Duty concessions give a fillip to Australia exports

SHREYA NANDI
New Delhi, 29 December

Exports of items, such as engineering goods, electronics, apparel and pharmaceuticals, to Australia have witnessed an upward trend, mainly on the back of duty concessions offered under the India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA), government officials said.

The India-Australia ECTA kicked in a year ago on December 29, 2022.

Agricultural exports from Australia — including sheep meat, seafood, broad beans, citrus and almonds — to India grew 50 per cent since the trade agreement came into force, the Australian government said in a statement. Most of Australian industrial exports to India have increased by around 30 per cent, with pharmaceuticals, wood and paper and cochlear implants leading the charge.

From January to September, Australian businesses claimed lower tariffs on $15.2 billion worth of exports to India. Through this deal, India hopes to benefit from preferential market access provided by Australia on 100 per cent of its tariff lines. While as much as 51 per cent of Australia's around 6,500 tariff lines attracted zero import duty even before ECTA kicked in, as a part of the deal, duty for 3,185 tariff lines were brought down to zero with effect from December 2022.

However, in the case of some products, the duty cut will take place over five years. On the other hand, India has offered preferential access to Australia on over 70 per cent of its tariff lines, including lines of export interest to Australia. These are primarily raw materials and intermediaries, such as coal, mineral ores and wines.

This comes even as there has been a dip in overall exports to Australia.

In terms of value, exports witnessed nearly 77 per cent year-on-year (Y-o-Y) contraction at $6.8 billion during January-October, mainly due to external factors affecting trade. Imports also witnessed contraction during the 10-month period ending October to $13.72 billion, down 19 per cent. This is in line with the trend in India's imports from the rest of the world.

From January 1, Australian exports to India will be even more competitive, with more tariff cuts on high quality Australian products such as seafood, cherries, sandalwood and wine.

Australian businesses and households have saved over $1.45 million in duties on goods imported from India, like clothing, household linen, automotive and electrical parts.

The agreement has also helped ease supply-chain stresses for Australia's manufacturing, resource and construction industries, by improving access to inputs such as tubes, pipes and off-road dump trucks.

"Since this agreement came into effect, we have seen enormous gains for a range of Australian exporters, including our farmers, manufacturers, and universities. This is a relationship we need to invest in and I look forward to working with India to take our trade agreement to the next level," Don Farrell, Australian Minister for Trade and Tourism, said in a statement.

ONE YEAR OF ECTA

The deal came into effect on Dec 29, 2022

	Export ($ mn)	Growth (%)	Import ($ mn)	Growth (%)	Trade balance ($ mn)
Jan	400.21	−42.2	1029.9	−26.7	−629.69
Feb	461.25	−59.6	1403.24	−15.3	−941.99
Mar	463.43	−42.7	1528.26	−3.33	−1064.83
Apr	721.2	0.26	1052.41	−46.3	−331.21
May	538.18	−20.4	1450.8	−28.5	−912.62
Jun	1072.9	24.8	1428.45	−42.5	−355.55
Jul	869.4	15.27	1452.8	−17.5	−583.4
Aug	1233.28	59.8	1826.2	19.5	−592.92
Sep	461.79	15.4	1093.2	−12.4	−631.41
Oct	583.33	7.32	1458.13	12.11	−874.8
Total	6804.94	−7.7	13723.1	−19.1	−6918.16

Source: Department of Commerce

'Trade deal talks being pursued actively by India'

Negotiations on the proposed trade deals with the UK, Oman and European Free Trade Association (EFTA) were being actively pursued by India, a senior government official said. The department of commerce is looking at finalising these trade deals by January or latest by February, ahead of general elections. Negotiations are expected to take place next month.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Third Interim Dividend, if declared in the Meeting of Board of Directors to be held on Thursday, January 11, 2024, shall be paid to the equity shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company or in the records of the Depositories as beneficial owners of the shares as on, Friday, January 19, 2024 which is the Record Date fixed for the purpose.

Pursuant to the Finance Act 2020, dividend income is taxable in the hands of shareholders w.e.f. April 1, 2020 and the Company is required to withhold taxes at the prescribed rates on the dividend paid to its shareholders. In case of resident individual shareholders, who have not linked their PAN with Aadhaar, their PAN will be considered as inoperative. In such cases, the Company would be considering such PANs as invalid and will deduct taxes at higher rate in accordance with the provisions of Section 206AA of the Income-tax Act, 1961. ("**the Act**").

Further tax deducted at source (TDS) rates for dividend prescribed under the Act are subject to provisions of Section 206AB of the Act (effective from July 1, 2021), whereby tax is required to be deducted at the higher rates in case of payments to 'specified persons'.

'Specified person' means a person who has not filed the income tax return for the previous year immediately prior to the financial year in which tax is required to be deducted, for which the time limit of filing of return of income under Section 139(1) of the Act has expired; and the aggregate of TDS and tax collected at source is ₹50,000 or more in that previous year.

The specified person who has not submitted the PAN as well as not filed the income tax return; the tax shall be deducted at the higher of the two rates prescribed in Sections 206AA and 206AB of the Act.

A non-resident shareholder who does not have the permanent establishment in India is excluded from the scope of the above provisions.

Any eligible shareholder, who wishes to avail the benefit of non-deduction of tax at source or lower deduction of tax at source, is requested to submit the following documents, via e-mail to **TCS-Exemptforms2324@tcplindia.co.in** or upload the documents on **https://rpa1.linkintime.co.in/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html** on or before Friday, January 12, 2024.

Resident individual shareholder with PAN	i) Yearly declaration in Form No. 15G/ 15H. For the format of Form 15G / 15H, please visit the weblink: **https://on.tcs.com/IR-FAQ** ii) Any other document which may be required to avail the tax benefits.
Non-resident shareholders*	i) No Permanent Establishment and Beneficial Ownership Declaration ii) Tax Residency Certificate iii) Copy of electronic Form 10F furnished on the income tax portal iv) Any other document which may be required to avail the tax treaty benefits. For the format of Form 10F and self-declaration, please visit the weblink: **https://on.tcs.com/IR-FAQ**

*Application of beneficial tax rate shall depend upon the completeness of the documents submitted by the shareholder and review to the satisfaction of the Company.

For **Tata Consultancy Services Limited**

Sd/-
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Company Secretary

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OMCs up incentive for ethanol made from C-heavy molasses

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New Delhi, 29 December

In a relief for sugarcane-based ethanol makers, oil-marketing companies (OMCs) have announced a ₹6.87 per litre increase in the procurement price of ethanol produced from C-heavy molasses for the 2023-24 season, which started in November — the highest increase in more than five years.

After the increase, the procurement price of ethanol produced from C-heavy molasses would be ₹56.28 per litre as against ₹49.41 per litre in the 2022-23 procurement season. The increase comes weeks after the Centre stopped sugar mills from producing ethanol from sugarcane juice or syrup for the 2023-24 season owing to questions over India's sugar production.

The sugar marketing season runs from October to September. In 2022-23, in the just concluded ethanol supply year of 2022-23 (December-October), sources said of the 4.94 billion litres of ethanol supplied to the OMCs, a quarter came from sugarcane juice or syrup, 2.33 billion litres (around 47 per cent) came from B-heavy molasses, while the rest, around 1.30 billion litres, came from grain-based sources. C-heavy molasses contributed 0.06 billion litres. The move to increase the price steeply is also meant to boost the production of ethanol from C-heavy molasses, for which the diversion of sugar is the least.

In the 2023-24 ethanol supply year, sources said of the 5.62 billion litres promised for OMCs, around 2.69 billion litres would come from sugarcane-based molasses and 2.92 billion litres from grains.

India's net sugar production (after accounting for diversion for ethanol) in the 2023-24 season is estimated to be around 29 million tonnes, down from the 33 million tonnes last year.

In India, ethanol is produced from multiple sources. It is largely through sugarcane-based molasses, or based on grains and other sources. In sugarcane it is either through sugarcane juice or syrup, and then come B-heavy molasses and C-heavy molasses.

According to industry players, when ethanol is produced from sugarcane juice or syrup directly, the maximum amount of sugar is lost or diverted for making ethanol.

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Interest rates on Sukanya Samriddhi raised by up to 20 bps

The government on Friday raised the interest rates on Sukanya Samriddhi scheme by 20 basis points and three-year term deposit scheme by 10 basis points for the January-March quarter, while retaining the rates for all other small savings schemes.

According to a finance ministry circular, the deposit under Sukanya Samriddhi scheme would attract an interest rate of 8.2 per cent from the existing 8 per cent, while the 3-year term deposit would become 7.1 per cent from the current 7 per cent. However, the interest rates for popular PPF and savings deposits have been retained at 7.1 per cent and 4 per cent, respectively. PTI

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India's got talent..

Record haul at Asiad

Chopra, Jena, and Rani were part of the historic haul of 107 medals that India bagged at the Hangzhou Asian Games in October this year.

In the previous edition of the Asian Games held in Jakarta, India had won 70 medals. With its best-ever tally, India finished at a creditable fourth position in the points table behind Asian powerhouses such as China, Japan and South Korea.

Apart from javelin, India ransacked medals from hockey, kabaddi and shooting. In badminton, the rampaging duo of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty bagged a historic first Asian Games gold in men's doubles. The compound archers orchestrated their best show ever at the showpiece Asian event, bagging five gold medals.

The clean sweep at the Asiad notwithstanding, Olympic participation remains a distant dream for these compound archers. That is because compound archery is not an Olympic sport. "It is a dream of every athlete to represent their country at the Olympics. I guess we will have to wait a little longer," said Abhishek Verma, ace compound archer.

The most heart-wrenching sight of the Asian Games was how Manipur's star wushu player Roshibina Devi broke down after winning silver.

Her lament was directed towards the recurring incidents of ethnic violence in her state and why fellow wushu players from Arunachal Pradesh were denied a chance to compete in Hangzhou because of China's stapled visa policy.

The other win for India was the bittersweet bronze in table tennis (TT) orchestrated by childhood friends Ayhika Mukherjee and Sutirtha Mukherjee. The unheralded pair from Naihati in West Bengal did the unthinkable: defeat China, the TT powerhouse, in the Asian Games quarterfinals.

