

CRITERIA FOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

The Company conducts its operations under the directions of Board of Directors within the framework laid down by various statutes, more particularly by the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI Regulations, Memorandum and Articles of Association and Code of Conduct and policies formulated by the Company for its internal execution. The present policy for performance evaluation is being put into place in accordance with the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI LODR on Board Evaluation. Such an evaluation procedure will provide a fine system of checks and balances on the performance of the directors and will ensure that they exercise their powers in a rational manner.

As required under SEBI LODR and Companies Act, 2013, the evaluation of the Board involves multiple levels:

- Board as a whole
 - Committees of the Board
 - Individual Directors (including Managing Director, Independent Directors, Non-Independent Directors, etc.)

With an aim to maintain an energized, proactive and effective Board, the Board is committed to a continuing process of recommending and laying down the criteria to evaluate the performance of the entire Board of the Company.

2. OBJECT:

The Board evaluation policy aims at:

- a. bring closer working relationship among Board members
- **b.** endorse those individual directors and the Board as a whole:
 - i. who works efficiently by using the Board's time constructively to maximize the strength; and
 - ii. who works effectively as a governing body in achieving company's objectives and tackle any shortcomings.
- **c.** Facilitate the decision on levelling the composition of remuneration, for making it reasonable and sufficient, to attract, retain and motivate directors, with aim to sustain the required quality to run the company successfully

3. **DEFINITIONS**:

In this Policy, words and expressions shall have the meaning assigned to them below:

- i. Shall mean the Companies Act, 2013 and rules framed thereunder, notified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India, as amended from time to time;
- ii. "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company;
- iii. "Company" shall mean LCC Projects Limited
- **iv. "Directors"** shall mean all the members of the Board of Directors of the Company, including the Independent Directors;

v. "Listing Regulation" shall mean The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time.

4. <u>EFFECTIVENESS OF THE BOARD:</u>

The overall effectiveness of the Board shall be measured on the basis of the ratings obtained by each Director and accordingly the Board shall decide the Appointments, Re-appointments and Removal of the non-performing Directors of the Company. For this reason, based on the fore stated criteria of evaluation the remuneration of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel shall be determined and reviewed from time to time.

5. RESPONSIBILITY OF BOARD/INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS:

It shall be the duty of the Board, who shall be supported by the Management to organize the evaluation process and accordingly conclude the steps required to be taken. The evaluation process will be constructively as a system to improve the directors' and committees' effectiveness, to maximize their strength and to tackle their shortcomings.

In conformity with the requirement of the Act, the performance evaluation of all the directors shall be done by the entire Board of Directors, excluding the director being evaluated.

Independent Directors are duty bound to evaluate the performance of non - Independent Directors and Board as a whole. The independent directors of the Company shall hold at least one meeting in a year to review the performance of the non- Independent Directors, performance of Managing Director of the Company and Board as a whole, taking into account the views of executive directors and non-executive directors.

6. EVALUATION FACTORS:

The Board of Directors shall pay regards to the following parameters for the purpose of evaluating the performance of a particular director:

In respect of each of the evaluation factors, various aspects have been provided to assist with the evaluation process in respect of performance of Board itself, and of its committees and individual directors as such evaluation factors may vary in accordance with their respective functions and duties.

Evaluation of Independent Director shall be carried on by the entire Board in the same way as it is done for the Executive Directors of the Company except the Director getting evaluated.

Appraisal of each Director of the Company shall be based on the criteria as mentioned herein below.

Rating Scale

Performance	Rating
Surpasses Expectations	3
Meets Expectations	2
Below Expectations	1

The Company has chosen to adopt the following Board Performance Evaluation Process:

A. BOARD AS A WHOLE

S. No	Particulars	Ratings	Remarks
a.	i. Competency of directors:		
Structure	Whether Board as a whole has		
of the	Directors with a proper mix of		
Board:	competencies to conduct its affairs		
	effectively.		
	ii. Experience of directors:		
	Whether Board as a whole has directors		
	with enough experience to conduct its		
	affairs effectively.		
	iii. Mix of qualifications:		
	Whether Board as a whole has directors		
	with a proper mix of qualifications to		
	conduct its affairs effectively.		
	iv. Diversity in Board under various		
	parameters:		
	Gender/background/competence/experie	_	
	nce, etc. Whether there is sufficient		
	diversity in the Board on the aforesaid		
	parameters.		
	v. Appointment to the Board:		
	Whether the process of appointment to		
	the Board of directors is clear and		
	transparent and includes provisions to		
	consider diversity of thought,		
	experience, knowledge, perspective and		
	gender in the Board of directors.		
b.	i. Regularity of meetings:		
Meeting	Whether meetings are being held on a		
s of the	regular basis		
Board:			
	ii. Frequency:		
	1. Whether the Board meets frequently		
	Whether the frequency of such		
	meetings is enough for the Board to		
	undertake its duties properly		
	iii. Logistics:		
	Whether the logistics for the meeting		
	is being handled properly-venue,		
	format, timing, etc.		

