

PCL/CS/16316

30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023

The Secretary The Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd, Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai-400001 Fax:-022-22723121

# Sub: Outcome of Board Meeting- Audited Financial Results for Quarter/Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to the Regulation 30 (6) read with Part A of Schedule III and Regulation 33 (3) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirement), Regulations, 2015, we would like to inform you that the Audited Annual and Quarterly Financial Results of the Company for the Year / Quarter ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 together with Statement of Assets & Liabilities as on report date and Cash Flow Statement for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 has been considered and approved by the Board of Directors in the 219<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of the Company held on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. The Meeting commenced at <u>12:00 noon</u> and concluded at <u>1:50 p-m</u>.

Further, please find enclosed herewith the following information/documents in the prescribed given format:

- 1. The Audited Financial Results of the Company for the Quarter/Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023.
- The Statement of Assets & Liabilities of the Company as on the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 as per Regulation 33(3)(f) of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015
- 3. The Cash Flow Statement for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 as per Regulation 33(3)(g) of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.
- The Independent Audit Report on Audited Financial Results for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 as provided by our Statutory Auditors -M/s Raj Gupta & Co., Chartered Accountants.
- 5. Declaration pursuant to Regulation 33(3)(d) on the Audited Financial Results for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023.

This is for your information & records please.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully For Punjab Communications Ltd.

Company Secretary

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Regd Office : B-91, Phase VIII, Industrial Area, S A S Nagar (Mohali)-160071 (CIN:L32202PB1981SGC004616) (Web: www.puncom.com) AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER/ YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

