Corporate Social Responsibility Policy

## **Background:**

This Corporate Social Responsibility Policy ("the CSRPolicy") has been framed by Seacoast Shipping Services Limited (the Company) in accordance with the Section 135, Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013 and CSR Rules issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs on February 27, 2014.

Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions mentioned in the notification dated February 27, 2014 and Companies Act 2013, shall apply to this CSRPolicy.

## Company Philosophy for CSR Policy:

Companies Act, 2013 has formally introduced the Corporate Social Responsibility to the dash board of the Indian Companies.

Seacoast Shipping Services Limited is much positive and appreciate the decision taken by the Government of India. Legal framework of CSR is an edge to Corporate Charitable/reformative approach towards the Society to which the Corporate is belonging to. By introducing the separate section for CSR in Companies Act, 2013, the Government has given legal recognition to their community development approach. The management of the Seacoast Shipping Services limited expresses its willingness and support to the CSR concept, its legal framework and shall be abided to it.

## **Corporate Social Responsibility Committee:**

The Company has constituted Corporate Social Responsibility Committee ("the Committee")

Board of Directors of the Company may re-constitute the Committee, as and when required to do so, by following the sections, sub-sections, rules, regulations, notifications issued or to be issued, from time to time, by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs or the Central Government of India. The Committee shall exercise powers and perform the functions assigned to it by the Board of Directors of the Company pursuant to section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 and CSR Rules notified with regard thereto.

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#### **CSR** Activities:

Pursuant to Schedule VII of the Companies Act, 2013, the Committee has approved the following activities as "CSR Activities" to be undertake under the CSR policy of the Company. The Board of Directors has reviewed the said activities and express its consent to the Committee to pursue the said activities under CSR policy of the Company under section 135 of the Companies Act, 2014, Schedule VII and other applicable rules, regulations, notifications etc., issued/to be issued from time to time.

## **Approved CSR Activities:**

- 1. Eradicating hunger, poverty and malnutrition, promoting health care including preventive health care and sanitation including contribution to the Swatch Bharat Kosh set-up by the Central Government for the promotion of sanitation and making available safe drinking water.
- 2. Promoting education, including primary, secondary and higher secondary education, as well as special education and employment enhancing vocation skills especially among children, women, elderly and the differently abled and livelihood enhancement projects.
- 3. Promoting gender equality, empowering women, setting up homes and hostels for women and orphans; setting up old age homes, day care centres and such other facilities for senior citizens and measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups.
- 4. Ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, protection of flora and fauna, animal welfare, agro forestry, 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.

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- 5. 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 art and handicrafts.
- 6. Measures for the benefit of armed forces veterans, war widows and their dependents.
- 7. Training to promote rural sports, nationally recognised sports, Paralympic sports and Olympic sports.
- 8. Contribution to the prime minister's national relief fund or any other fund set up by the central govt. for socio economic development and relief and welfare of the schedule caste, tribes, other backward classes, minorities and women.
- 9. Contributions or funds provided to technology incubators located within academic institutions which are approved by the central government.
- 10. Rural development projects.
- 11.Slum area development.

# Identification of activities/projects:

Out of approved CSR activities, the Committee shall decide which activity/project should be given priority for the respective financial year. While arriving at the decision of the activity to be undertaken for the respective year, the Committee shall analyse the basic need of the community/ area in which the Organisation operates or at the place where its registered office is situated. The Committee shall record its findings and prioritised the CSR activities.

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#### Implementation process:

After prioritizing the activity the Committee shall finalise the detail implementation project/programme, including planning for expenses against the total budget allocated for CSR activities.

## Organisational Responsibility:

At organisational level for implementation of agreed CSR activity, the committee may constitute an implementation team or authorised any of the Department of the Company to organize for the implementation of the CSR activity. The team or respective department shall monitor the implementation process from time to time, on 5 behalf of the CSR committee and place a report to the Committee regarding the progress of the activity implementation, on a quarterly basis. The respective department or implementation team would be responsible for reporting of any irregularity to the Committee on immediate basis.

## Monitoring by the Board:

The Board of Directors shall constantly monitor the implementation of the CSR activities. The CSR committee shall place a progress report, including details of expenses, before the Board on quarterly basis. The Board shall review the same and suggest recommendation, if any, to the committee with regard to implementation process. Compliance and Reporting to Board: The Committee is responsible to undertake CSR activities as per the approved CSR Policy.

Apart from quarterly reporting to the Board about the implementation of CSR activity, a detail report containing the implementation schedule, total budget allocated, actual expenses incur, surplus arising, if any, result achieved, further work to do in the concern CSR activity, Recommendation for the CSR activities for next year etc. should be placed before the Board for its consideration. Any surplus arising out of the fund allocated for CSR activity shall not be the part of the business profit of the Company.

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# **Management Commitment:**

Our Board of Directors, our Management and all of our employees subscribe to the philosophy of compassionate care. We believe and act on an ethos of generosity and compassion, characterized by a willingness to build a society that works for everyone. This is the cornerstone of our CSR policy. Our Corporate Social Responsibility policy conforms to the relevant section of the Corporate Social Responsibility, Rules made under Companies Act, 2013 and amendment(s) to be made thereto in future.