If you thought the Asian Games haul was historic, the para-athletes did even better, bagging 111 medals — 29 gold, 31 silver, and 51 bronze.

The women boxers also gave India plenty to cheer after Nikhat Zareen, Nithu Ghanghas, Saweety Boora and Lovlina Borgohain bagged gold medals at the Women's World Boxing Championships. In chess, R Praggnanandhaa exhibited extraordinary skill and gumption to become the youngest player to advance to the FIDE World Cup final.

R. Vaishali joined her sibling Praggnanandhaa to become the world's first-ever brother-sister Grandmaster duo.

Another reassuring sign came in hockey, where India's men's team climbed to the third spot in the International Hockey Federation rankings, which came on the back of their undefeated march in the Asian Champions Trophy in Chennai. A combination of factors is instrumental in India's euphoric rise as an all-round sporting nation, hitherto seen as a cricketing superpower.

These include an incremental increase in government funding under TOPS, the Khelo India programme, numerous exposure trips abroad and a spate of private sponsorships. The budgetary allocation for the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has also swelled from ₹450 crore in 2004 to over ₹3,400 crore this year. The medals and accolades have made the government focus on ambitious plans in Olympic sports.

India hosted the 141st session of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in Mumbai. On the sidelines, IOC president Thomas Bach acknowledged India as a "rising sports power" and noted the country's "great interest" in hosting the 2036 Olympic Games. Hosting marquee events like Men's Hockey World Cup and the ODI Men's Cricket World Cup was the country's means to quietly advance its soft power.

Wrestlers' protest

On a note that cast a shadow on an otherwise dazzling year in sport, 2023 witnessed the anguish of the wrestling community. Angered and frustrated at the lack of action against Bharatiya Janata Party MP Brijbhushan Sharan Singh, the former Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) chief, over his alleged misconduct with female wrestlers, Olympic-winning medallists like Bajrang Punia, Vinesh Phogat, Sakshi Malik and Yogeshwar Dutt staged protests from Delhi's Jantar Mantar.

Malik announced her retirement after Sanjay Singh, a close aide of Sharan Singh, was elected WFI president. World Championship medallist Vinesh Phogat announced she was returning the Arjuna Award and the Khel Ratna, saying "these awards have no meaning in my life now." As the year drew to a close, the sports ministry suspended WFI's newly elected executive committee and the Indian Olympic Association took over the federation's operations.

India were a tour-de-force in the Men's Cricket World Cup, winning 10 games on the bounce before going down to Australia in the final in Ahmedabad. Despite stellar performances from Mohammed Shami and Virat Kohli, India's wait for that elusive ICC crown continues. Their last ICC title came in 2013. There was no heartbreak for the women's cricket team though. They overpowered England by 347 runs in the one-off Test in Mumbai and followed it up by registering their first-ever win in the format against Australia.

At the closing ceremony of the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, a Chinese girl belted out a song, which loosely translated to: "Four years from now, we (China) are going to beat you at everything. Be afraid. Be very afraid."

Two decades later, it is India's turn to remind the world of its sporting prowess.

CD issuances...

According to market participants, the struggle to mobilise sufficient deposits, coupled with significant credit growth, has led banks to increasingly depend on short-term debt instruments like CDs. State-owned banks were the primary CD issuers, they said.

Borrowing via these instruments typically rises in the last month of a quarter, as banks strive to deploy additional credit towards the quarter's end to bolster their balance sheets. Banks, this financial year, are facing the added challenge of a substantial liquidity deficit in the banking system.

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VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED

(Please use this QR Code to view the DRHP)

Corporate Identity Number: U27101CT2004PLC016701

Our Company was originally incorporated as "Phil Ispat Private Limited" as a private limited company under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, pursuant to a certificate of incorporation dated June 16, 2004 issued by the Registrar of Companies, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Pursuant to special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on September 29, 2023, the name of our Company was changed to "Vraj Iron & Steel Private Limited" and a fresh certificate of incorporation pursuant to change of name dated October 30, 2023 was issued by Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh, Thereafter, our Company was converted to a public limited company, pursuant to a special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on October 31, 2023 and the name of our Company was changed to "***Vraj Iron & Steel Limited***" and a fresh certificate of incorporation consequent upon conversion to a public limited company dated November 10, 2023 was issued to our Company by the Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh, For details in relation to change in the address of the registered office of our Company, see "*History and Certain Corporate Matters*" on page 201 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus dated December 28, 2023 ("DRHP").

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In case of any revision in the Price Band, the Bid/ Issue Period will be extended by at least 3 (three) additional Working Days after such revision in the Price Band, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days. In cases of force majeure, banking strike or similar circumstances, our Company may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, extend the Bid / Issue Period for a minimum of 3 (three) Working Days, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days, Any revision in the Price Band and the revised Bid/ Issue Period, if applicable, shall be widely disseminated by notification to the Stock Exchanges, by issuing a public notice, and also by indicating the change on the respective websites of the BRLM and at the terminals of the Members of the Syndicate and by intimation to Designated Intermediaries and the Sponsor Bank(s), as applicable.

This Issue is being made in terms of Rule 19 (2) (b) of the SCRR read with Regulation 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, as amended (the "**SEBI ICDR Regulations**"). The Issue is being made for at least 25% of the post-Issue paid-up Equity Share capital of our Company. This Issue is being made through the Book Building Process in accordance with Regulation 6(1) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations wherein not more than 50% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Qualified Institutional Buyers ("**QIBs**" and such portion the "**QIB Portion**"), provided that our Company in consultation with the BRLM may allocate up to 60% of the QIB Portion to Anchor Investors on a discretionary basis in accordance with SEBI ICDR Regulations ("**Anchor Investor Portion**"), One-third of the Anchor Investor Portion shall be reserved for domestic Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received from the domestic Mutual Funds at or above the Anchor Investor Allocation Price, Further, 5% of the QIB Portion (excluding the Anchor Investor Portion) shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Mutual Funds only, and the remainder of the QIB Portion shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to all QIB Bidders (other than Anchor Investors), including Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. Further, not less than 15% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Non-Institutional Bidders out of which (a) one third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 200,000 and up to ₹ 1,000,000 and (b) two-third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 1,000,000 provided that the unsubscribed portion in either of such sub-categories may be allocated to applicants in the other sub-category of Non-Institutional Bidders and not less than 35% of the Issue shall be available for allocation to Retail Individual Bidders in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. All Potential Bidders, other than Anchor Investors, are required to participate in the Issue by mandatorily utilising the Application Supported by Blocked Amount ("**ASBA**") process by providing details of their respective ASBA Account (as defined hereinafter) and UPI ID in case of UPI Bidders using the UPI Mechanism, as applicable, pursuant to which their corresponding Bid Amounts will be blocked by the Self Certified Syndicate Banks ("**SCSBs**") or by the Sponsor Banks under the UPI Mechanism, as the case may be, to the extent of respective Bid Amounts. Anchor Investors are not permitted to participate in the Issue through the ASBA process. For details, see "*Issue Procedure*" on page 363 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

This public announcement is being made in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 26(2) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 ("SEBI ICDR Regulations") to inform the public that the Company is proposing, subject to requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, a public issue of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus ("DRHP") dated December 28, 2023 with the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") on December 29, 2023. Pursuant to Regulation 26(1) of SEBI ICDR Regulations, the DRHP filed with SEBI shall be made public for comments, if any, for a period of at least 21 days from the date of filing, by hosting it on the websites of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in, the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in, the Stock Exchanges where the Equity Shares are proposed to be listed, i.e. BSE Limited ("BSE") at www.bseindia.com and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") at www.nseindia.com. Our Company hereby invites the public to give their comments on the DRHP to SEBI in respect of disclosures made in the DRHP. The members of the public are requested to send a copy of the comments sent to SEBI, to our Company and the Book Running Lead Manager at their respective addresses mentioned below. All comments must be received by our SEBI and/or our Company and/or the Book Running Lead Manager on or before 5 p.m. on the 21st day from the aforementioned date of filing of the DRHP with SEBI. Comments by post and email shall be accepted.

Investments in equity and equity-related securities involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest any funds in the Issue unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their entire investment. Investors are advised to read the risk factors carefully before taking an investment decision in the Issue. For taking an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of our Company and the Issue, including the risks involved. The Equity Shares in the Issue have not been recommended or approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("**SEBI**"), nor does SEBI guarantee the accuracy or adequacy of the contents of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus. Specific attention of the investors is invited to "*Risk Factors*" on page 29 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

Any decision to invest in the Equity Shares described in the DRHP may only be taken after a Red Herring Prospectus ("RHP") has been filed with the RoC and must be made solely on the basis of such RHP as there may be material changes in the RHP from the DRHP. The Equity Shares, when offered through the RHP, are proposed to be listed on BSE and NSE.

For details of the share capital and capital structure and the names of the signatories to the Memorandum of Association and the number of shares subscribed by them of the Company, please refer to the chapter "*Capital Structure*" beginning on page 71 of the DRHP. The liability of the members of our Company is limited. For details of the main objects of our Company as contained in the Memorandum of Association, please refer to the chapter "*History and Certain Corporate Matters*" beginning on page 201 of the DRHP.

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All capitalized terms used and not specifically defined shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the DRHP.

For Vraj Iron and Steel Limited
On behalf of the Board of Directors
Sd/-
Priya Namdeo
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

Place: Raipur, Chhattisgarh
Date: December 29, 2023

VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED is proposing, subject to applicable regulatory and statutory requirements, receipt of requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, an initial public offering of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus with SEBI. The Draft Red Herring Prospectus is available on the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in and the website of the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in. Any potential Investor should note that investment in equity shares involves a high degree of risk and are requested to refer to the section titled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 29 of the DRHP. Potential investors should not rely on the DRHP filed with SEBI for making any investment decision.

