliance with the provisions of :

- (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");
- (c) The following Regulations prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the circulars/guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined :
 1. The Provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
 2. The Provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)



3. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
4. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
5. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
6. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
7. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
8. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible and Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2021; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)
8. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015 including the provisions with regard to disclosure and maintenance of records required under the said Regulations,
9. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993;
10. The provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021; (Not Applicable to the Company during the review period)

Based on my examination and verifications of the documents and records produced to me and according to the information and explanations given to me by the Company, I report that “

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
1.	<p>Secretarial Standards:</p> <p>The compliances of the listed entity 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.</p>	Yes	



2.	<p>Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities ● All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed & updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI 	Yes	
3.	<p>Maintenance and disclosures on Website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website ● Timely dissemination of the documents/information under a separate section on the website ● 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 	Yes	
4.	<p>Disqualification of Director:</p> <p>None of the Director(s) of the Company is/ are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.</p>	Yes	
5.	<p>Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.:</p> <p>(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies</p> <p>(b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries</p>	NA	
6.	<p>Preservation of Documents:</p> <p>The listed entity 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.</p>	Yes	
7.	<p>Performance Evaluation:</p> <p>The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year/during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.</p>	Yes	



8.	<p>Related Party Transactions:</p> <p>(a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or</p> <p>(b) The listed entity 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.</p>	Yes	
9.	<p>Disclosure of events or information:</p> <p>The listed entity 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.</p>	Yes	
10.	<p>Prohibition of Insider Trading:</p> <p>The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.</p>	Yes	
11.	<p>Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:</p> <p>No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ 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 except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**).</p>	Yes	
12.	<p>Additional Non-compliances, if any:</p> <p>No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.</p>	Yes	



Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/ NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
1.	Compliances with the following conditions while appointing/re-appointing an auditor		
	<p>i. If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter; or</p> <p>ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter; or</p> <p>iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review/ audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the audit report for such financial year.</p>	NA	Not applicable during the review period
2.	Other conditions relating to resignation of statutory auditor		
	<p>i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/its material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:</p>	NA	Not applicable during the review period



Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/ NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
	<p>a. In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity/material subsidiary such as non-availability of information / non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings.</p> <p>b. In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation, along with relevant documents has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of information / explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of information/ explanation sought and not provided by the management, as applicable.</p> <p>c. The Audit Committee / Board of Directors, as the case may be, deliberated on the matter on receipt of such information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor.</p> <p>ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information: The auditor has provided an appropriate disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.</p>	NA	Not applicable during the review period
3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the format as specified in Annexure- A in SEBI Circular CIR/ CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019.	NA	Not applicable during the review period



- (a) (**) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below: **NOT APPLICABLE**

Sr. No.	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/ circulars/ guidelines including specific clause)	Regulation/ Circular No.	Deviations	Action Taken by	Type of Action	Details of Violation	Fine Amount	Observations/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Management Response	Remarks
						Advisory/ Clarification/ Fine/Show Cause Notice/ Warning, etc.				

- (b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports: **NOT APPLICABLE**

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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 listed entity.
2. Our responsibility is to certify based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial Records and Books of Accounts of the listed entity.
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 listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

Place: Chennai
Date: 18-05-2023

For L K & Associates

Lalitha Kannan



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Company Secretary
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