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**THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 [COMPANY
LIMITED BY SHARES]
AND INCORPORATED U/S. 8, NOT FOR PROFIT,
OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013**

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

OF

**INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC)
AHMEDABAD**

INTERPRETATION

- I. (1) In these regulations—
- (a) "the Act" means the Companies Act, 2013,
 - (b) "the seal" means the common seal of the company.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions contained in these regulations shall bear the same meaning as in the Act or any statutory modification thereof in force at the date at which these regulations become binding on the company.

PRIVATE COMPANY

- II. (1) The company is a "Private Company" within the meaning of Section 2 (68) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Accordingly:-
- (i) restricts the right to transfer its shares;
 - (ii) Limits the number of its members to two hundred:
- Provided that where two or more persons hold one or more shares in a company jointly, they shall, for the purposes of this clause, be treated as a single member:

Provided further that—

- (A) Persons who are in the employment of the company; and
 - (B) Persons who, having been formerly in the employment of the company, were members of the company while in that employment and have continued to be members after the Employment ceased, Shall not be included in the number of members; and
- (iii) prohibits any invitation to the public to subscribe for any securities of the company;

SHARE CAPITAL AND VARIATION OF RIGHTS

- III. 1. Subject to the provisions of the Act and these Articles, the shares in the capital of the company shall be under the control of the Directors who may issue, allot or otherwise dispose of the same or any of them to such persons, in such proportion and on such terms and conditions and either at a premium or at par and at such time as they may from time to time think fit.
2. (i) Every person whose name is entered as a member in the register of members shall be entitled to receive within two months after incorporation, in case of subscribers to the memorandum or after allotment or within one month after the application for the registration of transfer or transmission or within such other period as the conditions of issue shall be provided,—
- (a) one certificate for all his shares without payment of any charges; or
 - (b) several certificates, each for one or more of his shares, upon payment of twenty rupees for each certificate after the first.
- (ii) Every certificate shall be under the seal and shall specify the shares to which it relates and the amount paid-up thereon.
- (iii) In respect of any share or shares held jointly by several persons, the company shall not be bound to issue more than one certificate, and delivery of a certificate for a share to one of several joint holders shall be sufficient delivery to all such holders.
3. (i) If any share certificate be worn out, defaced, mutilated or torn or if there be no further space on the back for endorsement of transfer, then upon production and surrender thereof to the company, a new certificate may be issued in lieu thereof, and if any certificate is lost or destroyed then upon proof thereof to the satisfaction of the company and on execution of such indemnity as the company deem adequate, a new certificate in lieu thereof shall be given. Every certificate under this Article shall be issued on payment of twenty rupees for each certificate.

12. (i) The proceeds of the sale shall be received by the company and applied in payment of such part of the amount in respect of which the lien exists as is presently payable.
- (ii) The residue, if any, shall, subject to a like lien for sums not presently payable as existed upon the shares before the sale, be paid to the person entitled to the shares at the date of the sale.

CALLS ON SHARES

13. (i) The Board may, from time to time, make calls upon the members in respect of any monies unpaid on their shares (whether on account of the nominal value of the shares or by way of premium) and not by the conditions of allotment thereof made payable at fixed times:

Provided that no call shall exceed one-fourth of the nominal value of the share or be payable at less than one month from the date fixed for the payment of the last preceding call.

- (ii) Each member shall, subject to receiving at least fourteen days' notice specifying the time or times and place of payment, pay to the company, at the time or times and place so specified, the amount called on his shares.
- (iii) A call may be revoked or postponed at the discretion of the Board.
14. A call shall be deemed to have been made at the time when the resolution of the Board authorising the call was passed and may be required to be paid by installments.
15. The joint holders of a share shall be jointly and severally liable to pay all calls in respect thereof.
16. (i) If a sum called in respect of a share is not paid before or on the day appointed for payment thereof, the person from whom the sum is due shall pay interest thereon from the day appointed for payment thereof to the time of actual payment at ten per cent. per annum or at such lower rate, if any, as the Board may determine.