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	iv. Agenda:	
	1. Whether the agenda is circulated	
	well before the meeting	
	2. Whether the agenda has all	
	relevant information to take	
	decision on the matter	
	3. Whether the agenda is up to date,	
	regularly reviewed and involves	
	major substantial decisions	
	4. Whether the quality of agenda and	
	Board papers is up to the mark	
	(explains issues properly, not	
	overly lengthy, etc.)	
	5. Whether outstanding items of	
	previous meetings are followed-up	
	and taken up in subsequent agendas	
	6. Whether the time allotted for the	
	every item (especially substantive	
	items) in the agenda of the meeting	
	is sufficient for adequate	
	discussions on the subject	
	7. Whether the Board is able to finish	
	discussion and decision on all	
	agenda items in the meetings	
	8. Whether adequate and timely inputs	
	are taken from the Board members	
	prior to setting of the Agenda for the	
	meeting	
	9. Whether the agenda includes	
	adequate information on	
	Committees' activities	
	v. Discussions and dissent:	
	1. Whether the Board discusses every	
	issue comprehensively and depending	
	on the importance of the subject	
	2. Whether the environment of the	
	meeting induces free- flowing free	
	flowing discussions, healthy debate	
	and contribution by everyone without	
	any fear or fervor	
	3. Whether the discussions generally add	
	value to the decision making	
	4. Whether the Board tends towards	
	group think and whether critical and	
	dissenting suggestions are welcomed	
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	participate in the discussions	
	6. Whether overall, the Board functions	
	constructively as a team	
	vi. Recording of minutes:	
	1. Whether the minutes are being	
	recorded properly- clearly,	
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	completely, accurately and		
	consistently.		
	2. Whether the minutes are approved		
	properly in accordance with set		
	procedures.		
	3. Whether the minutes are timely		
	circulated to all the Board members.		
	4. Whether dissenting views are recorded		
	in the minutes.		
	vii. Dissemination of information:		
	1. Whether all the information		
	pertaining to the meeting are		
	disseminated to the members timely,		
	frequently, accurately, regularly		
	2. Whether Board is adequately		
	informed of material matters in		
	between meetings		
c.	i. Role and responsibilities of the		
Function	Board:		
s of the	Whether the same are clearly		
Board:	documented		
	ii. Strategy and performance		
	evaluation:		
	1. Whether significant time of the		
	Board is being devoted to		
	management of current and potential		
	strategic issues		
	2. Whether various scenario planning		
	is used to evaluate strategic risks		
	3. Whether the Board overall reviews and		
	guides corporate strategy, major plans		
	of action, risk policy, annual budgets		
	and business plans, sets performance		
	objectives, monitored implementation		
	and corporate performance, and		
	oversees major capital expenditures,		
	acquisitions and divestments.		
	iii. Governance and compliance		
	1. Whether adequate time of the Board		
	is being devoted to analyse and		
	examine governance and compliance		
	issues		
	2. Whether the Board monitors the		
	effectiveness of its		
	governance practices and makes		
	changes as needed.		
	3. Whether the Board ensures the integrity		
	of entity's accounting and financial		
	reporting systems, including the		
	independent audit, and that appropriate		
	systems of control are in place, in		
	particular, systems for risk		
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management, financial and operational control, and compliance with the law and relevant standards. 4. Whether the Board oversees the process of disclosure and communications.
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5. Whether the Board evaluates and
analyses the compliance certificate
from the auditors/practicing company
secretaries regarding compliance of
conditions of corporate governance.
iv. Evaluation of Risks:
1. Whether Board undertakes a review of
the high-risk issues impacting the
organization regularly
2. In assessment of risks, whether it is
ensured that, while rightly
encouraging positive thinking, these
do not result in over- optimism that
either leads to significant risks not
being recognized or exposes the entity
to excessive risk.
v. Grievance redressal for Investors:
Whether the Board regularly reviews
the grievance redressal mechanism of
investors, details of grievances
received, disposed of and those
remaining unresolved.
vi. Conflict of interest:
1. Whether the Board monitors and
manages potential conflicts of interest
of management, members of the
Board of directors and shareholders,
including misuse of corporate assets
and abuse in related party transactions
2. Whether a sufficient number of non-
executive members of the Board of
directors capable of exercising
independent judgement are assigned
to tasks where there is a potential for
conflict of interest
vii. Corporate culture and values:
Whether the Board sets a corporate
culture and the values by which
executives throughout a group shall
behave
viii. Review of Board evaluation:
Whether the Board monitors and
reviews the Board evaluation
framework.
ix. Facilitation of Independent
Directors:

