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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Eighty Fifth Annual General Meeting ("AGM" or "Meeting") of the Members of Linde India Limited will be held through Video Conference (VC) or Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) on Thursday, 24 June 2021 at 10:00 a.m. IST to transact the following business. The venue of the meeting shall be deemed to be the Registered Office of the Company at Oxygen House, P 43, Taratala Road, Kolkata 700 088.

Ordinary Business:

- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Standalone Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 together with the Reports of the Board of Directors and the Auditors thereon and the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 together with the Report of the Auditors thereon.
- 2. To declare dividend on Equity Shares of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.
- 3. To appoint a director in place of Mr. Robert John Hughes (DIN: 08493540), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

Special Business:

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolutions:

4. As an Ordinary Resolution:

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 148(3) and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof, for the time being in force), Messrs Mani & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Regn. No. 000004), appointed as Cost Auditors by the Board of Directors of the Company to conduct the audit of cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31 December 2021 as prescribed under the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014 be paid a remuneration of Rs. 1,75,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy-Five Thousand only) plus applicable tax and out of pocket expenses that may be incurred during the course of audit and the said remuneration be and is hereby ratified and confirmed.

5. As an Ordinary Resolution:

"Resolved that pursuant to the provisions of Section 188 and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 23 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (SEBI Listing Regulations), as may be in force from time to time and subject to such approvals, consents, sanctions and permissions as may be necessary, all contracts/agreements/arrangements whether existing or to be

entered into by the Company in future from time to time with Praxair India Private Ltd. (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Linde Plc Group) and Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd. (formerly known as LSAS Services Private Ltd., a joint venture of the Company with Praxair India Private Ltd.), being related parties as defined under the Companies Act, 2013 and/or Regulation 23 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, among others, for purchase/sale/ manufacture of goods and services, critical spares, equipment, gases in bulk, cylinders, etc., purchase/sale of fixed assets, recovery of personnel and other costs and charges, execution of construction and engineering contracts, rendering/availing of services including Transport Operating Centre services in the normal course of business, borrowings and interest thereon and/or other related transactions with Praxair India Private Ltd.; and transactions covered by the Joint Venture and Shareholders Agreement and Operation & Management Services Agreement entered into by the Company with Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd. for undertaking certain functions of the Company such as Business Development, Onsite Account Management, Procurement, Operations, Safety, Human Resources, IT, Legal, Administration, Sales and Marketing, Product Management and Distribution, etc. and potential sale and transfer of movable assets of the Company such as distribution vehicles, tankers, cylinders, etc. to the Joint Venture Company, in the ordinary course of business, that may be entered into by the Company from the financial year commencing from 1 January 2021 till the financial year ending on 31 December 2023 for an aggregate limit of Rs.9,500 million for the total value of all such transactions in each financial year of the Company with the aforesaid related parties in every financial year with individual limits for each of the aforesaid related party as set out in the explanatory statement annexed herewith, be and are hereby approved.

Resolved further that the Board of Directors of the Company be and is hereby authorised to take such steps as may be necessary for obtaining approvals, statutory, contractual or otherwise, in relation to the above and to settle all matters arising out of and incidental thereto and to sign and execute all deeds, applications, documents, writings, that may be required, on behalf of the Company and generally to do all acts, deeds, matters and things that may be necessary, proper, expedient or incidental thereto without being required to seek any further consent or approval thereto expressly by the authority of this resolution for the purpose of giving effect to this resolution".

Registered Office

Oxygen House P-43 Taratala Road Kolkata 700 088 India

Kolkata 1 March 2021 By order of the Board Linde India Limited

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Pawan Marda Membership No. ACS 8625 Asst. Vice President & Company Secretary

Notes:

- Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 concerning the Special Business in the Notice of this Meeting is annexed hereto and forms part of this Notice. The Board of Directors have considered and decided to include item nos. 4 & 5 given above as Special Business to be transacted in the forthcoming AGM, as they are unavoidable in nature.
- 2. In view of continuing restrictions on the movement of persons at several places in the country due to outbreak of Covid-19 and the need to follow social distancing norms and pursuant to General Circular Nos. 20/2020 and 02/2021 dated 5th May 2020 and 13th January 2021, respectively, issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA Circulars") and Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/ CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May 2020 and SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/ CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January 2021 issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI Circulars") and in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI Listing Regulations"), the 85th AGM of the Company will be conducted through Video Conference (VC)/Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) Facility, which does not require physical presence of members at a common venue. The deemed venue for the 85th AGM shall be the Registered Office of the Company.
- 3. A Member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf and the proxy need not be a member of the Company. However, in terms of the MCA Circulars, since the physical attendance of Members has been dispensed with, there is no requirement of appointment of proxies. Accordingly, the facility of appointment of proxies by Members under Section 105 of the Companies Act, 2013 will not be available for the 85th AGM. In pursuance of Section 112 and Section 113 of the Companies Act, 2013, representatives of the Corporate Members may be appointed for the purpose of voting through remote e-Voting, for participation in the 85th AGM through VC/OAVM Facility and e-Voting during the said AGM.
- The Company has engaged National Securities Depository Limited ("NSDL") for providing facility for voting through remote e-Voting and for participation in the 85th AGM through VC/OAVM Facility and e-Voting during the 85th AGM.
- Participation of Members through VC/OAVM will be reckoned for the purpose of quorum for the AGM as per Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- 6. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company shall remain closed from Friday, 18 June 2021 to Thursday, 24 June 2021 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of the Meeting and payment of dividend.