The Equity Shares offered in the Issue have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act, 1933 (the "U.S. Securities Act") or any state securities laws in the United States, and may not be offered or sold within the United States, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Accordingly, the Equity Shares are being offered and sold only outside the United States in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and the applicable laws of the jurisdiction where those offer and sales occur. There will be no public offering of the Equity Shares in the United States.

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कैलेंडर वर्ष 2023 आर्थिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम के निवेशकों के लिए सूचीबद्धता पर अप्रत्याशित लाभ वाले वर्षों में से एक रहा है। मंगलवार को मोतीसंस ज्वैलर्स का शेयर अपने इश्यू प्राइस से 89 फीसदी प्रीमियम पर सूचीबद्ध हुआ।

एक दिन में इतनी भारी बढ़ोतरी मुश्किल है, हालांकि इस साल यह सुपरिचित बन गया। साल 2023 के 59 आईपीओ के लिए सूचीबद्धता पर औसत फायदा 26.3 फीसदी रहा है और आज की तारीख तक इन पर औसत फायदा 49 फीसदी बैठता है। इसके अतिरिक्त 59 में से सिर्फ चार कंपनियों के शेयर अभी अपने इश्यू प्राइस से नीचे कारोबार कर रहे हैं।

इनमें उम्दा प्रदर्शन वाले कुछ आईपीओ में भारतीय अक्षय ऊर्जा विकास एजेंसी (इश्यू प्राइस से इसमें 219 फीसदी की बढ़ोतरी हुई), सायंट डीएलएम (152 फीसदी), नेटवेब टेक्नोलॉजिज (146 फीसदी) और टाटा टेक्नोलॉजिज (142 फीसदी) शामिल हैं।

नई सूचीबद्ध कंपनियों के शेयरों में इस तरह के फायदे की वजह विश्लेषक आह्लादित द्वितीयक बाजार, आईपीओ में खुदरा निवेशकों की उत्साहजनक भागीदारी और विदेशी पोर्टफोलियो निवेशकों के मजबूत निवेश बताते हैं।

इस साल अब तक निफ्टी 20 फीसदी चढ़ा है जबकि निफ्टी मिडकैप 100 और निफ्टी स्मॉलकैप 100 में क्रमशः 46.6 फीसदी व 55.6 फीसदी का इजाफा हुआ है।

साल 2023 में एफपीआई ने 1.7 लाख करोड़ रुपये के शेयर खरीदे और इसने भी आईपीओ की कामयाबी में योगदान किया।

निवेशक हुए मालामाल

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- सूचीबद्धता के बाद नई कंपनियों के प्रदर्शन की माप करने वाला एसऐंडपी बीएसई आईपीओ ईडेक्स इस साल 41 फीसदी उछला है

सूचीबद्धता के बाद नई कंपनियों के प्रदर्शन की माप करने वाला एसऐंडपी बीएसई आईपीओ ईडेक्स इस साल 41 फीसदी उछला है। स्मॉल व मिडकैप सेगमेंट में तेजी का लाभ भी नई सूचीबद्ध कंपनियों के शेयरों को मिला है क्योंकि ज्यादातर इसी बास्केट का हिस्सा हैं।

इक्विनॉमिक्स के संस्थापक व शोध प्रमुख जी. चोकालिंगम ने कहा, जब भी स्मॉल व मिडकैप शेयरों में तेजी आती है तो इसका प्रसार आईपीओ बाजार पर होता है। इस साल 2.7 करोड़ नए निवेशक बाजार में उतरे हैं और वे प्राथमिक तौर पर स्मॉल व मिडकैप में निवेश करते हैं। निवेशकों का ऐसा भी वर्ग है जो तभी सक्रिय होते हैं जब आईपीओ बाजार में तेजी होती है।

हालांकि विश्लेषक अब नई सूचीबद्ध कंपनियों के शेयरों को लेकर चेतावनी दे रहे हैं क्योंकि उन्हें डर है कि स्मॉल व मिडकैप में शायद बहुत ज्यादा तेजी आ चुकी है। इसके अतिरिक्त बाजार नकारात्मक खबरों के प्रति नाजुक होते हैं क्योंकि ज्यादातर अनुकूल चीजें पहले ही समाहित की जा चुकी हैं।

चोकालिंगम ने कहा, जब स्मॉल व मिडकैप में गिरावट आएगी तो हम आईपीओ के रिटर्न पर असर और इश्यू टलते देखेंगे। स्मॉल व मिडकैप शेयरों और लार्जकैप के मूल्यांकन के बीच अंतर काफी गहरा है। मौजूदा बाजार में एक अंक वाले पीई स्टॉक खोजना मुश्किल है। पिछली तेजी के बाजार में कुछ हलकों में वैल्यू की खोज संभव थी। अब स्मॉल व मिडकैप क्षेत्र के 2-3 फीसदी शेयरों में ही मूल्यांकन को लेकर सहजता है।

छोटे कारोबारी अब शेयर बाजार से ले रहे पूंजी

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सैम वॉल्टन ने अपना पहला स्टोर खोलने के लिए अपने ससुर से 25 हजार डॉलर का कर्ज लिया। उनका यह उद्यम खुदरा क्षेत्र की दिग्गज कंपनी वॉलमार्ट बन गई और उन्हें अमेरिका का सबसे अमीर व्यक्ति बना दिया।

भारत में भी छोटे कारोबार पारंपरिक रूप से इसी तरह के अनौपचारिक धन स्रोतों पर निर्भर रहते हैं ताकि इन्हें शुरू किया जा सके और फिर बरकरार रखा जा सके। इस साल शायद इसमें बदलाव आया है। सैकड़ों ऐसे कारोबार ने शेयर बाजार से रिकॉर्ड धन जुटाया। हालांकि, बड़ी कंपनियां भी धन जुटाने के लिए शेयर बाजार रुख करती हैं मगर इसके विपरीत छोटे कारोबारी अपनी जुटाई हुई अधिकांश पूंजी को कारोबार में लगाते हैं।

प्राइम डेटाबेस के आंकड़े बताते हैं कि भारतीय शेयर बाजार के छोटे एवं मध्यम उद्यम (एसएमई) खंड में सूचीबद्ध 161 कंपनियों ने कंपनी की जरूरतों को पूरा करने के लिए जुटाई गई रकम का करीब 94 फीसदी आवंटन किया है।

साल 2023 में आर्थिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम (आईपीओ) के माध्यम से आमलोगों को शेयर बेचने वाली 46 बड़ी कंपनियों के लिए यह आंकड़ा 42 फीसदी का था। जुटाई गई शेष धनराशि उन शेयरधारकों को मिली जो कंपनी से आंशिक या पूरी तरह से बाहर हो गए। साल 2012 के बाद से औसतन एसएमई द्वारा जुटाई गई 90 फीसदी से अधिक धनराशि कंपनी की जरूरतों को पूरा करने पर खर्च की गई।

अध्ययन से पता चलता है कि भारत के छोटे कारोबार में पूंजी की कमी है। इंटरनैशनल फाइनैंस कॉरपोरेशन के 2018 के एक अध्ययन के मुताबिक, साल 2017 उनकी इक्विटी मांग का महज 2.4 फीसदी ही पूरा हो पाया था। शेयर बाजारों में एसएमई खंड ने इस साल नवंबर तक 4,090.5 करोड़ रुपये जुटाई, जो साल 2012 के बाद से सर्वाधिक है। इनमें से करीब 3,829 करोड़ रुपये नई पूंजी थी जो बाहर निकलने वाले शेयरधारकों की बजाय कंपनी के पास गई। यह भी एक रिकॉर्ड है।

शेयर बाजार के माध्यम से जुटाई गई राशि में वृद्धि अभी भी छोटे व्यवसायों को अन्य जगहों से मिलने वाली रकम का महज एक हिस्सा है।

छोटे व्यवसायों के लिए रकम जुटाने का असर देश के विनिर्माण प्रोत्साहन पर पड़ता है। साल 2021-22 में सूक्ष्म, लघु एवं मध्यम उद्यमों (एमएसएमई) ने देश की सकल घरेलू उत्पाद (जीडीपी) में 29.2 फीसदी और विनिर्माण में 40.8 फीसदी का योगदान दिया था। आईएफसी रिपोर्ट के अनुसार, सेवा कंपनियों के पास मशीन और विनिर्माताओं की अन्य आवश्यकताओं पर किसी तरह का आवर्ती खर्च नहीं है। विनिर्माण कंपनियां सर्वाधिक आवर्ती खर्च करती हैं।

एसएमई आईपीओ की तेजी को अभी बरकरार रहना होगा, अगर यह सुनिश्चित करना है कि भारत के भावी अरबपति रकम जुटाने के लिए शेयर बाजार का रुख उसी आसानी से कर सकें, जिस तरह अभी वे अपने रिश्तेदारों का रुख करते हैं।

एसएमई आईपीओ

- साल 2023 में छोटे कारोबारों का नई पूंजी जुटाना रिकॉर्ड स्तर पर पहुंचा
- छोटे कारोबारी जुटाई हुई अधिकांश पूंजी को कारोबार में लगाते हैं

नए शेयरों से 3 हजार करोड़ रुपये जुटाएगी वारी एनर्जीज

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भारत की सबसे बड़ी सौर उपकरण विनिर्माताओं में से एक मुंबई की वारी एनर्जी ने भारतीय प्रतिभूति एवं विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी) के पास आरंभिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम (आईपीओ) का मसौदा दाखिल किया है। हितेश जोशी की यह कंपनी साल 2007 से सौर उपकरणों का विनिर्माण कर रही है। बाजार नियामक के पास मसौदा दाखिल करने के बाद वारी एनर्जीज आईपीओ वाली पहली सौर उपकरण विनिर्माता कंपनी बन गई है। इससे पहले भी कंपनी ने साल 2021 में मसौदा दाखिल किया गया था मगर बाद में इस योजना को छोड़ दिया।

कंपनी के आरंभिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम में 3 हजार करोड़ रुपये के नए शेयर जारी होंगे और कंपनी के शेयरधारक 32 लाख शेयरों की बिक्री (ओएफएस) करेंगे। प्रवर्तकों में से वारी सस्टेनेबल फाइनैंस 27 लाख शेयरों की बिक्री करेगी जबकि चंद्रकर इन्वेस्टमेंट्स और समीर सुरेंद्र शाह 5 लाख शेयर बेचेंगे।