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<b>r</b> .	Particulars		Quarter Ende	Year Ended	Year Ended						
0.		31.03.2023		31.03.2022	-						
		(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)					
	Revenue from operations	334.51	1 1	255.78		1075.9					
	Other income	244,71		194.29		788.8					
	Total Revenue (1+2) Expenses	579.22	418.94	450.07	1861.25	1864.7					
4	a) Cost of materials consumed	37.63	78.33	72.03	397.88	268.27					
	b) Purchases of Stock-in-Trade	-	21.82	2.11	25.29	61.3					
	c) Change in inventories of finished goods, Stock-in-Trade										
	and work-in-progress	58.08	18.60	(22.11)	47.55	(8.77					
	d) Excise duty	-	-	-	-	-					
	e) Employee benefits expense	417.90	407.41	604.40	1,940.62	2,471.9					
	f) Finance costs	2.25	0.31	0.15	3.56	2.2					
	g) Depreciation and amortisation expense	5.10 43.30	6.54 73.61	7.17 96.50	23.14 291.82	362.6					
	h) Other expenses Total expenses (4)	564.26	606.62	760.25	2,729.86	3,186.6					
5	Profit/(Loss) before exceptional items and tax (3-4)	14.96	(187.68)	(310.18)	(868.61)	(1,321.95					
	Exceptional Items- Please refer Note 6	-	-	(010.10)	(693.85)						
	Profit/(Loss) before tax (5-6)	14.96	(187.68)	(310.18)	(1,562.46)	(1,321.90					
	Tax Expense										
	(a) Current Tax	-	•	-		-					
	(b) Deferred Tax	•	•	-	-	-					
	(c) Provision for Income tax written back for earlier year			_		73.1					
٥l	Profit / (Loss) for the period from continuing operations	14.96	(187.68)	(310.18)	(1,562.46)	(1,248.80					
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0	Profit/(Loss) for the period	14.96	(187.68)	(310.18)	(1,562.46)	(1,248.80					
1	Other Comprehensive Income										
	Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss										
	(i) Re-measurement gains/(losses) on defined benefit	(33.30)	8.98	(30.51)	(14.10)	(23 09					
	obligations	(22.20)		(20 54)	(14.10)	(00.00					
,	Other Comprehensive Income/(Expenses)	(33.30) (18,34)	8.98 (178.70)	(30.51) (340.69)	(14.10) (1,576.56)	(23.09 (1,271.89					
4	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (10+11)	(10,34)	(170.70)	(340.08)	(1,570.50)	(1,271.03					
,	(Comprising Profit(Loss) and Other Comprehensive Earnings per Equity Share (EPS) :	0.12	(1.56)	(2.58)	(13.00)	(10.39					
°	(a) Basic	V. 12	(1.50)	(2.00)	(13.00)	(10.52					
	(b) Diluted	0.12	(1.56)	(2.58)	(13.00)	(10.39					
4	Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value of the share is Rs	1,202.36	1,202.36	1,202.36	1,202.36	1,202.30					
	10/-)	·		~							
5	Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve as per balance			-	659.36	2,235.93					
	sheet of previous accounting year										
	Notes	·	Lat Marsh . 000		takan an maa	nat hu sha					
1	The aforesaid Audited Financial Results for the Quarter and N Read of Directors in their meeting held on 30th May 2023	rear ended 3	Ist March, 202	3 nave been	taken on reco	to by the					
Board of Directors in their meeting held on 30th May, 2023.						A					
4	The above financial results are prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) notified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 and Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Amendment Rules, 2016										
	being mandatory w.e.f. April 1, 2017.	oompanios (ii	iaian / acount	ing Otanidarda	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	110100, 201					
2		oard of India	(Listing Obliga	tions and Dis	closure Requi	rements)					
"	In terms of Regulation 33(2)(a) of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer do hereby certify that financial results do not contain										
	any false or misleading statement or figures and do not omit any material fact which may make the statements or figures										
	contained therein misleading										
,	-	and ite enare	As the hesi	ic nature of th	ese activities	are					
	The company is primarily engaged in the business of telecom and its spares. As the basic nature of these activities are governed by same set of risks and returns, the sales have been grouped as single segment in the accounts as per Ind AS-108										
	dealing with "Operating Segments". Other Income for the period includes a sum of Rs 301.20 lacs being Interest on the										
	Investments made by the company and Rs. 416.94 lacs being Rental Income										
_	Eventional liams represent Do. 602 85 Loss which the some	any had paid	to its 22 ampl	ouese who h	ave onted for	he V/RS					
	Exceptional Items represent Rs. 693.85 Lacs which the comp scheme that was implemented during July, 2022 and the full a	any nao paio amount bas b	to its 22 empl	oyees, who h a 2nd Quader	ave opted for	t Financial					
ာ	Year 2022-23.	amount has b	een paio in in								
2	The figures for the previous period have been regrouped and	restated whe	rever necessa	rv to make th	nem comparai	ole.					
3	Further, the figures for the last quarter ended 31.03.2022 and 31.03.2023 are the balancing figures between audited figures in										
3		respect of the respective full financial year and the published figures for the nine months ended 31.12.2021 and 31.12.2022									
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6	Place : S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)		for 14 VC & MD	r and on beha	of the Board CFO						
6	respect of the respective full financial year and the published respectively.		14	r and on beha	K						
6	Place : S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)		14	r and on beha	K						
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	Particulars	Note	As on 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	A 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2
(1)	ASSETS Non-Current Assets			
a)	Property Plant & Equipment	2	304.95	32
b)	Investment Property	2A	83.88	8
c)	Financial Assets	271		•
0)	Investments	3	698.74	69
	Loans and advances	4	14.64	2
	Other Financial Assets	5	516.27	53
d)	Deferred tax assets (net)	6	( <b>*</b>	
e)	Other non-current assets	7	153.26	14
(2)	Current Assets	ľ		
a)	Inventories	8	204.08	42
b)	Financial Assets			
,	Trade receivables	9	1022.22	1,04
	Cash and cash equivalents	10	342.76	33
	Other Bank Balances	11	4045.91	5,61
	Loans and advances	12	3.03	
	Other Financial Assets	13	471.07	45
c)	Other Current Assets	14	11.12	1
(3)	Non current assets held for sale	14A	23.41	2
	TOTAL		7,895.34	9,72
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	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
	Equity			
a)	Share Capital	15	1204.80	1,20
b)	Other Equity	16	659.36	2,23
	Liabilities			
(1)	Non-Current Liabilities			
a)	Financial Liabilities		15.75	
	Other Financial liabilities	17	45.75	4
b)	Provisions	18 19	373.39 3.66	02
c)	Other Non Current LiabIlities	19	5.00	
(2)	Current Liabilities			
(2) a)	Financial Liabilities			
α)	Borrowings	20	-	
	Trade Payables	21	1417.64	1,44
	Other Financial liabilities	22	3477.24	3,50
b)	Other Current Liabilities	23	133.51	13
c)	Provisions	24	189.99	14
			700.00	20
(3)	Liabilities directly associated with Non current assets classified as held for sale	24A	390.00	39
	TOTAL		7895.34	9,72
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### AUDITED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2023

