

## 1. Introduction

The Nomination & Remuneration Policy (“Policy”) is formulated under the requirements of applicable laws, including the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended (“Listing Regulations”). The Policy is intended to set out criteria to pay remuneration to the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel (KMP), (as defined below) and to harmonise the aspirations of human resources with the goals of the Company.

## 2. Objective and Purpose

**The objectives and purpose of this Policy are:**

- 2.1. To formulate the criteria for determining qualifications, competencies, positive attributes and independence for appointment of a director (executive/non-executive/independent) of the Company (“Director”) and KMP; and
- 2.2. To recommend policy relating to the remuneration of the Directors and KMP to the Board of Directors of the Company (“Board”).

This includes reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of the executive Directors, evaluating their performance in light of those goals and objectives, determine and recommend executive Directors’ compensation based on this evaluation; making recommendations to the Board with respect to KMP compensation and recommending incentive-compensation and equity-based plans that are subject to approval of the Board.

## 3. Constitution of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The Board has constituted the “Nomination and Remuneration Committee” of the Board on October 10, 2014. This is in line with the requirements under the Companies Act, 2013 (“Act”). This Policy and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee Charter are integral to the functioning of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and are to be read together. The Board has authority to reconstitute this Committee from time to time.

## 4. Definitions

- a. ‘Board’ means Board of Directors of the Company.
- b. ‘Directors’ means directors of the Company.
- c. ‘Committee’ means Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company as constituted or reconstituted by the Board, in accordance with the Act and applicable Listing Regulations.
- d. ‘Company’ means IKF Finance Limited.
- e. ‘Independent Director’ means a Director referred to in Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules.
- f. ‘Key Managerial Personnel (KMP)’ means i) the Managing Director or Chief Executive Officer or manager ii) Whole-time Director iii) the Company Secretary; iv) the Chief Financial Officer; and v) Any other person as defined under the Companies Act, 2013 from time to time

Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this Policy and not defined herein but defined in the Companies Act, 2013 and Listing Regulations as may be amended from time to time shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them therein.

**5. General This Policy is divided in three parts: -**

Part – A covers the matters to be dealt with and recommended by the Committee to the Board;

Part – B covers the appointment and removal of Directors and KMP;

Part – C covers remuneration for Directors and KMP

**Part- A The following matters shall be dealt with by the Committee: -**

- (a) Size and composition of the Board: Periodically reviewing the size and composition of the Board to have an appropriate mix of executive and independent Directors to maintain its independence and separate its functions of governance and management and to ensure that it is structured to make appropriate decisions, with a variety of perspectives and skills, in the best interests of the Company;
- (b) Directors: Formulate the criteria determining qualifications, positive attributes and independence of a Director and recommend candidates to the Board when circumstances warrant the appointment of a new Director, having regard to qualifications, integrity, expertise and experience for the position.
- (c) Succession plans: Establishing and reviewing Board and KMP succession plans in order to ensure and maintain an appropriate balance of skills, experience and expertise on the Board.
- (d) Evaluation of performance:
  - (i) Make recommendations to the Board on appropriate performance criteria for the Directors.
  - (ii) Formulate the criteria and framework for evaluation of performance of every Director on the Board of the Company or engage with a third party facilitator in doing so.
  - (iii) Identify ongoing training and education programs for the Board to ensure that Non-Executive Directors are provided with adequate information regarding the business, the industry and their legal responsibilities and duties.
- (e) Board diversity: The Committee is to assist the Board in ensuring the Board nomination process is in line with the diversity policy of the Board relating to gender, thought, experience, knowledge and perspectives. The policy on Board diversity is available, at [www.ikffinance.com](http://www.ikffinance.com)
- (f) Remuneration framework and policies:

The Committee is responsible for reviewing and making recommendations to the Board on:

- a. Remuneration of executive Directors to be presented for shareholders' approval including severance, if any.
- b. Individual and total remuneration of non-executive Directors and the chairperson (if nonexecutive), including any additional fees payable for membership of Board committees;

- c. the remuneration and remuneration policies for KMP including base pay, incentive payments, equity awards, retirement rights, severance pay if any and service contracts having regard to the need to:
  - (i) attract and motivate talent to pursue the Company’s long term growth;
  - (ii) demonstrate a clear relationship between executive compensation and performance;
  - (iii) be reasonable and fair, having regard to best governance practices and legal requirements and
  - (iv) balance between fixed and incentive pay reflecting short and long-term performance objectives as appropriate for the Company and its goals
- d. the Company’s incentive compensation and equity based plans including a consideration of performance thresholds and regulatory and market requirements;

**PART – B Policy for appointment and removal of Directors and KMP****(a) Appointment criteria and qualifications**

- 1. The Committee shall ascertain the integrity, qualification, expertise and experience of the person identified for appointment as Director and KMP and recommend to the Board his/her appointment. The Committee has discretion to decide whether qualification, expertise and experience possessed by a person is sufficient / satisfactory for the position.
- 2. A person to be appointed as Director and KMP should possess adequate qualification, expertise and experience for the position he / she is considered for.
- 3. A person, to be appointed as Director, should possess impeccable reputation for integrity, deep expertise and insights in sectors / areas relevant to the Company, ability to contribute to the Company’s growth and complementary skills in relation to the other Board members.
- 4. The Company shall not appoint or continue the employment of any person as Managing Director / executive Director who has attained the age of sixty years and shall not appoint Independent Director who has attained the age of seventy years. Provided that the term of the person holding this position may be extended at the discretion of the committee beyond the age of sixty years/seventy years with the approval of shareholders by passing a special resolution based on the explanatory statement annexed to the notice for such motion indicating the justification for extension of appointment beyond sixty years/seventy years as the case may be.
- 5. A whole-time KMP of the Company shall not hold office in more than one company except in its subsidiary company at the same time. However, a whole-time KMP can be appointed as a Director in any company, with the permission of the Board of Directors of the Company.

