

L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

81st

ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS

2023 - 2024

L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mrs. Priyalatha Thomas (Chairman)
Mr. Dilip Thomas
Mr. K. Suresh
Mr. S. Ganesan
Mrs. Mala Cherian

AUDITORS

SURI & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Guna Complex, No. 443 & 445,
4th Floor, Main Building, Anna Salai,
Chennai - 600 018.

BANKERS

The Federal Bank Ltd

REGISTERED OFFICE

New No. 56/712, (Old No. 27/1032)
Panampilly Nagar, Cochin - 682 036
Tel: 0484 - 2315312
Email: statutory@avtdt.in
Website: www.avtbiotech.com
CIN: U01131KL1943PLC071569

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REGISTRAR & SHARE TRANSFER AGENT

Cameo Corporate Services Limited
"Subramanian Building"
No.1, Club House Road, Chennai-600 002
Email: investor@cameoindia.com

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Registered Office: New No. 56/712, (Old No. 27/1032), Panampilly Nagar, Cochin - 682 036
CIN: U01131KL1943PLC071569

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTY FIRST Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at its Registered Office at New No.56/712, (Old No. 27/1032) Panampilly Nagar, Cochin – 682 036 on Thursday, the 26th September, 2024 at 11.00 A.M. to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

1. To receive, consider and adopt the Audited financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2024 the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
2. To appoint a Director in the place of Mr. Dilip Thomas (DIN: 00052185), who retires by rotation and being eligible has offered himself for re-appointment.
3. To appoint a Director in the place of Mr. K Suresh (DIN: 00255162), who retires by rotation and being eligible has offered himself for re-appointment.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

4. To fix payment of Remuneration to Mrs. Mala Cherian, Director

To consider and if thought fit to pass, with or without modification(s), the following resolution as a Special Resolution :

(i) RESOLVED THAT : “ Pursuant to Sections 197 and other applicable provisions, if any, of The Companies Act, 2013, read together with Section II in Part II of Schedule V of the said Act, (including any statutory modifications and/or re-enactments thereof for the time being in force), the consent of the members of the Company be and is hereby accorded for the payment of remuneration to Mrs. Mala Cherian, Director of the Company, by way of monthly salary and allowances, perquisites and/or benefits as may be determined by the Board within the ceiling limit as applicable and prescribed in Schedule V of the said Act, or such other ceiling limits as may be statutorily applicable from time to time, from 1st September, 2024 to 30th June, 2025. on a consolidated remuneration of Rs.1,50,000 /- (Rupees One lakh fifty thousand only) per month and Allowances amounting to Rs. 5,72,550/- (Rupees Five lakhs seventy two thousand five hundred and fifty only) per annum, Expenditure on Medical for self and monthly subscription for one club as per the Rules of the Company as are in force from time to time.

(ii) RESOLVED FURTHER THAT in the event of loss or inadequacy of profit in any financial year during the currency of tenure of services of Mrs. Mala Cherian, Director, the payment of salary, perquisites and other allowances shall be governed by the limits prescribed under Section II of Part II of Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013;

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(iii) RESOLVED FURTHER THAT the payment of remuneration to Mrs.Mala Cherian, Director shall be upon the terms and conditions as set out between the Company and Mrs.Mala Cherian and is specifically sanctioned, with the liberty and power to the Board of Directors and, at its discretion, to revise the payment of salary and allowances, to re-fix perquisites and/or benefits and also to alter and vary from time to time the terms and conditions in such manner, the Board of Directors may deem it appropriate and expedient and that the Board of Directors be and is hereby authorised to do such acts, deeds and things as are considered necessary to give effect to these resolutions without further reference to the shareholders”.

Chennai
5th August, 2024

By Order of the Board
For L.J.INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman
DIN : 00052237

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NOTES:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on a poll instead of himself and the proxy need not be a member of the Company. The instrument appointing the proxy should, however, be deposited at the registered office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting.**
- 2. A person can act as proxy on behalf of members not exceeding fifty and holding in aggregate not more than ten percent of the total share capital of the Company carrying voting rights. A member holding more than ten per cent of the total share capital of the Company carrying voting rights may appoint a single person as proxy and such person shall not act as proxy for any other person or shareholder.**
3. An explanatory statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act, 2013 which sets out details relating to Special business at the meeting is annexed hereto.
4. Institutional / Corporate Shareholders (i.e. other than individuals / HUF, NRI, etc.) are required to send a scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of its Board or governing body Resolution/Authorization etc., authorizing its representative to attend the Annual General Meeting on its behalf and to vote through remote e-voting. The said Resolution / Authorization shall be sent to the Scrutinizer by email through its registered email address to vsassociates16@gmail.com with a copy marked to statutory@avtdt.in
5. The related details, pursuant to Secretarial Standards on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, in respect of Directors seeking re-appointment at the AGM is annexed.
6. The Company has appointed M/s Cameo Corporate Services Limited, Chennai as its Registrar & Share Transfer Agent and depository interface of the Company with CDSL and NSDL. Shareholders intending to hold their shares in electronic form may approach their depository participants for dematerialization of shares. Shareholders may send their shares for effecting transmission / transposition to M/s Cameo Corporate Services Limited.
7. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 20th September, 2024 (Friday) to 26th September, 2024 (Thursday), both days inclusive.
8. The voting rights of members shall be in proportion to their shares of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date 19th September, 2024 (Thursday).
9. Members are requested to notify, immediately any change in their address, email id and Bank Account details to the Company or to the Company's Registrar & Share Transfer Agent, M/s. Cameo Corporate Services Limited, Subramanian Building, No.1, Club House Road, Chennai – 600 002 in the case of physical holdings and to their respective Depository Participants in case of dematerialized shares.
10. The shareholders of the Company, who have not yet registered / updated their e-mail address, are requested to register / update their e-mail address by sending the form/mandate enclosed along with the Annual Report for the Financial Year 2023-24, mentioning their folio number / DPID/CLID and valid e-mail id for registration to the Company's Registrar & Transfer Agent, M/s Cameo Corporate Services Ltd., or to their Depository Participant.
11. Shareholders of the Company may avail the nomination facility by executing the prescribed nomination form, which can be obtained from the Registered Office of the Company or from the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent.
12. Shareholders who have multiple folios in identical names or in joint names in the same order, are required to intimate to the Company these folios, to enable the Company to consolidate all such shareholdings into one folio.

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13. Pursuant to provisions of Section 124 (6) of the Companies Act, 2013, the Company has transferred the unpaid or unclaimed dividends from time to time on due dates, up to the financial year 2014-15 to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (the IEPF) established by the Central Government.

Pursuant to Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Amendment Rules, 2017 ("Rules") notified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs on 28th February, 2017, the Company is required to transfer all shares in respect of which dividend has not been paid or claimed for seven consecutive years to the IEPF Authority.

The Members/ Claimants whose shares/unclaimed dividends have been transferred to IEPF may claim the shares/ dividends by making an application to IEPF Authority in Form IEPF-5 (available on www.mca.gov.in) along with requisite fee applicable from time to time. The Member/ Claimant can file only one consolidated claim in a financial year as per the IEPF Rules.

14. To prevent fraudulent transactions, members are advised to exercise due diligence and notify the Company of any change in address or demise of any member as soon as possible. Members are also advised not to leave their demat account(s) dormant for long. Periodic statement of holdings should be obtained from the concerned Depository Participant and holdings should be verified.
15. Members may also note that Notice of the 81st Annual General Meeting and the Annual Report for 2023-24 will also be available on the Company's website www.avtbiotech.com for downloading. The physical copies of the aforesaid documents will also be available at the Company's Registered Office for inspection during normal business hours on working days. For any communication, the shareholders may also send requests to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent's Email Id : investor@cameoindia.com
16. Members whose names appear on the Register of Members/List of Beneficial Owners as on Cut-off date i.e 19th September, 2024 (Thursday) will be considered for the purpose of availing Remote voting or vote in the Annual General Meeting venue. A person who is not a member as on cutoff date should treat this Notice for information purpose only.
17. Members are requested to submit self-attested copy of PAN CARD of the transferee(s), surviving holder(s), legal heir(s) and joint holder(s) in case of transmission of shares, deletion of name of deceased shareholder(s), and transposition of shares, in respect of shares held in physical form, along with necessary documents at the time of lodgment of request for transmission/transposition. Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) vide notification dated 10th September, 2018 mandated that transfer of securities of unlisted public companies shall be carried out in dematerialized form only with effect from 2nd October, 2018. Accordingly, members who have not yet converted their holdings into electronic form may do so immediately for their own interest.
18. Documents referred to in the Notice shall be open for inspection by the members at the Registered Office of the Company on all working days (Monday to Friday) during business hours, except holidays, upto the date of the meeting.
19. As per Secretarial Standard-2 a route map with prominent Landmark of the venue of the meeting is attached as a separate sheet.