Others

- 7. In view of the requirement for mandatory dematerialization for transfer of securities as per the amended Regulation 40(1) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, shareholders holding equity shares in physical form are urged to have their shares dematerialized so as to be able to freely transfer them and participate in various corporate actions.
- Members holding shares in physical form are also requested to notify immediately any change in their address including Pin code, Bank Mandate, etc. to the Company's Registrar & Transfer Agents, Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd., Room Nos.- 502 & 503, 5th Floor, Vaishno Chamber, 6 Brabourne Road, Kolkata 700001. Members holding shares in electronic form are requested to furnish this information to their respective Depository Participants for updation of the changes.
- 9. Members holding shares in multiple folios in identical names or joint accounts in the same order of names are requested to consolidate their shareholdings into one folio. Members holding shares in physical form are also requested to take action for dematerialization of the shares to avail the benefits of demat.
- 10. Members holding shares in physical form and desirous of making/updating Nomination in respect of their shareholdings in the Company, as permitted under Section 72 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made thereunder, are requested to submit the prescribed Form No. SH-13 and SH-14, as applicable for this purpose to the Company's Registrar & Transfer Agents, Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd., who will provide the form on request. These forms are also available on the Company's website at www.linde.in under Investor Relations section. Members holding shares in dematerialised form should make/update their nomination with their Depository Participants.
- Members are requested to contact the Company's Registrar & Transfer Agents, Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd., Room Nos.- 502 & 503, 5th Floor, Vaishno Chamber, 6 Brabourne Road, Kolkata 700001 (Email – kolkata@linkintime.co.in; Phone No. +91 33 4004 9728; Fax No. +91 33 4073 1698) for reply to their queries/redressal of complaints, if any relating to dividend, or contact the Secretarial Department of the Company by sending an email to investor.relations.in@linde.com.
- 12. The Securities and Exchange Board of India has mandated submission of Permanent Account Number (PAN) by every participant in securities market. Members holding shares in demat mode are, therefore, requested to submit a self-attested copy of their PAN card to the Depository Participants with whom they are maintaining their demat accounts. Members holding shares in physical form can submit the self-attested copy of their PAN card to the Company's Registrar & Transfer Agents.

13. Since the AGM will be held through VC/OAVM in accordance with the MCA Circulars, the route map, proxy form and attendance slip are not attached to this Notice.

Electronic despatch of Annual Report and process for registration of email id for obtaining copy of Annual Report:

- 14. In accordance with, the General Circular Nos. 20/2020 dated 5th May 2020 and 02/2021 dated 13th January 2021 issued by MCA and Circular Nos. SEBI/HO/CFD/ CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May 2020 and SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January 2021 issued by SEBI, the Annual Report along with the Notice of the 85th AGM, and instructions for e-voting are being sent only through electronic mode to those Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company/RTA/Depository Participants. Members may note that the Notice and Annual Report 2020 will also be available on the Company's website www.linde.in, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia. com and www.nseindia.com respectively, and on the website of NSDL https://www.evoting.nsdl.com.
- 15. Members holding share(s) in physical mode and who have not updated their email addresses are requested to update them on the RTA's shareholder registration portal at https://web. linkintime.co.in/EmailReg/Email_Register.html. Alternatively, Members can fill and send the signed "Email Registration Form" at the earliest to the Company by email at investor.relations. in@linde.com with a copy to the RTA's email id at kolkata@ linkintime.co.in. This form is available on the Company's website at www.linde.in under the Investor Relations section.

Members holding share(s) in electronic form are requested to register/update their email addresses with their respective Depository Participant(s).

The Members may also contact the Company's Secretarial department via email on investor.relations.in@linde.com for any assistance in this regard.

Procedure for joining the AGM through VC/ OAVM:

- 16. Members may join the 85th AGM through VC/OAVM Facility by following the procedure as mentioned below, which shall be kept open for the Members from 9:30 a.m. IST i.e. 30 minutes before the time scheduled to start the 85th AGM and shall be kept open throughout the proceedings of the AGM.
- 17. Members may note that the VC/OAVM Facility, provided by NSDL, has capacity to allow participation of at least 1,000 Members on a first-come first-served basis. The large shareholders (i.e. shareholders holding 2% or more shareholding), promoters, institutional investors, directors, key managerial personnel, the chairpersons of the Audit Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee and Stakeholders Relationship

Committee, auditors, etc. can attend the 85th AGM without any restriction on account of first-come first- served principle.

- 18. Members will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-Voting system. Members may access the same by following the steps mentioned in note no.33 E-voting: under the sub head "Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system". After successful login, you can see "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against company name. You are requested to click on VC/OAVM link placed under Join General Meeting menu. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/Member login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. Please note that the Members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-Voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-Voting instructions mentioned in Note 33 (E-voting) in the Notice to avoid last minute rush.
- 19. Please note that participants connecting from Mobile devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot, may experience Audio/Video loss due to fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore, recommended to use stable Wi-Fi or LAN connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- 20. Members who need assistance before or during the AGM with use of technology, can:
 - Send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or use Toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30; or
 - Contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Senior Manager, NSDL at the designated email ID: evoting@nsdl.co.in or AmitV@nsdl.co.in or
 - Contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL at the designated email ID: evoting@nsdl.co.in or pallavid@nsdl.co.in.