	PARTICULARS	For the Year Ended	(Amount Rs. In La For the Year Ender
	PARTAGLARG	31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2023	31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022
(A)	CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES PROFIT BEFORE TAX	-1,562.46	-1,248
	Adjustment for :-		
	Depreciation & Amortization	23.14	28.
	Long term Provision for Employee Benefits	-262.89	22.
	Short term Provision for Employee Benefits	47.05	-61
	Provision for doubtful written back	-52.87	-11
	Bad Debt written off	3.56	13
	Interest & other financial expenses	-0.75	-0
	Profit on sale of fixed assets	-0.73	22
	Provision for slow moving stock	-718.14	-764
	Interest/Rental Income OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS) BEFORE WORKING CAPITAL CHANGES	-2,523.36	-1,997
	Adjustment for :-	2,525.50	1,557
	Trade and Other Receivables	73.28	779
	Inventories	221.42	-38
	Short Term Loans and Advances	2.87	50
	Other Financial assets	-19.81	64
	Other Non Current Assets	-7.38	24
	Other Current assets	6.26	3
	Long Term Loans and Advances	5.72	4
	Trade and Other Payables	-29.29	-107
	Other current financial liabilitles	-27.31	-154
	Other Non current liabilities	-3.32	-3
	Other current liabilities	0.28	-96
	Movement in Non Current financial Liabilities	3.77	3
	CASH FROM/(USED IN) OPERATIONS	-2,296.87	-1,511
	Income Tax Paid	-	
	NET CASH FROM/(USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	-2,296.87	-1,511
(B)	CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
,	Purchase of Fixed Assets	-1.16	-1
	Sale of Fixed Assets	1.73	0
	Movement in Non- Current Investments	-	
	Movement in Non- Current Financial Assets	20.57	-409
	Other Bank Balances (Incr)/Dec	1,569.07	510
	Interest/Rental Income	718.14	764
	NET CASH FROM/(USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	2,308.34	864
(C)	CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
	Interest paid	-3.56	-2
	Movement in Working Capital Borrowings	-	
	Movement in Liabilities directly associated with Non current assets classified as		390
	held for sale	-	
	NET CASH FROM/ (USED) IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	-3.56	387
	Net Change in Cash & Cash Equivalents (A+B+C)	7.92	-259
	Cash & Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the year	334.83	593
	Cash & Cash Equivalents at the end of the year	342.75	334
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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### The Members, Punjab Communications Limited

# Report on the Audit of the Standalone Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the Standalone Financial Statements of Punjab Communications Limited ("the Company"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2023, the Statement of Profit and Loss (including other comprehensive income), the Statement of Changes in Equity, and statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and Notes to the Standalone financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid Standalone Financial Statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended, ("Ind AS") and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2023, and its loss, total comprehensive income and changes in equity and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Standalone Financial Statements section of our Report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Standalone financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of Ind AS Standalone financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of Ind AS Standalone financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.