20. Voting facilities

- (a) In Compliance with provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, the Company is pleased to provide members the facility to exercise their right to vote at the 81st Annual General Meeting (AGM) by electronic means and the business may be

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transacted through e-Voting Services provided by Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL). The e-voting facility is available at www.evotingindia.com.

- b) The facility for voting either through ballot or polling paper shall also be made available at the meeting venue and members attending the meeting who have not already cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to exercise their right at the meeting.
- c) 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.

The Instructions for members for voting are as under:-

- (i) The voting period begins on 23rd September, 2024 Monday (9.00 A.M.) and ends on 25th September, 2024, Wednesday (5.00 P.M.). During this period shareholders of the Company, holding shares in physical form/demat form, as on the cut-off date i.e. 19th September, 2024, may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL for voting thereafter.
- (ii) Shareholders who have already voted prior to the meeting date would not be entitled to vote again at the meeting venue

Currently, there are multiple e-voting service providers (ESPs) providing e-voting facility. This necessitates registration on various ESPs and maintenance of multiple user IDs and passwords by the shareholders.

In order to increase the efficiency of the voting process, pursuant to a public consultation, it has been decided to enable e-voting to all the demat account holders by way of single login credential, through their demat accounts/websites of Depositories, Depository participants. Demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the ESPs, thereby, not only facilitating seamless authentication but also enhancing ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.

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

Login type	Helpdesk details
Individual shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with CDSL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com or contact at 1800 22 5533
Individual Shareholders holding securities in Demat mode with NSDL	Members facing any technical issue in login can contact NSDL helpdesk by sending a request at e.voting@nsdl.co.in or call at toll free no. 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30

Login method for e-Voting for individual shareholders holding in Demat form & physical shareholders

- (i) The shareholders should log on to the e-voting website www.evotingindia.com.
- (ii) Click on "Shareholders" tab

Now Enter your User ID

- a. For NSDL: 8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digits Client ID
- b. For CDSL: 16 digits beneficiary ID
- c. Members holding shares in Physical Form should enter Folio Number registered with the Company.

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- (iii) Next enter the Image Verification as displayed and Click on Login.
- (iv) If you are holding shares in Demat form and had logged on to www.evotingindia.com and voted on an earlier voting of any Company, then your existing password is to be used.
- (v) If you are a first-time user follow the steps given below.

For Members holding shares in Demat Form and Physical Form	
PAN *	<p>Enter your 10 digit alpha-numeric *PAN issued by Income Tax Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Members who have not updated their PAN with the Company/Depository Participant are requested to use the first two letters of their name and the 8 digits of the sequence number in the PAN Field. Sequence number has been provided as Sl. No. in the address label.• In case the sequence number is less than 8 digits enter the applicable number of 0's before the number after the first two characters of the name in CAPITAL letters. Eg. If your Name is Ramesh Kumar with sequence number 1 then enter RA00000001 in the PAN field.
Dividend Bank Details Or Date of Birth (DOB)	<p>Enter the Dividend Bank Details or Date of Birth (in dd/mm/yyyy format) as recorded in the company records in order to login.</p> <p>If both the details are not recorded with the company please enter the Folio number in the Dividend Bank details field as mentioned in instruction (ii).</p>

- (vi) After entering these details appropriately, click on "SUBMIT" tab.
- (vii) Members holding shares in physical form will then directly reach the Company selection screen. However, members holding shares in demat form will now reach 'Password Creation' menu wherein they are required to mandatorily enter their login password in the new password field. Kindly note that this password is to be also used by the demat holders for voting for resolutions of any other company on which they are eligible to vote, provided that company opts for e-voting through CDSL platform. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential.
- (viii) For Members holding shares in physical form, the details can be used only for e-voting on the resolutions contained in this Notice.
- (ix) Click on the EVSN for <L.J. International Ltd.> on which you choose to vote.
- (x) On the voting page, you will see "RESOLUTION DESCRIPTION" and against the same the option "YES/NO" for voting. Select the option YES or NO as desired. The option YES implies that you assent to the Resolution and option NO implies that you dissent to the Resolution.
- (xi) Click on the "RESOLUTIONS FILE LINK" if you wish to view the entire Resolution details.
- (xii) After selecting the resolution, you have decided to vote on, click on "SUBMIT". A confirmation box will be displayed. If you wish to confirm your vote, click on "OK", else to change your vote, click on "CANCEL" and accordingly modify your vote.
- (xiii) Once you "CONFIRM" your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote
- (xiv) You can also take out print of the votes cast by clicking on "Click here to print" option on the Voting page.

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- (xv) If a Demat account holder has forgotten the login password then enter the user ID and the Image verification code and click on forgot password & enter the details as prompted by the system.
- (xvi) Shareholders can also cast their vote using CDSL's mobile app "CDSL Myeasi" available for android based mobiles. The CDSL Myeasi can be downloaded from Google Play store. Please follow the instructions as prompted by the mobile app while voting on your mobile

Additional instructions for non-individual shareholders and custodians

- a. Non-individual shareholders (i.e. other than individuals, HUF, NRI etc.) and custodians voting for the first time are required to log on to www.evotingindia.com and register themselves as corporates. Corporates and custodians already registered with CDSL should use their existing login details.
 - b. After registering online, scanned copy of the registration form bearing the stamp and sign of the entity should be emailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.
 - c. The admin login details will be sent by CDSL. After receiving these details, create a compliance user. The compliance user would be able to link the account(s) for which they wish to vote on.
 - d. The list of accounts linked in the login should be mailed to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com and on approval of the accounts they would be able to cast their vote.
 - e. A scanned copy of the Board Resolution and Power of Attorney which they have issued in favour of the custodian/ authorized person, should be uploaded in PDF format in the system for the scrutinizer to verify the same.
- (xvii) In case you have any queries or issues regarding e-voting, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") and e-voting manual available at www.evotingindia.com, under help section or write an email to helpdesk.evoting@cdslindia.com.

General instructions

- i) The Board of Directors have appointed M/s. V. Suresh Associates, Practising Company Secretaries No.28, Ganapathy Colony, 3rd Street, Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018 as the Scrutinizers to scrutinize the e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner.
- ii) The Scrutinizer shall after the conclusion of voting at the general meeting, unblock the votes cast through remote e-voting and voting through ballot or polling paper at the meeting venue in the presence of at least two witnesses not in the employment of the Company and make, not later than 3 days of conclusion of the meeting, a consolidated scrutinizer's report of the total votes cast in favour or against, if any, to the Chairman or a person authorized by him in writing, who shall countersign the same and declare the result of the voting forthwith. The resolutions will be deemed to have been passed on the AGM date subject to receipt of the requisite number of votes in favour of the resolutions.
- iii) The results declared along with the report of the Scrutinizer shall be placed on the Company's website www.avtbiotech.com and on the website of CDSL immediately after the result is declared by the Chairman or a person authorised by him in writing who shall countersign the same. The results shall also be displayed on the Notice board at the Registered office of the Company.
- iv) The voting rights of shareholders shall be in proportion to their shares of the paid-up equity share capital of the Company as on 19th September, 2024. A person who is not a Member as on the cut off-date should treat this Notice for information purposes only.

