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Dear Sir/ Madam,

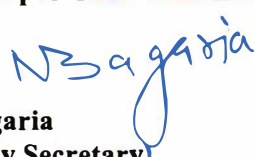
Sub: **Public Announcement for Buyback of Equity Shares**

Ref: **Our Letter dated 5th April, 2019**

Pursuant to Regulation 7 of the SEBI (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018, please find enclosed a copy of the Public Announcement dated 8th April, 2019 published in the newspapers viz. Business Standard (English and Hindi National Daily) and Aajkal (Bengali Daily) on 9th April, 2019.

Yours faithfully,

For **Balrampur Chini Mills Limited**


Nitin Bagaria
(Company Secretary)



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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE ATTENTION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS/BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF EQUITY SHARES OF BALRAMPUR CHINI MILLS LIMITED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUYBACK OF EQUITY SHARES THROUGH THE TENDER OFFER UNDER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (BUY-BACK OF SECURITIES) REGULATIONS, 2018

This Public Announcement ("Public Announcement") is being made in relation to the Buyback (as defined hereinafter) of Equity Shares (as defined hereinafter) of Balrampur Chini Mills Limited through the tender offer process, pursuant to Regulation 7(i) and other applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018, for the time being in force including any statutory modifications and amendments from time to time ("SEBI Buyback Regulations") and contains the disclosures as specified in Schedule II to the SEBI Buyback Regulations read with Schedule I of the SEBI Buyback Regulations.

OFFER FOR BUYBACK OF NOT EXCEEDING 84,38,327 (EIGHTY FOUR LAKHS THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY SEVEN ONLY) FULLY PAID UP EQUITY SHARES OF FACE VALUE OF INR 1 EACH (INDIAN RUPEE ONE ONLY) ("EQUITY SHARES") AT A PRICE OF INR 175.00 (INDIAN RUPEES ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE ONLY) PER FULLY PAID UP EQUITY SHARE ON A PROPORTIONATE BASIS THROUGH THE TENDER OFFER PROCESS

1. DETAILS OF THE BUYBACK AND BUYBACK PRICE

1.1 Pursuant to the resolution passed by the board of directors of Balrampur Chini Mills Limited (the "Company") (the board of directors of the Company are hereinafter referred to as the "Board" or the "Board of Directors") on April 5, 2019 ("Board Resolution"), the Company hereby announces the buyback of not exceeding 84,38,327 (Eighty Four Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Seven Only) Equity Shares from the equity shareholders/beneficial owners of Equity Shares as on April 18, 2019 (the "Record Date") (for further details in relation to the Record Date, refer to Paragraph 8 of this Public Announcement), on a proportionate basis, through the "tender offer" process, in accordance with Article 62 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Sections 68, 69 and 70, and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof (the "Companies Act") and applicable rules thereunder including the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014, as amended, the SEBI Buyback Regulations, at a price of INR 175.00 (Indian Rupees One Hundred Seventy Five only) per Equity Share ("Buyback Offer Price"), payable in cash, for an aggregate maximum amount not exceeding INR 147,67,07,225.00 (Indian Rupees One Hundred Forty Seven Crores Sixty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five only) (the "Buyback Offer Size") (the process being referred hereinafter as the "Buyback"). The Buyback Offer Size and the Buyback Offer Price do not include any expenses incurred or to be incurred for the Buyback viz., brokerage, costs, fees, turnover charges, taxes such as securities transaction tax and goods and services tax (if any), stamp duty, advisors fees, printing and dispatch expenses and other incidental and related expenses and charges ("Transaction Costs"). The Buyback Offer Size represents 9.82% and 9.76% of the aggregate of the Company's paid-up capital and free reserves (including securities premium) as per the audited financials of the Company as on March 31, 2018 on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively.

1.2 The Buyback is in accordance with the provisions of Companies Act, Article 62 of the Articles of Association of the Company and subject to the provisions of the SEBI Buyback Regulations, and such other approvals, permissions as may be required from time to time from BSE Limited (the "BSE"), the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (the "NSE") and the Calcutta Stock Exchange Limited (the "CSE") (BSE, NSE and CSE are hereinafter together referred to as the "Stock Exchanges") where the Equity Shares of the Company are listed and from any other statutory and/or regulatory authority, as may be required and which may be agreed to by the Board and/or any committee thereof. The Buyback would be undertaken in accordance with circular no. CIR/CFD/POLICYCELL/1/ 2015 dated April 13, 2015 and circular no. CFD/DCR2/CIR/P/2016/131 dated December 9, 2016, issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), which prescribes mechanism for acquisition of shares through stock exchange. In this regard, the Company will request BSE to provide the acquisition window.

1.3 In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and the SEBI Buyback Regulations, the Buyback Size of INR 147,67,07,225.00 (Indian Rupees One Hundred Forty Seven Crores Sixty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five only) excluding Transaction Costs, represents 9.82% and 9.76% of the aggregate of the Company's paid-up capital and free reserves as per the audited financials of the Company as on March 31, 2018 on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively, and it does not exceed 10% of the aggregate of the fully paid up share capital and free reserves of the Company as on March 31, 2018. Further, under the Companies Act, the number of equity shares that can be bought back in any financial year cannot exceed 25% of the total paid-up equity share capital of a company in that financial year. Since the Company proposes to Buyback not exceeding 84,38,327 (Eighty Four Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Seven Only) Equity Shares representing 3.69% of the total number of Equity Shares in the total paid up equity share capital of the Company as at March 31, 2018, the same is within the aforesaid 25% limit.