Procedure to raise questions / seek clarifications with respect to Annual Report:

- 21. As the AGM is being conducted through VC / OAVM, for the smooth conduct of proceedings of the AGM, Members are encouraged to express their views / send their queries in advance mentioning their name, demat account number/folio number, email id, mobile number at investor.relations.in@linde. com. Questions/queries received by the Company by email till 5:00 p.m. on Monday, 21 June 2021 shall only be considered and responded during the AGM.
- 22. Members who would like to express their views or ask questions during the AGM may register themselves as a speaker by using the login method explained at note no. 33 E-voting: under the sub head " Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system" from 9:00 a.m. on Monday, 21 June 2021 to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 22 June 2021. After successful login, Members will be able to register themselves as a speaker shareholder by clicking on the link available against the EVEN of Linde India Limited.

23. The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of questions and number of speakers, as appropriate for smooth conduct of the AGM.

Dividend related information:

- 24. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members/ list of Beneficial Owners as on Thursday, 17 June 2021, i.e. the date prior to the commencement of book closure, being the cutoff date will be entitled to payment of Dividend for the financial year ended 31 December 2020, as recommended by the Board, if approved at the AGM.
- 25. As per the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Company shall use any of the electronic mode of payment facility approved by the Reserve Bank of India for the payment of dividend. To avoid delay in receipt of dividend, Members holding shares in demat mode are requested to submit/update their Bank details viz. Bank Account Number, Name of the Bank, Branch details, MICR Code, IFS Code to the Depository Participants with whom they are maintaining their demat account.

Members holding share(s) in physical mode and who have not updated their bank mandates are requested to update them on the RTA's shareholder registration portal at https://web. linkintime.co.in/EmailReg/Email_Register.html. Alternatively, the Members can update their bank mandates, if required, by sending a signed request letter with the email for this purpose to the Company at investor.relations.in@linde.com with a copy to the RTA's email id at kolkata@linkintime.co.in. Along with the signed letter containing the Member's name, Folio No., the Members should enclose self attested scanned copy of PAN card and self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar card and a scanned copy of the cancelled cheque bearing the name of the first Member for updating bank account details.

Members may also contact the Company's Secretarial department via email on investor.relations.in@linde.com for any assistance in this regard.

For members who have not updated their bank account details, dividend warrants/demand drafts/cheques will be sent out to their registered addresses as soon as possible.

26. Members may note that the Income Tax Act, 1961, ("the IT Act") as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, mandates that dividends paid or distributed by a Company after 1 April 2020 shall be taxable in their hands. The Company shall therefore be required to deduct tax at source (TDS) as applicable at the time of making the payment of dividend. In order to enable us to determine the appropriate TDS rate as applicable, Members are requested to submit the documents as mentioned below in accordance with the provisions of the IT Act.

For resident shareholders, taxes shall be deducted at source under Section 194 of the IT Act as follows:

Members having valid PAN	10% or as notified by the
	Government
Members not having PAN/	20% or as notified by the
valid PAN	Government

However, no tax shall be deducted on the dividend payable to a resident individual if the total dividend to be received by them during Financial Year 2021-22 does not exceed Rs 5,000 and also in cases where members provide Form 15G/Form 15H (applicable to individuals aged 60 years or more) subject to conditions specified in the IT Act. Resident shareholders may also submit any other document as prescribed under the IT Act to claim a lower / nil withholding tax.

For non-resident shareholders, taxes are required to be withheld in accordance with the provisions of Section 195 and other applicable sections of the IT Act, at the rates in force. The withholding tax shall be at the rate of 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) or as notified by the Government of India on the amount of dividend payable. However, as per Section 90 of the IT Act, non-resident shareholders have the option to be governed by the provisions of the Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) between India and the country of tax residence of the member, if they are more beneficial to them. For this purpose, i.e. to avail the benefits under the DTAA, nonresident shareholders will have to provide the following:

- Copy of the PAN card allotted by the Indian Income Tax authorities duly attested by the member
- Copy of Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) for the FY 2021-22 obtained from the revenue authorities of the country of tax residence, duly attested by member
- Self-declaration in Form 10F
- Self-declaration by the shareholder having no permanent establishment in India in accordance with the applicable tax treaty
- Self-declaration of beneficial ownership by the non-resident shareholder
- Any other documents as prescribed under the IT Act for lower withholding of taxes if applicable, duly attested by member.

In case of Foreign Institutional Investors/ Foreign Portfolio Investors, tax will be deducted under Section 196D of the IT Act @ 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess).

The aforementioned documents are required to be uploaded on the Registrar's shareholder portal at https://www.linkintime. co.in/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html during the period commencing from 04 June 2021 and ending on 17 June 2021. Members are hereby informed that no communication from them would be entertained after 17 June 2021 regarding the tax withholding matters. It may be further noted that in case the tax on said dividend is deducted at a higher rate in absence of receipt of the aforementioned details/documents from you, there would still be an option available with you to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund from the Income Tax department, if eligible.

27. In terms of Sections 124 and 125 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 ('the IEPF Rules') as amended from time to time, the amount of dividend remaining unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven years from the date of transfer to the unpaid dividend account, is required to be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) established by the Central Government.