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The Explanatory statement pursuant to Section 102 of the Companies Act 2013, which sets out the details relating to Special Business at the meeting is annexed hereto and shall be taken as forming part of this Notice.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Item No. 4 of the Notice

Mrs. Mala Cherian, Director is in-charge of business operations of bio-tech division of the Company is having rich experience and considerable knowledge in Business Management . In consideration of the performance, the Board of Directors of the Company at their Meeting held on 5th August, 2024 decided to pay remuneration to Mrs. Mala Cherian , Director of the Company as prescribed in in Section II in Part II of Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013 or such other ceiling limits as may be statutorily applicable from time to time, computed with reference to "Effective Capital" of the Company for a period from 1st September, 2024 to 30th June, 2025 subject to the approval of the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting as required under Section 197 read with Schedule V of The Companies Act, 2013.

Statement of disclosure pursuant to Schedule V to the Companies Act, 2013

The following disclosures are being made in relation to the payment of remuneration to Mrs.Mala Cherian, Director.

I GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY :

1. The Company is mainly engaged in the business of production of tissue culture plants.
2. The Company is an existing Company, having commenced the business on 25th March, 1943.
3. Clause 3 is not applicable since it is an existing Company.
4. Income from operations during 2023-24 was Rs.1146.18 lakhs and the operating profit before charging depreciation was Rs.11.47 lakhs against income from operations of Rs.1225.91 lakhs and the profit before charging of depreciation of Rs.100.33 lakhs during the year 2022-23.
5. The Company had exported 40.38 lakhs Plants for a value of Rs.1093.32 lakhs during 2023-24 and 46.26 lakhs Plants for a value of Rs.1154.58 lakhs during 2022-23 and no foreign investments were made and the Company has not entered into any foreign collaborations.
6. The Company has not made any default in repayment of its debts (including public deposits) or interest payable thereon for a continuous period of thirty days in the preceding financial year.

II INFORMATION ABOUT APPOINTEE :

1. Mrs.Mala Cherian aged 67 years, is a graduate in Arts (Hons.) with Post Graduate Diploma in Public Relations. She has many years of experience in managing Plantations of our group companies. She has vast knowledge in activities concerning plantation, factories and labour management.
2. Mrs.Mala Cherian has been entrusted with powers of management of General Administration and business development subject to the superintendence, control and directions of the Board of Directors and she is responsible for the day to day management of bio-tech division of the company.
3. The Board has proposed managerial remuneration to Mrs. Mala Cherian, which shall be governed by the limits prescribed in Section II in Part II of Schedule V of the Companies Act, 2013 .
4. The proposed remuneration package with respect to the industry is not comparable, considering the nature and size of the business operations carried on by the Company. However, taking into consideration the profile of the appointee and the responsibilities entrusted to her, the proposed remuneration is considered to be

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commensurate with the remuneration packages given by other companies, though not in the same industry, to similar senior level appointees.

5. Mrs. Mala Cherian besides receiving remuneration for her services rendered as Director does not have any other pecuniary relationship with the Company and its managerial personnel.

III OTHER INFORMATION

- (1) The Company incurred loss during the year on account of payments of arrears of rent.
- (2) The Company has undertaken various measures to further improve profitability by ensuring operational efficiencies in its production of tissue culture plants besides implementing several cost reduction measures.
- (3) These are expected to yield positive results in the coming years and lead to better financial performances.

Mrs. Mala Cherian is holding 200 Equity shares in the Company, is interested in the Special Resolutions relating to the extent of remuneration received from the Company.

None of the other Directors/Key Managerial Personnel of the Company / their relatives are in any way is concerned and/ or interested, financially or otherwise in the Resolutions.

The Directors recommend the Special Resolution in item No.4 of the Notice for approval of the shareholders.

Chennai
5th August, 2024

By Order of the Board
For L.J.INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman
DIN : 00052237

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Particulars of the Directors seeking re-appointment as required to be furnished under Clause 1.2.5 of the Secretarial Standard - 2 on General Meetings

For Agenda Item No.2

Name of the Director	Mr. Dilip Thomas
Date of Birth	7th August 1958
DIN	00052185
Qualifications	B.Com
Expertise in Specific functional areas	Mr. Dilip Thomas is an industrialist and has rich knowledge and experience in Finance and Business Management and expertise in Plantation Industry
Date of first appointment on the Board	25.04.1985
The remuneration last drawn by such person, if applicable	NIL
Terms and conditions of appointment / re-appointment along with details of remuneration sought to be paid.	NA
Number of Board Meetings attended during the year 2023-24	4 (Four)
Relationship with Other directors	Spouse of Mrs. Priyalatha Thomas, Chairman
Directorship held in other Companies (excluding foreign companies)	<p>Executive Vice-Chairman A.V Thomas and Co. Limited.</p> <p>Chairman A.V Thomas International Limited The Rajagiri Rubber and Produce Co. Limited The Highland Produce Co. Limited Dalp Trading and Manufacturing Limited</p> <p>Director A.V Thomas Leather & Allied Products (P) Limited A.V Thomas Exports Limited A.V Thomas Investments Company Limited</p>
Membership of Committees in other Companies	NIL
Number of shares held in the Company	1,44,628

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Particulars of the Directors seeking re-appointment as required to be furnished under Clause 1.2.5 of the Secretarial Standard - 2 on General Meetings

For Agenda Item No.3

Name of the Director	Mr. K. Suresh
Date of Birth	3rd February 1956
DIN	00255162
Qualification	B.Com, Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced marketing
Expertise in specific functional areas	Mr. K.Suresh has rich experience in Operations, Marketing, Logistics, Materials and General Management
Date of first appointment on the Board	11.07.2018
The remuneration last drawn by such person, if applicable	NIL
Terms and conditions of appointment / re-appointment along with details of remuneration sought to be paid	NA
Number of Board Meetings attended during the year 2023-24	4 (Four)
Relationship with other directors	Not related to any Director
Directorship held in other Companies (excluding foreign companies)	<p>Managing Director The Highland Produce Company Limited</p> <p>Director The Rajagiri Rubber & Produce Co. Limited A.V Thomas International Limited Dalp Trading and Manufacturing Limited Doors and More Wood Products Limited Rajagiri Impex Limited AVR Edge Networks Private Limited</p>
Membership of Committees of other Companies	NIL
Number of Shares held in the Company	NIL

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the 81st Annual Report together with audited accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024. The summarized financial results of the Company are presented hereunder:

FINANCIAL RESULTS:

	(Rupees in lakhs)	
	2023-24	2022-23
Income from Operations and Other Income	1411.29	1329.87
Profit/(Loss) Before Depreciation & Interest	11.47	101.43
Less: Depreciation	13.44	22.79
Interest	0.00	1.10
	<u>(13.44)</u>	<u>(23.89)</u>
Profit / (Loss) Before Exceptional item & Tax	(1.97)	77.54
Exceptional Item	0.00	563.25
Profit / (Loss) Before Tax	<u>(1.97)</u>	<u>640.79</u>
Less: Provision for Tax		
Current Tax	-	75.00
Deferred Tax	41.93	40.74
Profit / (Loss) After Tax	<u>(43.90)</u>	<u>525.05</u>
Add: Deferred Tax recognized	-	106.44
Add: Surplus / (Deficit) brought forward	358.20	(273.29)
Total amount available for appropriations	<u>314.30</u>	<u>358.20</u>
Transfer to General Reserve	Nil	Nil
Final Dividend on Equity Shares for FY2022-23 Rs.5 per share (PY - Nil)	27.00	Nil
Surplus carried forward	<u>287.30</u>	<u>358.20</u>
	<u>314.30</u>	<u>358.20</u>

DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors have not proposed any dividend for the year ended 31st March 2024 in view of the loss incurred by the company

TRANSFER TO GENERAL RESERVE

The Company has not transferred any amount to the General Reserve during the year ended 31st March, 2024

MATERIAL CHANGES AND COMMITMENTS, IF ANY, AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

There was no material changes and commitments, affecting the financial position of the Company between the end of the financial year of the Company and the date of the report other than those disclosed in the financial statements.

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OPERATIONS

During the year under report, the Company has exported 40.38 lakhs plants for a value of Rs.1093.32 lakhs compared to 46.26 lakhs plants for a value of Rs.1154.58 lakhs for the previous year. In the domestic market the company has sold 0.27 lakh plants for a value of Rs.53.58 lakhs compared to 0.44 lakh plants for a value of Rs.74.79 lakhs for the previous year.