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We would like to draw the attention to the following matter:

The Company had invested a sum of Rs. 698.74 Lacs (Face Value Rs.700 Lacs) net of commission amounting to Rs.1.26 lacs in the Bonds of UP Co-operative Spinning Mills Federation Ltd. (UPCSMFL) for a tenure of 18 months, which was duly guaranteed by the UP-State Government. The Company approached UPCSMFL for the redemption of bonds on the due date i.e., 20<sup>th</sup> December 1999. Upon failure of UPCSMFL to redeem the bonds on the due date, the Company invoked the aforesaid Government Guarantee through a suit filed on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2001 at Lower Court, Chandigarh against UPCSMFL & UP State Govt. for recovery of the aforesaid amount and the Hon'ble Lower Court passed a decree in favor of the Company vide its order dated 30<sup>th</sup> January 2004.

UP State through Special Secretary filed an application under Order 9 Rule 13 for setting aside the above said Decree being ex parte on 2nd September 2004 and also applied for a stay of execution at the Lower Court Chandigarh. Stay application of UP State was dismissed on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2004 and the application under 9/13 was kept pending.

UP State Govt, filed the Revision Petition, against the order of dismissal of stay by the lower court, at Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh. In order to admit their Revision Petition, the Court ordered UP State Govt. to deposit a sum of Rs.735.63 lacs (50% of the Decretal amount). The aforesaid sum of Rs.735.63 lacs was released to the Company against furnishing of Bank Guarantee of equivalent amount on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2006.

On 12<sup>th</sup> March 2010, the application filed by UP State under Order 9 Rule 13 was dismissed by the Lower Court Chandigarh. UP State filed an appeal in the Court of Add. Dist. Judge Chandigarh and got the stay on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2010. The application of UP State for Stay got dismissed on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

UP State filed Civil Revision against the order of Distt. Judge Chandigarh at Punjab and Haryana High Court Chandigarh. The Civil Revision filed by UP State was dismissed by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

UP State Govt. filed an appeal against the aforesaid order of the Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court with the Hon'ble Supreme Court through SLP. The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 19<sup>th</sup> January 2015 directed the company to refund the aforesaid sum of Rs 735.63 Lacs to the UP-State Government. In compliance with the aforesaid orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the company refunded Rs.735.63 Lacs by allowing the Hon'ble Court to invoke the Bank Guarantee of the equivalent amount submitted to the court earlier.

In view of the aforesaid order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court maintaining that the UP State was not a party defended before the trial court, the company was constrained to file a fresh civil suit against the state of U.P at District Court Chandigarh on 11th March 2016 for recovery of Rs 68.40.31,048/- in order to preserve its right of huge claim. Later on, after the aforesaid invocation of the Bank guarantee of Rs 7,35,63,325/- the company filed a revised claim on 30th October 2018 to the tune of Rs.75,75,94,373/-(Rs 68,40,31,046/- plus Rs 7,35,63,325/-) which is pending.

UPCSMFL is presently under liquidation and the company has filed its claim with the Official Liquidator on 23rd May 2016 at Kanpur later, on account of invocation of Bank Guarantees

revised claim was filed on 26th September 2018 to the tune of Rs. 1,10,75,01,023/- with interest as on 28th August 2018 in order to maintain its valuable rights in the future.

The revised claim was sent through the authorized representative of the company and was duly acknowledged by the officials of UPCSMFL. It was also sent through the Registered Post which has not been received back thus duly served.