Members who have not encashed their dividend warrant(s) for any one or more of the financial year(s) viz. year ended on 31 December 2013, 31 December 2014, 31 December 2015, 31 December 2016, 31 December 2017, 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2019 are requested to send their claims to the Company or its Registrar & Transfer Agents, Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd., Room Nos.- 502 & 503, 5th Floor, Vaishno Chamber, 6 Brabourne Road, Kolkata 700001 for the same. The due dates for transfer of the aforesaid unpaid/unclaimed dividend to IEPF are as follows:

Dividend for the year ended	Due date for
	transfer to IEPF
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2013 (59th Dividend)	29 June 2021
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2014 (60th Dividend)	22 June 2022
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2015 (61st Dividend)	25 June 2023
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2016 (62nd Dividend)	25 May 2024
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2017 (63rd Dividend)	23 May 2025
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2018 (64th Dividend)	22 June 2026
Year Ended 31 Dec. 2019 (65th Dividend)	25 October 2027

- 28. Members are requested to note that pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, all such shares in respect of which dividend has not been paid or claimed for seven consecutive years are required to be transferred to the demat account of the IEPF Authority. In line with the said provisions, during the year 2020, the Company had issued individual notices dated 17 March 2020 to the concerned shareholders requesting them to claim their unpaid/unclaimed dividend. The Company had also published a notice dated 8 October 2020 in the Kolkata editions of Business Standard (English) and Aaj Kaal (Bengali) on 9 October 2020 in connection with transfer of such equity shares in the Company to the demat account of the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority.
- 29. In compliance with the aforesaid provisions of the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, the Company had submitted the corporate action information form of NSDL to its Registrar and Transfer Agents on 11 January 2021 for transfer of 21,833

shares of the Company to the Demat Account of the IEPF Authority, which were subsequently transferred to the Demat Account of the IEPF Authority on 18 January 2021 on execution of the corporate action by the RTA. The details of shares transferred are as follows:

Shares held in	Number of	Number of
	records	shares
Physical Form	165	20,691
NSDL	08	1,016
CDSL	03	126
Total	176	21,833

30. Members are informed that once the unpaid/unclaimed dividend or the shares are transferred to IEPF, the same may be claimed by the concerned shareholders/claimants from the IEPF Authority by making an application in prescribed Form IEPF-5 online and sending the physical copy of the same duly signed along with requisite documents to the Registered Office of the Company for verification of the claim. The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 as amended and the application form (Form IEPF-5), as prescribed by the MCA for claiming back of the shares/dividend, are available on the website of the Company at www.linde.in as well as on the website of IEPF at www.iepf.gov.in.

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and the application form (Form IEPF-5), as prescribed by the MCA for claiming back of the shares/ dividend, are available on the website of the Company at www.linde.in as well as on the website of IEPF at www.iepf.gov.in.

31. As mentioned in Note 27 above, the unpaid/unclaimed dividend for the year 2013 (59th Dividend) would become due for transfer to IEPF on 29 June 2021. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and the IEPF Rules, the transfer of the 59th dividend to IEPF would trigger the action for transfer of the next lot of shares to the Demat Account of the IEPF Authority, in respect of which Dividend remained unpaid/ unclaimed for the last seven consecutive years (i.e. 59th Dividend to 65th Dividend). In compliance with the IEPF Rules, the Company has already sent individual notices dated 19 March 2021 to the concerned shareholders and had also issued a public notice in newspapers for the attention of the concerned shareholders. Any shareholder having a claim for the 59th (unpaid/unclaimed) Dividend is requested to submit the claim to the Company by email within 18 June 2021 as the Company will initiate action for closure action of the 59th Dividend Account thereafter.

Procedure for inspection of documents:

32. The Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding, maintained under Section 170 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rules made thereunder and the Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which Directors are interested,

maintained under Section 189 of the Companies Act, 2013, and other relevant documents in respect of the proposed resolutions, if any, would be electronically available for inspection by the Members during the meeting. All documents referred to in the Notice will also be available for electronic inspection without any fee by the members from the date of circulation of this Notice up to the date of AGM, i.e. 24 June 2021. Members seeking to inspect such documents can send an email to investor.relations.in@linde.com.

Procedure for remote E-voting and E-voting during the AGM:

33. E-voting:

In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended from time to time and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and in terms of SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9th December 2020 in relation to e-Voting facility provided by Listed Entities, the Company is pleased to provide to the Members facility of voting by electronic means in respect of businesses to be transacted at the 85th Annual General Meeting which includes remote e-voting (i.e. voting electronically from a place other than the venue of the general meeting) and voting during the AGM through an electronic voting system. As mentioned in the Note 4 above, the Company has engaged the services of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) for facilitating voting by electronic means.

The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members / list of Beneficial Owners as on Thursday, 17 June 2021, i.e. the date prior to the commencement of book closure, being the cut-off date, are entitled to vote on the Resolutions set forth in

this Notice. A person who is not a Member as on the cut-off date should treat this Notice for information purposes only.

I. Procedure for E-voting :

The way to vote electronically on NSDL e-Voting system consists of "Two Steps" which are mentioned below:

Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting systemStep 2: Cast your vote electronically and join the AGM by VC/ OAVM (virtual meeting) on NSDL e-Voting system.

Details on Step 1 (Access to NSDL e-Voting system) is mentioned below:

A. Login method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.

Pursuant to SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/ CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9th December 2020 on "e-Voting facility provided by Listed Entities", e-Voting process has been enabled to all the individual demat account holders, by way of single login credential, through their demat accounts/websites of Depositories / DPs in order to increase the efficiency of the voting process. Individual demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the e-Voting service provider (ESP), thereby not only facilitating seamless authentication but also ease and convenience of participating in e-Voting process.

Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and e-mail ID with their DPs in order to access e-Voting facility.

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

Type of shareholders	Login Method
ndividual Shareholders holding securities in	A. NSDL IDEAS facility
demat mode with NSDL	If you are already registered for NSDL IDeAS facility, follow the below steps:
	1. Visit the e-Services website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile.
	 Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under "IDeAS" section.
	 A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-Voting services.
	4. Click on "Access to e-Voting" under e-Voting services and you will be able to see e-Voting page.
	 Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider - NSDL and you will be re-directed to NSDL e-Voting website for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.
	If you are not registered with NSDL IDeAS facility, follow the below steps:
	1. 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 Please follow steps given in points 1-5 mentioned above

	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 phone.	
	Once the home page of e-Voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is availab under 'Shareholder/Member' section.	le
	A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID (i.e. your sixteen-digit demat acconumber held with NSDL), Password / OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.	unt
	After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL website wherein you can see e-Voting page. Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider - NSDL and you will be redirected to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting and e-Voting during the meeting.	
Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL	Existing users who have opted for Easi/Easiest, they can login through their user id and passw Option will be made available to reach e-Voting page without any further authentication. The for users to login to Easi/Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or www.	URL
	cdslindia.com and click on New System Myeasi. After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be also able to see the E Voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-Voting service provider i.e. NSDL. Click on NSDL to cast your vote.	
	If the user is not registered for Easi/Easiest, option to register is available at https://web. cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration	
	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 us by sending OTP on registered Mobile & Email as recorded in the demat Account. After successfu authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP i.e. NSDL where the e-Voting in progress.	ul
Individual Shareholders (holding securities in	You can also login using the login credentials of your demat account through your Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-Voting facility.	
demat mode) login through their depository participants	Once login, you will be able to see e-Voting option. Once you click on e-Voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after successful authentication, wherein you can see-Voting feature.	
·	Click on options available against company name or e-Voting service provider-NSDL and you vere directed to e-Voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting per or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.	

Important note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/ Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

Helpdesk for Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL.

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual Shareholders	Members facing any technical
holding securities in	issue in login can contact NSDL
demat mode with NSDL	helpdesk by sending a request
	at evoting@nsdl.co.in or call at
	toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and
	1800 22 44 30
Individual Shareholders	Members facing any technical
holding securities in	issue in login can contact CDSL
demat mode with CDSL	helpdesk by sending a request at
	helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com
	or contact at 022- 23058738 or
	022-23058542-43

B. Login Method for e-Voting and joining virtual meeting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode

How to Log-in to NSDL e-Voting website?

- (a) Visit the e-voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile.
- (b) Once the home page of e-voting system is launched, click on the icon 'Login' which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section.
- (c) A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.

Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL e-services i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at https://eservices.nsdl.com/ with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL

e-services after using your log-in credentials, click on e-voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.

(d) Your User ID details are given below:

14.0	apper of holding	Your User ID is:
	nner of holding	Your user in is:
sha	ares i.e. Demat (NSDL	
٥ſ	CDSL) or Physical	
a)	For Members who	8 Character DP ID followed by
	hold shares in demat	8 Digit Client ID
	account with NSDL	For example if your DP ID
		is IN300*** and Client ID is
		12****** then your user ID is
		IN300***12*****
b)	For Members who	16 Digit Beneficiary ID
	hold shares in demat	For example if your
	account with CDSL	Beneficiary ID is
		12************* then your
		user ID is 12**************
c)	For Members	EVEN Number followed by
	holding shares in	Folio Number registered with
	Physical Form	the company
		For example if folio number
		is 001*** and EVEN is 101456
		then user ID is 101456001***

- (e) Your password details are given below:
 - i. If you are already registered for e-voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.
 - ii. If you are using NSDL e-voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.
 iii Here to retrieve your (initial password')
 - iii. How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
 - If your email ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your email ID. Trace the email sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox.
 Open the email and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the .pdf file is your 8-digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
 - If your email ID is not registered, please follow instruction mentioned in Note No. 15 above.
- (f) If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the 'Initial password' or have forgotten your password:
 - Click on 'Forgot User Details/Password?' (if you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
 - ii. 'Physical User Reset Password?' (if you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on www. evoting.nsdl.com.

- iii. If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at evoting@nsdl. co.in mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address.
- iv. Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- (g) After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.
- (h) Now, you will have to click on "Login" button.
- (i) After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-Voting will open.

Details on Step 2 (Cast your vote electronically and join the AGM by VC/OAVM (virtual meeting) on NSDL e-Voting system) is mentioned below:

How to cast your vote electronically on NSDL e-voting system?

- (a) After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies 'EVEN' in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status.
- (b) Select 'EVEN' of Company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-Voting period and cast your vote during the General Meeting. For joining virtual meeting, you need to click on VC/OAVM" link placed under "Join General Meeting".
- (c) Now you are ready for e-voting as the voting page opens.
- (d) Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify / modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on 'Submit' and also 'Confirm' when prompted.
- (e) Upon confirmation, the message 'Vote cast successfully' will be displayed.
- (f) You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- (g) Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

II. Instructions for Members for E-Voting during the 85th AGM:

- (a) The procedure for e-voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
- (b) Only those Members, who will be present in the AGM through VC / OAVM facility and have not casted their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting system in the AGM.
- (c) Members who have voted through remote e-voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- (d) For details of the person who may be contacted for any assistance connected with the facility for e-voting on the day of the AGM, please refer to Note No. 20 above.