(ii) The Board shall be at liberty to waive payment of any such interest wholly or in part.

17. (i) Any sum which by the terms of issue of a share becomes payable on allotment or at any fixed date, whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium, shall, for the purposes of these regulations, be deemed to be a call duly made and payable on the date on which by the terms of issue such sum becomes payable.

- (ii) In case of non-payment of such sum, all the relevant provisions of these regulations as to payment of interest and expenses, forfeiture or otherwise shall apply as if such sum had become payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

15. The Board—

- (a) may, if it thinks fit, receive from any member willing to advance the same, all or any part of the monies uncalled and unpaid upon any shares held by him; and
- (b) upon all or any of the monies so advanced, may (until the same would, but for such advance, become presently payable) pay interest at such rate not exceeding, unless the company in general meeting shall otherwise direct, twelve per cent per annum, as may be agreed upon between the Board and the member paying the sum in advance.

TRANSFER OF SHARES

19. (i) The instrument of transfer of any share in the company shall be executed by or on behalf of both the transferor and transferee.

- (ii) The transferor shall be deemed to remain a holder of the share until the name of the transferee is entered in the register of members in respect thereof.

20. The Board may, subject to the right of appeal conferred by section 58 decline to register—

- (a) the transfer of a share, not being a fully paid share, to a person of whom they do not approve; or
- (b) any transfer of shares on which the company has a lien.

21. The Board may decline to recognise any instrument of transfer unless—

- (a) the instrument of transfer is in the form as prescribed in rules made under sub-section (1) of section 56;
- (b) the instrument of transfer is accompanied by the certificate of the shares to which it relates, and such other evidence as the Board may reasonably require to show the right of the transferor to make the transfer; and
- (c) the instrument of transfer is in respect of only one class of shares.

31. (i) A person whose shares have been forfeited shall cease to be a member in respect of the forfeited shares, but shall, notwithstanding the forfeiture, remain liable to pay to the company all monies which, at the date of forfeiture, were presently payable by him to the company in respect of the shares.
- (ii) The liability of such person shall cease if and when the company shall have received payment in full of all such monies in respect of the shares.
32. (i) A duly verified declaration in writing that the declarant is a director, the manager or the secretary, of the company, and that a share in the company has been duly forfeited on a date stated in the declaration, shall be conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated as against all persons claiming to be entitled to the share;
- (ii) The company may receive the consideration, if any, given for the share on any sale or disposal thereof and may execute a transfer of the share in favour of the person to whom the share is sold or disposed of;
- (iii) The transferee shall thereupon be registered as the holder of the share; and
- (iv) The transferee shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money, if any, nor shall his title to the share be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the forfeiture, sale or disposal of the share.
33. The provisions of these regulations as to forfeiture shall apply in the case of nonpayment of any sum which, by the terms of issue of a share, becomes payable at a fixed time, whether on account of the nominal value of the share or by way of premium, as if the same had been payable by virtue of a call duly made and notified.