वारी की कुल विनिर्माण क्षमता 12 गीगावॉट की है और यह सौर उपकरण विनिर्माण के लिए केंद्र सरकार की उत्पादन से जुड़ी प्रोत्साहन (पीएलआई) योजना में भी शामिल है। कंपनी ने बाजार नियामक को सौंपे गए मसौदे में कहा है कि वह जुटाई गई रकम से ओडिशा में 6 गीगावॉट के इनगॉट फेकर, सोलर सेल और सोलर पीवी विनिर्माण सुविधा की स्थापना करेगी जो देश के साथ-साथ सामान्य कॉरपोरेट उद्देश्यों को पूरा करने के लिए किया जाएगा।

आईपीओ की योजना

- कंपनी ने बाजार नियामक के पास आईपीओ का मसौदा दाखिल किया
- भारत में सूचीबद्धता के लिए जाने वाली पहली सौर उपकरण विनिर्माता कंपनी बनी

कंपनी ने हाल ही में घोषणा की है कि वह अमेरिका में अपना पहला विनिर्माण संयंत्र लगाएगी। ब्रूकशायर में स्थापित होने वाले इस संयंत्र में साल 2024 के अंत तक शुरू में सालाना 3 गीगावॉट सौर उपकरण बनाने की क्षमता होगी। वारी ने अगले चार वर्षों में यानी साल 2027 तक अपने सालाना विनिर्माण उत्पादन को 5 गीगावॉट करने की योजना बनाई है। इसके लिए कंपनी 1 अरब डॉलर का निवेश करेगी। कंपनी ने अपने हालिया बयान में कहा है कि यह इसे अमेरिका में सबसे बड़ी सौर उपकरण विनिर्माण संयंत्र में से एक बना देगा।

फिलहाल भारत में कंपनी के चार विनिर्माण संयंत्र हैं। यह गुजरात के सूरत, तुम्ब, नंदीग्राम और चिखली में स्थित हैं। पिछले महीने तक कंपनी के पास 20 गीगावॉट सौर पीवी मॉड्यूल की ऑर्डर बुक लंबित थी। एक्सिस कैपिटल लिमिटेड, आईआईएफएल सिक्योरिटीज लिमिटेड, जेफरीज इंडिया प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, नोमुरा फाइनैंशियल (इंडिया) प्राइवेट लिमिटेड, एसबीआई कैपिटल मार्केट्स लिमिटेड आदि इस निर्गम के प्रमुख प्रबंधक हैं।

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एकीकृत दवा कंपनी इनोवा कैपटैब के शेयर शुक्रवार को बाजार में सूचीबद्ध होने के दिन निर्गम मूल्य 448 रुपये से करीब 22 फीसदी की बढ़त के साथ बंद हुए। बीएसई पर शेयर ने निर्गम मूल्य से 1.80 फीसदी की बढ़त के साथ 456.10 रुपये पर शुरुआत की। हालांकि, बाद में 16.29 फीसदी उछलकर 521 रुपये पर पहुंच गए।

एनएसई पर शेयर 0.91 फीसदी के उछाल के साथ 452.10 रुपये पर सूचीबद्ध हुए। बाद में 22.16 फीसदी की उछाल के साथ 547.30 रुपये तक पहुंच गए और अंत में 21.68 फीसदी की बढ़त के साथ 545.15 रुपये पर बंद हुए।

कंपनी का बाजार मूल्यांकन 3,119.62 करोड़ रुपये रहा। इनोवा कैपटैब के आरंभिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम (आईपीओ) को मंगलवार को बोली के आखिरी दिन 55.26 गुना आवेदन मिले थे। आईपीओ में 320 करोड़ रुपये तक के ताजा इक्विटी शेयर और 55,80,357 शेयर की बिक्री पेशकश (ओएफएस) शामिल थी। निर्गम के लिए मूल्य दायरा 426-448 रुपये प्रति शेयर था। इनोवा कैपटैब एक एकीकृत दवा कंपनी है। यह अनुसंधान एवं विकास, विनिर्माण, दवा वितरण, विपणन तथा निर्यात सहित दवा के विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में कारोबार करती है। *भाषा*

ब्लॉक फैसिलिटी मार्च तक दे पाएंगे ब्रोकर

इससे ब्रोकरों को प्रतिस्पर्धी धार मिलेगी, समय के साथ इसे ज्यादा लोग अपनाएंगे

खुशबू तिवारी
मुंबई, 29 दिसंबर

निवेशकों को द्वितीयक बाजार में यूपीआई आधारित ब्लॉक मैकेनिज्म के लिए थोड़ा लंबा इंतजार करना पड़ सकता है जबकि बाजार नियामक ने इसे प्रभावी बनाने के लिए 1 जनवरी, 2024 की तारीख तय की है। कई ब्रोकरेज फर्मों ने कहा कि इसके क्रियान्वयन में उन्हें कुछ महीने लग सकते हैं।

निवेशक इस सुविधा के लिए तभी पंजीकरण करा पाएंगे जब स्टॉक ब्रोकर ने भी यूपीआई ब्लॉक फैलिसिटी का विकल्प चुना होगा। यह सुविधा शुरुआत में सिर्फ इक्विटी कैश सेगमेंट ही उपलब्ध होगी।

एक सूत्र ने कहा, 1 जनवरी को नई ब्लॉक फैसिलिटी के लिए बीटा वर्जन लॉन्च होने जा रहा है। बाजार नियामक भी चाहता है कि यह क्लाइंटों की मांग पर आधारित हो और तकनीक केंद्रित हो। बाजार के बुनियादी ढांचे के विकास के लिए यह लंबी अवधि का काम है।

सूत्रों के मुताबिक, 15 अग्रणी स्टॉक ब्रोकरों को पात्र स्टॉक ब्रोकरों (क्यूएसबी) के तौर पर पारिभाषित किया गया है, लेकिन सिर्फ ग्रो व एचडीएफसी सिक्योरिटीज ही 1 जनवरी से द्वितीयक बाजार के लिए ब्लॉक फैसिलिटी लागू कर सकती हैं। इस बीच, अन्य ब्रोकर इसे मार्च के आखिर तक क्लाइंटों को देने का लक्ष्य लेकर चल रहे हैं।

नैशनल पेमेंट्स कॉरपोरेशन (एनपीसीआई) ने शुक्रवार को कहा, बीटा लॉन्च की सुविधा ग्रो के ब्रोकरेज ऐप के अलावा भीम, वेस पे नेक्स्ट के यूपीआई ऐप पर मिलेगी। शुरू में एचडीएफसी बैंक और आईसीआईसीआई बैंक के ग्राहक यह सुविधा पाने में सक्षम होंगे। इसके अलावा एचडीएफसी बैंक, एचएसबीसी, आईसीआईसीआई बैंक और येस बैंक क्लियरिंग कॉरपोरेशन व एक्सचेंजों के लिए प्रायोजक बैंक के तौर पर काम कर रहे हैं।

एनपीसीआई ने कहा, अन्य हितधारक मसलन जीरोधा जैसे स्टॉक ब्रोकर, ऐक्सिस बैंक व येस बैंक और यूपीआई सक्षम ऐप मसलन पेटीएम व फोनपे आदि सर्टिफिकेशन के चरण में हैं और जल्द ही बीटा की पेशकश में भागीदारी करेंगे।

जीरोधा, ग्रो, ऐंजल ब्रोकिंग, आईसीआईसीआई सिक्योरिटीज, शेयरखान, कोटक सिक्योरिटीज, मोतीलाल ओसवाल, सैमको और आईआईएफएल सिक्योरिटीज को उनकी तैयारी के बारे में पूछे जाने के लिए भेजे गए ईमेल का कोई जवाब नहीं मिला।

सेबी को भेजी गई प्रश्नावली का जवाब नहीं मिला।

उद्योग के दो अलग-अलग क्यूएसबी के आंतरिक सूत्र ने कहा कि क्लाइंटों को उपलब्ध कराए जाने से पहले इस व्यवस्था की ज्यादा परख की दरकार है। एक ने कहा, वे तत्काल यह सुविधा देने के लिए तैयार नहीं हैं लेकिन आगामी महीनों में ऐसा करने पर विचार करेंगे।

ब्रोकिंग की पूर्ण सेवा देने वाली एक कंपनी के एक अधिकारी ने कहा, हम सेबी के निर्देशों का अनुपालन करने की प्रक्रिया में हैं।

उद्योग के प्रतिभागियों ने कहा कि ब्लॉक मैकेनिज्म की उपलब्धता से ब्रोकरों को प्रतिस्पर्धी धार मिलेगी।

निवेशकों को करना होगा इंतजार

- निवेशक इस सुविधा के लिए तभी पंजीकरण करा पाएंगे जब स्टॉक ब्रोकर ने भी यूपीआई ब्लॉक फैलिसिटी का विकल्प चुना होगा
- यह सुविधा शुरुआत में सिर्फ इक्विटी कैश सेगमेंट ही उपलब्ध होगी
- यूपीआई आधारित ब्लॉक मैकेनिज्म के लिए थोड़ा लंबा इंतजार करना पड़ सकता है जबकि बाजार नियामक ने इसे प्रभावी बनाने के लिए 1 जनवरी, 2024 की तारीख तय की है

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INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING OF EQUITY SHARES ON THE MAIN BOARD OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (ISSUE OF CAPITAL AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS) REGULATIONS, 2018, AS AMENDED (THE "SEBI ICDR REGULATIONS").

