



# ***DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION POLICY***

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**Introduction:**

This Dividend Distribution Policy of **Arkade Developers Limited** (the “Company”) is made pursuant to the applicable provisions of Regulation 43A of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the ‘SEBI Listing Regulations’). The Board of Directors of the Company ( “the Board”), at its meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 has approved the Dividend Distribution Policy of the Company (“the Policy”) and shall become effective from the date of its adoption by the Board. The Company shall disclose the Policy on a voluntary basis in the annual reports and on its website. This Policy sets out the general parameters adopted by the Company for declaration of dividend for guidance purposes.

**1. Objective:**

The philosophy of the Company is to maximize the shareholders' wealth in the Company through various means. The Company believes that driving growth creates maximum shareholder value. Thus, the Company would first utilize its profits for working capital requirements, capital expenditure to meet expansion needs, reducing debt from its books of accounts, earmarking reserves for inorganic growth opportunities and thereafter distributing the surplus profits in the form of dividend to the shareholders.

The objective of this Policy is to establish the parameters to be considered before declaring or recommending dividend by the Board of Directors of the Company and to regulate the





process of dividend declaration and its pay-out by the Company which would ensure the right balance between the quantum of Dividend paid and amounts of profits retained in the business for the various purposes.

The Company would endeavor to pay sustainable dividend keeping in view the Company's policy of meeting the long-term growth objectives from internal cash accruals.

## 2. Category of Dividends

The Board of Directors shall have the power to recommend final dividend to the equity shareholders for their approval in the Annual General Meeting of the Company. Subject to compliance with the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 including the Rules made thereunder and other relevant regulations as applicable from time to time, if any, the Board of Directors shall also have the absolute power to declare interim dividend during any financial year out of the surplus in the profit and loss account and out of profits of the financial year in which such interim dividend is sought to be declared, as and when they consider it fit in compliance with Companies Act, 2013 and other relevant regulations as applicable from time to time.

## 3. Circumstances under which dividend may or may not be declared:

The Board of Directors of the Company may not declare or recommend dividend for a particular period if it is of the view that it would be prudent to conserve capital for the then ongoing or planned business expansion or other factors which may be considered by the Board.

The Shareholders of the Company may not expect Dividend or expect reduced dividend inter-alia, but not limited to under the following circumstances:

- (a) Inadequacy of profits or whenever the Company has incurred losses;





- (b) Proposed buy-back of securities;
- (c) Significantly higher working capital requirements adversely impacting free cash flow;
- (d) Expansion of business, acquisitions or joint ventures requiring significant allocation of capital;
- (e) Operation of any law in force which restricts payment of dividend in particular circumstances; and
- (f) Any restrictions and covenants contained in any agreement as may be entered with the lenders.

It may be noted that declaration of dividend shall be subject to the provisions of Companies Act, 2013, SEBI Listing Regulations, Guidelines issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs/Ministry of Finance/Department of Investment and Public Asset Management or any other authority.

#### **4. Financial/Internal Parameters for Dividend Distribution**

The Board of Directors of the Company would consider the following financial/internal parameters before declaring or recommending dividend to shareholders:

- (a) Distributable surplus available as per the Companies Act, 2013 and Listing Regulations.
- (b) Profits earned during the financial year
- (c) Retained Earnings
- (d) Earnings outlook
- (e) Present and future capital expenditure plans/working capital requirements of the Company.
- (f) Past Dividend Trends
- (g) Any other relevant factors and material events as may be deemed fit by the board





## 5. External Parameters for Dividend Distribution

The Board of Directors of the Company shall consider the following external parameters while declaring dividend or recommending dividend to shareholders:

- (a) Dividend pay-out ratios of Companies in the same industry.
- (b) Macro-economic environment – Significant changes in macro-economic environment materially affecting the businesses in which the Company is engaged in the geographies in which the Company operates;
- (c) Regulatory changes – Introduction of new regulatory requirements or material changes in existing taxation or regulatory requirements, which significantly affect the businesses in which the Company is engaged;
- (d) Technological changes – Development in technology which necessitate significant new investments in any of the businesses in which the Company is engaged;
- (e) Capital Markets – Dividend pay-out may depend upon the capital market environment and cost of capital to raise fresh funds through alternate resources;
- (f) Taxation Policy – The tax policy of a country also influences the dividend policy of a company. The rate of tax directly influences the amount of profits available to the company for declaring dividends.

## 6. Utilization of Retained Earnings

The Company shall endeavor to utilize the retained earnings in a manner which shall be beneficial to the interests of the Company and also its shareholders.

The Company may utilize the retained earnings for making investments for future growth and expansion plans, for the purpose of generating higher returns for the shareholders or for any other specific purpose, as approved by the Board of Directors of the Company.





## 7. Parameters that shall be adopted with regard to various Classes of Shares

The Company has issued only one class of shares viz. equity shares and hence the parameters disclosed above apply to the same. Parameters for dividend payments in respect of any other class of shares will be as per the respective terms of issue and in accordance with the applicable regulations and will be determined, if and when the Company decides to issue other classes of shares.

## 8. Policy Review and Amendment

This policy will be reviewed & amended as & when required by the Board in due process.

Any amendment in this Policy may be carried out with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company.

In case any amendment(s), clarification(s), circular(s) and guideline(s) issued by Securities and Exchange Board of India/Stock Exchanges, that is not consistent with the requirements specified under this Policy, then the provisions of such amendment(s), clarification(s), circular(s) and the guideline(s) shall prevail upon the requirements hereunder and this Policy shall stand amended accordingly effective from the date as laid down under such amendment(s), clarification(s), circular(s) and guideline(s). Such amendments shall be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors.

## 9. Limitation & Amendment

In the event of any conflict between the Act or the SEBI Listing Regulations or any other statutory enactments & the provisions of this policy, the Regulations shall prevail over this





policy. Any subsequent modification/amendment in the Regulations, in this regard shall automatically apply to this policy.

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