1.4 The Buyback Offer Price has been arrived at after considering various factors including, but not limited to trends in the volume weighted average prices of the Equity Shares on the Stock Exchanges, the net worth of the Company, price earnings ratio, impact on other financial parameters and the possible impact of Buyback on the earnings per Equity Share. The Buyback Price represents premium of 47.14% and 47.07% over the volume weighted average market price of the Equity Shares on BSE and NSE, respectively, during the three months preceding April 1, 2019, being the date of intimation to the Stock Exchanges for the Board Meeting to consider the proposal of the Buyback and premium of 25.36% and 25.40% over the closing price of the Equity Shares on BSE and NSE, respectively, as on April 1, 2019, being the date of intimation to the Stock Exchanges for the Board Meeting to consider the proposal of the Buyback. The basic earnings per Equity Share of the Company pre-Buyback as on March 31, 2018, considering the number of Equity Shares outstanding as on March 31, 2018 is INR 9.68 and INR 10.14 on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively, which will increase to INR 10.05 and INR 10.53 on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively, post Buyback assuming full acceptance of the Buyback. The return on net worth of the Company pre-Buyback as on March 31, 2018 is 14.70% and 15.31% on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively, which will increase to 16.30% and 16.97% on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively, post Buyback assuming full acceptance of the Buyback.

1.5 A copy of this Public Announcement is available on the Company's website i.e., www.chini.com, and is expected to be made available on the website of SEBI i.e., www.sebi.gov.in and on the websites of Stock Exchanges, i.e., www.bseindia.com, www.nseindia.com and www.cse-india.com during the period of the Buyback.

2. NECESSITY FOR BUYBACK

The Buyback is being proposed by the Company to return surplus funds to the equity shareholder/beneficial owner of the Equity Shares ("Equity Shareholders"), which are over and above its ordinary capital requirements and in excess of any current investment plans, in an expedient, efficient and cost effective manner. Additionally, the Company's management strives to increase the Equity Shareholders' value and the Buyback would result in the following benefits, amongst other things:

- The Buyback will improve the Earnings Per Share (EPS), Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) and Return on Equity (ROE);
- The Buyback will help in achieving an optimal capital structure;
- The Buyback will help the Company to distribute surplus cash to the Equity Shareholders broadly in proportion to their shareholding, thereby, enhancing their overall return;
- The Buyback, which is being implemented through the tender offer route as prescribed under the SEBI Buyback Regulations, would involve allocation of number of shares as per the entitlement of the shareholders or 15% of the number of Equity Shares to be bought back whichever is higher, reserved for the small shareholders. The Company believes that this reservation for small shareholders would benefit a large number of public shareholders, who would get classified as "small shareholder" as per Regulation 2(i)(n) of the SEBI Buyback Regulations;
- The Buyback gives an option to the Equity Shareholders to either (i) choose to participate and get cash in lieu of Equity Shares to be accepted under the Buyback or (ii) choose to not participate and enjoy a resultant increase in their percentage shareholding, post Buyback, without additional investment.

After considering several factors and benefits to the shareholders holding Equity Shares of the Company, the Board decided to recommend Buyback not exceeding 84,38,327 (Eighty Four Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Seven Only) Equity Shares representing 3.69% of the total paid-up equity capital of the Company at price of INR 175.00 (Indian Rupees One Hundred Seventy Five only) per Equity Share, payable in cash, for an aggregate maximum amount not exceeding INR 147,67,07,225.00 (Indian Rupees One Hundred Forty Seven Crores Sixty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five only) excluding any expenses incurred or to be incurred for the Buyback, which represents 9.82% and 9.76% of the aggregate of the Company's paid-up capital and free reserves (including securities premium) as per the audited financials of the Company as on March 31, 2018 on a standalone and consolidated basis respectively.

3. DETAILS OF PROMOTERS SHAREHOLDING AND OTHER DETAILS

3.1 The aggregate shareholding in our Company of the (i) promoters; (ii) members of the promoter group; and (iii) persons who are in control of the Company, as on the date of the Board Meeting i.e., April 5, 2019 and the date of this Public Announcement i.e., April 8, 2019 is as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Shareholder	No. of Equity Shares held	Percentage of paid-up equity share capital
1.	Meenakshi Mercantiles Ltd.	70,08,360	3.07
2.	Udaipur Cotton Mills Co. Ltd.	61,49,316	2.69
3.	Novel Suppliers Pvt. Ltd.	29,07,109	1.27
4.	Shri Vivek Saraogi	3,56,80,017	15.62
5.	Smt. Sumedha Saraogi	91,66,061	4.01
6.	Smt. Stuti Dhanuka	46,58,599	2.04
7.	Smt. Avantika Saraogi	34,72,361	1.52
8.	Shri Karan Saraogi	1,70,52,904	7.46
9.	Vivek Saraogi HUF	1,59,403	0.07
10.	Kamal Nayan Saraogi HUF	73,70,447	3.23
	Total	9,36,24,577	40.98