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED

(Please use this QR Code to view the DRHP)

Corporate Identity Number: U27101CT2004PLC016701

Our Company was originally incorporated as "Phil Ispat Private Limited" as a private limited company under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, pursuant to a certificate of incorporation dated June 16, 2004 issued by the Registrar of Companies, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Pursuant to special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on September 29, 2023, the name of our Company was changed to "Vraj Iron & Steel Private Limited" and a fresh certificate of incorporation pursuant to change of name dated October 30, 2023 was issued by Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh, Thereafter, our Company was converted to a public limited company, pursuant to a special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on October 31, 2023 and the name of our Company was changed to **"Vraj Iron & Steel Limited"** and a fresh certificate of incorporation consequent upon conversion to a public limited company dated November 10, 2023 was issued to our Company by the Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh. For details in relation to change in the address of the registered office of our Company, see *"History and Certain Corporate Matters"* on page 201 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus dated December 28, 2023 ("DRHP").

Registered Office: First Floor, Plot No 63 & 66, Ph No 113, Mother Teresa Ward No. 43, Jashwar Colony, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India, 492001,;
Tel: +91-771-4059002; **Contact Person:** Priya Namdeo, Company Secretary and Compliance Officer;
E-mail: info@vrajtmt.in; **Website:** www.vrajtmt.in;

OUR PROMOTERS: GOPAL SPONGE AND POWER PRIVATE LIMITED, V.A. TRANSPORT PRIVATE LIMITED AND VIJAY ANAND JHANWAR

INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING OF UP TO [•] EQUITY SHARES OF FACE VALUE OF ₹ 10 EACH ("EQUITY SHARES") OF VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED ("OUR COMPANY" OR THE "ISSUER") FOR CASH AT A PRICE OF ₹ [•] PER EQUITY SHARE (INCLUDING A PREMIUM OF ₹ [•] PER EQUITY SHARE) ("ISSUE PRICE") AGGREGATING UP TO ₹ 1,710.00 MILLION ("THE ISSUE"). THE ISSUE WILL CONSTITUTE [•] % OF OUR POST-ISSUE PAID-UP EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL. OUR COMPANY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER, MAY CONSIDER A PRE-IPO PLACEMENT OF ITS UP TO [•] EQUITY SHARES FOR CASH CONSIDERATION AGGREGATING UP TO ₹ 340,00 MILLION ("PRE-IPO PLACEMENT") PRIOR TO FILING OF THE RED HERRING PROSPECTUS WITH THE ROC SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF REQUISITE APPROVALS. THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT, IF UNDERTAKEN, WILL BE AT A PRICE TO BE DECIDED BY OUR COMPANY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER. IF THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT IS UNDERTAKEN, THE NUMBER OF EQUITY SHARES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT SHALL BE REDUCED FROM THE ISSUE, SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 19(2)(B) OF THE SECURITIES CONTRACTS (REGULATION) RULES, 1957, AS AMENDED ("SCRR").

THE FACE VALUE OF THE EQUITY SHARES IS ₹10 EACH AND THE ISSUE PRICE IS [•] TIMES THE FACE VALUE OF THE EQUITY SHARES. THE PRICE BAND AND THE MINIMUM BID LOT WILL BE DECIDED BY OUR COMPANY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER AND WILL BE ADVERTISED IN ALL EDITIONS OF [•] (A WIDELY CIRCULATED ENGLISH NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER), ALL EDITIONS OF [•] (A WIDELY CIRCULATED HINDI NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER, HINDI BEING THE REGIONAL LANGUAGE OF RAIPUR, CHHATTISGARH WHERE OUR REGISTERED OFFICE IS LOCATED), AT LEAST 2 (TWO) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE BID/ISSUE OPENING DATE, AND SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STOCK EXCHANGES FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPLOADING ON THEIR RESPECTIVE WEBSITES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (ISSUE OF CAPITAL AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS) REGULATIONS, 2018, AS AMENDED (THE "SEBI ICDR REGULATIONS").

In case of any revision in the Price Band, the Bid/Issue Period will be extended by at least 3 (three) additional Working Days after such revision in the Price Band, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days. In cases of force majeure, banking strike or similar circumstances, our Company may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, extend the Bid / Issue Period for a minimum of 3 (three) Working Days, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days. Any revision in the Price Band and the revised Bid/ Issue Period, if applicable, shall be widely disseminated by notification to the Stock Exchanges, by issuing a public notice, and also by indicating the change on the respective websites of the BRLM and at the terminals of the Members of the Syndicate and by intimation to Designated Intermediaries and the Sponsor Bank(s), as applicable.

This Issue is being made in terms of Rule 19 (2) (b) of the SCRR read with Regulation 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, as amended (the **"SEBI ICDR Regulations"**). The Issue is being made for at least 25% of the post-Issue paid-up Equity Share capital of our Company. This Issue is being made through the Book Building Process in accordance with Regulation 6(1) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations wherein not more than 50% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Qualified Institutional Buyers (**"QIBs"** and such portion the **"QIB Portion"**), provided that our Company in consultation with the BRLM may allocate up to 60% of the QIB Portion to Anchor Investors on a discretionary basis in accordance with SEBI ICDR Regulations (**"Anchor Investor Portion"**). One-third of the Anchor Investor Portion shall be reserved for domestic Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received from the domestic Mutual Funds at or above the Anchor Investor Allocation Price. Further, 5% of the QIB Portion (excluding the Anchor Investor Portion) shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Mutual Funds only, and the remainder of the QIB Portion shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to all QIB Bidders (other than Anchor Investors), including Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. Further, not less than 15% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Non-Institutional Bidders out of which (a) one third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 200,000 and up to ₹ 1,000,000 and (b) two-third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 1,000,000 provided that the unsubscribed portion in either of such sub-categories may be allocated to applicants in the other sub-category of Non-Institutional Bidders and not less than 35% of the Issue shall be available for allocation to Retail Individual Bidders in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. All Potential Bidders, other than Anchor Investors, are required to participate in the Issue by mandatorily utilising the Application Supported by Blocked Amount (**"ASBA"**) process by providing details of their respective ASBA Account (as defined hereinafter) and UPI ID in case of UPI Bidders using the UPI Mechanism, as applicable, pursuant to which their corresponding Bid Amounts will be blocked by the Self Certified Syndicate Banks (**"SCSBs"**) or by the Sponsor Banks under the UPI Mechanism, as the case may be, to the extent of respective Bid Amounts. Anchor Investors are not permitted to participate in the Issue through the ASBA process. For details, see *"Issue Procedure"* on page 363 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

This public announcement is being made in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 26(2) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 ("SEBI ICDR Regulations") to inform the public that the Company is proposing, subject to requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, a public issue of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus ("DRHP") dated December 28, 2023 with the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") on December 29, 2023. Pursuant to Regulation 26(1) of SEBI ICDR Regulations, the DRHP filed with SEBI shall be made public for comments, if any, for a period of at least 21 days from the date of filing, by hosting it on the websites of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in, the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in, the Stock Exchanges where the Equity Shares are proposed to be listed, i.e, BSE Limited ("BSE") at www.bseindia.com and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") at www.nseindia.com. Our Company hereby invites the public to give their comments on the DRHP to SEBI in respect of disclosures made in the DRHP. The members of the public are requested to send a copy of the comments sent to SEBI, to our Company and the Book Running Lead Manager at their respective addresses mentioned below. All comments must be received by our SEBI and/or our Company and/or the Book Running Lead Manager on or before 5 p.m. on the 21st day from the aforementioned date of filing of the DRHP with SEBI. Comments by post and email shall be accepted.

Investments in equity and equity-related securities involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest any funds in the Issue unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their entire investment. Investors are advised to read the risk factors carefully before taking an investment decision in the Issue. For taking an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of our Company and the Issue, including the risks involved. The Equity Shares in the Issuer have not been recommended or approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (**"SEBI"**), nor does SEBI guarantee the accuracy or adequacy of the contents of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus. Specific attention of the investors is invited to *"Risk Factors"* on page 29 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

Any decision to invest in the Equity Shares described in the DRHP may only be taken after a Red Herring Prospectus ("RHP") has been filed with the RoC and must be made solely on the basis of such RHP as there may be material changes in the RHP from the DRHP. The Equity Shares, when offered through the RHP, are proposed to be listed on BSE and NSE.

For details of the share capital and capital structure and the names of the signatories to the Memorandum of Association and the number of shares subscribed by them of the Company, please refer to the chapter *"Capital Structure"* beginning on page 71 of the DRHP. The liability of the members of our Company is limited. For details of the main objects of our Company as contained in the Memorandum of Association, please refer to the chapter *"History and Certain Corporate Matters"* beginning on page 201 of the DRHP.

BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER	REGISTRAR TO THE ISSUE
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All capitalized terms used and not specifically defined shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the DRHP.

For Vraj Iron and Steel Limited
On behalf of the Board of Directors
Sd/-
Priya Namdeo
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

Place: Raipur, Chhattisgarh
Date: December 29, 2023

VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED is proposing, subject to applicable regulatory and statutory requirements, receipt of requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, an initial public offering of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus with SEBI. The Draft Red Herring Prospectus is available on the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in and the website of the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in. Any potential Investor should note that investment in equity shares involves a high degree of risk and are requested to refer to the section titled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 29 of the DRHP. Potential Investors should not rely on the DRHP filed with SEBI for making any investment decision.

The Equity Shares offered in the Issue have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act, 1933 (the "U.S. Securities Act") or any state securities laws in the United States, and may not be offered or sold within the United States, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Accordingly, the Equity Shares are being offered and sold only outside the United States in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and the applicable laws of the jurisdiction where those offer and sales occur. There will be no public offering of the Equity Shares in the United States.