In the light of the aforesaid orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the decree is not maintainable against the State of U.P, therefore the Company filed a fresh execution application against the principal debtor i.e UPCSMFL at the Hon'ble Lucknow Court on 30th January 2016 (as the Decree was issued against both the parties viz., UPCSMFL and the State of UP)

Meanwhile, the Board of Directors of the company discussed that pursuant to Supreme Court Order, the litigation, in this case, is a prolonged one and it was decided that besides the ongoing litigation which the company may carry on, efforts need to be made to settle this case out of the Court at Government Level. Accordingly, DO Letters were sent to the Chief Secretary of State of Uttar Pradesh and to the Secretary, Inter-State Council. After a few correspondences through DO Letters at Chief Secretary Level and at Inter-State Council Level, the company received communication from UPCSMFL and after necessary formalities, a meeting was conducted between Chairman and MD PUNCOM with the Additional Chief Secretary, State of Uttar Pradesh and the MD UPCSMFL through Video Conferencing as a result of which the State of Uttar Pradesh offered a One Time Settlement Scheme (OTS), whereby they offered an interest @ 4.50% along with the Principle of Rs. 7 Crore. The said proposal of OTS offered by the State of Uttar Pradesh was placed in the Board Meeting of the company held on 12th November 2021, whereby it was suggested that an effort may be made to improve the offer by requesting UPCSMFL to give a rate equivalent to borrowings of the company which is in the range of 6% to 7%. Accordingly, a Counter Offer was sent to the State of Uttar Pradesh as well as to the MD, UPCSMFL which was rejected later. Therefore, the proposal was sent to Department of Finance, DPED, Govt. of Punjab for its concurrence for opting the OTS offer. Later, the Core Group of officers on Disinvestment (CGOD) in its meeting called by DPED, decided to place the matter before the Council of Ministers, Government of Punjab, for its final approval and is pending as on date.

The company has reflected the value of the investment in bonds at cost. Further, the principal amount of the bond is fully guaranteed by the UP-State Government, but due to the protracted litigation, the time of recovery is indeterminable. (Also refer to note 5 and 41(a) of the Financial Statements for the FY 22-23.

# **Emphasis of Matters**

We would like to draw the attention to the following matters:

1. Accounting Policy 1(b): Regarding certain items of income and expenditure which have been accounted for as and when these are incurred, ascertained, or settled. During the year under audit, no entries deviating from the accrual basis of accounting were noticed.

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2. As per the information and explanations given to us, the company has been selected for disinvestment by the Cabinet Committee on Disinvestment, Government of Punjab. During the FY 2019-20, the Directorate of Public Enterprises and Disinvestment. Government of Punjab had appointed M/s Resurgent India Limited, Gurgaon (Haryana) as Transaction Advisor for Puncom Disinvestment. During the financial year 2020-21, the Government of Punjab has closed the submission of "Expression of interest" (EOI) by eligible bidders on 1st February 2021. Further, as part of the disinvestment, the company was in the process of Due Diligence activity. For this purpose, DPED had approved the site visit from the period 21/06/2021 onwards till 12/07/2021 i.e. within a three-week period to carry out the due diligence. Accordingly, due diligence was conducted during the given period. As informed Subsequent to the site visit, certain queries were raised to Puncom, which were addressed. Thereafter, certain queries were raised with the Director, Industries, and Commerce which were replied to as informed. Further, during FY 2022-23, the services of Transaction Advisor, M/s Resurgent India Limited have been dispensed with by the Directorate of Public Enterprises and Disinvestment, Government of Punjab.

3. Receivable & payable are shown in the balance sheet which significantly consists of Trade receivable, and trade payable are subject to confirmation. (Refer to note no. 9 & 21 of notes to accounts of Standalone financial statements)

Our opinion is not modified on the matters mentioned in Key Audit Matters and in items (1) to (3) in Emphasis of Matters hereinabove.

# Management's Responsibility for the Standalone Financial Statements

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation of these Standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance including other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company in accordance with Ind AS and other accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for the safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, "implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the Standalone financial statement that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Standalone financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern, and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operation or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The management and Board of Directors are also responsible for oversecing the end financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Standalone Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Standalone financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Standalone financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also,

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Standalone financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal financial control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Company has an adequate internal financial controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Standalone financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure, and content of the Standalone financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the Standalone financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.





Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the Standalone financial statements that individually or in aggregate, make it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the Standalone financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the Standalone financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the Standalone financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expecte3d to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory requirements

- 1. As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government of India in terms of sub-section (11) of section 143 of the Act, we give in the 'Annexure A', a statement on the matters specified in paragraph 3 and 4 of the Order, to the extent applicable.
- 2. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act. we report that
  - We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for our audit.
  - In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
  - d The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and loss including other comprehensive income, the Cash Flow Statement, and the statement of changes in equity dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
  - In our opinion, the atoresaid standalone financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.



- In terms of GSR 463 dated 05th June 2015 issued by MCA, the provisions of section 164(2) of Companies Act, 2013 regarding the disqualifications of Directors do not apply to Government Company. Hence the same is not applicable.
- With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls over financial reporting of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in "Annexure B".
- With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the requirements of section 197(16) of the Act, as amended, we report that section 197 does not apply to the Government companies.
- With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
  - i. The Company has disclosed the impact of pending litigations on its financial position in its notes to Standalone financial statements.
  - ii. The Company did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any foreseeable losses.
  - iii. The company is not required to transfer any amount to the Investor Education and Protection Fund.
  - iv. (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person(s) or entity(ies). including foreign entities ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries:

(b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds have been received by the Company from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries:





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(c) Based on such audit procedures that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement

Since the Company has not declared or paid any dividend during the year, accordingly, commenting on whether dividend declared or paid is in accordance with Section 123 of the Companies Act. 2013 is not applicable.

FOR RAJ GUPTA & CO. Chartered Accountants FRN:000203N FRN: 000203N CA Sandeep Gupta (Partner) M.No.-529774

Place : SAS NAGAR (MOHALI) Date: 30th May, 2023 UDIN : 235297748GVLFM6173



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#### "ANNEXURE - A" TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

(Referred to in paragraph 1 under "Report on Other Legal Regulatory Requirements" section of our report of even date

In terms of the information and explanations sought by us and given by the Company and the books of account and records examined by us in the normal course of the audit, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, we report that:

- In respect of the Company's Property, Plant, and Equipment and Intangible Assets:
  - (a) (A) The company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and the situation of Property, Plant, and Equipment and Investment Property;

(B) The company has maintained proper records showing full particulars of Intangible Assets;

- (b) The company has a regular system of verification of Property, Plant, and Equipment at the end of each year, which in our opinion is reasonable, having regard to the size of the company and the nature of its assets. Pursuant to the system, Property, Plant & Equipment were verified by the company and no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification;
- (c) As per our examination, the title deeds of all immovable properties of the company are held in the name of the company.
- (d) The company has not revalued any of its Property, Plant & Equipment, and Intangible Assets during the year;
- (e) As per the information and explanations provided to us, no proceedings have been initiated during the year or are pending against the Company as at March 31, 2023, for holding any Benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act. 1988 (as amended in 2016) and rules made thereunder.
- In our opinion and according to the information and explanations provided to us:





- (a)The company has a regular system of verification of the inventory at the end of the year and we are of the opinion that the coverage and procedure of such verification are appropriate having regard to the size of the company. Also, no material discrepancies were noticed in such verification.
- (b) During the year, the company has been sanctioned working capital limits from banks against a 100% margin in excess of five crore rupees on basis of the security of Fixed Deposits (FDRs). Also, as explained the company was not required to file any quarterly returns or statements with such banks.
- According to the information and explanations are given to us, during the year the company has not made any investments in. provided any guarantee or security, or granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms, LLPs, or any other parties. Hence reporting under clause 3(iii) of the Order is not applicable.
- iv. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the company has not granted any loans, given guarantees and securities, or made investments to the parties covered under the provisions of sections 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013. Hence, reporting under clause 3(iv) of the Order is not applicable.
- v. According to the information and explanations given to us, we are of the opinion that the company has not accepted any deposit or amounts which are deemed to be deposits in pursuance of sections 73 to 76 or any other relevant provisions of the Companies Act and the rules framed thereunder.
- $\dot{w}_{c}$  The company was not required to maintain cost records as per the provisions of Section 148(1). Accordingly, this clause is not applicable.
- wi. According to the information and explanations given to us, books and records as produced and examined by us in respect of statutory dues:
  - (a) The company has generally been regular in depositing undisputed statutory dues including Goods and Services Tax, Provident Fund, Employees' State Insurance, Income-tax, Sales Tax, Service Tax, the duty of Customs, duty of Excise, Value Added Tax, Cess and any other statutory dues with the appropriate authorities. Further, we report that no undisputed amount payable with respect to such statutory dues was outstanding as at March 31, 2023, for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.