3.2 Apart from the individuals covered under Point 3.1 above, shareholding of the directors of the Company ("Directors"), the key managerial personnel of the Company ("KMPs") and the directors of promoters and members of the promoter group, where such promoter or promoter group entity is a company, as on the date of this Public Announcement i.e., April 8, 2019 is as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of shareholder	Designation	No. of Equity Shares held	Percentage of paid-up equity share capital
1.	Dr. Arvind Krishna Saxena	Wholetime Director of the Company	16,407	0.01
2.	Shri Nitin Bagaria	Company Secretary of the Company	6	Negligible
3.	Smt. Seema Chandak	Director (Meenakshi Mercantiles Ltd. and Udaipur Cotton Mills Company Limited)	5,115	Negligible

Apart from the above, none of the other Directors or KMPs and the directors of promoters and members of the promoter group, where such promoter or promoter group entity is a company, hold any Equity Shares in the Company.

3.3 No Equity Shares or other specified securities in the Company were either purchased or sold (either through the Stock Exchanges or off market transactions) by any of the (i) promoters; (ii) members of the promoter group (ii) directors of the promoter and promoter group, where such promoter or promoter group entity is a Company and of persons who are in control of the Company during a period of six months preceding the date of the Board Resolution, i.e. April 5, 2019, and from the date of the Board Resolution till the date of this Public Announcement.

3.4 Intention of promoter and members of the promoter group to participate in the Buyback:

The promoters and members of promoter group, being persons in control of the Company, have expressed their intention to participate in the Buyback and they may tender up to a maximum number of Equity Shares as detailed below or such lower number of Equity Shares as permitted under applicable law:

Sr. No.	Name of Shareholder	Maximum Number of Equity Shares which may be tendered
1.	Meenakshi Mercantiles Ltd.	Up-to the entitlement
2.	Udaipur Cotton Mills Co. Ltd.	Up-to the entitlement
3.	Novel Suppliers Pvt. Ltd.	Up-to the entitlement
4.	Shri Vivek Saraogi	3,56,80,017
5.	Smt. Sumedha Saraogi	91,66,061
6.	Smt. Stuti Dhanuka	46,58,599
7.	Ms. Avantika Saraogi	34,72,361

Sr. No.	Name of Shareholder	Maximum Number of Equity Shares which may be tendered
8.	Shri Karan Saraogi	1,70,52,904
9.	Vivek Saraogi HUF	1,59,403
10.	Kamal Nayan Saraogi HUF	73,70,447

The details of the date and price of acquisition of the Equity Shares that the promoters/members of the promoter group intend to tender in the Buyback are set forth below:

MEENAKSHI MERCANTILES LTD.

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	Opening as on 1-4-2004	59,408	11,41,973.50	Through purchases /allotments	10/-	59,408
2.	16-10-2004	84,357	2,19,32,820.00	Rights Issue	10/-	1,43,765
3.	31-03-2005	-	-	Split from ₹10/- to ₹1/-	1/-	14,37,650
4.	23-10-2007	5,25,000	3,97,19,246.00	Open Market purchase	1/-	19,62,650
5.	24-10-2007	7,00,000	5,55,55,688.20	Open Market purchase	1/-	26,62,650
6.	29-10-2007	25,000	20,74,775.30	Open Market purchase	1/-	26,87,650
7.	30-10-2007	3,00,000	2,55,26,393.80	Open Market purchase	1/-	29,87,650
8.	31-10-2007	3,00,000	2,45,36,407.30	Open Market purchase	1/-	32,87,650
9.	01-11-2007	1,43,000	1,12,42,058.32	Open Market purchase	1/-	34,30,650
10.	02-11-2007	1,25,000	1,00,03,739.50	Open Market purchase	1/-	35,55,650
11.	06-11-2007	3,57,000	2,91,77,645.03	Open Market purchase	1/-	39,12,650
12.	04-01-2008	15,63,400	14,38,32,800.00	Preferential Allotment	1/-	54,76,050
13.	14-10-2008	4,00,000	2,09,12,216.59	Open Market purchase	1/-	58,76,050
14.	15-10-2008	1,02,611	51,70,682.14	Open Market purchase	1/-	59,78,211
15.	16-10-2008	57,853	28,12,795.12	Open Market purchase	1/-	60,36,064
16.	20-10-2008	4,39,986	2,19,37,733.56	Open Market purchase	1/-	64,76,050
17.	22-10-2008	2,00,000	96,62,477.27	Open Market purchase	1/-	66,76,050
18.	23-10-2008	54,634	24,68,827.21	Open Market purchase	1/-	67,30,684
19.	24-10-2008	6,35,872	2,67,65,168.41	Open Market purchase	1/-	73,66,556
20.	27-10-2008	1,09,494	43,72,431.66	Open Market purchase	1/-	74,76,050
21.	17-05-2010	6,00,000	4,37,67,606.95	Open Market purchase	1/-	80,76,050
22.	18-05-2010	1,50,000	1,12,76,062.41	Open Market purchase	1/-	82,26,050
23.	19-05-2010	1,50,000	1,12,38,418.92	Open Market purchase	1/-	83,76,050
24.	20-05-2010	2,00,000	1,47,74,783.28	Open Market purchase	1/-	85,76,050
25.	25-05-2010	1,000	97,245.00	Off Market purchase	1/-	85,77,050
26.	18-03-2015	(11,01,000)	6,04,78,946.78	Inter-se transfer to Novel Suppliers Pvt. Ltd. (Sale)	1/-	74,76,050
27.	23-02-2017	(2,75,952)	4,82,91,600.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	72,00,098
28.	27-03-2018	(1,91,738)	2,87,60,700.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	70,08,360
	Cumulative Shareholding					70,08,360