संक्षिप्त पर महत्वपूर्ण

भिलाई-चरौदा निगम कार्यालय के कॉन्फ्रेंस हाल में हुयी महापौर परिषद की बैठक

भिलाई। चरौदा निगम कार्यालय में आज शुक्रवार दिनांक 29-12-2023 को तय कार्यक्रम अनुसार महापौर परिषद की बैठक संपन्न हुयी। विधानसभा चुनावों के पश्चात भिलाई-चरौदा निगम कार्यालय में महापौर परिषद की यह पहली बैठक रही। इस बैठक में निगम क्षेत्र के विभिन्न वार्डों में पेय जल व्यवस्था, नये शौचालयों का निर्माण, शौचालयों का संधारण सहित आंगनबाडी सहायिका नियुक्ति वार्ड-11, बस स्टैण्ड भिलाई-03 संबंधित विषयों पर चर्चा हुयी। महापौर निर्मल कोसरे सहित बैठक में महापौर परिषद के सभी सदस्य उपस्थित हुए। जिनमें श्रीमती संतोषी निषाद, श्रीमती दीप्ति आशीष वर्मा, श्रीमती देवकुमारी भलावी, श्री मोहन साहू, श्री मनोज कुमार, श्री एम. जॉनी, श्री वेंकट रमना, श्री ईश्वर साहू शामिल रहे।

तेंदूपत्ता संग्राहकों के 193 छात्र-छात्राओं को दी छात्रवृत्ति

स्वदेश कवर्धा। 29 दिसम्बर 2023। तेंदूपत्ता संग्राहक जिन्होंने 1 वर्ष में 500 गड्डी तेंदूपत्ता तोड़े है, उनके बालक-बालिकाओं को व्यवसायिक कोर्स के लिए 25,000 रूपए चार वर्ष में, गैर व्यवसायिक कोर्स के लिए 12000 रूपए तीन वर्ष में, 75 प्रतिशत से अधिक अंक प्राप्त करने वाले 10 वीं के छात्र-छात्राओं को 15000 रूपए तथा 12वीं कक्षा के छात्र-छात्राओं को 25000 रूपए का 01 मुश्त भुगतान दिया जाता है।

वनमंडलाधिकारी चूड़ामणि सिंह ने बताया कि 27 दिसंबर को वर्ष 2022-23 शैक्षणिक वर्ष के 157 प्रतिभाशाली छात्र-छात्राओं को 29 लाख 45 हजार, व्यवसायिक शिक्षा के लिए 5 छात्र-छात्राओं को 50 हजार तथा 31 छात्र-छात्राओं को 1 लाख 55 हजार रूपए का भुगतान उनके खाते में किया गया।

दो पंचायत सचिव निलंबित

कांकेर। जनपद पंचायत कोयलीबेड़ा के दो पंचायत सचिवों को पदीय दायित्वों के निर्वहन में लापरवाही बरतने पर जिला पंचायत के मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी श्री सुमीत अग्रवाल ने तत्काल प्रभाव से निलंबित करने का आदेश जारी किया है। उल्लेखनीय है कि श्यामा प्रसाद मुखर्जी रुर्बन मिशन योजनांतर्गत कलस्टर बड़ेकापसी जनपद पंचायत कोयलीबेड़ा के अंतर्गत चयनित ग्राम पंचायत बड़ेकापसी में स्वीकृत यात्री प्रतिक्षालय निर्माण कार्य एवं ग्राम पंचायत छोटेकापसी में स्वीकृत शॉपिंग काम्प्लेक्स एवं सार्वजनिक शौचालय निर्माण कार्यों को पूर्ण किए जाने विभिन्न समीक्षा बैठकों में बार-बार निर्देशित किया गया। इसके उपरांत भी उक्त निर्माण कार्य पूर्ण नहीं किए जाने एवं उच्चाधिकारी के आदेश निर्देशों की अवहेलना किए जाने पर ग्राम पंचायत छोटेकापसी की सचिव कुमारी टायमनी गोरे एवं ग्राम पंचायत बड़ेकापसी के सचिव श्री देवदास मंडल को तत्काल प्रभाव से निलंबित किया गया है। निलंबन अवधि में संबंधित सचिवों का मुख्यालय जनपद पंचायत कार्यालय, कोयलीबेड़ा में नियत किया गया है।

सायबर सेल तकनीकी एवं थाना सिटी कोतवाली द्वारा की गई संयुक्त कार्रवाई

प्रतिबंधित मादक पदार्थ हेरोईन के साथ 2 आरोपी गिरफ्तार

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जिले के शहर एवं ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में प्रतिबंधित नशीली पदार्थ की अवैध रूप से खरीदी-बिकी और इस व्यवसाय से संलिप्त व्यक्तियों पर अंकुश लगाने पुलिस अधीक्षक महोदय श्री प्रशांत ठाकुर द्वारा आरोपियों को पकड़ने हेतु आवश्यक दिशा निर्देश दिये गये थे। जिस पर अतिरिक्त पुलिस अधीक्षक श्रीमति मधुलिका सिंह, उप पुलिस अधीक्षक सुश्री नेहा पवार, नोडल अधिकारी श्री के.के. वाजपेयी के मार्गदर्शन में सायबर सेल तकनीकी धमतरी एवं थाना सिटी कोतवाली की संयुक्त टीम द्वारा नशीली मादक पदार्थ खरीदी-बिक्री करने वाले आरोपियों की पतासाजी की जा रही थी।

दिनांक 29.12.23 शहर पेट्रोलिंग के दौरान मुखबिर से सूचना मिली की 02 व्यक्ति अधारी नवागांव एफसीआई गोदाम के पास अवैध रूप से नशीली मादक पदार्थ हेरोईन (चिट्टा) बिकी करने की सूचना में मौके पर जाकर घेराबंदी कर संदेही व्यक्तियों को पकड़कर पुछताछ गया, जिन्होने अपना नाम 01. तौहिद अली 02 शेख मोईन निवासी धमतरी का होना बताये।

आरोपियो के कब्जे से एक सफेद रंग के पॉलिथिन में भरी मादक पदार्थ हेरोईन (चिट्टा) कुल वजनी 05.14 ग्राम तथा सफेद रंग की जीप वाली छोटी प्लास्टिक पॉलिथिन जिसके अंदर छोटी-छोटी झिल्ली में बंधा हुआ 09 नग हिरोईन चिट्टा मादक पदार्थ वजनी 1.43 ग्राम कीमती 9000/- रूपये कुल वजनी 6.57 ग्राम कीमती 60400/ रूपये एवं 01 बैटरी वाला तौल मशीन, 01 नग लायटर, सिल्वर पेपर बिकी रकम 2000/- रूपये एवं 01 नग स्कूटी मो.सा. कीमती 1,00,000/- रूपये जप्त जुमला कीमती 1,63,400/- रूपये आरोपी के कब्जे से जप्त किया गया है। आरोपियों के विरूद्ध थाना सिटी कोतवाली धमतरी में अपराध धारा 21 (ख) नारकोटिक एक्ट के तहत किया गया गिरफ्तार न्यायिक रिमांड पर भेजा गया है।

गिरफ्तार आरोपीगण में तौहिद अली पिता सादिक अली उमग 28 वर्ष निवासी रिसाईपारा मस्जिद के पास धमतरी शेख मोईन पिता शेख मकसूद उम्र 28 वर्ष या. रामसागर पारा आमातालाब रोड धमतरी

उक्त आरोपियों को पकड़ने में थाना प्रभारी सिटी कोतवाली धमतरी, निरीक्षक ब्रिजेश तिवारी, सायबर सेल तकनीकी प्रभारी उप निरीक्षक रमेश कुमार साहू, थाना धमतरी से सहा. उप. निरीक्षक अनिल यदु रमेश साहू, सायबर सेल से प्र.आर. देवेन्द्र राजपूत, आर. धीरज डड़सेना, मुकेश मिश्रा, कृष्ण कन्हैया पाटिल, आनंद कटकवार, योगेश ध्रुव, मनोज साहू, फनेश साहू, थाना धमतरी से आर अनुराग पाण्डेय, महेश्वर ध्रुव की सराहनीय भूमिका रही है।

ड्रोन द्वारा नैनों यूरिया के छिड़काव से किसान उत्साहित

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जिले में विकसित भारत संकल्प यात्रा के तहत सभी विकासखण्डों के विभिन्न ग्रामों में संकल्प शिविर का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। कृषि क्षेत्र में नई तकनीकी के माध्यम से खेती के पद्धति में बदलाव लाने के उद्देश्य से ड्रोन टेक्नालॉजी से तरल नैनो यूरिया और डीएपी का सतर रूप से रबी फसलों में छिड़काव किया जा रहा है। उप संचालक कृषि मोनेश साहू ने बताया कि जिले में अब तक 16 ग्रामों में क्रमशः सोरम, जवरगांव, मथुराडीह, कण्डेल, जी-जामगांव, कोडूपार, करगा, दरभा, अछोटी, कोड़ेबोड़, गातापार, खिसोरा, हसदा, कुकरेल, भोथापारा, चनागांव, में रबी सीजन में चना, गेहूँ, सरसों, अरहर, धान एवं सब्जी वर्गीय फसलों में नैनों यूरिया का छिड़काव किया जा रहा है।

जिले में ड्रोन टेक्नालॉजी के प्रदर्शन से किसानों में भारी उत्साह देखा जा रहा है, एक एकड़ रकबा में केवल छः मिनट में नैनों यूरिया का छिड़काव किया जा रहा है। नैनों यूरिया के साथ-साथ कीटनाशक एवं फफूंदनाशक छिड़काव में भी ड्रोन टेक्नालॉजी कृषि क्षेत्र में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा सकता है। ड्रोन के उपयोग से समय एवं श्रम की बचत होती है। उन्होंने बताया कि गत दिनों जवरगांव में आयोजित संकल्प शिविर के दौरान केन्द्र सरकार के ऑज्वर्वर श्री पंकज ओडखे द्वारा चना फसल में प्रदर्शन का अवलोकन किया गया।

अवैध रेत उत्खनन, परिवहन एवं भण्डारण पर हुई कार्रवाई

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कलेक्टर श्री ऋषराज रघुवंशी के निर्देशन में जिले में खनिज विभाग द्वारा गौण खनिज आधारित क्षेत्रों से रेत के अवैध परिवहन, उत्खनन एवं भंडारण पर निरंतर कार्रवाई की जा रही है। इसके लिए जिले के नगरीय निकाय सहित ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों पर खनिज अमलो की तैनाती कर नियमित कार्यवाही की जा रही है। खनिज अधिकारी से प्राप्त जानकारी के अनुसार गौण खनिज रेत की रायल्टी की चोरी की रोकथाम हेतु विभाग के अमला द्वारा बीते रात 7 अवैध परिवहन हाईवा जप्त कर जिला कार्यालय में खड़ा कराया गया और