The major products exported by the Company during 2023-24 are Limonium, Delphinium, Canna, Gerbera, Wasabia, Renunculus, Zantedeschia and Agapanthus mainly to Japan, The Netherlands, Colombia, Ecuador, Spain, U.S.A., among 19 countries.

PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES

The statement containing remuneration paid to employees and other details as required under Section 197(12) of the Companies Act, 2013 (Act) read with Rule 5(2) of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014, is provided in a separate annexure forming part of this report. Further, the report and the accounts are being sent to the members excluding the aforesaid annexure. In terms of Section 136 of the Act, the said annexure is open for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company during business hours on working days of the Company upto the date of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. Any member interested in obtaining a copy of the same may write to the Company and the same will be provided free of cost to the member.

During the year, no employee of the Company was in receipt of remuneration in excess of the limits prescribed by Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 5(2) made there-under.

DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 152 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made there under Mr. Dilip Thomas (DIN: 00052185) and Mr. K Suresh (DIN: 00255162), Directors retire by rotation at the ensuing Annual General Meeting and being eligible offer themselves for re-appointment. The Directors recommend re-appointment of Mr. Dilip Thomas and Mr. K Suresh at the ensuing Annual General Meeting.

The provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, regarding the appointment of Key Managerial Personnel are not applicable to the Company.

ANNUAL RETURN

As required under Section 92(3) copy of the Annual Return of the Company is uploaded on the Company's website www.avtbiotech.com

BOARD MEETINGS

During the financial year 2023-24 the Board of Directors met four times. The dates on which the meetings were held are 12.06.2023, 09.08.2023, 01.12.2023 and 26.03.2024. The intervening gap between the meetings were within the period prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013. The Company has complied with the applicable Secretarial Standards issued by the ICSI.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Company is not required to constitute an Audit Committee as per Rule 6 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 read with Section 177 of the Companies Act, 2013.

NOMINATION AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The Company is not required to constitute a Nomination and Remuneration Committee as per Rule 6 of the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules, 2014 read with Section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013.

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SHARE TRANSFER COMMITTEE

The Share Transfer Committee consists of Directors Mr. Dilip Thomas, Mr. K. Suresh and Mr.S.Ganesan as members of the Committee.

AUDITORS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 139 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, the shareholders in their 79th Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on September 23, 2022 had re-appointed M/s. Suri & Co, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No.004283S), the Statutory Auditors of the Company for a period of 5 years till the conclusion of the 84th Annual General Meeting. In view of the amendment to the Companies Act, 2013 their appointment is not required to be ratified by the Members in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

COST RECORDS AND COST AUDITORS

The provisions of Section 148(1) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014 in respect of Cost Audit is not applicable to the Company.

SECRETARIAL AUDIT

Secretarial Audit is not applicable as per Rule 9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 read with Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Statutory Auditors have not made any qualification, reservation or adverse remark in their report for the Financial Year ended 31st March 2024.

DETAILS IN RESPECT OF FRAUDS REPORTED BY AUDITORS UNDER SUB SECTION (12) OF SECTION 143 OTHER THAN THOSE WHICH ARE REPORTABLE TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

The Auditors of the Company have not reported any fraud as specified under section 143 (12) of the Companies Act, 2013.

INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS WITH REFERENCE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

The Company has Internal Control systems commensurate with the size and nature of its business and adequate with reference to the financial statement as to ensure that the assets of the Company are safeguarded and protected and there is regular review by Management on policies, procedures and internal controls.

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Pursuant to Section 134 (3) (n) of the Companies Act , 2013 the Company had laid down the procedures to inform Board members about the risk assessment and its mitigation procedures. Periodic assessment to identify the risk elements in the business are carried out and management is briefed on the risks, which are classified as financial risks, operational risks and market risks. The Board is informed well in advance about the risks to take effective steps in managing them.

At present, the Company has not identified any element of risk which may threaten the existence of the Company.

PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES AND INVESTMENTS

Details of Loans, Guarantees and Investments covered under the provisions of Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 are given in the notes to the Financial Statements.

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DISCLOSURES RELATING TO SUBSIDIARY/ASSOCIATE COMPANIES

The particulars of the Subsidiary/Associate Companies as required under first proviso to Section 129(3) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with rule 5 of Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 are not required to be provided as the Associate Company is under liquidation and the Company does not have subsidiary Company.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

All transactions entered by the Company with Related Parties were in the Ordinary course of business and at Arm's Length pricing basis. Details of the transactions are provided in Form AOC - 2 which is attached as **Annexure I & IA** to this report.

INSURANCE

The Company continues to carry adequate insurance for all assets against unforeseeable perils.

SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS PASSED BY THE REGULATORS OR COURTS

There were no significant material orders passed by the Regulators/ Courts which would impact the going concern status of the Company and its future operations.

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION

The statement pursuant to Section 134(3)(m) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 8(3) of the Companies (accounts) Rules, 2014 is attached as **Annexure II** to this report.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS/OUTGO

The Company's earnings in foreign exchange on FOB value of Exports during the year amounted to Rs.993.53 lakhs compared to Rs.1040.63 lakhs during the previous year. The foreign exchange outgo during the year was Rs.21.25 lakhs against Rs.38.41 lakhs in the previous year.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

During the year under review, your company enjoyed cordial relationship with workers and employees at all levels.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Company does not fall within the ambit of the provisions of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 on Corporate Social Responsibility and hence report on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Activities is not annexed.

DEPOSIT FROM PUBLIC

The Company has not accepted any deposits from Public during the year under review.

DISCLOSURE OF ACCOUNTING TREATMENT

In the Preparation of the financial statements, the Company has followed the Accounting Standards referred to in Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013. The significant accounting policies which were consistently applied are set out in the Note 1 to the Financial Statement.

DETAILS OF APPLICATION MADE OR PROCEEDING PENDING UNDER INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE 2016.

There are no applications made or proceedings pending against the Company under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

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DETAILS OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VALUATION AMOUNT ON ONE TIME SETTLEMENT AND VALUATION WHILE AVAILING LOANS FROM BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

The Company has not entered into one time settlement with any Banks or Financial Institutions during the year. Hence, disclosure pertaining to difference between amount of the valuation done at the time of one-time settlement and the valuation done while taking loan is not applicable.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

In pursuance of Section 134 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013, the Directors hereby confirm that:

- a. in the preparation of the annual accounts for the financial year ended 31st March, 2024, the applicable accounting standards have been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures, if any;
- b. they have selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company at the end of the financial year and of the Loss of the Company for the financial year;
- c. they have taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act. They confirm that there are adequate systems and controls for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- d. they have prepared the annual financial statements on a going concern basis;
- e. they have devised proper systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws and that such systems were adequate and operating effectively.

INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND (IEPF)

Pursuant to Section 124 of the Companies Act, 2013 and IEPF Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 (' the Rules') as amended from time to time, all unpaid or unclaimed dividends after completion of seven years are required to be transferred by the Company to the IEPF established by the Central Government Further according to the Rules, the shares in respect of which dividend has not been paid or unclaimed by the shareholders for seven consecutive years or more shall also be transferred to the demat account created by the IEPF Authority. The Company is not required to transfer any shares to the IEPF Authority during the Financial Year 2023-24.

DISCLOSURE UNDER THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORK PLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT 2013

The Company has in place an Anti-Sexual Harassment Policy in line with the requirements of the act and that an Internal Complaints Committee has been set up for redressal of complaints and that all employees (permanent, contractual, temporary, trainees) are covered under this policy.

During the year the Company has not received any complaint under Sexual Harassment of women at the Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Yours Directors place on record their appreciation for the continued support extended to the Company by its Bankers and Employees during the year.

Chennai
5th August, 2024

By Order of the Board
For L.J.INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman
DIN : 00052237

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ANNEXURE - I

Form No. AOC-2

(Pursuant to clause (h) of sub-section (3) of section 134 of the Act and Rule 8(2) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014)

Form for disclosure of particulars of contracts/arrangements entered into by the company with related parties referred to in sub-section (1) of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 including certain arm's length transactions under third proviso thereto

1. Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions not at arm's length basis:

Company has not entered into any contract or arrangement or transaction with its related parties which is not at arm's length during financial year 2023-24.