Note: Since specific details of acquisition/sale of equity shares prior to 1-4-2004 are not available, aggregate shareholding as on 1-4-2004 is provided.

UDAIPUR COTTON MILLS CO. LTD.

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	Opening as on 1-4-2004	1,52,771	1,89,771.00	Through purchases /allotments	10/-	1,52,771
2.	16-10-2004	88,697	2,30,61,220.00	Rights Issue	10/-	2,41,468
3.	31-03-2005	-	-	Split from ₹10/- to ₹1/-	1/-	24,14,680
4.	23-10-2007	5,25,000	3,99,93,838.50	Open Market purchase	1/-	29,39,680
5.	24-10-2007	7,00,000	5,56,83,843.20	Open Market purchase	1/-	36,39,680
6.	29-10-2007	25,000	20,68,025.30	Open Market purchase	1/-	36,64,680
7.	30-10-2007	3,00,000	2,55,31,576.30	Open Market purchase	1/-	39,64,680
8.	31-10-2007	3,00,000	2,45,25,383.30	Open Market purchase	1/-	42,64,680
9.	02-11-2007	2,25,000	1,80,52,162.10	Open Market purchase	1/-	44,89,680
10.	06-11-2007	3,50,000	2,86,13,556.60	Open Market purchase	1/-	48,39,680
11.	04-01-2008	17,20,000	15,82,40,000.00	Preferential Allotment	1/-	65,59,680
12.	23-02-2017	(2,42,128)	4,23,72,400.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	63,17,552
13.	27-03-2018	(1,68,236)	2,52,35,406.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	61,49,316
	Cumulative Shareholding					61,49,316

Note: Since specific details of acquisition/sale of equity shares prior to 1-4-2004 are not available, aggregate shareholding as on 1-4-2004 is provided.

NOVEL SUPPLIERS PVT. LTD.

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	08-06-2012	6,00,000	3,03,54,311.86	Open market purchase	1/-	6,00,000
2.	11-06-2012	3,00,000	1,51,09,760.05	Open market purchase	1/-	9,00,000
3.	14-06-2012	3,014	1,46,522.40	Open market purchase	1/-	9,03,014
4.	15-06-2012	1,96,986	96,22,956.55	Open market purchase	1/-	11,00,000
5.	18-06-2012	3,73,001	1,78,58,799.02	Open market purchase	1/-	14,73,001
6.	19-06-2012	26,999	12,92,277.76	Open market purchase	1/-	15,00,000
7.	21-06-2012	5,00,000	2,44,93,425.99	Open market purchase	1/-	20,00,000
8.	22-06-2012	109	5,315.27	Open market purchase	1/-	20,00,109
9.	18-03-2015	11,01,000	6,06,27,982.59	Inter-se transfer from Meenakshi Mercantiles Ltd.	1/-	31,01,109
10.	23-02-2017	(1,14,466)	2,00,31,550.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	29,86,643
11.	27-03-2018	(79,534)	1,19,30,100.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	29,07,109
	Cumulative Shareholding					29,07,109

SHRI VIVEK SARAOGI

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	Opening as on 1-4-2004	3,78,080	80,25,260.00	Through purchases /allotments	10/-	3,78,080
2.	16-10-2004	33,020	85,85,200.00	Rights Issue	10/-	4,11,100
3.	31-03-2005	-	-	Split from ₹10/- to ₹1/-	1/-	41,11,000
4.	16-05-2008	46,45,100	-	Gift - Inter se Promoters	1/-	87,56,100
5.	07-04-2010	5,78,000	5,32,64,176.81	Open Market purchase	1/-	93,34,100
6.	10-12-2010	91,51,001	-	Gift - Inter se Promoters	1/-	1,84,85,101
7.	07-02-2013	1,95,97,219	-	Gift - Inter se Promoters	1/-	3,80,82,320
8.	23-02-2017	(12,40,353)	24,85,61,775.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	3,66,61,967
9.	27-03-2018	(9,81,950)	14,72,92,500.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	3,56,80,017
	Cumulative Shareholding					3,56,80,017

Note: Since specific details of acquisition/sale of equity shares prior to 1-4-2004 are not available, aggregate shareholding as on 1-4-2004 is provided.