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से प्राप्त शिकायत और विभाग की टीम द्वारा नियमित निरीक्षण से यह कार्यवाही सतत रूप से जारी है। विभाग द्वारा वित्तीय वर्ष 2023-24 में अवैध परिवहन के 98 प्रकरण दर्ज कर 30 लाख 80 हजार 433 रुपए अर्थदंड वसूला गया है। खदान/भंडारण में अनियमितता पाये जाने पर 4 प्रकरणों में 14 लाख 75 हजार 528 रूपये का अर्थदण्ड वसूली की गई है। उक्त प्रकरणों में वाहनों को जब्त कर छत्तीसगढ़ गौण खनिज के विभिन्न अधिनियमों के अंतर्गत कार्यवाही की जा रही है।

मुख्यमंत्री की घोषणा से किसान खुशहाल

दुर्ग। पूर्व प्रधानमंत्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी की जयंती 25 दिसम्बर को मुख्यमंत्री विष्णुदेव साय ने खरीफ विपणन वर्ष 2014-15 एवं 2015-16 में धान बेचने वाले किसानों को 300 रुपए प्रति क्विंटल की दर से पूर्व के वर्षों का बकाया धान उत्पादन

प्रोत्साहन राशि का भुगतान ऑनलाइन बैंक खाते में ट्रांसफर किया गया। दो साल की बोनस राशि मिलने से किसानों में खुशी की लहर आ गई है। किसानों ने जिस राशि की कभी उम्मीद नही की थी उस राशि को अपने खाते में देखकर एक नई उम्मीद जगी और अपने सपनों को साकार होता देख रहे हैं। इसी कड़ी में ग्राम आमटी के किसान श्री अशोक कुमार ने अपनी आप बीती बाते बताई। किसान श्री अशोक कुमार ने बताया कि मुख्यमंत्री श्री विष्णु देव साय ने वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंसिंग के माध्यम से 25 दिसम्बर को 300 रुपए प्रति क्विंटल की दर से दो वर्षो का बकाया राशि खाते में 61 हजार 200 रुपए का अंतरण किया गया। पूर्व वर्षों की बकाया राशि मिलने की उन्हें बिल्कुल उम्मीद नही थी, लेकिन जब अपने एकाउंट में लगभग 61 हजार रुपए की राशि देखा तो उनके परिवार में खुशी का ठीकाना नही रहा। उनकी 18 एकड़ कृषि भूमि है, जिसमें धान एवं चना की फसल ली जा रही है।

किसित भारत संकल्प यात्रा शिविर में आवास आबंटन

भिलाईनगर। निगम भिलाई क्षेत्र में विकसित भारत संकल्प यात्रा के तहत शहर में किरायेदारी के रूप में निवासरत व बेघर परिवारो को प्रधानमंत्री आवास योजना शहरी (एएचपी) किफायती आवास ''मोर मकान-मोर आस'' एवं ''मोर मकान-मोर चिन्हारी'' घटक अंतर्गत भिलाई में विकसित भारत संकल्प यात्रा शिविर स्थल पर 3 जनवरी 2024 को प्रातः 11:00 बजे वार्ड क्रं. 40 शहीद चुम्मन यादव छावनी मंगल बाजार में आवासो का आबंटन लॉटरी पद्धती से किया जायेगा।

गांजा तस्कर गिरफ्तार

स्वदेश संवाददाता, कांकेर

पुलिस अधीक्षक दिव्यांग पटेल के निर्देशन में अतिरिक्त पुलिस अधीक्षक अविनाश ठाकुर एवं अनुविभागीय अधिकारी पुलिस मोहसिन खान के पर्यवेक्षण में थाना क्षेत्र में अवैध अंग्रेजी एवं देशी महुआ शराब व मादक पदार्थ गांजा बिक्री एवं तस्करी पर रोक लगाने हेतु अभियान चलाया जा रहा है! थाना कोरर पुलिस द्वारा एनडीपीएस एक्ट की कार्यवाही करते हुए आरोपी डोमेन्द्र गोटा पिता स्व . पुरुषोत्तम गोटा उम्र 28 वर्ष जाति गोड़ निवासी चिल्हाटी थाना कोरर जिला कांकेर के कब्जे से एक किलोग्राम मादक पदार्थ गांजा जप्त किये है मामले का विवरण इस प्रकार है कि कोरर पुलिस को मुखबीर से सूचना प्राप्त हुई थी कि ग्राम चिल्हाटी में आरोपी डोमेन्द्र गोटा मादक पदार्थ गांजा की बिक्री कर रहा है सूचना की तस्दीक किया गया तस्दीक के दौरान दबिश में आरोपी के कब्जे से एक किलोग्राम मादक पदार्थ गांजा एक लायलोन का थैला जिसमें पोलीथीन में वरामद हुआ जिसे जप्त किया गया आरोपी के विरुद्ध एनडीपीएस एक्ट के अंतर्गत कार्यवाही कर गिरफ्तार कर न्यायालय में पेश कर न्यायिक अभिरक्षा में जेल दाखिल किया गया है। सम्पूर्ण कार्यवाही में थाना प्रभारी कोरर निरीक्षक चापक्का नाग, उपनिरीक्षक तुलसी राम कोसिमा, प्र.आर.700 दल्लूराम कावडे, प्र.आर.976 चन्द्र कुमार जयते,आर. 2383 लल्ली मण्डावी,आर. 1100 श्रवन ठाकुर एवं थाना के अन्य स्टाफ का महत्वपूर्ण योगदान रहा।

कोविड-19 के नियंत्रण के लिए बैठक में दिये आवश्यक निर्देश

स्वदेश संवाददाता, भिलाईनगर

छत्तीसगढ़ लोक स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय नया रायपुर द्वारा जारी निर्देश के संदर्भ में कोविड-19 के संक्रमण की संभावनाओ को देखते हुए नगर पालिक निगम भिलाई के सभागार में आयुक्त रोहित व्यास एवं कोरोना महामारी नियंत्रण दुर्ग के नोडल अधिकारी डॉ. सी.बी.एस बंजारे ने बैठक में जानकारी देते हुए बताया कि देश के अन्य राज्यों में कोविड-19 के बढ़ते प्रकरण को दृष्टिगत रखते हुए जिले में कोविड-19 के रोकथाम एवं प्रबंधन किये जाने हेतु संक्रमण की त्वरित पहचान, जाँच एवं उपचार किया जाना आवश्यक है जिले की स्वास्थ्य संस्थाओ की ओ.पी.डी. में सर्दी, खांसी, बुखार के लक्षणों के साथ आने वाले रोगी एवं एसएआरआई के भर्ती मरीजों का शत-प्रतिशत कोविड जाँच अनिवार्य रूप से किया जाना है। संक्रमण की संभावना वाले व्यक्ति का आरटीपीसीआर विधि से जाँच किया जाना होगा।

छत्तीसगढ़ सरकार द्वारा प्रदेश के सभी जिलो को निर्देशित किया है कि वर्तमान में भारत के कुछ राज्यो में कोविड संक्रमण में वृद्धि दर पायी गई है, यद्यपि कोविड-19 को संक्रमण नियंत्रण में है, परन्तु कोविड-19 का विषाणु के संक्रमण के प्रसार पर निगरानी रखना अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण है। आगामी नववर्ष एवं त्यौहार को दृष्टिगत रखते हुए कोविड गाईडलाईन के अनुसार दो गज दुरी, मास्क की अनिवार्यता जैसे नियमो का पालन नागरिको से करवाना होगा। जिले के प्रत्येक शासकीय एवं निजी चिकित्सालयो में कोविड-19 के क्रियाशीलता दवाओ की उपलब्धता एवं अन्य तैयारियो की आकलन के लिए मॉकड्रिल किया जायेगा। दुर्ग जिले के प्राथमिक एवं सामुदायिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्र, जिला चिकित्सालय, सुपेला अस्पताल आदि स्थानो पर कोविड-19 के जांच की सुविधा उपलब्ध करांई जा रही है।

बैठक में भिलाई क्षेत्र के नोडल डॉ. पियान सिंह, सीपीएम तुषार वर्मा, शिविका सोनवानी के साथ ही स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी धर्मेन्द्र मिश्रा निगम के अधिकारी कर्मचारी एवं निगम क्षेत्र के विभिन्न अस्पतालो के कर्मचारी उपस्थित थे।

निगम द्वारा वार्ड 31 मदर टेरेसा नगर के आदर्श नगर वीएसपी पानी टंकी हनुमान मंदिर के आस-पास सोडियम हाईपोक्लोराईड का छिड़काव स्प्रे के माध्यम से किया गया है एवं नालीयों की सफाई कर चुना, ब्लीचिंग का छिड़काव भी किया गया है।

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INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING OF EQUITY SHARES ON THE MAIN BOARD OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (ISSUE OF CAPITAL AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS) REGULATIONS, 2018, AS AMENDED (THE "SEBI ICDR REGULATIONS").

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED

(Please use this QR Code to view the DRHP)

Corporate Identity Number: U27101CT2004PLC016701

Our Company was originally incorporated as "Phil Ispat Private Limited" as a private limited company under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, pursuant to a certificate of incorporation dated June 16, 2004 issued by the Registrar of Companies, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Pursuant to special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on September 29, 2023, the name of our Company was changed to "Vraj Iron & Steel Private Limited" and a fresh certificate of incorporation pursuant to change of name dated October 30, 2023 was issued by Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh. Thereafter, our Company was converted to a public limited company, pursuant to a special resolution passed by the shareholders of our Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on October 31, 2023 and the name of our Company was changed to "Vraj Iron & Steel Limited" and a fresh certificate of incorporation consequent upon conversion to a public limited company dated November 10, 2023 was issued to our Company by the Registrar of Companies, Chhattisgarh. For details in relation to change in the address of the registered office of our Company, see "History and Certain Corporate Matters" on page 201 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus dated December 28, 2023 ("DRHP").