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- (b) There are no outstanding statutory dues referred to in sub-clause (a) above which have not been deposited as on March 31, 2023, on account of disputes.
- viii. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, there were no transactions relating to previously unrecorded income that have been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961).
- ix. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations are given to us:
  - (a) The Company has not taken any loans or other borrowings from any lender. Hence reporting under clause 3(ix)(a) of the Order is not applicable.
  - (b) The company has not been declared a wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or any other lender;
  - (c) The Company has not taken any term loans during the year and there are no outstanding term loans at the beginning of the year. Hence, reporting under clause 3(ix)(c) of the Order is not applicable.
  - (d) During the year, the company has not taken any funds on a short-term basis. Accordingly, this clause is not applicable:
  - (e) The company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiary:
  - (f) The Company has not raised any loans on the pledge of securities held in its subsidiary during the year and hence reporting on clause 3(ix)(f) of the Order is not applicable;
- In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us:
  - (a) The Company has not raised moneys by way of an initial public offer or further public offer (including debt instruments) during the year and hence reporting under clause 3(x)(a) of the Order is not applicable.;

(b) During the year, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully or partly, or optionally), and hence reporting under clause 3(x)(b) of the Order is not applicable;

- xi. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us:
  - (a) No fraud by or on the company has been noticed or reported during the course of our audit;
  - (b) No report under sub-section (12) of section 143 of the Companies Act has been filed in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors)





Rules, 2014 with the Central Government, during the year and up to the date of this report;

- (c) During the year, no whistleblower complaints have been received by the company.
- xii. The company is a manufacturing company and not a Nidhi Company. Accordingly, this clause does not apply to the Company.
- In our opinion, all transactions with the related parties are in compliance with sections 177 and 188 of the Act, where applicable and the requisite details have been disclosed in the Standalone financial statement, etc., as required by the applicable Indian Accounting Standards.
- xiv. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us:
  - (a) The company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business.
  - (b) The reports of the Internal Auditor for the period under audit have been considered by us.
- xv. In our opinion, the company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with its directors or with persons connected with him. Hence provisions of section 192 of the Companies Act, 2013 do not apply to the Company.
- M In our opinion:
  - (a) The company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. Hence, reporting under clause 3(xvi)(a), (b) and (c) of the Order is not applicable.
  - (b) There is no core investment company within the Group (as defined in the Core Investment Companies (Reserve Bank) Directions, 2016), and accordingly reporting under clause 3(xvi)(d) of the Order is not applicable.
- The company has incurred cash losses during the current financial year 2022-2023 amounting to Rs. 15.39 crores and in the preceding financial year 2021-2022 amounting to Rs. 12.93 crores.
- win There has been no resignation of the statutory auditor of the company during the year.
- xix. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realization of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, and other information accompanying the standaloue



financial statements we are of the opinion that no material uncertainty exists as on the date of the audit report indicating that company is not capable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of the balance sheet as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date. We, however, state that this is not an assurance as to the future viability of the Company. We further state that our reporting is based on the facts up to the date of the audit report and we neither give any guarantee nor any assurance that all liabilities falling due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date, will get discharged by the Company as and when they fall due.