SMT. SUMEDHA SARAOGI

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	Opening as on 1-4-2004	8,86,850	8,64,825.00	Through purchases /allotments	10/-	8,86,850
2.	16-10-2004	93,050	2,41,93,000.00	Rights Issue	10/-	9,79,900
3.	31-03-2005	-	-	Split from ₹10/- to ₹1/-	1/-	97,99,000
4.	23-02-2017	(3,76,371)	6,58,64,925.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	94,22,629
5.	27-03-2018	(2,56,568)	3,84,85,200.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	91,66,061
	Cumulative Shareholding					91,66,061

Note: Since specific details of acquisition/sale of equity shares prior to 1-4-2004 are not available, aggregate shareholding as on 1-4-2004 is provided.

SMT. STUTI DHANUKA

Sl. No.	Date of transaction	No. of Shares	Transaction Value (₹)	Nature of transaction	Nominal value (₹)	Cumulative No. of shares
1.	Opening as on 1-4-2004	4,47,500	85,671.00	Through purchases /allotments	10/-	4,47,500
2.	16-10-2004	53,700	1,39,62,000.00	Rights Issue	10/-	5,01,200
3.	31-03-2005	-	-	Split from ₹10/- to ₹1/-	1/-	50,12,000
4.	23-02-2017	(2,14,351)	3,75,11,425.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	47,97,649
5.	27-03-2018	(1,39,050)	2,08,57,500.00	Buy back of shares	1/-	46,58,599
Cumulative Shareholding						46,58,599

was conducted in accordance with the Standards on Auditing specified under Section 143(10) of the Act and other applicable authoritative pronouncements issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (the 'ICAI'). Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Such audit was not planned and performed in connection with any transactions to identify matters that maybe of potential interest to third parties.

9. The unaudited financial information, referred to in paragraph 7 above, have been reviewed by us, on which we have issued unmodified conclusion vide our review report dated February 4, 2019. Our review of these financial information was conducted in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagement (SRE) 2410, Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, issued by the ICAI. This Standard requires that we plan and perform the review to obtain moderate assurance as to whether the financial information is free of material misstatement. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of the company personnel and analytical procedures applied to the financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion
10. We, having regard to paragraph 7 above, have conducted examination of the Statement in accordance with the Guidance Note on Reports or Certificates for Special Purposes, issued by the Institute of the Chartered Accountants of India (the ICAI). The Guidance Note requires that we comply with the ethical requirements of the Code of Ethics issued by the ICAI.
11. We have complied with the relevant applicable requirements of the Standard on Quality Control (SQC) 1, Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Historical Financial Information, and Other Assurance and Related Services Engagements.

Opinion:

12. Based on our examination as stated above and the representation, information and explanations given to us, we report that:
- a) the amount of the permissible capital payment towards the proposed buy-back of equity shares as computed in the accompanying Statement, has been determined in accordance with the requirements of section 68(2) of the Act and Regulation 4(i) of the SEBI Buy-back Regulations based on the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018;
- b) the Board of Directors, in their meeting held on 05th April, 2019, have formed the opinion, as specified in clause (x) of Schedule I of the SEBI Buyback Regulations, on reasonable grounds that the Company will not, having regard to its state of affairs, be rendered insolvent within a period of one year from the aforesaid date of the meeting of the Board of Directors; and
- c) we are not aware of anything to indicate that the opinion expressed by the Directors in the declaration as to any of the matters mentioned therein is unreasonable in the circumstances as at the date of declaration.

Restriction on use:

13. Our work was performed solely to assist you in meeting your responsibilities in relation to your compliance with the provisions of section 68 and other applicable provisions of the Act read with rule 17 of the Companies (Share Capital and Debentures) Rules, 2014 (as amended) and the SEBI Buyback Regulations, pursuant to the proposed buyback of equity shares. Our obligations in respect of this report are entirely separate, and our responsibility and liability is in no way changed by, any other role we may have as auditors of the Company or otherwise. Nothing in this report, nor anything said or done in the course of or in connection with the services that are the subject of this report, will extend any duty of care we may have in our capacity as auditors of the Company.

This report is addressed to and provided to the Board of Directors of the Company solely for the purpose of enabling it to comply with the aforesaid requirements and to include this report, pursuant to the requirements of the SEBI Buy-back Regulations, (a) public announcement to be made to the shareholders of the Company, (b) in the draft letter of offer and the letter of offer to be filed with the Registrar of Companies, Securities and Exchange Board of India, BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited, as required by the SEBI Buyback Regulations, the Central Depository Services (India) Limited, National Securities Depository Limited, as applicable and (c) for providing to the manager to the buyback. Accordingly, this report may not be suitable for any other purpose, and therefore, should not be used, referred to or distributed for any other purpose or to any other party without our prior written consent. Accordingly, we do not accept or assume any liability or any duty of care for any other purpose for which or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come without our prior consent in writing.