Registered Office: First Floor, Plot No 63 & 66, Ph No 113, Mother Teresa Ward No. 43, Jalvihar Colony, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India, 492001.;
Tel: +91-771-4059002; Contact Person: Priya Namdeo, Company Secretary and Compliance Officer;
E-mail: info@vrajlmt.in; Website: www.vrajlmt.in;

OUR PROMOTERS: GOPAL SPONGE AND POWER PRIVATE LIMITED, V.A. TRANSPORT PRIVATE LIMITED AND VIJAY ANAND JHANWAR

INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING OF UP TO [•] EQUITY SHARES OF FACE VALUE OF ₹ 10 EACH ("EQUITY SHARES") OF VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED ("OUR COMPANY" OR THE "ISSUER") FOR CASH AT A PRICE OF ₹ [•] PER EQUITY SHARE (INCLUDING A PREMIUM OF ₹ [•] PER EQUITY SHARE) ("ISSUE PRICE") AGGREGATING UP TO ₹ 1,710.00 MILLION ("THE ISSUE"). THE ISSUE WILL CONSTITUTE [•] % OF OUR POST-ISSUE PAID-UP EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL. OUR COMPANY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER, MAY CONSIDER A PRE-IPO PLACEMENT OF ITS UP TO [•] EQUITY SHARES, FOR CASH CONSIDERATION AGGREGATING UP TO ₹ 340.00 MILLION ("PRE-IPO PLACEMENT") PRIOR TO FILING OF THE RED HERRING PROSPECTUS WITH THE ROC SUBJECT TO RECEIPT OF REQUISITE APPROVALS. THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT, IF UNDERTAKEN, WILL BE AT A PRICE TO BE DECIDED BY OUR COMPANY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER. IF THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT IS UNDERTAKEN, THE NUMBER OF EQUITY SHARES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE PRE-IPO PLACEMENT SHALL BE REDUCED FROM THE ISSUE, SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 19(2)(B) OF THE SECURITIES CONTRACTS (REGULATION) RULES, 1957, AS AMENDED ("SCRR").

THE FACE VALUE OF THE EQUITY SHARES IS ₹10 EACH AND THE ISSUE PRICE IS [•] TIMES THE FACE VALUE OF THE EQUITY SHARES. THE PRICE BAND AND THE MINIMUM BID LOT WILL BE DECIDED BY OUR COMPANY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER AND WILL BE ADVERTISED IN ALL EDITIONS OF [•] (A WIDELY CIRCULATED ENGLISH NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER), ALL EDITIONS OF [•] (A WIDELY CIRCULATED HINDI NATIONAL DAILY NEWSPAPER, HINDI BEING THE REGIONAL LANGUAGE OF RAIPUR, CHHATTISGARH WHERE OUR REGISTERED OFFICE IS LOCATED), AT LEAST 2 (TWO) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE BID/ISSUE OPENING DATE, AND SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STOCK EXCHANGES FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPLOADING ON THEIR RESPECTIVE WEBSITES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (ISSUE OF CAPITAL AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS) REGULATIONS, 2018, AS AMENDED (THE "SEBI ICDR REGULATIONS").

In case of any revision in the Price Band, the Bid/ Issue Period will be extended by at least 3 (three) additional Working Days after such revision in the Price Band, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days. In cases of force majeure, banking strike or similar circumstances, our Company may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, extend the Bid / Issue Period for a minimum of 3 (three) Working Days, subject to the Bid/ Issue Period not exceeding 10 (ten) Working Days. Any revision in the Price Band and the revised Bid/ Issue Period, if applicable, shall be widely disseminated by notification to the Stock Exchanges, by issuing a public notice, and also by indicating the change on the respective websites of the BRLM and at the terminals of the Members of the Syndicate and by intimation to Designated Intermediaries and the Sponsor Bank(s), as applicable.

This Issue is being made in terms of Rule 19 (2) (b) of the SCRR read with Regulation 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, as amended (the "SEBI ICDR Regulations"). The Issue is being made for at least 25% of the post-Issue paid-up Equity Share capital of our Company. This Issue is being made through the Book Building Process in accordance with Regulation 6(1) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations wherein not more than 50% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Qualified Institutional Buyers ("QIBs" and such portion the "QIB Portion"), provided that our Company in consultation with the BRLM may allocate up to 60% of the QIB Portion to Anchor Investors on a discretionary basis in accordance with SEBI ICDR Regulations ("Anchor Investor Portion"). One-third of the Anchor Investor Portion shall be reserved for domestic Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received from the domestic Mutual Funds at or above the Anchor Investor Allocation Price. Further, 5% of the QIB Portion (excluding the Anchor Investor Portion) shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Mutual Funds only, and the remainder of the QIB Portion shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to all QIB Bidders (other than Anchor Investors), including Mutual Funds, subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. Further, not less than 15% of the Issue shall be available for allocation on a proportionate basis to Non-Institutional Bidders out of which (a) one third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 200,000 and up to ₹ 1,000,000 and (b) two-third of such portion shall be reserved for applicants with application size of more than ₹ 1,000,000 provided that the unsubscribed portion in either of such sub-categories may be allocated to applicants in the other sub-category of Non-Institutional Bidders and not less than 35% of the Issue shall be available for allocation to Retail Individual Bidders in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations subject to valid Bids being received at or above the Issue Price. All Potential Bidders, other than Anchor Investors, are required to participate in the Issue by mandatorily utilising the Application Supported by Blocked Amount ("ASBA") process by providing details of their respective ASBA Account (as defined hereinafter) and UPI ID in case of UPI Bidders using the UPI Mechanism, as applicable, pursuant to which their corresponding Bid Amounts will be blocked by the Self Certified Syndicate Banks ("SCSBs") or by the Sponsor Banks under the UPI Mechanism, as the case may be, to the extent of respective Bid Amounts. Anchor Investors are not permitted to participate in the Issue through the ASBA process. For details, see "Issue Procedure" on page 363 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

This public announcement is being made in compliance with the provisions of Regulation 26(2) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 ("SEBI ICDR Regulations") to inform the public that the Company is proposing, subject to requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, a public issue of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus ("DRHP") dated December 28, 2023 with the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") on December 29, 2023. Pursuant to Regulation 26(1) of SEBI ICDR Regulations, the DRHP filed with SEBI shall be made public for comments, if any, for a period of at least 21 days from the date of filing, by hosting it on the websites of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in, the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in, the Stock Exchanges where the Equity Shares are proposed to be listed, i.e. BSE Limited ("BSE") at www.bseindia.com and National Stock Exchange of India Limited ("NSE") at www.nseindia.com. Our Company hereby invites the public to give their comments on the DRHP to SEBI in respect of disclosures made in the DRHP. The members of the public are requested to send a copy of the comments sent to SEBI, to our Company and the Book Running Lead Manager at their respective addresses mentioned below. All comments must be received by our SEBI and/or our Company and/or the Book Running Lead Manager on or before 5 p.m. on the 21st day from the aforementioned date of filing of the DRHP with SEBI. Comments by post and email shall be accepted.

Investments in equity and equity-related securities involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest any funds in the Issue unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their entire investment. Investors are advised to read the risk factors carefully before taking an investment decision in the Issue. For taking an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of our Company and the Issue, including the risks involved. The Equity Shares in the Issuer have not been recommended or approved by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), nor does SEBI guarantee the accuracy or adequacy of the contents of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus. Specific attention of the investors is invited to "Risk Factors" on page 29 of the Draft Red Herring Prospectus.

Any decision to invest in the Equity Shares described in the DRHP may only be taken after a Red Herring Prospectus ("RHP") has been filed with the RoC and must be made solely on the basis of such RHP as there may be material changes in the RHP from the DRHP. The Equity Shares, when offered through the RHP, are proposed to be listed on BSE and NSE.

For details of the share capital and capital structure and the names of the signatories to the Memorandum of Association and the number of shares subscribed by them of the Company, please refer to the chapter "Capital Structure" beginning on page 71 of the DRHP. The liability of the members of our Company is limited. For details of the main objects of our Company as contained in the Memorandum of Association, please refer to the chapter "History and Certain Corporate Matters" beginning on page 201 of the DRHP.

BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGER	REGISTRAR TO THE ISSUE
Aryaman Financial Services Limited 60, Khatau Building, Ground Floor, Alkesh Dinesh Modi Marg, Fort, Mumbai – 400 001 Maharashtra, India Tel: +91 22 6216 6999 Email: ipo@afsl.co.in Investor Grievance Email: feedback@afsl.co.in Website: www.afsl.co.in Contact Person: Vatsal Ganatra/Deepak Biyani SEBI Registration No: INM000011344	Bigshare Services Private Limited S62, 6th Pinnacle Business Park, Mahakali Caves Road, Next to Ahura Centre, Andheri East, Mumbai – 400093 Maharashtra, India Tel: +91 22 6263 8200 Email: ipo@bigshareonline.com Investor Grievance Email: investor@bigshareonline.com Website: www.bigshareonline.com Contact Person: Babu Raphael C SEBI Registration Number: INR000001385

All capitalized terms used and not specifically defined shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the DRHP.

For Vraj Iron and Steel Limited
On behalf of the Board of Directors
Sd/-
Priya Namdeo
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

Place: Raipur, Chhattisgarh
Date: December 29, 2023

VRAJ IRON AND STEEL LIMITED is proposing, subject to applicable regulatory and statutory requirements, receipt of requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, an initial public offering of its Equity Shares and has filed a Draft Red Herring Prospectus with SEBI. The Draft Red Herring Prospectus is available on the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in and the website of the Book Running Lead Manager at www.afsl.co.in. Any potential Investor should note that investment in equity shares involves a high degree of risk and are requested to refer to the section titled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 29 of the DRHP. Potential investors should not rely on the DRHP filed with SEBI for making any investment decision.

The Equity Shares offered in the Issue have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act, 1933 (the "U.S. Securities Act") or any state securities laws in the United States, and may not be offered or sold within the United States, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Accordingly, the Equity Shares are being offered and sold only outside the United States in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S and the applicable laws of the jurisdiction where those offer and sales occur. There will be no public offering of the Equity Shares in the United States.