2. Details of material contracts or arrangement or transactions at arm's length basis are appended in Annexure -IA

Chennai
5th August, 2024

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors
PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman
DIN : 00052237

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Form No. AOC 2

Annexure IA

Name of the Company	Nature of Relationship	Nature of Transaction	Duration of Transactions	Amount (Rs.)	Salient Terms	Date of Approval by the Board	Amount paid as Advance if any
A.V. Thomas and Co. Ltd.	Common Control through constitution of Board/ Share holding	C&F, Air Cargo & Other charges	On going transactions	1,04,41,962	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
		Rent & Common Utilities Charges	On going transactions	84,000	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
The Highland Produce Co. Ltd.	Common Control through constitution of Board/ Share holding	Purchase of Tea & Vermi Compost	On going transactions	95,852	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
		Purchase of Plants	On going transactions	11,17,360	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
		Sale of Plants & other materials	On going transactions	2,76,525	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
		Dividend received on Equity shares	On going transactions	1,000	-	Not Applicable	Nil
The Rajagiri Rubber & Produce Co. Ltd.	Common Control through constitution of Board/ Share holding	Rent Paid	On going transactions	12,000	Market Rate	Not Applicable	Nil
A.V.Thomas International Ltd.	Common Control through constitution of Board/ Share holding	Dividend received on Equity shares	On going transactions	20,700	-	Not Applicable	Nil

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ANNEXURE – II

CONSERVATION OF ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION

(Pursuant to Section 134(3) (m) of the Companies Act, 2013, read with rule 8(3)
of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014)

(A) Conservation of energy -

- (i) Steps taken or impact on conservation of energy : Replacement of tube lights in growth rooms with LED lights to reduce consumption of Electrical energy.
- (ii) Steps taken by the company for utilising alternate sources of energy : NIL
- (iii) Capital investment on energy conservation equipments : NIL

(B) Technology absorption -

- (i) Efforts made towards technology absorption : Automation of certain preparatory activities are under consideration
- (ii) Benefits derived : Improvement in sterile conditions
- (iii) Imported technology : NIL
- (iv) Expenditure incurred on Research and Development : NIL

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To
The Members of
L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, KOCHI

Report on the Standalone Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the standalone financial statements of **L.J. International Limited** ("the Company"), which comprise the balance sheet as at 31st March 2024, and the statement of profit and loss, and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid standalone financial statements give the information required by the Companies Act 2013 ("the Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2024, statement of loss and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Standalone Financial Statements* section of our report.

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the *Code of Ethics* issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the standalone financial statements under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules there under, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Standalone Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the management report, its annexures, Board's Report including annexures, Director's Responsibility statement, but does not include the standalone Financial Statements and our Audit Report thereon.

Our opinion on the standalone financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the standalone financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the standalone financial statements, or our knowledge obtained during the course of our audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, based on the work we have performed, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation of these standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the Company in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Accounting Standards specified under section 133 of the Act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application

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of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors are also responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Companies Act, 2013, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the company has adequate internal controls system in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the standalone financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

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We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the standalone financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

1. As required by The Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government of India in terms of sub-section (11) of section 143 of the Act, we give an Annexure A, a Statement on matters specified in paragraph 3 and 4 of the said order, to the extent applicable.
2. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, we report that:
 - (a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
 - (b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books except for the matter stated in the paragraph (h (v)) below on reporting under Rule 11(g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014.
 - (c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss, and the Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
 - (d) In our opinion, the aforesaid standalone financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act.
 - (e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on 31stMarch 2024 taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on 31stMarch 2024 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act.
 - (f) With respect to adequacy of internal financial controls over financial reporting of the company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer our separate report in Annexure B.
 - (g) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the requirements of section 197(16) of the Act, as amended:

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the company has not made any payments which are covered under section 197 read with Schedule V of Companies Act, 2013.
 - (h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
 - i. The Company does not have any pending litigations which would impact its financial position in its financial statements.

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- ii. The Company did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses as at March 31, 2024.
- iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company.
- iv. (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entity ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;

(b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Company from any person or entity, including foreign entity ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries; and

(c) Based on the audit procedures that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e), as provided under (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement.
- v. Reporting under Rule 11(g) of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 is applicable from 1 April 2023. Based on our examination which included test checks, the company has used an accounting software for maintaining its books of account which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility. However, the feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility has not been operated under the Oracle ERP during the year. The Company is in the process of establishing necessary controls and documentation regarding audit trail. Consequently, we are unable to comment on the audit trail feature of the said software.

Proviso to Rule 3(1) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 for maintaining books of account using accounting software which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility is applicable to the Company with effect from 1st April 2024, and accordingly, reporting under Rule 11(g) of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 is not applicable for the financial year ended March 31, 2024.

For SURI & CO
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration. No. 004283S

Place: Chennai
Date: 05-08-2024
UDIN: 24219922BKCLUJ8019

G Rengarajan
Partner
Membership No. 219922

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ANNEXURE A TO THE REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, KOCHI

The Annexure referred to in Independent Auditors' Report to the members of the company on the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2024, we report that:

- i) (a) A. The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of Property, Plant & Equipment.
B. The company does not have any intangible assets and hence clause (i)(a)(B) of the Order is not applicable for the year.
- (b) The Company has a regular programme of physical verification of its fixed assets by which all fixed assets are verified in a phased manner over a period of three years. In our opinion, this periodicity of physical verification is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets and no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
- (c) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the title deeds of the immovable properties (other than immovable properties where the company is the lessee and the lease agreement are in favour of lessee) disclosed in the Financial Statements are held in the name of the company.
- (d) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not revalued its Property, Plant and Equipment (including Right of Use assets) during the year.
- (e) Based on the information and explanations given to us, no proceedings have been initiated during the year or are pending against the Company as at March 31, 2024 for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 (as amended in 2016) and rules made thereunder.
- ii) (a) The Physical verification of inventory has been conducted at reasonable intervals by the management during the year. In our opinion, the frequency of such verification is reasonable and no material discrepancies were noticed.
- (b) According to the information and explanation given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the company, the company has not been sanctioned working capital limit of more than 5 crores rupees, in aggregate, from banks on the basis of security of current assets. Hence, reporting of submission of the quarterly returns or statements filed by the company with such banks are not applicable.
- iii) The Company has made investments in Companies and the same are not prejudicial to the Company's interest. According to the information and explanation given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not provided guarantee or security or granted any advances in the nature of loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms, limited liability partnership or any other parties during the year. Accordingly Para 3 (iii) (a) to (f) of the Order are not applicable.
- iv) According to the information and explanation given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records, the Company has not given any loans, or provided any guarantee or security as specified under Section 185 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Company has not provided any guarantee or security as specified under Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- v) The Company has not accepted any deposits or amounts which are deemed to be deposits under the directives of the Reserve Bank of India and the provisions of Sections 73 to 76 or any other relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules framed thereunder, where applicable. Accordingly, the provisions of clause 3(v) of the Order are not applicable.