For **Lodha & Co.**
Chartered Accountants
Firm's Registration Number: 301051E
R. P. Singh
Partner
Membership Number: 052438
Place: Kolkata
Dated: 05th April, 2019
UDIN - 19052438AAAAA9360

Annexure A- Statement of permissible capital payment

Computation of amount of permissible capital payment for the buy-back of equity shares in accordance with Section 68 (2) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018 based on audited standalone financial statements as at and for the year ended 31st March, 2018:

Particulars	Amount (₹ in Lakhs)	Amount (₹ in Lakhs)
Paid up equity share capital as on 31 st March, 2018 (22,84,28,327 equity shares of face value Re. 1 each) (A)		2,284.28
Free Reserves as on 31 st March, 2018:		
Securities Premium	24,578.91	
General Reserve *	60,753.68	
Retained Earnings	62,820.28	
Total Free Reserves (B)		1,48,152.87
Total (A+B)		1,50,437.15
Maximum Buyback		
Permissible capital payment towards buy back of equity shares in accordance with Section 68(2) of the Act and Regulation 5(i)(b) of the SEBI Buyback Regulations (10% of the paid-up equity capital and free reserves)		15,043.72

Computation of amount of permissible capital payment for the buy-back of equity shares in accordance with Section 68 (2) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buy-Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018 based on audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31st March, 2018:

Particulars	Amount (₹ in Lakhs)	Amount (₹ in Lakhs)
Paid up equity share capital as on 31 st March, 2018(22,84,28,327 equity shares of face value Re. 1 each) (A)		2,284.28
Free Reserves as on 31 st March, 2018:		
Securities Premium	24,578.91	
General Reserve *	60,753.68	
Retained Earnings	63,702.81	
Total Free Reserves (B)		1,49,035.40
Total (A+B)		1,51,319.68
Maximum Buyback		
Permissible capital payment towards buy back of equity shares in accordance with Section 68(2) of the Act and Regulation 5(i)(b) of the SEBI Buyback Regulations (10% of the paid-up equity capital and free reserves)		15,131.97

* General Reserve excludes reserve of ₹ 4,224.23 Lakhs arising on account of amalgamation.

For Balrampur Chini Mills Limited
Pramod Patwari
Chief Financial Officer

Unquote

PROCESS AND METHODOLOGY TO BE ADOPTED FOR BUYBACK

Process

- 7.1 The Buyback is open to all eligible shareholders, *i.e.*, the shareholders who on the Record Date were holding Equity Shares either in physical form (**"Physical Shares"**) and the beneficial owners who on the Record Date were holding Equity Shares in the dematerialized form (**"Demat Shares"**) (such shareholders are referred as the **"Eligible Shareholders"**).
- 7.2 The Buyback will be implemented using the *"Mechanism for acquisition of shares through Stock Exchange"* issued by SEBI *vide* circular no. CIR/CFD/POLICYCELL/1/2015 dated April 13, 2015 and circular no. CFD/DCR2/CIR/P/2016/131 dated December 9, 2016, and in accordance with the procedure prescribed in the Companies Act and the SEBI Buyback Regulations, and as may be determined by the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee (a committee constituted by the Board to exercise its powers in relation to the Buyback, the **"Executive Committee"**), on such terms and conditions as may be permitted by law from time to time.
- 7.3 For implementation of the Buyback, the Company has appointed HDFC Securities Limited as the registered broker to the Company (the **"Company's Broker"**) through whom the purchases and settlements on account of the Buyback would be made by the Company. The contact details of the Company's Broker are as follows:
HDFC Securities Limited
I Think Techno Campus Building-B,
"Alpha", Office Floor 8, Opp. Crompton Greaves
Near Kanjurmarg Station Kanjurmarg (East)
Mumbai 400 042 India
Tel.: +91 22 3075 3400
Fax: +91 22 22 3075 3435
E-mail: sharmila.kambli@hdfcsec.com
Contact Person: Ms. Sharmila Kambli
- 7.4 The Company shall request BSE to provide a separate window (the **"Acquisition Window"**) to facilitate placing of sell orders by the Eligible Shareholders who wish to tender their Equity Shares in the Buyback. For the purpose of this Buyback, BSE would be the designated stock exchange (**"Designated Stock Exchange"**). The details of the Acquisition Window will be as specified by BSE from time to time. In the event Shareholder Broker(s) of Eligible Shareholder is not registered with BSE, then the Eligible Shareholders can approach any BSE registered stock broker and can register themselves by using quick unique client code (**"UCC"**) facility through the BSE registered stock broker (after submitting all details as may be required by such BSE registered stock broker in compliance with applicable law). In case the Eligible Shareholders are unable to register using UCC facility through any other BSE registered broker, Eligible Shareholders may approach Company's Broker i.e., HDFC Securities Limited to place their bids.
- 7.5 At the beginning of the tendering period, the order for buying Equity Shares will be placed by the Company through Company's Broker. During the tendering period, the order for selling the Equity Shares will be placed in the Acquisition Window by the Eligible Shareholders through their respective stock brokers (**"Shareholder Broker"**) during normal trading hours of the secondary market. The Shareholder Broker can enter orders for Demat Shares. In the tendering process, the Company's Broker may also process the orders received from the Eligible Shareholders.
- 7.6 The reporting requirements for Non-Resident Shareholders under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and any other rules, regulations, guidelines, for remittance of funds, shall be made by the Eligible Shareholder and/or the Shareholder Broker through which the Eligible Shareholder places the bid.
- 7.7 Modification/cancellation of orders and multiple bids from a single Eligible Shareholder will be allowed during the tendering period of the Buyback. Multiple bids made by a single Eligible Shareholder for selling Equity Shares shall be clubbed and considered as "one bid" for the purposes of acceptance.
- 7.8 The cumulative quantity tendered shall be made available on the website of BSE (www.bseindia.com) throughout the trading session and will be updated at specific intervals during the tendering period.
- 7.9 **Procedure to be followed by shareholders holding Demat Shares:**

