

Archean Chemical Industries Limited

POSTAL BALLOT NOTICE

To the Shareholders of the Company

Pursuant to the Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014

Voting Starts on	Voting Ends on	
09.00 A.M. (IST), 10 th June 2023	05.00 P.M. (IST), 9 th July 2023	

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 110 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") read with Rule 20 and 22 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), General Circular Nos. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020, 22/2020 dated June 15, 2020, 33/2020 dated September 28, 2020, 39/2020 dated December 31, 2020, 10/2021 dated June 23, 2021, 20/2021 dated December 08, 2021, 2/2022 and 3/2022 dated May 05, 2022, 10/2022 dated December 28, 2022 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") (hereinafter collectively referred to as "MCA Circulars") and relevant provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, Secretarial Standard – 2 (SS-2) on General Meetings and any other applicable laws and regulations, that the resolutions appended below are proposed to be passed by members of Archean Chemical Industries limited ("the Company") by means of postal ballot by voting through electronic means ("remote e-voting").

You are requested to record your assent or dissent only by means of e-voting system provided by the Company.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Item No. 1 - Adoption of new set of Articles of Association of the Company

To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s) the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to Section 5, 14 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with applicable rules and other applicable provisions, if any, (including any statutory modifications or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force) approval of the members be and is hereby accorded to adopt a new set of Articles of Association and omit existing Articles of Association of the Company.

RESOLVED FURTHER THAT Mr. P. Ranjit, Managing Director, Mr. S Meenakshisundaram, Director, Mr. R Raghunathan, Chief Financial Officer and Mr. G Arunmozhi, Company Secretary be and are hereby severally authorized to do all such acts, deeds, matters and things as may be required in this regard.

By Order of the Board

For Archean Chemical Industries Limited

G Arunmozhi

Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

M No-A18119

Place: Chennai Date: 26th May 2023



Notes:

- A Statement pursuant to Section 102(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) setting out material facts and reasons for the Special Business is annexed hereto and forms part of this Postal Ballot Notice.
- 2. The MCA has also clarified that, for companies, which are required to provide E-voting facility under the Companies Act, while transacting any business(es) by Postal Ballot, the requirements as provided in Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 issued under Section 108 of the Act as well as framework provided in the MCA Circulars will be applicable mutatis mutandis to them. Further, it has also been mentioned that the Company will send Postal Ballot Notice by e-mail to all its members/ beneficial holders as on Cut-off date i.e. 2nd June 2023, who have registered their e-mail addresses with the Company, their Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (RTA) or Depository Participants and the communication of assent/ dissent of the Shareholders will only take place through the E-voting system. Voting rights of the Shareholders shall be in proportion to the shares held by them in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on 2nd June 2023. (Cut-off date)
- 3. In compliance with the aforesaid MCA Circulars, the Postal Ballot Notice is only sent at e-mail registered with the RT A// Depository Participants and physical copy of Postal Ballot Notice will not be sent to the shareholders.
- 4. The Postal Ballot Notice is being sent to the Members whose names appear in the Register of Members of the Company as on Friday, the 02nd June 2023 ("Cut-off date") ("Eligible Members") and who have already registered their email IDs, for receipt of documents in electronic form, with their Depository Participants or the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent- Link Intime India Private Limited (RTA). A person who is not a member as on the Cut-off date should treat this Postal Ballot Notice for information purpose only.
- 5. The Company has engaged Link Intime India Private Limited (LIIPL) as e-voting agency for facilitating e-voting to enable the Members to cast their votes electronically.
- 6. The remote e-Voting period commences on Saturday, the 10th June 2023 (9:00 am) and ends on Sunday, 09th July 2023 (5:00 pm). During this period, members of the Company holding shares as on the cut-off date may cast their vote electronically. The e-Voting module shall be disabled thereafter. Once the vote on the resolution is cast by a member, the same will not be allowed to be changed subsequently. The voting rights of the Members shall be in proportion to their shareholding in the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the Cut-Off Date i.e 02nd June 2023.
- 7. The Board of Directors has appointed Mr. R Satheesh Kumar, (Membership No. FCS 10945) (CP No. 24139) Practicing Company Secretaries, as Scrutinizer for conducting the Postal Ballot and e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- 8. Eligible Members can cast their vote electronically through e-Voting and related instructions for the voting electronically by accessing to the LIIPL e-Voting system is enclosed hereto.
- Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to register the same with the Company's RTA / Depository Participant(s) for sending future communication(s) in electronic form.
- 10. Notice will be available on the Company's website at www.archeanchemicals.com and at websites of the Stock Exchanges at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com as also of LIIPL at www.linkintime.co.in. All documents referred to in this Notice will be available for inspection electronically until the last date of e-Voting. Shareholders seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to info@archeanchemicals.com.
- 11. Further, the Resolution, if passed by Shareholders with requisite majority, shall be deemed to have been passed on Sunday, July 09th, 2023, being the last day of remote e-voting. Results of voting shall be declared within 2 working days from the time of conclusion of the remote e-voting.



EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 102 OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013

Item No 1

The Company has made repayment of entire outstanding Non-convertible Debentures to India Resurgence Fund – Scheme -1, India Resurgence Fund – Scheme -2 and Piramal Enterprises Limited and made repayment of advance payment taken from Sojitz Corporation (collectively called as "Lenders"). All the clauses in the Articles of Association (AOA) relating to the Lenders, became redundant now. It is necessary to delete those redundant clauses. Hence, the new set of Articles of Association is proposed to be adopted.

A copy of new Articles of Association of the Company with the proposed alteration is available for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company at any working day during business hours.

The adoption of AOA requires the approval of the members by means of a Special Resolution as per the Companies Act, 2013 and accordingly the approval of the members is being sought through Postal Ballot.

The Board of Directors have accorded their approval for adoption of the new AOA through circular resolution passed on 26th May 2023

None of the Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and their relatives is, in any way, concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in the said resolutions, except to the extent of their shareholdings in the Company, if any.

The Board recommends the Special Resolutions as set out in Item No. 1 of the Notice for approval by the Members.

By Order of the Board

For Archean Chemical Industries Limited

G Arunmozhi

Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

M No-A18119

Place: Chennai Date: 26th May 2023

I. Remote e-voting:

The e-voting facility will be available during the following voting period:

Voting Starts on		Voting Ends on	
	09.00 A.M. (IST), 10 th June 2023	05.00 P.M. (IST), 9 th July 2023	

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 and SEBI Listing Regulations as amended from time to time, the Company is pleased to offer e-voting facility to Members to exercise their votes electronically on all resolutions set forth in the Notice of postal ballot scheduled to be commenced on Saturday, 10th June 2023 and ends on Sunday 9th July 2023. The Company has engaged the services of Link Intime India Private Limited ("LIIPL") to provide e-voting facility to enable Members to provide their votes in a secure manner. Mr.R Satheesh Kumar, (Membership No. FCS 10945) (CP No. 24139) Practicing Company Secretary has been appointed as the scrutinizer for conducting the e-voting and the postal ballot process in a fair and transparent manner. In terms of the requirements of the Act and the rules made thereunder, the Company has fixed Friday, 02nd June 2023 as the cut-off date. The voting rights of the Members / beneficial owners shall be reckoned based on the equity shares held by them as on cut-off date, i.e., 02nd June 2023. During the e-voting period, the Members of the Company, holding shares either in physical form or in electronic form, as on the cut-off date of 02nd June 2023, are entitled to avail the facility to cast their vote through a voting. The e-voting will not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time and the e-voting module shall be disabled by LIIPL upon expiry of the aforesaid period. Once the vote on a resolution is castnai by the Member, he shall not be allowed to change it subsequently or cast the vote again.

The instructions for Members voting electronically are as mentioned below:

Login method for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

- 1. Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL
 - 1. Existing IDeAS user can visit the e-Services website of NSDL viz... https://eservices.nsdl.com either on a personal computer or on a mobile. On the e-Services home page click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login"" which is available under 'IDeAS' section, this will prompt you to enter your existing User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services under Value added services. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name i.e. LINKINTIME and you will be re-directed to "InstaVote" website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
 - 2. If you are not registered for IDeAS e-Services, option to register is available at https://eservices.nsdl.com Select "Register Online for IDeAS Portal" or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp
 - 3. Visit the e-Voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a personal computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section. A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen-digit demat account number hold with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name i.e. LINKINTIME and you will be redirected to "InstaVote" website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
- 2. Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL
 - a) Existing users who have opted for Easi / Easiest, can login through their user id and password. Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi / Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or www.cdslindia.com and click on New System Myeasi.
 - b) After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be able to see the E Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. LINKINTIME. Click on LINKINTIME and you will be redirected to "InstaVote" website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
 - c) If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration.
 - d) Alternatively, the user can directly access e-Voting page by providing demat account number and PAN No. from a link in www.cdslindia.com home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the demat Account. After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP i.e. LINKINTIME. Click on LINKINTIME and you will be redirected to "InstaVote" website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.
- 3. Individual Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through their depository participants you can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility. Upon logging in, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see e-Voting feature. Click on company name or e-Voting service provider name i.e. LINKINTIME and you will be redirected to "InstaVote" website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period.



Login method for Individual shareholders holding securities in physical form/ Non-Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

Individual Shareholders of the company, holding shares in physical form / Non-Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode as on the cut-off date for e-voting may register for e-Voting facility of Link Intime as under:

- 1. Open the internet browser and launch the URL: https://instavote.linkintime.co.in
- 2. Click on "Sign Up" under 'SHARE HOLDER' tab and register with your following details: -

A. User ID:

Shareholders holding shares in physical form shall provide Event No + Folio Number registered with the Company. Shareholders holding shares in NSDL demat account shall provide 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID; Shareholders holding shares in CDSL demat account shall provide 16 Digit Beneficiary ID.