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- vi) The Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014 prescribed by the Central Government for the maintenance of cost records under section 148 (1) (d) of the Companies Act, 2013 is not applicable to the company for the current year.
- vii)
 - a) The Company is regular in depositing with appropriate authorities undisputed statutory dues including Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance, Income tax, GST and other statutory dues applicable to it. No undisputed statutory dues were outstanding as at the last day of the financial year for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.
 - b) There are no disputed statutory dues.
- viii) Based on the information and explanation given to us, and based on the records verified by us, there were no transactions relating to previously unrecorded income that have been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- ix)
 - a) Based on the information and explanations given to us and based on our verification of books of accounts, the company has not defaulted in repayment of loans or other borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender.
 - b) Based on the explanation and information given to us, the Company has not been declared willful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or government or any government authority.
 - c) Based on the explanation and information given to us, the company has not obtained any term loan and hence clause 3(ix)(c) of the Order is not applicable.
 - d) Based on the information and explanation given to us and based on an overall examination of the financial statements of the Company, funds raised on short term basis have, prima facie, not been used during the year for long-term purposes by the Company.
 - e) The company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligation of its subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act, 2013. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(e) of the Order is not applicable.
 - f) The company has not raised any loans during the year on the pledge of securities held in its any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligation of its subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act, 2013. Accordingly, clause 3(ix)(f) of the Order is not applicable.
- x)
 - a) The company did not raise any money by way of initial public offer or further public offer (including debt instruments) and term loans during the year. Accordingly Para 3 (x)(a) of the Order is not applicable.
 - b) During the year, the company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully, partially or optionally convertible) during the year and hence reporting under clause 3(x)(b) of the Order is not applicable
- xi)
 - a) Based on the examination of the books and records of the Company and according to the information and explanations given to us, there was no fraud by the Company and no fraud on the Company has been noticed or reported during the year.
 - b) Based on the information and explanation given to us and based on the examination of the company's records, no report under sub-section (12) of section 143 of the Companies Act has been filed by the auditors in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government during the year and upto the date of this report.
 - c) The company does not fall within the ambit of the provisions of section 177(9) of the Companies Act 2013 regarding Vigil Mechanism. Accordingly, clause 3(xi)(c) of the Order pertaining to whistle blower complaints is not applicable.

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- xii) The Company is not a Nidhi Company. Accordingly Para 3 (xii) of the Order is not applicable.
- xiii) According to the information and explanation given to us and based on our examination of the records of the Company, all transactions with the related parties are in compliance with sections 188 of Companies Act, 2013 where applicable and the details of such transactions have been disclosed in the Financial Statements as required by the applicable accounting standards. Section 177 of Companies Act, 2013 is not applicable to the company.
- xiv) As per Section 138 of Companies Act 2013 Internal audit is not applicable to the company. According to the information and explanations given to us, the company has no internal audit system.
- xv) Based on the information and explanations given to us and based on the audit the books of accounts, during the year the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with its directors or persons connected with its directors and hence provisions of section 192 of the Companies Act, 2013 are not applicable to the Company.
- xvi) a) In our opinion, the Company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. Accordingly, clause 3(xvi)(a) of the Order is not applicable.
- b) In our opinion, the Company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. Accordingly, clause 3(xvi)(b) of the order is not applicable.
- c) The company is a not Core Investment Company (CIC) as defined in the regulations made by the Reserve Bank of India and hence clause 3(xvi)(c) and 3(xvi)(d) of the Order is not applicable.
- xvii) The Company has not incurred cash losses during the financial year covered by our audit and the immediately preceding financial year.
- xviii) There has been no resignation of the statutory auditors during the year and accordingly, the provisions of clause 3(xviii) of the Order is not applicable.
- xix) On the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realization of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, other information accompanying the financial statements, our knowledge of the Board of Directors and management plans and based on our examination of the evidence supporting the assumptions, nothing has come to our attention, which causes us to believe that any material uncertainty exists as on the date of the audit report indicating that company is incapable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of balance sheet as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date. We, however, state that this is not an assurance as to the future viability of the company. We further state that our reporting is based on the facts up to the date of the audit report and we neither give any guarantee nor any assurance that all liabilities falling due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date, will get discharged by the company as and when they fall due.
- xx) The company is not covered under the provisions of Section 135 of the Companies Act 2013. Accordingly clauses 3(xx)(a) and 3(xx)(b) of the Order are not applicable.

For SURI & CO
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration. No. 004283S

Place: Chennai
Date: 05-08-2024
UDIN: 24219922BKCLUJ8019

G Rengarajan
Partner
Membership No. 219922

L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, COCHIN

ANNEXURE B TO THE REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, KOCHI

Report on the Internal Financial Controls under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 (“the Act”)

We have audited the internal financial controls over financial reporting of L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED (“the Company”) as of 31-March-2024 in conjunction with our audit of the standalone financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

Management’s Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Company’s management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (‘ICAI’). These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to company’s policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

Auditors’ Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company’s internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting (the “Guidance Note”) and the Standards on Auditing, issued by ICAI and deemed to be prescribed under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls, both applicable to an audit of Internal Financial Controls and, both issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls over financial reporting was established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company’s internal financial controls system over financial reporting.

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Meaning of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

A company's internal financial control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal financial control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at 31-Mar-2024 based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

Place: Chennai
Date: 05-08-2024
UDIN: 24219922BKCLUJ8019

For SURI & CO
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration. No. 004283S

G Rengarajan
Partner
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L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, COCHIN

CIN : U01131KL1943PLC071569

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024

	NOTES	Figures as at the end of 31.03.2024	Rupees in Lakhs Figures as at the end of 31.03.2023
I. EQUITY AND LIABILITIES:			
(1) Shareholder's funds			
(a) Share capital	2	54.00	54.00
(b) Reserves and surplus	3	2342.61	2413.51
		<u>2396.61</u>	<u>2467.51</u>
(2) Non-current liabilities			
Long term provisions	4	47.88	41.60
		<u>47.88</u>	<u>41.60</u>
(3) Current liabilities	5		
(a) Short term borrowings		1.38	NIL
(b) Trade payables			
- Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises (Note 32); and		6.92	0.00
- Total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises.		66.97	237.21
(c) Other current liabilities		7.53	6.74
(d) Short-term provisions		45.75	131.37
		<u>128.55</u>	<u>375.32</u>
		<u>2573.04</u>	<u>2884.43</u>
II. Assets:			
(1) Non-current assets			
(a) Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible assets			
(i) Property, Plant and Equipment	6	185.97	183.14
(b) Non-current investments	7	731.87	683.96
(c) Deferred Tax Assets	9	23.77	65.70
(d) Long term loans and advances	10	1.96	1.47
		<u>943.57</u>	<u>934.27</u>
(2) Current assets			
(a) Current investments	8	56.22	77.86
(b) Inventories	11	69.90	97.97
(c) Trade receivables	12	208.48	303.67
(d) Cash and cash equivalents	13	1223.99	1329.38
(e) Short-term loans and advances	14	45.93	112.99
(f) Other Current Assets:			
Accrued income	15	24.95	28.29
		<u>1629.47</u>	<u>1950.16</u>
Significant Accounting Policies	1	<u>2573.04</u>	<u>2884.43</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Vide our Report of date attached
For SURI & CO.,
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For and on behalf of the Board

PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman

K. SURESH
Director

Chennai
05-08-2024

L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED, COCHIN

CIN : U01131KL1943PLC071569

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

				Rupees in Lakhs	
		NOTES	Figures for the year ended 31.03.2024 Rs.	Figures for the year ended 31.03.2023 Rs.	
I	Revenue from operations	16	1146.18	1225.91	
II	Other income	17	265.11	103.96	
III	Total Revenue (I +II)		<u>1411.29</u>	<u>1329.87</u>	
IV	Expenses:				
	Cost of materials consumed	18	121.09	136.09	
	Purchase of stock-in-trade		19.56	22.25	
	Changes in inventory of Finished goods, work in progress and stock-in-trade	19	7.14	6.15	
	Employee benefit expense	20	592.03	580.06	
	Finance costs	21	-	1.10	
	Depreciation and amortization expense		13.44	22.79	
	Other expenses	22	660.00	483.89	
	Total Expenses		<u>1413.26</u>	<u>1252.33</u>	
V	Profit before exceptional and extraordinary items and tax (III - IV)		(1.97)	77.54	
VI	Exceptional items			563.25	
VII	Profit before extraordinary items and tax (V-VI)		(1.97)	640.79	
VIII	Extraordinary Items		-	-	
IX	Profit before tax		<u>(1.97)</u>	<u>640.79</u>	
X	Tax expense:				
	Current tax			75.00	
	Deferred tax		41.93	40.74	
XI	Profit/(Loss) for the period (IX-X)		<u>(43.90)</u>	<u>525.05</u>	
XII	Earning per equity share:				
	Basic	24	(8.13)	97.23	
	Diluted	24	(8.13)	97.23	
	Face value per ordinary share - ₹10				