III. General Information:

- (a) It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the 'Forgot User Details/Password?' or 'Physical User Reset Password?' option available on www.evoting. nsdl.com to reset the password.
- (b) The voting rights shall be as per the number of equity shares held by the Member(s) as on Thursday, 17 June 2021, being the cut-off date. Members are eligible to cast vote electronically only if they are holding shares as on that date. In case of joint holders, only one of the joint holders may cast his/her vote.
- (c) Mr S. M. Gupta (Membership No. FCS-896) of Messrs S. M. Gupta & Co., Company Secretaries (C. P. No. 2053), whom failing, Mr P Sarawagi (Membership No. FCS-3381) of Messrs P Sarawagi & Associates, Company Secretaries (C. P. No. 4882) who have individually consented to the Company to act as the Scrutinizer, have been appointed by the Board of Directors as the Scrutinizer to scrutinize the voting process for the 85th Annual General Meeting of the Company in a fair and transparent manner and submit the Scrutinizer's report of the total votes cast to the Chairman or a person authorized by him in writing.
- (d) The results of the electronic voting shall be declared to the Stock Exchanges after the conclusion of AGM. The declared results along with the Scrutinizer's Report will be available on the Company's website at www.linde.in and on the website of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com and will also be displayed on the Notice Board of the Company at its Registered Office. Subject to receipt of requisite number of votes, the resolutions set out in the Notice shall be deemed to be passed on the date of the AGM.
- (e) In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-Voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 2244 30 or send a request at evoting@nsdl. co.in. or contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Senior Manager or Ms Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, National Securities Depository Ltd., Trade World, 'A' Wing, 4th Floor, Kamala Mills Compound, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400 013, at the designated email IDs: evoting@nsdl.co.in or AmitV@ nsdl.co.in or pallavid@nsdl.co.in who will also address the grievances connected with the voting by electronic means. Members may also write to the Company Secretary at the Company's email address investor.relations.in@linde.com.
- (f) Members of the Company under the category of Corporate and Institutional Investors are encouraged to attend and vote at the AGM through VC/OAVM. Corporate and Institutional

shareholders (i.e. other than Individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) are required to send scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of the relevant Board Resolution/ Authority letter etc. with attested specimen signature of the duly authorized signatory(ies) who are authorized to vote, to the Scrutinizer by e-mail to scrutinizer@linde.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl. co.in.

IV. Other Instructions:

- (a) Any person holding shares in physical form and nonindividual shareholders, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes member of the Company after the notice is sent through e-mail and holding shares as of the cut-off date i.e. 17 June 2021, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or to the Company/ RTA. However, if such shareholders are already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting, they can use their existing user ID and password for casting their vote. In case such shareholders forgot password, they can reset the password by using "Forgot User Details/Password" or "Physical User Reset Password" option available on www.evoting.nsdl. com or call on toll free no. 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30. In case of Individual Shareholders holding securities in demat mode, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes a Member after desptach of the Notice and holding shares as of the cut-off date i.e. 17 June 2021, he/she may follow steps explained at note no. 33 E-voting: under the sub head " Step 1: Access to NSDL e-Voting system".
- (b) The remote e-voting period starts on Monday, 21 June 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and ends on Wednesday, 23 June 2021 at 5:00 p.m. During this period, Members of the Company holding shares either in physical form or in dematerialized form, as on the cut-off date of Thursday, 17 June 2021, may cast their votes electronically. The remote e-voting module will be disabled by NSDL for voting thereafter. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, the Member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently. A person who is not a Member as on the cut-off date should treat this Notice for information purposes only.
- (c) Members attending the meeting through VC/OAVM who have not already cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to exercise their voting right at the meeting through electronic voting system. The Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the meeting may also attend the meeting but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again.

34. Appointment/re-appointment of Directors:

Additional information, pursuant to Regulation 36 of the Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standard 2 on General Meetings, in respect of the directors seeking appointment / re-appointment at the AGM, forms part of this Notice.

Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 to the accompanying Notice:

As the businesses specified in Item Nos. 4 & 5 of the Notice of even date, to which this statement is annexed, are items of special business to be transacted at the 85th Annual General Meeting of the Company, the following facts are set out in compliance with the provisions of Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013. Although not statutorily required, brief details with regard to Item No. 3 regarding re-appointment of director retiring by rotation is also provided as an additional information to the Members.

Item No.3

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 152 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and Article 104 of the Company's Articles of Association, Mr Robert John Hughes (DIN: 08493540), Non-Executive Director, is required to retire by rotation at this Meeting and being eligible, has offered himself for reappointment.

In the opinion of the Board, Mr Hughes is a person of integrity and fulfils the conditions specified in the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules made thereunder read with the provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 each as amended and is therefore eligible for being re-appointed by the Members of the Company.

Mr Hughes was appointed as the Director (Non-Executive) of the Company on 28 June 2019. The Company has received from Mr Hughes (i) Consent in writing to act as Director in Form DIR-2 (ii) Intimation in Form DIR-8 to the effect that he is not disqualified under Section 164(2) of the Companies Act, 2013 and (iii) Declaration pursuant to BSE Circular No. LIST/COMP/14/2018-19 dated 20 June 2018, that he has not been debarred from holding office of a Director by virtue of any Order passed by Securities and Exchange Board of India or any other such authority.