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	Whether the Board facilitates the	
	Independent Directors to perform their	
	role effectively as a member of the	
	Board of directors and also a member	
	of a committee of Board of directors	
	and any criticism by such directors is	
	taken constructively.	
	i. Evaluation of performance of the	
d. Board	management and feedback:	
and	1. Whether the Board evaluates and	
manage	monitors management, especially the	
ment:	CEO regularly and fairly and provides	
	constructive feedback and strategic	
	guidance	
	2. Whether the measures used are broad	
	enough to monitor performance of the	
	management	
	3. Whether the management's	
	performance is benchmarked against	
	industry peers.	
	4. Whether remuneration of the	
	management is in line with its	
	performance and with industry peers	
	5. Whether remuneration of the Board	
	and the management is aligned with	
	the longer-term interests of the entity	
	and its shareholders.	
	6. Whether the Board selects,	
	compensates, monitors and, when	
	necessary, replaces key managerial	
	personnel based on such evaluation.	
	Whether the Board back steps' to	
	assist executive management by	
	challenging the assumptions	
	underlying strategy, strategic	
	initiatives (such as acquisitions), risk	
	appetite, exposures and the key areas	
	of entity's focus.	
	ii. Independence of the management	
	from the Board:	
	Whether the level of independence of the	
	management from the Board is adequate	
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	iii. Access of the management to the	
	Board and Board access to the	
	management:	
	Whether the Board and the management	
	are able to actively access each other and	
	exchange information	
	iv. Secretarial support:	
	Whether adequate secretarial and	
	logistical support is available for	
	conducting Board meetings	
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	v. Fund availability:
	Whether sufficient funds are made
	available to the Board for conducting
	its meeting effectively, seeking expert
	advice E.g. Legal, accounting, etc.
	vi. Succession plan:
	Whether an appropriate and adequate
	succession plan is in place and is
	being reviewed and overseen regularly
	by the Board
e.	i. Whether adequate induction and
Professional	professional development programs are
Development	made available to new and old directors
	ii. Whether continuing directors
	training is provided to ensure that the members of Board of directors are kept up to date

COMMITTEES OF BOARD

The Board has constituted the following committees:

- 1. Audit Committee;
- 2. Nomination and Remuneration Committee; and
- 3. Stakeholders Relationship Committee
- 4. Corporate Social Responsibility Committee;5. Risk Management Committee

For evaluating the performance of each committee, the Board of Directors shall pay regards to the following aspects as set out below:

	Particulars Particulars	Rating	Remarks
a. Mandate	Whether the mandate, composition and		
and	the working procedures of committees of the		
composition:	Board of directors is clearly defined and		
•	disclosed.		
b. Effectiveness	Whether the Committee has fulfilled its		
of the	functions as assigned by the Board and laws as		
Committee:	may be applicable		
c. Structure of the	i. Whether the Committees have been		
Committee and	structure properly and regular meetings		
meetings:	are being held		
	ii. In terms of discussions, agenda, etc. of		
	the meetings, similar criteria may be laid		
	down as specified above for the entire		
	Board		
d. Independence	Whether adequate independence of the		
of the	Committee is ensured from the Board		
Committee			
from the			
Board:			
e. Contribution to	Whether the Committee's recommendations		
decision of the	contribute effectively to decisions of the Board.		
Board:			

Name of Director being assessed:

S. No.	Assessment Criteria	Rating	Remarks
General	a. Qualifications: Details of professional qualifications of the member.		
	b. Experience: Details of Prior experience of the member, especially the experience relevant to the entity		
	c. Knowledge and competency: i. How the person fares across different competencies as identified for effective functioning of the entity and the Board. ii. Whether the person has sufficient understanding and knowledge of the entity and the sector in which it operates.		
	d.Fulfillment of functions: Whether the person understands and fulfills the functions to him/her as assigned by the Board and the law.		
	e. Ability to function as a team: Whether the person is able to function as an effective teammember.		
	f. Initiative: Whether the person actively takes initiative with respect to various areas		
	g. Availability and attendance: Whether the person is available for meetings of the Board and attends the meeting regularly and timely, without delay.		
	h. Commitment: Whether the person is adequately committed to the Board and the entity.		
	i. Contribution: Whether the person contributed effectively to the entity and in the Board meetings.		
	j. Integrity: Whether the person demonstrates highest level of integrity (including conflict of interest disclosures, maintenance of confidentiality, etc.)		
Additional criteria for Independe nt Director	 a. Independence: Whether a person is independent from the entity and the other directors and there if no conflict of interest. b. Independent views and judgement: 		
	Whether the person exercises his/her own judgement and voice's opinion freely.		

Additional
criteria for
Chairpers
on

a. Effectiveness of leadership and ability to steer the meetings: Whether the Chairperson displays efficient leadership, is open-minded, decisive, courteous, displays professionalism, able to coordinate the discussion, etc. and is overall able

to steer the meeting effectively

- **b. Impartiality:** Whether the Chairperson is impartial in conducting discussions, seeking views and dealing with dissent, etc.
- **c. Commitment:** Whether the Chairperson is sufficiently committed to the Board and its meetings.
- d. Ability to keep shareholder's interests in mind: Whether the Chairperson is able to keep shareholder's interest in mind during discussions and decisions.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Policy has been approved by the Board of Directors and is effective from 18.02.2025.

8. REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

The Board of Directors will review the Code and amend the same as and when required or at least once in three years. Any amendment to any applicable law, rules and regulations will become applicable on the Code and/or the Policy and shall supersede anything mentioned in the Code and/or the Policy.

9. DISCLOSURES

The policy shall be continuously hosted on the website of the Company after the approval of the Board of Directors and after every amendment/updating thereof.