**(b) Term / Tenure**

- 1. Managing Director / Whole-time Director/Executive Director

The Company shall appoint or re-appoint any person as its Managing Director and CEO or Whole-time Director/Executive Director for a term not exceeding

five years at a time. No re-appointment shall be made earlier than one year before the expiry of term.

2. Independent Director

An Independent Director shall hold office for a term up to five consecutive years on the Board of the Company and will be eligible for re-appointment on passing of ordinary resolution by the Company and disclosure of such appointment in the Board's report. No Independent Director shall hold office for more than two consecutive terms, but such Independent Director shall be eligible for appointment after expiry of three years of ceasing to become an Independent Director. Provided that an Independent Director shall not, during the said period of three years, be appointed in or be associated with the Company in any other capacity, either directly or indirectly. At the time of appointment of Independent Director, it should be ensured that number of Boards on which such Independent Director serves, is restricted to applicable regulations in force.

- (c) Removal Due to reasons for any disqualification mentioned in the Companies Act, 2013, rules made there under or under any other applicable Act, rules and regulations, the Committee may recommend, to the Board with reasons recorded in writing, removal of a Director and KMP subject to the provisions and compliance of the said Act, rules and regulations.
- (d) **Retirement:** The Directors and KMP shall retire as per the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the prevailing policy of the Company. The Board will have the discretion to retain the Directors and KMP in the same position / remuneration or otherwise, even after attaining the retirement age, for the benefit of the Company.

**PART – C Policy relating to the remuneration for Directors and KMP**

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  - 1. The remuneration / compensation / commission etc. to be paid to Directors will be determined by the Committee and recommended to the Board for approval.
  - 2. The remuneration and commission to be paid to the Managing Director/Whole-time Director shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, and the rules made there under.
  - 3. Increments to the existing remuneration / compensation structure may be recommended by the Committee to the Board which should be within the limits approved by the Shareholders in the case of Managing Director/ Whole-time Director.
  - 4. Where any insurance is taken by the Company on behalf of its Directors and KMP for indemnifying them against any liability, the premium paid on such insurance shall not be treated as part of the remuneration payable to any such personnel.

Provided that if such person is proved to be guilty, the premium paid on such insurance shall be treated as part of the remuneration.

(b) Remuneration to KMP

The pay program for KMP has been designed around three primary pay components: Base/Fixed Pay, Performance Bonus and Stock Incentives.

These three components together constitute the “Total Rewards” of the KMP.

**Base/ Fixed pay:**

It is guaranteed pay and paid periodically, usually monthly

1. Performance Bonus:

Cash bonus, payable on the achievement of objective and quantifiable key performance indicators (KPI) as established by the Committee.

2. Stock Incentives:

Stock or Equity based incentives can be either time based or performance based equity grants. Time based stock incentives, in the form of Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) or/and stock options, are vested based on continuation of service. Performance based stock incentives, in the form of Stock Options and/or RSUs, vest upon the achievement of certain performance parameters. The stock incentives are governed by the Stock Plans as approved by the shareholders or any other plans as may be amended.

The total rewards for KMP is designed to ensure their continued alignment with organizational goals. The Committee aims to ensure that KMP pay is reflective of market pay, consisting of a mix of base/ fixed pay, performance bonus and stock incentives. The emphasis on stock incentives ensures alignment with shareholders’ interests, through a continued focus on the Company’s sustainable, long term performance. The Overview of Executive Leadership Compensation is available, at [www.ikffinance.com](http://www.ikffinance.com)

(c) Minimum remuneration to Whole-time Directors If, in any financial year, the Company has no profits or its profits are inadequate, the Company shall pay remuneration to its Whole-time Directors in accordance with the provisions of Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013.

(d) Remuneration to Non-Executive / Independent Directors:

The remuneration payable to each Non-Executive Director is based on the remuneration structure as determined by the Board, and is revised from time to time, depending on individual contribution, the Company’s performance, and the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made there under.

The Independent Directors shall not be entitled to any stock incentive of the Company.

The remuneration to the Non-executive Directors (including Independent Directors) may be paid within the monetary limit approved by shareholders, subject to the limit not exceeding 1% of the profits of the Company computed as per the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

**Sitting Fee**

The Company normally has Four Board meetings in a year, Independent Directors are expected to attend four quarterly Board meetings and the AGM. At present no sitting fee is paid to the non-executive directors for attending board meetings. All executive and non-executive directors are entitled to get reimburse for expenses incurred during their travel/stay to attend Board meetings. This Policy is framed based on the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules thereunder and the requirements of Listing Regulations with the Stock Exchanges.

In case of any subsequent changes in the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 or any other regulations which makes any of the provisions in the policy inconsistent with the Act or regulations, then the provisions of the Act or regulations would prevail over the policy and the provisions in the policy would be modified in due course to make it consistent with law. (c) This policy shall be reviewed by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee as and when any changes are to be incorporated in the policy due to change in regulations or as may be felt appropriate by the Committee. Any changes or modification to the policy as recommended by the Committee would be placed before the Board of Directors for their approval.

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