The other requisite details of Mr Hughes, pursuant to Regulation 36(3) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and the Secretarial Standard on General Meetings (SS-2) are separately provided below as an additional information to the Members.

Mr. Hughes and his relatives are concerned or interested in the proposed Resolution as it relates to his re-appointment. None of the other Directors and Key Managerial Personnel (KMPs) of the Company, either directly or through their relatives, is in any way, concerned or interested, whether financially or otherwise, in the proposed Resolution.

The Board, therefore, recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at item no. 3 of the Notice for your approval.

Item No.4

The Board of Directors of the Company had on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, approved the appointment of Messrs Mani & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Regn. No. 000004) as the Cost Auditors at a fees of Rs.1,75,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy-Five Thousand only) plus applicable tax and out of pocket expenses that may be incurred during the course of audit of cost records of the Company for the financial year ending on 31 December 2021. Messrs Mani & Co. has vast experience in the field of cost audit across diverse industries including chemical sector to which your Company belongs.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 148(3) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Rule 14(a)(ii) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors is required to be ratified by the Members of the Company. None of the Directors and Key Managerial Personnel (KMPs) of the Company, either directly or through their relatives, is in any way, concerned or interested, whether financially or otherwise, in the proposed Resolution.

The Board, therefore, recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at item no.4 of the Notice for approval by the Members.

Item No. 5

Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 provides that except with the consent of the Board of Directors (the Board) given by a resolution at a meeting of the Board and subject to such conditions as prescribed in rules framed in this regard, no company shall enter into any contract or arrangement with a related party with respect to transactions specified therein. It is further provided that in case of a company having paid up share capital of not less than such amount or transactions not exceeding such sums as are prescribed in the rules framed in this regard, no contract or arrangement shall be entered into except with the prior approval of the company by an ordinary resolution. It is further provided that nothing in this sub section shall apply to any transactions entered into by the company, which are entered in its ordinary course of business and are at arm's length.

Your Company's transactions with Praxair India Private Ltd. (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Linde Plc Group), being a related party as defined in the Companies Act, 2013 and/or Regulation 23 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015, relate to among others, the transactions for purchase/sale/manufacture of goods and services, critical spares, equipment, gases in bulk, cylinders, etc., purchase/sale of fixed assets, recovery of personnel and other costs and charges, execution of construction and engineering contracts, rendering/availing of services including Transport Operating Centre services in the normal course of business, borrowings and interest thereon and/or other related transactions, etc., which are necessitated to realise potential synergies for the Company. These synergies will also lead to higher revenues in the construction and engineering contracts, which are very critical and essential for improving the operating effectiveness of the Company and to optimally utilise its capabilities in an increasingly competitive business environment.

Your Company's transaction with Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd. (formerly known as LSAS Services Private Ltd., a joint venture (JV) of the Company with Praxair India Private Ltd.), being a related party, as defined in the Companies Act, 2013 and/or Regulation 23 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015, are covered by the Joint Venture and Shareholders Agreement and Operation & Management Services Agreement entered into by the Company with Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd., which comprise of undertaking certain functions of the Company such as Business Development, Onsite Account Management, Procurement, Operations, Safety, Human Resources, IT, Legal, Administration, Sales and Marketing, Product Management, Distribution, etc. and potential sale and transfer of movable assets of the Company such as distribution vehicles, tankers, cylinders, etc. to the said JV Company.

Although, your Company always seeks to enter into transactions with related parties in the ordinary course of business and at arm's length basis, yet as per the amended Regulation 23 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015, all related party transactions even though exempted under Section 188(1) of the Companies Act, 2013, have to be approved by the Members by way of an ordinary resolution in case such transactions are of material nature as defined in Regulation 23 of the SEBI Listing Regulations, 2015, i.e. the transactions exceed 10% of annual consolidated turnover. Considering the dynamic business environment and the need to pursue growth opportunities in the Gases and Project Engineering business of the Company, the aggregate of all transactions entered into by the Company during any financial year with Praxair India Private Ltd. (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Linde Plc Group) and Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd., the JV Company, may meet the criteria of materiality as aforesaid at any time during the validity of this resolution. The Company is therefore, under an obligation to seek the approval of its shareholders by way of an ordinary resolution. The details of the Related Party Transactions with Praxair India Private Ltd. and Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd. will, however, continue to be disclosed in the Annual Financial Statements. These transactions are also reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board and are in line with the Company's Policy on related party transactions.

It is therefore, proposed to seek approval of the aforesaid related party transactions, which are either existing or are likely to be entered into by the Company with Praxair India Private Ltd. and Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd. from the financial year commencing from 1 January 2021 till the financial year ending on 31 December 2023 for an aggregate limit of Rs.9,500 million for each financial year for all such transactions, with individual limits for each related party set out in the table below.

In keeping with the provisions of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013, and Regulation 23 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, all entities falling under the definition of related parties shall not vote to approve the relevant transaction irrespective of whether the entity is a party to the particular transaction or not.

