



**Corporate Social Responsibility Policy
Version 2.0**

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I. CONSTITUTION:

- 1.1. The Board of Directors of Hinduja Housing Finance Limited (“the Company”) at their Meeting held on 11th February, 2019 constituted a Committee of the Board with the nomenclature “Corporate Social Responsibility Committee” (“the Committee”).

- 1.2. The Committee shall act in accordance with the terms specified in Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014.

II. DEFINITIONS:

- a) “**Act**” means Companies Act, 2013 including any statutory modification or re- enactment thereof;
- b) “**Board**” means Board of Directors of the Company.
- c) “**Corporate Social Responsibility**” generally means and includes but it is not limited to:
 - Projects or programs relating to activities specified in Schedule VII of the Act; or
 - Projects or programs relating to activities undertaken by the Board in pursuance of recommendations made by the CSR Committee as per CSR policy of the Company subject to the condition that such policy includes the subject covered under Schedule VII of the Act.
- d) “**CSR Committee**” means Corporate Social Responsibility Committee of the Board.
- e) “**CSR Policy**” refers to activities to be undertaken by the Company as determined by the CSR Committee and approved by the Board of Directors from such projects or programs relating to activities specified in Schedule VII or covered as Corporate Social Responsibility as per this policy and the expenditure thereon, excluding activities undertaken in pursuance to normal course of business of the Company.

III. ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN AND MODE OF EXECUTION:

3.1. The CSR Committee undertakes one or more of the following activities, which relate to Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013 as its projects for CSR activities viz.,

- a) eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting healthcare including preventive health care and sanitation including contribution to the Swach Bharat Kosh set up by the Central Government for the promotion of sanitation and making available safe drinking water;
- b) promoting education, including special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly, and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects;
- c) promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centers and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups;
- d) ensuring environment sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agroforestry, conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water including contribution to the Clean Ganga Fund set up by the Central Government for rejuvenation of river Ganga;
- e) protection of national heritage, art and culture including restoration of buildings and sites of historical importance and works of art; setting up public libraries; promotion and development of traditional arts and handicrafts;
- f) measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents;
- g) training to promote rural sports, nationally recognized sports, Paralympic sports and Olympic sports;
- h) contribution to the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund or any other fund set up by the Central Government for Socio-economic development and relief and welfare of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women;
- i) Contribution to incubators funded by Central Government or State Government or any agency or Public Sector Undertaking of Central Government or State Government, and contributions to public funded Universities, Indian Institute of Technology (IITs), National Laboratories and Autonomous Bodies (established under the auspices of Indian Council

of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology) engaged in conducting research in science, technology, engineering and medicine aimed at promoting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

- j) rural development projects.
- k) Slum area development
- l) disaster management, including relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction activities
- m) Such other activities and norms as may be specified by Ministry of Corporate Affairs under the Companies Act, 2013, Schedule VII and Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 from time to time.

3.2 The Committee intends to carry out its CSR activities through its own personnel/ department established with persons qualified to undertake such activities. The Committee also decided that, the Company may engage the services of Hinduja Foundation and enter into a service level agreement with Hinduja Foundation, who have got an established track record of at least three financial years of having done CSR activities within the norms prescribed under the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014.

3.3 The Company may also collaborate with its Group/Associate Companies for undertaking the said activities.

IV. EXPENDITURE TO BE INCURRED

The Committee shall determine an amount equivalent to 2% of the average net profits made during the three immediately preceding financial years in accordance with the provisions of Section 198 and shall thereafter prepare a budget of expenditure to be applied for the CSR projects.

The Committee shall request the Board of Directors to cause the statutory auditors to audit the Company's expenditure on CSR projects for the purpose of true and fair reporting of its accounts as part of its balance sheet, at the annual general meeting. In the event that the Company is not able to carry out the activities through its department/personnel and the Company needs to appoint Hinduja Foundation for carrying out the CSR activities, then in

such an event, the Committee shall cause Hinduja Foundation to maintain its accounts on an imprest account basis and to submit monthly audited statements of expenditure made on CSR to the Company's CFO for inclusion in the quarterly accounts presented to the Board/ to the Company and its shareholders.

The surplus arising out of the CSR projects or programmes or activities shall not form part of the business profit of the Company.

V. MONITORING

The Committee shall through its members monitor the expenditure incurred vis-à-vis the budgets and moneys provided to its departments or through Hinduja Foundation appointed in accordance with Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014, read with Section 135 of the Companies Act.

The Committee may also nominate one or two directors to physically examine the CSR undertaken and to submit a report of activities undertaken and performed.

VI. REPORTING

The Board's Report shall include an annual report on CSR activities containing particulars as specified.

VII. PUBLICATION OF THE POLICY:

The CSR policy recommended by the Committee and approved by the Board shall be displayed on the Company's website for public viewing.

VIII. AMENDMENT

The Company or the Board reserves its right to amend or modify this Policy in whole or in part, at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever. However, no such amendment or modification shall be inconsistent with the applicable provisions of the Act or any law for the time being in force.