

BELSTAR MICROFINANCE LIMITED

A Subsidiary of Muthoot Finance Limited

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May 30, 2023

The General Manager

Listing Operation

BSE Limited

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Mumbai-400001

Sub: Secretarial compliance report for the year ended March 31,2023

Pursuant to the Regulation 24A of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we are enclosing herewith Secretarial Compliance Report for the financial year ended March 31,2023 issued by M/s KSM Associates, Company Secretaries.

Request you to kindly take on record the information.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully,

For Belstar Microfinance Limited

Sunil Kumar Sahu Company Secretary



SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT

(For the financial year ended 31.03.2023)

{Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with Cir No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dt 08.02.2019

To The Board of Directors **Belstar Microfinance Limited** No 33, 48th Street, 9th Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600 083

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **Belstar Microfinance Limited** (hereinafter referred as 'the listed entity'), having its Registered Office at No 33, 48th Street, 9th Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Chennai - 600 083. Secretarial Review was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on our verification of the listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, we hereby report that in our opinion, the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2023, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the listed entity has proper Board processes and compliance mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

I/We, KSM Associates have examined:

- (a) all the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by Belstar Microfinance Limited ("the listed entity"),
- (b) the filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) website of the listed entity,
- (d) other document/filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the year ended March 31, 2023 ("Review Period") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:

(a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and

(b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

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The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include:-

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015;
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018; ¹
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011; 1
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; ²
- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2021; ³
- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008;
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021; ⁴
- (h) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- (i) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018 to the extent of applicability to the Listed entity (Issuer);
- (j) Other Rules/Regulations and circulars/guidelines issued thereunder applicable to the listed entity:
 - Paragraph 6A and 6B of SEBI Circular no. CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated October 18, 2019 - Not Applicable.

and circulars/guidelines issued thereunder and based on the above examination,

HWe hereby report that, during the Review Period, the compliance status of the listed entity is appended as below:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS*
1.	Secretarial Standards:		
	The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable	Yes	-

Not applicable, as the Equity Shares of the Company are not listed on any stock exchange.

⁴ Not applicable to the Company, as the Company has not issued or listed any Non-convertible securities.



² Not applicable to the Company, as there was no buy-back by the Company during the year.

³ Not applicable to the Company, as the Company does have any Employee stock option scheme.

	Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.		ı
2.	Adoption and timely updation of the Policies: • All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities • All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed & updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines	Yeş	-
3.	issued by SEBI Maintenance and disclosures on Website:		
	 The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website 	Yes	_
	• Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re- directs to the relevant document(s)/ section of the website		
4.	Disqualification of Director: None of the Director(s) of the Company is/are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed	Yes	-
_	by the listed entity.		
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.: (a) Identification of material subsidiary companies (b) Disclosure requirement of material as well as other subsidiaries	Not Applicable	Company does not have any subsidiary



6.	Preservation of Documents:		
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.	Yes	-
7.	Performance Evaluation:		
	The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors and the Committees at the start of every financial year/ during the financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.	Yes	-
8.	Related Party Transactions:		
	 (a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all Related party transactions; or (b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ ratified/ rejected by the Audit Committee, in case no prior 	Yes	-
9.	approval has been obtained. Disclosure of events or information:		
	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.	Yes	-
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:		
	The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) of SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.	Yes	-
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:	Yes	-
	No action(s) has been taken against		



	the listed entity/its promoters/directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein (**).		
12.	Additional Non-compliances, if any:		
	No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	Yes	-

Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18^{th} October, 2019:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	/Remarks				
1.	Compliances with the following conditions while appointing appointing an auditor						
	 i. If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter; or ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter; or iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review/ audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the audit report for such financial year. 	Not Applicable	There was no resignation of Statutory Auditor during the review period. The Statutory Auditors were reappointed.				
2.	Other conditions relating to resignat	tion of statuto	ry auditor				
	i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/its	Not	There was no resignation of				



material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:

- a. In case of any concern with the the listed management of entity/material subsidiary such as non-availability of information / non-cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly immediately without and specifically waiting for the Audit Committee quarterly meetings.
- **b.** In case the auditor proposes to all concerns with resign, the proposed respect along with resignation, relevant documents has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to nonof information receipt explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of explanation information/ sought and not provided by the management, applicable.
- c. The Audit Committee / Board of Directors, as the case may be, deliberated on the matter on receipt of such information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor.
- ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information:

Statutory Auditor during the review period.



	The auditor has provided an appropriate disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.		
3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the format as specified in Annexure-A in SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019.	Not Applicable	There was no resignation of Statutory Auditor during the review period.

(a) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below:

	Compliance	Regulation	Devi	Action	Type o	f	Details	Fine	Observatio	Man	Re
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	specific clause)								Company	pons	
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					NIL						

(b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

	Compliance	Regulation	Devi	Action	Type	of	Details	Fine	Observatio	Man	Re
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Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:

- 1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- 2. Our responsibility is to certify based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial Records and Books of Accounts of the listed entity.
- 4. This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

For KSM Associates | Company Secretaries

Place: Chennai

Date: 15.05.2023

Deepa V. Ramani

Partner

FCS 5574; CP 8760

UDIN: F005574E000305368

Deepa V. Ramani

PR No: 627/2019

This Report is to be read with our letter of even date annexed herewith and forms an integral part of this Report.

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To

BELSTAR MICROFINANCE LIMITED,

The Secretarial Compliance Report of even date is to be read along with this letter.

- 1) Maintenance of secretarial records under regulations, circulars and guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 (SEBI ACT) and the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 (SCRA) rules made thereunder and Regulations, circulars and guidelines issued thereunder by SEBI, is the responsibility of the management of the listed entity. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these records based on our audit.
- 2) We have followed the audit practices and processes as were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of these records. The verification was done to ensure that correct facts are reflected in the said records. We believe that the processes and practices we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3) We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Account of the listed entity.
- 4) Wherever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
- 5) The compliance of the provisions of SEBI Act and SCRA and regulations, circulars and guidelines prescribed thereunder is the responsibility of management. Our examination was limited to the verification of documents and records made available to us and explanations provided to us with respect to the practices and processes followed in matters relating to this Report.
- 6) The Secretarial Compliance Report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.

For KSM Associates | Company Secretaries

Place: Chennai Date: 15.05.2023 Deepa V. Ramani

Partner

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