Mr Robert J Hughes and Ms Cheryl Chan, non-executive directors of the Company representing the promoter group as professionals, and their relatives, may be deemed to be concerned or interested in their limited capacity as non-executive directors of the Company. None of the other Directors and Key Managerial Personnel (KMPs) of the Company, either directly or through their relatives, is in any way, concerned or interested, whether financially or otherwise, in the proposed Resolution.

The Board, therefore, recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at item no. 5 of the Notice for approval by the Members.

Name of the	Name of the Director or Key	Nature of relationship	Nature, material terms, monetary value, and particulars
related party	Managerial Personnel who is related,	& business activities	of contract or arrangement
	if any	of the party	
Praxair India	Mr R J Hughes and Ms C Chan, Non-	Wholly owned	Purchase/sale/manufacture of goods and services,
Private Ltd.	Executive Directors of the Company representing the promoter group as professionals, may be deemed to be concerned or interested in their limited capacity as non-executive directors of the Company.	subsidiary of the Linde Plc Group	critical spares, equipment, gases in bulk, cylinders, etc., purchase/sale of fixed assets, recovery of personnel and other costs and charges, execution of construction and engineering contracts, rendering/availing of services including Transport Operating Centre services in the normal course of business, borrowings and interest thereon and/or other related transactions, etc.
			Monetary Value:
			up to an aggregate value of Rs.7,000 million per financial year.
			Transaction in ordinary course of business and at arms-

length.

Pursuant to rule 15(3) of Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014, the nature of interest of related parties is given in Table below:

Linde South Asia Services Private Ltd.	Mr R J Hughes and Ms C Chan, Non- Executive Directors of the Company representing the promoter group as professionals, may be deemed to be concerned or interested in their limited capacity as non-executive directors of the Company.	Joint Venture Company	O&M services for undertaking certain functions of the Company such as Business Development, Onsite Account Management, Procurement, Operations, Safety, Human Resources, IT, Legal, Administration, Sales and Marketing, Product Management, Distribution, etc. and potential sale and transfer of movable assets of the Company such as distribution vehicles, tankers, cylinders, etc. to the said JV Company.
			Monetary Value: up to an aggregate value of Rs. 2,500 million per financial year. Transaction in ordinary course of business and at arms- length.

Additional information on directors recommended for appointment/re-appointment as required under Regulation 36 of the Listing Regulations and the Secretarial Standard on General Meeting (SS-2) are as below:

Mr Robert John Hughes

Mr Robert John Hughes (DIN: 08493540) is a Bachelor of Science, Chemistry, from Bradford University, UK and holds a Diploma in Management Studies from Hull University, UK. Mr Hughes has over 34 years of experience, which includes nearly 30 years of rich experience in BOC and Linde in customer-facing leadership roles including Sales, Key Customer Management, Customer Services and Marketing, Strategic Management and management of JVs. Mr Hughes has held senior management positions in BOC in Europe and subsequently in Linde in Asia and was the Head of Regional Business Unit, South and East Asia of The Linde Group from 2015 to 2018, when he successfully led through both business growth and turnaround situations.

Age: 58 years

Nature of expertise in specific functional areas: Sales, Key Customer Management, Customer Services and Marketing, Strategic Management and management of JVs.

Disclosure of inter-se relationships between Directors and Key Managerial Personnel: There is no inter-se relationship between Mr Robert John Hughes, other members of the Board and Key Managerial Personnel of the Company. Listed entities (other than Linde India) in which Mr Robert John Hughes holds directorship and committee membership: Nil

Shareholding in the Company as on 31 December 2020: Nil

Remuneration proposed to be paid, last drawn salary and key terms and conditions of re-appointment: The Company does not pay remuneration to Non-Executive Directors representing the Promoter Group.

Date of first appointment on Board and number of Board meetings attended: The details pertaining to Mr Hughes' appointment and number of meetings attended by him are provided in the Corporate Governance Report forming part of the Annual Report 2020.

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Kolkata 1 March 2021 By order of the Board Linde India Limited

Pawan Marda Membership No. ACS 8625 Asst. Vice President & Company Secretary

Information at a Glance

Particulars	Details
Time and Date of AGM	10.00 a.m. IST, Thursday, 24 June 2021
Mode	Video Conference (VC) and Other Audio-Visual Means (OAVM)
Helpline number for VC participation	NSDL Toll Free No.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 2244 30
Webcasts and transcripts	http://www.linde.in/en/investor_relations/
Book Closure date for Dividend	18 June 2021 to 24 June 2021 (both days inclusive)
Dividend payment date	On or about 29 June 2021
Cut-off date for e-voting	Thursday, 17 June 2021
E-voting start time and date	9.00 a.m. IST, Monday, 21 June 2021
E-voting end time and date	5.00 p.m. IST, Wednesday, 23 June 2021
E-voting website of NSDL	https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/
Name, address and contact details of e-voting service provider	Amit Vishal, Senior Manager
	Pallavi Mhatre, Manager
	National Securities Depository Limited,
	4th Floor, A Wing, Trade World, Kamala Mills Compound,
	Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400013, India
	Contact details:
	Email id:
	AmitV@nsdl.co.in;
	pallavid@nsdl.co.in;
	evoting@nsdl.co.in;
	Contact number:
	1800 1020 990 and 1800 2244 30
Name, Address and Contact details of Registrar & Share Transfer Agent	Mr Amit Banerjee
	Assoc. Vice President & Head- Kolkata Operations
	Link Intime India Pvt. Ltd.
	Room Nos 502 & 503, 5th Floor,
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