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
A. CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES :		
NET PROFIT BEFORE TAX AND EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	(43.90)	77.54
ADJUSTMENTS FOR :		
Depreciation	13.44	22.79
Profit on sale of investments	-	-
Provision for Gratuity / Leave Encashment	9.91	9.83
Provision for bonus	(0.82)	(0.12)
Profit on Sale of Assets	(4.59)	(0.72)
Interest Received	(96.76)	(75.79)
Income from Investments	(0.22)	(0.22)
Depreciation on Investment	2.09	
Loss on Redemption of Mutual Fund	5.53	0.61
Expenses Recovered by Mutual Funds	3.68	
Asset Discarded	1.07	
Deferred Tax	41.93	1.10
Write back of Provision for expense	3.56	
	<u>(21.18)</u>	<u>(42.52)</u>
OPERATING PROFIT BEFORE WORKING CAPITAL CHANGES	(65.08)	35.02
ADJUSTMENTS FOR :		
Change in Accrued Income	4.60	
Change in Current Liabilities	(0.15)	
Change in Tax Provisions	(73.42)	
Change in other Provisions		
Trade and other Receivables	95.18	(24.35)
Inventories	28.08	(2.60)
Trade Payables and other current liabilities	(168.03)	145.18
Other Current Assets	67.06	(8.20)
	<u>(46.68)</u>	<u>110.03</u>
CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS	(111.76)	145.05
Direct Taxes Paid	(11.61)	(60.36)
Income tax refund Received	(3.40)	-
CASH FLOW BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS	(126.77)	84.69
Extraordinary Items		563.25
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(126.77)	647.94

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
B. CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of Fixed Assets	(17.17)	(10.41)
Sale Proceeds from Fixed Assets	4.40	
Sale/Deletion of Fixed Assets		2.63
Profit on sale of Assets		0.72
Increase in Investment	(50.00)	
Redemption of Short term Investment	12.44	12.36
Change in long term loans and advances(Deposits)	(0.49)	
Interest Received	96.76	75.79
Interest paid	-	(1.10)
Income from Investments	0.22	0.22
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	46.16	80.21
C. CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from short term borrowings	1.38	-
Dividend Paid	(26.16)	-
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(24.78)	0.00
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(105.39)	728.15
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS AT BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	1,329.38	601.23
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AS AT END OF THE YEAR	1,223.99	1329.38
	(105.39)	728.15

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

NOTE 1:

“L.J. International Limited is engaged in the export and domestic sales of Tissue cultured plants. The Company has its production facilities in India and exports most of its products.

The Company is a public limited company incorporated and domiciled in India and has its registered office at New No.56/712 (Old No 27/1032) Panampilly Nagar, Cochin 682036 Ernakulam, Kerala. The financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2024, were approved for issue by Company’s board of directors on 5th August, 2024.”

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES :

a) Accounting Convention :

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention on accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles, Accounting Standards notified under section 133 of the companies Act 2013 read with rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.

b) Property Plant & Equipment:

Property, Plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss based on cost model.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset when:

- i. it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the enterprise; and
- ii. The cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Cost includes, taxes and duties (but does not include taxes and duties for which Input Tax Credit in GST is available), freight and other direct or allocated expenses during construction period, net of any income earned. Assets acquired on Hire Purchase are capitalized at principal value.

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated on written down value method adopting the useful life specified in Schedule II of the Companies Act 2013. Assets costing individually less than Rs.5, 000/- are depreciated at 100 % in the year of purchase. Depreciation for assets purchased/sold during the period is proportionately charged.

Intangible assets are amortized over their respective individual estimated useful lives on a straight line basis, commencing from the date the asset is available to the company for its use. Depreciation and Amortization methods, useful lives and residual value are reviewed periodically, including at each financial year end.

c) Investments :

Long Term Investments are stated at cost. Decline in value of Long Term Investments other than Temporary is provided for. Current Investments are stated at lower of cost and or fair value.

d) Inventories :

Inventories are valued at lower of cost on FIFO/Weighted Average Method and net realisable value, after providing for obsolescence wherever necessary. Cost includes taxes and duties (other than duties and taxes for which GST credit is available), freight and other direct expenses.

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e) Revenue Recognition :

Revenue is recognized on accrual and when no significant uncertainty on measurability or collectability exists. Expenditure is accounted for on their accrual.

Sale of goods:

Revenue from sale of goods is recognized when all the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have been passed to the buyer, usually on delivery of the goods. The company collects Goods & Service Taxes (GST) on behalf of the government and, therefore, these are not economic benefits flowing to the company. Hence, they are excluded from revenue.

Interest:

Interest income is recognized on a time proportion basis taking into account the amount outstanding and the applicable interest rate. Interest income is included under the head "other income" in the statement of profit and loss.

Dividends:

Dividend income is recognized when the company's right to receive dividend is established by the reporting date.

f) Employee Benefits :

"Gratuity liability, which is a defined benefit scheme and provision for leave encashment is accrued and provided for on the basis of independent actuarial valuation based on projected unit credit method made at the end of each financial year. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of profit and loss and are not deferred.

Retirement benefits in the form of Provident Fund, Family Pension Fund and Superannuation Schemes, which are defined contribution schemes, are charged to the Statement of profit and loss of the year when the contribution to the respective funds accrue."

g) Foreign Currency Transactions :

Foreign Currency Transactions are accounted for at the exchange rates prevailing at the date of the transaction. The company uses foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge its exposure to movements in foreign exchange rates and the resultant gain or loss is dealt with in the Statement of Profit & Loss on completion of the transaction. Monetary items denominated in foreign currency and outstanding at the Balance sheet date are converted at the year end exchange rate and the resultant gain or loss is dealt with in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

h) Government Grants

Subsidies from government in respect of fixed assets are deducted from the cost of respective assets as and when they accrue. Subsidies related to revenue are recognised into the Statement of Profit and Loss to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate.

h) Taxes on Income

Provision for Income-Tax is made for both current and deferred tax. Provision for current income tax is made on the assessable income at the tax rate applicable to the relevant assessment year. Deferred tax is accounted for by computing the tax effect of the timing difference which arise during the year and reverse out in the subsequent

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periods. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates substantively enacted by the Balance Sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognized only if there is a virtual certainty that they will be realized.

i) Earnings per share

Basic Earnings per share are calculated by dividing the net profit or loss for the period attributable to equity shareholders (after deducting preference dividends and attributable taxes, if any) by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the period. The weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the period is adjusted for events such as bonus issue, bonus element in a rights issue, share split, and reverse share split (consolidation of shares) that have changed the number of equity shares outstanding, without a corresponding change in resources.

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings per share, the net profit or loss for the period attributable to equity shareholders and the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period are adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential equity shares.

j) Impairment of Assets

The Company reviews the carrying amounts of its assets for any possible impairment at each balance sheet date. An impairment loss is recognized when the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount and the impairment loss, if any, is recognized in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

k) Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets are capitalised as part of the cost of the assets.

Other borrowing costs are recognised as expense as and when incurred.

l) Provisions

A Provision is recognized when the company has a present obligation as a result of past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Provisions are not discounted to their present value and determined based on the best estimate required to settle the obligation at the reporting date. These estimate are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimates.

Where the company expects some or all provision to be reimbursed, for example under an insurance contract, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to any provision is presented in the statement of profit and loss net of any reimbursement

m) Contingent liabilities

A Contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events whose existence will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the company or a present obligation that is not recognized because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation. A contingent liability also arises in extremely rare cases where there is a liability that cannot be recognized because it cannot be measured reliably. The company does not recognize a contingent liability but discloses its existence in the financial statements.

Contingent Assets are neither recognised nor disclosed.

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n) Dividend:

Final Dividends on shares are recorded as a liability on the date of approval by the shareholders and interim dividends are recorded as a liability on the date of declaration by the Company's Board of Directors.

o) Cash Flow Statement:

Cash Flow Statement is prepared segregating, the cash flow in operating, investing and financing activities. Cash flow from operating activities is reported using indirect method. Under the indirect method, the net profit is adjusted for the effects of

- (i) Transactions of non-cash nature.
- (ii) Any deferrals or accruals of past or future operating cash receipts or payments and
- (iii) Items of income or expense associated with investing or financing cashflows.