- In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the company does not meet the criteria for the applicability of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013. Accordingly, reporting under this clause is not applicable.
- xxi In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the company has a fully owned subsidiary company (Punjab Digital Industrial Systems Ltd.) which has been ordered to be wound up by the order of Honble Punjab & Haryana High Court vide order dated 20/02/2009, Due to which the financial statements of PDISL are not being prepared, so we are unable to give our opinion on the same.



Place : SAS NAGAR (MOHALI) Date: 30th May, 2023 UDIN: 235297748GVLFM6173



"ANNEXURE - B" TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

(Referred to in paragraph 2(f) under 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section of our report of even date)

Report on the Internal Financial Controls under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act")

We have audited the internal financial controls over financial reporting of Punjab Communications Limited ("the Company") as of 31st March 2023 in conjunction with our audit of the Standalone financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

# Management's Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ('ICAI'). These responsibilities include the design, implementation, and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to the company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

#### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting (the "Guidance Note") and the Standards on Auditing, issued by ICAI and deemed to be prescribed under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting were established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects. Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Standalone financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company's internal financial controls system over financial reporting.



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### Meaning of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

A company's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of Standalone financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that

(1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company:

(2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of Standalone financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with the authorizations of management and directors of the company; and

(3) provides reasonable assurance regarding the prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the Standalone financial statements.

Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### Opinion

In our opinion, to the best of our knowledge and according to the explanation given to us, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting, and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2023, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of Internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

#### FOR RAJ GUPTA & CO.



Place : SAS NAGAR (MOHALI) Date: 30th May, 2023 YDIN : 23529774BGVLFM6173

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# **REPORT ON DIRECTIONS u/s 143(5) of the Companies Act 2013**

As per the directions issued under Section 143 (5) of the Act, we report that:

- As per information and records produced before us, the company has clear title deeds for immovable properties.
- 2 As informed to us, there is no case of the waiver/write-off of debts/loans/interest during the year under review.
- As informed to us, no such inventories are lying with third parties and no assets have been received by the company as gifts from the Government or other authorities during the year under audit.
- As informed to us, there is no dispute in any contract for the supply of hardware or software except for cases against which the company has made provisions.
- As informed to us, the company does not provide manpower services to any agency. Therefore, it is not applicable.
- 6. As per information and explanations provided to us, no franchise agreement had been entered into by the company during the year under audit.
- As per information and explanations provided to us, no cases have come to our notice wherein software, hardware and IT-enabled systems are redundant/outdated.
- 8. No grants have been received by the company during the year under audit.

FOR RAJ GUPTA & CO. Chartered Accountants 1RN:000203N  $\mathbb{C}^{\Lambda}$ RN: 000203N Sandeen Cupta (Partner) M.No.-529774

Place : SAS NAGAR (MOHALI) Date: 30th May, 2023 UDIN : 23529774 BGULFM6173

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# **COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE**

We have conducted the audit of accounts of **PUNJAB COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED** for the year ended **31.03.2023** in accordance with the directions/sub-directions issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under Section 143(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 and certify that we have complied with all the directions/sub-directions issued to us.

FOR RAJ GUPTA & CO. Charterna Autournants 00000 RN 000203N CA Sandeep Gupta

(Partner) M.No.-529774

Place : SAS NAGAR (MOHALI) Date: 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2023



Date: - 30th May 2023

Subject: - Declaration pursuant to Regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016 and SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD/56/2016 dated 27.05.2016.

In compliance of Regulation 33(3)(d) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016 as amended by Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD/56/2016 dated 27.05.2016, we hereby declare that the Statutory Auditors of the Company, M/s Raj Gupta & Co, Chartered Accountants (FRN : 000203N) have issued Audit Report with unmodified opinion in respect of the standalone Audited Financial Results our Company for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully For Punjab Communications Limited

CA Ramesh Goel Chief Financial Officer