- **B. PAN:** Enter your 10-digit Permanent Account Number (PAN) (Shareholders who have not updated their PAN with the Depository Participant (DP)/ Company shall use the sequence number provided to you, if applicable.
- C. DOB/DOI: Enter the Date of Birth (DOB) / Date of Incorporation (DOI) (As recorded with your DP / Company in DD/MM/YYYY format)
- **D. Bank Account Number:** Enter your Bank Account Number (last four digits), as recorded with your DP/Company.
- *Shareholders holding shares in **physical form** but have not recorded 'C' and 'D', shall provide their Folio number in 'D' above
- *Shareholders holding shares in NSDL form, shall provide 'D' above
- ▶ Set the password of your choice (The password should contain minimum 8 characters, at least one special Character (@!#\$&*), at least one numeral, at least one alphabet and at least one capital letter).
- ▶ Click "confirm" (Your password is now generated).
- 3. Click on 'Login' under 'SHARE HOLDER' tab.
- 4. Enter your User ID, Password and Image Verification (CAPTCHA) Code and click on 'Submit'.

Cast your vote electronically:

- 1. After successful login, you will be able to see the notification for e-voting. Select 'View' icon.
- 2. E-voting page will appear.
- Refer the Resolution description and cast your vote by selecting your desired option 'Favour I'
 Against' (If you wish to view the entire Resolution details, click on the 'View Resolution' file
 link).
- 4. After selecting the desired option i.e. Favour / Against, click on 'Submit'. A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on 'Yes', else to change your vote, click on 'No' and accordingly modify your vote.

Guidelines for Institutional shareholders:

Institutional shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and Custodians are required to log on the e-voting system of LIIPL at https://instavote.linkintime.co.in and register themselves as 'Custodian / Mutual Fund / Corporate Body'. They are also required to upload a scanned certified true copy of the board resolution /authority letter/power of attorney etc. together with attested specimen signature of the duly authorised representative(s) in PDF format in the 'Custodian / Mutual Fund / Corporate Body' login for the Scrutinizer to verify the same.



Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in physical mode/ Institutional shareholders:

Shareholders facing any technical issue in login may contact Link Intime INSTAVOTE helpdesk by sending a request at enable-bullet: enable-bullet: enab

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode:

Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode may contact the respective helpdesk for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at 022- 23058738 or 22- 23058542-43.

Individual Shareholders holding securities in Physical mode has forgotten the password:

If an Individual Shareholders holding securities in Physical mode has forgotten the USER ID [Login ID] or Password or both then the shareholder can use the "Forgot Password" option available on the e-Voting website of Link Intime: https://instavote.linkintime.co.in

- > Click on 'Login' under 'SHARE HOLDER' tab and further Click 'forgot password?'
- Enter User ID, select Mode and Enter Image Verification code (CAPTCHA). Click on "SUBMIT".

In case shareholders is having valid email address, Password will be sent to his / her registered email address. Shareholders can set the password of his/her choice by providing the information about the particulars of the Security Question and Answer, PAN, DOB/DOI, Bank Account Number (last four digits) etc. as mentioned above. The password should contain minimum 8 characters, at least one special character (@!#\$&*), at least one numeral, at least one alphabet and at least one capital letter.

<u>User ID for Shareholders holding shares in Physical Form (i.e. Share Certificate)</u>: Your User ID is Event No + Folio Number registered with the Company

Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with NSDL/ CDSL has forgotten the password:

Shareholders who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned depository/ depository participants website.

- > It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- > For shareholders/ members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- > During the voting period, shareholders/ members can login any number of time till they have voted on the resolution(s) for a particular "Event".

Other Instructions:

1. The Scrutinizer shall, immediately after the conclusion of voting through Remote e-voting unblock the votes cast through Remote e-voting and issue, not later than 48 hours of conclusion of the Remote e-voting, a scrutinizer's report of the total votes cast in favour and against, if any, to the Chairman of the Company or any person authorised by him.

- 2. The Results of voting shall be intimated within 2 working days from the time of conclusion of the remote e-voting along with the Scrutinizer's Report to National Stock Exchange of India Limited and BSE Limited, where the equity shares of the Company are listed. Additionally, the results will also be uploaded on the Company's website www.archeanchemicals.com and on the website of LIIPL at https://instavote.linkintime.co.in/. Further, the results shall be displayed on the Notice Board of the Company at its Registered Office as well as Corporate Office for at least 3 days from the date of declaration of voting results.
- 3. For any query connected with the Resolution proposed to be passed by means of Postal Ballot through Remote e-voting, members may contact Company's Registrar & Share Transfer Agent (RTA), Link Intime India Private Limited (LIIPL), C 101, 247 Park, LBS Marg, Vikhroli West, Mumbai 400083; Telephone: +91-022-49186270; Fax: +91-022-49186060; Email: rnt.helpdesk@linkintime.co.in or Mr. G Arunmozhi, Company Secretary of the Company by sending email at arunmozhi@archeanchemicals.com or call at +91-044-61099999, Address: No.2, North Crescent Road, T Nagar, Chennai 600 017 Tamilnadu India.