- (a) Eligible Shareholders holding Demat Shares who desire to tender their Demat Shares under the Buyback would have to do so through their respective Shareholder Broker by indicating to the concerned Shareholder Broker, the details of Equity Shares they intend to tender under the Buyback.
- (b) The Shareholder Broker would be required to place an order/bid on behalf of the Eligible Shareholder who wish to tender Demat Shares in the Buyback using the Acquisition Window of the BSE. Before placing the bid, the Eligible Shareholder would be required to transfer the tendered Demat Shares to the Indian Clearing Corporation Limited (**"Clearing Corporation"**), by using the early pay in mechanism prior to placing the bid by the Shareholder Broker.

The details of the special account shall be informed in the issue opening circular that will be issued by the BSE or the Clearing Corporation.

- (c) Upon placing the bid, the Shareholder Broker shall provide a Transaction Registration Slip (**"TRS"**) generated by the stock exchange bidding system to the Eligible Shareholder on whose behalf the order/bid has been placed. TRS will contain details of order submitted like Bid ID No., Application No., DP ID, Client ID, No. of Equity Shares tendered etc.
- (d) In case of non-receipt of the completed tender form and other documents, but receipt of Equity Shares in the accounts of the Clearing Corporation and a valid bid in the exchange bidding system, the bid by such Equity Shareholder shall be deemed to have been accepted.

7.10 Procedure to be followed by the shareholders holding Physical Shares:

- (a) As per the proviso to regulation 40(1) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (notified by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2018), read with SEBI's press releases dated December 3, 2018, and March 27, 2019, effective from April 1, 2019, transfers of securities shall not be processed unless the securities are held in the dematerialized form with a depository (**"LODR Amendment"**).
- (b) In light of the LODR Amendment, any of the Eligible Shareholders who are desirous of tendering their Equity Shares held in physical form can do so only after the shares are dematerialized. Such Eligible Shareholders are advised to approach the concerned depository participant to have their Equity Shares dematerialized.

7.11 METHOD OF SETTLEMENT

Upon finalization of the basis of acceptance as per SEBI Buyback Regulations:

- (a) The Company will transfer the funds pertaining to the Buyback to the Clearing Corporation's bank account as per the prescribed schedule. For Equity Shares accepted under the Buyback, the Equity Shareholders will receive funds pay-out in their bank account from the Clearing Corporation.
- (b) The Demat Shares bought back would be transferred directly to the demat account of the Company opened for the Buyback (the **"Company Demat Account"**) provided it is indicated by the Company's Broker or it will be transferred by the Company's Broker to the Company Demat Account on receipt of the Equity Shares from the clearing and settlement mechanism of BSE.
- (c) The Eligible Shareholders of the Demat Shares will have to ensure that they keep the depository participant (**"DP"**) account active and unblocked to receive credit in case of return of Demat Shares, due to rejection or due to non-acceptance in the Buyback.
- (d) Excess Demat Shares or unaccepted Demat Shares, if any, tendered by the Eligible Shareholder would be returned to them by the Clearing Corporation.
- (e) The settlements of fund obligation for Demat Shares shall be affected as per the SEBI circulars and as prescribed by BSE and Clearing Corporation from time to time. For Demat Shares accepted under the Buyback, such beneficial owners will receive funds payout in their bank account as provided by the depository system directly to the Clearing Corporation. If such shareholder's bank account details are not available or if the funds transfer instruction is rejected by the Reserve Bank of India (**"RBI"**)/bank(s), due to any reasons, then the amount payable to the concerned shareholders will be transferred to the Shareholder Broker for onward transfer to such shareholders.
- (f) In case of certain shareholders viz., NRIs, non-residents etc. (where there are specific regulatory requirements pertaining to funds payout including those prescribed by the RBI) who do not opt to settle through custodians, the funds payout would be given to their respective Shareholder Broker's settlement accounts for releasing the same to such shareholder's account.
- (g) The Shareholder Broker would issue contract note to the Eligible Shareholders tendering Equity Shares in the Buyback. The Company's Broker would also issue a contract note to the Company for the Equity Shares accepted under the Buyback.
- (h) Eligible Shareholders who intend to participate in the Buyback should consult their respective Shareholder Broker for payment to them of any cost, charges and expenses (including brokerage) that may be levied by the Shareholder Broker upon the selling Shareholders for tendering Equity Shares in the Buyback (secondary

market transaction). The Company accepts no responsibility to bear or pay such additional cost, charges and expenses (including brokerage) incurred solely by the selling shareholders.

- (i) The Equity Shares bought will be extinguished in the manner and following the procedure prescribed in the SEBI Buyback Regulations.

8. RECORD DATE AND SHAREHOLDER ENTITLEMENT

8.1 As required under the SEBI Buyback Regulations, the Company has fixed Thursday, April 18, 2019, as the Record Date for the purpose of determining the entitlement and the names of the Eligible Shareholders.