ALTERATION OF CAPITAL

34. The company may, from time to time, by ordinary resolution increase the share capital by such sum, to be divided into shares of such amount, as may be specified in the resolution, subject to approval by central government.
35. Subject to the provisions of section 61, the company may, by ordinary resolution,—
- (a) consolidate and divide all or any of its share capital into shares of larger amount than its existing shares;
- (b) convert all or any of its fully paid-up shares into stock, and reconvert that stock into fully paid-up shares of any denomination;
- (c) sub-divide its existing shares or any of them into shares of smaller amount than is fixed by the memorandum;
- (d) cancel any shares which, at the date of the passing of the resolution, have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person.
36. Where shares are converted into stock,—
- (a) the holders of stock may transfer the same or any part thereof in the same manner as, and subject to the same regulations under which, the shares from which the stock arose might before the conversion have been transferred, or as near thereto as circumstances admit:
- Provided that the Board may, from time to time, fix the minimum amount of stock transferable, so, however, that such minimum shall not exceed the nominal amount of the shares from which the stock arose.
- (b) the holders of stock shall, according to the amount of stock held by them, have the same rights, privileges and advantages as regards dividends, voting at meetings of the company, and other matters, as if they held the shares from which the stock arose; but no such privilege or advantage (except participation in the dividends and profits of the company and in the assets on winding up) shall be conferred by an amount of stock which would not, if existing in shares, have conferred that privilege or advantage.
- (c) such of the regulations of the company as are applicable to paid-up shares shall apply to stock and the words "share" and "shareholder" in those regulations shall include "stock" and "stock-holder" respectively.
37. The company may, by special resolution, reduce in any manner and with, and subject to, any incident authorised and consent required by law,—
- (a) its share capital;
- (b) any capital redemption reserve account; or
- (c) any share premium account.

- (ii) Any such objection made in due time shall be referred to the Chairperson of the meeting, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

PROXY

53. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power-of-attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarised copy of that power or authority, shall be deposited at the registered office of the company not less than 48 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote, or, in the case of a poll, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll; and in default the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.
54. An instrument appointing a proxy shall be in the form as prescribed in the rules made under section 105.
55. A vote given in accordance with the terms of an instrument of proxy shall be valid, notwithstanding the previous death or insanity of the principal or the revocation of the proxy or of the authority under which the proxy was executed, or the transfer of the shares in respect of which the proxy is given:
- Provided that no intimation in writing of such death, insanity, revocation or transfer shall have been received by the company at its office before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxy is used.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

56. The First Directors of the Company are:
1. **HIMANSHU ANIRUDDHABHAI PANDYA**
 2. **SONAL R PANDYA**
57. The Directors may from time to time, appoint one or more of their body to the office of the Managing Director for one or more of the divisions of the business carried on by the Company and to enter into agreement with him in such terms and conditions as they may deem fit.
58. Subject to the provisions of section 149, the Board of Directors, at anytime and from time to time, to appoint any person as additional Director in addition to the existing Director so that the total number of Directors shall not at any time exceed the number fixed for Directors in these articles. Any Directors so appointed shall hold office only until the next following Annual General Meeting but shall be eligible thereof for election as Director.
59. The quorum necessary for the transaction, of the business of the Board meeting subject to Section 174 of the Act, shall be one third of the total strength or at least two whichever is higher. The participation of the directors by video conferencing or by other audio visual shall also the count for the purpose of quorum.
60. Subject to section 175 of the Act, a resolution in writing signed by the Director except a resolution which the Act specifically required it to bypass at a Board meeting shall be effective for all purposes as are solution passed as a meeting of Directors duly called, held and constituted.
61. The Board of Directors shall strategically overlook the functioning of the INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC) AHMEDABAD and review progress from time-to-time, but the operational powers will be separate and vested with the executives of the INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC) AHMEDABAD by the Board.

REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

62. Subject to the provisions of section 169, the Board of Directors, at anytime on having 2/3rs majority and by passing ordinary resolution shall remove a director, not being appointed by the Tribunal under section 242, before the expiry of the period of his office after giving him a reasonable opportunity of being heard. The vice chancellor at anytime upon the advice of CEO and the Coordinator by passing ordinary resolution shall remove a director, not being appointed by the Tribunal under section 242, before the expiry of the period of his office after giving him a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

BOARD COMPOSITION

63. The board of INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC) AHMEDABAD shall consist of the following permanent members:
1. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Gujarat University (ex-officio)
 2. Coordinator of INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC) AHMEDABAD (ex-officio)

Alongside the permanent members, the board shall also consist of at least two non-permanent members.

The non-permanent structure of the company shall consist of independent directors who could be distinguished industrialists; renowned social innovators; distinguished university faculty members; distinguished professionals from respective fields and professions such as corporate lawyers, chartered accountants, company secretaries; executives of INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE FOUNDATION (ISBC) AHMEDABAD or its immediate parent body; and representatives of various funding agencies.