8.2 The Equity Shares to be bought back, as part of the Buyback is divided in to two categories:

- (a) reserved category for Small Shareholders (defined under Regulation 2(i)(n) of the SEBI Buyback Regulations as a shareholder, who holds shares or other specified securities whose market value, on the basis of closing price on the recognized stock exchange in which the highest trading volume, as on record date, is not more than INR 2,00,000 (Rupees two lakhs only); and
- (b) the general category for all other shareholders.

8.3 The reserved category for Small Shareholders shall be 15% of the number of Equity Shares which the Company proposes to Buyback, or number of Equity Shares entitled as per shareholding of Small Shareholders, whichever is higher.

8.4 Based on the shareholding as on the Record Date, the Company will determine the entitlement of each shareholder to tender their Equity Shares in the Buyback. This entitlement for each shareholder will be calculated based on the number of Equity Shares held by the respective shareholder as on the Record Date and the ratio of Buyback applicable in the category to which such shareholder belongs.

8.5 In order to ensure that the same Eligible Shareholder with multiple demat accounts/folios do not receive a higher entitlement under the Small Shareholder category, the Equity Shares held by such Eligible Shareholder with a common PAN shall be clubbed together for determining the category (Small Shareholder or General Category) and the Buyback Entitlement. In case of joint shareholding, the Equity Shares held in cases where the sequence of the PANs of the joint shareholders is identical shall be clubbed together. In case of Eligible Shareholders holding physical shares, where the sequence of PANs is identical and where the PANs of all joint shareholders are not available, the Registrar to the Buyback will check the sequence of the names of the joint holders and club together the Equity Shares held in such cases where the sequence of the PANs and name of joint shareholders are identical. The shareholding of institutional investors like mutual funds, insurance companies, foreign institutional investors/foreign portfolio investors etc. with common PAN are not proposed to be clubbed together for determining their entitlement and will be considered separately, where these Equity Shares are held for different schemes/sub-accounts and have a different demat account nomenclature based on information prepared by the Registrar to the Buyback as per the shareholder records received from the Depositories. Further, the Equity Shares held under the category of "clearing members" or "corporate body margin account" or "corporate body - broker" as per the beneficial position data as on Record Date with common PAN are not proposed to be clubbed together for determining their entitlement and will be considered separately, where these Equity Shares are assumed to be held on behalf of clients.

8.6 The Eligible Shareholders participation in the Buyback will be voluntary. The Eligible Shareholders can choose to participate, in full or in part, and get cash in lieu of Equity Shares to be accepted under the Buyback or they may choose not to participate and enjoy a resultant increase in their percentage shareholding, post Buyback, without additional investment. The Eligible Shareholders may also tender a part of their entitlement. The Eligible Shareholders also have the option of tendering additional Equity Shares (over and above their entitlement) and participate in the shortfall created due to non-participation of some other shareholders, if any.

8.7 The maximum tender under the Buyback by any shareholder cannot exceed the number of Equity Shares held by the shareholders as on the Record Date.

8.8 The Equity Shares tendered as per the entitlement by Eligible Shareholders as well as additional Equity Shares tendered, if any, will be accepted as per the procedure laid down in SEBI Buyback Regulations.

8.9 Detailed instructions for participation in the Buyback (tendering of Equity Shares in the Buyback) as well as the relevant time table will be included in the Letter of Offer which will be sent in due course to the Eligible shareholders as on Record Date.

9. COMPANY SECRETARY & COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Mr. Nitin Bagaria,
Company Secretary & Compliance Officer
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Investors may contact the Company Secretary for any clarification or to address their grievances, if any, during office hours i.e. 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on any day, except Sunday and public holidays.

10. INVESTOR SERVICE CENTRE AND REGISTRAR TO THE BUYBACK

In case of any query, the shareholders may contact the Registrar to the Buyback on any day, except Saturday, Sunday and public holidays between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the following address:



KARVY FINTECH PRIVATE LIMITED*

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Investor Grievance Id: einward.ris@karvy.com
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** Karvy Computershare Private Limited has been amalgamated with Karvy Fintech Private Limited by order of the National Company Law Tribunal, Hyderabad dated October 23, 2018 and the said amalgamation was effective from November 17, 2018, and accordingly, Karvy Fintech Private Limited is acting as the Registrar to the Buyback.*

11. MANAGER TO THE BUYBACK



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Contact Person: Mr. Ankit Bhatia/Mr. Ravi Sharma
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12. DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITY

As per Regulation 24(i)(a) of the SEBI Buyback Regulations, the Board of Directors accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Public Announcement and for the information contained in all other advertisements, circulars, brochures, publicity materials etc. which may be issued in relation to the Buyback and confirms that the information in such documents contain and will contain true, factual and material information and does not and will not contain any misleading information.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of
BALRAMPUR CHINI MILLS LIMITED

Vivek Saraogi Managing Director DIN: 00221419	Sakti Prasad Ghosh Director DIN: 00183802	Nitin Bagaria Company Secretary and Compliance Officer M. No.: A20228
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Place : Kolkata
Date : April 8, 2019