75. (i) The Board may, subject to the provisions of the Act, delegate any of its powers to committees consisting of such member or members of its body as it thinks fit.
- (i) Any committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations that may be imposed on it by the Board.
76. (i) A committee may elect a Chairperson of its meetings.
- (ii) If no such Chairperson is elected, or if at any meeting the Chairperson is not present within five minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting, the members present may choose one of their members to be Chairperson of the meeting.
77. (i) A committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks fit.
- (i) Questions arising at any meeting of a committee shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present, and in case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote.
78. All acts done in any meeting of the Board or of a committee thereof or by any person acting as a director, shall, notwithstanding that it may be afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any one or more of such directors or of any person acting as aforesaid, or that they or any of them were disqualified, be as valid as if every such director or such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a director.
79. Save as otherwise expressly provided in the Act, a resolution in writing, signed by all the members of the Board or of a committee thereof, for the time being entitled to receive notice of a meeting of the Board or committee, shall be valid and effective as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board or committee, duly convened and held.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MANAGER, COMPANY SECRETARY OR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

80. Subject to the provisions of the Act,—
- (i) A chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer may be appointed by the Board for such term, and upon such conditions as it may think fit; and any chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer so appointed may be removed by means of a resolution of the Board,
- (ii) A director may be appointed as chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer.
81. A provision of the Act or these regulations requiring or authorising a thing to be done by or to a director and chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer shall not be satisfied by its being done by or to the same person acting both as director and as, or in place of, chief executive officer, manager, company secretary or chief financial officer.

THE SEAL

82. (i) The Board shall provide for the safe custody of the seal.
- (i) The seal of the company shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of a resolution of the Board or of a committee of the Board authorised by it in that behalf, and except in the presence of at least two directors and of the secretary or such other person as the Board may appoint for the purpose; and those two directors and the secretary or other person aforesaid shall sign every instrument to which the seal of the company is so affixed in their presence.

ACCOUNTS

83. (i) The Board shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations, the accounts and books of the company, or any of them, shall be open to the inspection of members not being directors.
- (i) No member (not being a director) shall have any right of inspecting any account or book or document of the company except as conferred by law or authorised by the Board or by the company in general meeting.

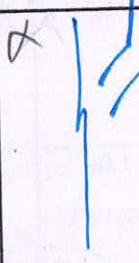
WINDING UP

84. Winding up of a company shall be as per clause X of Memorandum of Association of the company.

DIVIDEND

85. No portion of the profits, other income or property aforesaid shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise by way of profit, to persons who, at any time are, or have been, members of the company or to any one or more of them or to any persons claiming through any one or more of them.

We, the several persons, whose names, addresses, description and occupations are subscribed are desirous of being formed into a Company, not for profit in pursuance of this Articles of Association: -

Sr. No.	Names, addresses, descriptions and occupations of subscribers	Signature of Subscriber	Signature, names, addresses, descriptions and occupations of witnesses
1	GUJARAT UNIVERSITY Add: NEAR L.D. Engineering College, Estate Department, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad, Gujarat - 380009 - On behalf of Gujarat University - Authorized Representative Himanshu Anbixudbbhai Pandya (Vice Chancellor - Gujarat University) Add. C 36, Sector-C, Sterling City, Bopal, Daskroi, Ahmedabad - 3800058 Occ: - Servicemen		I witness to subscribers who have signed & subscribed in my presence. Further I verify their identity details for their identification purpose and satisfied myself for their particulars as filled in. Jimit R. Shah S/o. Rajesh S. Shah Add: 7, Malva's Bungalows, Near Shell Petrol Pump, Anandnagar, Satellite, Ahmedabad - 280015 Practicing Chartered Accountant M. NO. 163920 

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