Cash and cash equivalents (including bank balances) are reflected as such in Cash Flow Statement.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024

		Rupees in Lakhs				
		31.03.2024	31.03.2023			
NOTE: 2						
SHARE CAPITAL						
a.	AUTHORISED					
	6,00,000 Equity Shares of Rs.10 each	60.00	60.00			
	1,00,000 Preference Shares of Rs.10 each	10.00	10.00			
		70.00	70.00			
b.	ISSUED, SUBSCRIBED & PAID UP					
	5,40,000 Equity Shares of Rs.10 each	54.00	54.00			
c.	Reconciliation of Shares Outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the reporting year.					
	Number of shares at the beginning of the year	540000	540000			
	Add/(Less) shares issued /buyback etc	Nil	Nil			
	Number of shares at the end of the year	540000	540000			
d.	Details of shareholders holding more than 5% of equity shares as on 31-03-2024					
		31.03.2024	31.03.2023			
	Name of the shareholder	No of shares held	% of holding	No of shares held	% of holding	
	Mr. Dilip Thomas	1 44 628	26.78	1 44 368	26.73	
	A.V.Thomas Investments Co. Ltd.	1 03 760	19.21	1 03 760	19.21	
	A.V.Thomas International Ltd.	1 01 841	18.86	1 01 841	18.86	
	A.V.Thomas & Co. Ltd.	32 200	5.96	32 200	5.96	
	Investor Education & Protection Fund	64 352	11.92	64 352	11.92	
		4 46 781	82.73	4 46 521	82.68	
e.	No Bonus shares / Buy back of shares in the immediately preceeding 5 years.					
f.	The Company has only one class of shares which is equity shares. Each holder of equity shares is entitled for one vote in proportion to the number of shares held.					
g.	Shares reserved under option and contract/commitments for sale of shares/disinvestment			Nil	Nil	
h.	The aggregate value of calls unpaid (including Directors and Officers of the Company)			Nil	Nil	
i.	Disclosure of Promoters Shareholding Pattern					
	Promoter Name	As at 31st March 2024		As at 31st March 2023		% of change
		No. of shares held	% of total shares	No. of shares held	% of total shares	during the year
	Mr. Dilip Thomas	1 44 628	26.78	1 44 368	26.73	0.05
	A.V.Thomas Investments Co. Ltd.	1 03 760	19.21	1 03 760	19.21	
	A.V.Thomas International Ltd.	1 01 841	18.86	1 01 841	18.86	
	A.V.Thomas & Co. Ltd.	32 200	5.96	32 200	5.96	

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd..)

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 3		
Reserves and surplus		
GENERAL RESERVE		
As per last Balance Sheet	2055.31	
Add: Transfer from Statement of Profit and Loss	Nil	
	2055.31	2055.31
SURPLUS		
Profit /(Loss) for the period	(43.90)	525.05
Add: Deferred tax recognised	-	106.44
Add: Surplus / (Deficit) brought forward from previous years	358.20	(273.29)
	314.30	358.20
APPROPRIATIONS:		
Transfer to General Reserve	-	-
Final Dividend on Equity Shares for FY 2022-23 Rs.5 per share (PY- NIL)	27.00	-
Balance in Profit and Loss account	-	-
Net Surplus in the Statement of Profit and Loss	287.30	358.20
	2,342.61	2,413.51
NOTE: 4		
Long Term Provisions		
Provision for Employee benefits (Refer Note No.31)		
For Gratuity	34.57	29.00
For Leave Encashment	13.31	12.60
	47.88	41.60

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd..)

Rupees in Lakhs
31.03.2024 31.03.2023

NOTE: 5

Current liabilities:

(a) Short Term Borrowings - From Bank - Secured

The Company's borrowing facilities comprising cash credit facility of Rs. 2,00,00,000, secured by Fixed Deposits of the Company with the Bank

1.38 NIL

No loans have been guaranteed by Directors or Others

Period and amount of default

	NIL	NIL
	1.38	NIL

(b) Trade payables

(Refer Note No:32 for details of dues to micro and small enterprises)

(i) Total outstanding dues to Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises

6.92 NIL

The amount due to Micro and Small Enterprises as defined in "The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises development Act, 2006" has been determined to the extent such parties have been identified on the basis of information collected by the management. This has been relied upon by the auditors.

(ii) Total outstanding dues of creditors other than to Micro Enterprises and Small Enterprises

	66.97	237.21
	73.89	237.21

The trade payables ageing schedule is as follows :

Particulars	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment as on 31st March 2024					
	Unbilled Due	Less than 1 year	1 -2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	Total
(i) MSME		6.92	-	-	-	6.92
(iii) Others	8.37	58.60	-	-	-	66.97
(ii) Disputed dues - MSME		-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Disputed dues - Others		-	-	-	-	-

Particulars	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment as on 31st March 2023					
	Unbilled Due	Less than 1 year	1 -2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	Total
(i) MSME		-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Others	161.72	75.49	-	-	-	237.21
(ii) Disputed dues - MSME		-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Disputed dues - Others		-	-	-	-	-

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
(c) Other current liabilities		
Investor Education and Protection Fund		
- Unclaimed Dividend	0.84	-
- Other current liabilities	6.69	6.74
	<u>7.53</u>	<u>6.74</u>
(d) Short Term Provisions		
Provision for Employee benefits		
For Gratuity	10.00	7.00
For Leave Encashment	2.18	1.55
For bonus	6.92	7.74
Other provisions		
For Taxation	26.65	115.08
	<u>45.75</u>	<u>131.37</u>

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd.)

NOTE - 6

FIXED ASSETS - TANGIBLE ASSETS

Rupees in Lakhs

DESCRIPTION *	GROSS BLOCK			DEPRECIATION			NET BLOCK	
	AS AT 01.04.2023	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	AS AT 31.03.2024	For the year	Withdrawn	As on 31.03.2024	AS AT 31.03.2023
Land and Development :								
Freehold	83.26	0.00	0.00	83.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	83.26
	84.87	0.00	1.61	83.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	84.87
Leasehold	32.40	0.00	0.00	32.40	0.37	0.00	7.00	25.77
	32.40	0.00	0.00	32.40	0.37	0.00	6.63	26.14
Buildings								
Freehold	9.45	0.00	0.00	9.45	0.21	0.00	9.45	1.20
	26.82	0.00	17.37	9.45	2.33	17.14	8.25	3.76
Leasehold	207.57	0.00	0.00	207.57	2.21	0.00	181.93	27.85
	207.57	0.00	0.00	207.57	2.61	0.00	179.72	30.46
Plant & Machinery								
	635.68	17.17	9.27	643.58	8.04	8.61	593.35	40.76
	625.27	10.41	0.00	635.68	14.12	0.00	594.92	44.48
Furniture & Fixtures								
	20.75	0.00	0.00	20.75	0.05	0.00	20.30	0.50
	20.75	0.00	0.00	20.75	0.07	0.00	20.25	0.57
Motor Vehicles								
	66.22	0.00	46.42	19.80	0.47	44.10	18.81	3.78
	77.86	0.00	11.64	66.22	1.09	11.06	62.44	5.46
PREVIOUS YEAR	1055.33	17.17	55.69	1016.81	11.35	52.71	830.84	185.97
	1075.54	10.41	30.62	1055.33	20.59	28.20	872.20	183.13
								195.74

Previous year's figures have been shown in Italics.

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd.)

NOTE - 7

NON - CURRENT INVESTMENTS :

Description	Balance as on 01.04.2023		Additions		Deletions		Balance as on 31.03.2024	
	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount
	Rupees in Lakhs							
LONG TERM - AT COST								
EQUITY SHARES OF:								
Hirsel Nutrition Pvt. Ltd.	5286	50.00					5286	50.00
Less :								
Provision for diminution in value of investments		50.00						50.00
		0.00						0.00
AVR Edge Networks Pvt. Ltd.	126330	226.58					126330	226.58
The Rajagiri Rubber & Produce Co. Ltd.	14200	88.70					14200	88.70
The Highland Produce Co. Ltd.	100	0.18					100	0.18
A V Thomas International Ltd.	828	6.24					828	6.24
		321.70						321.70

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd.)

NOTE - 7

NON - CURRENT INVESTMENTS : (Contd..)

Rupees in Lakhs

Description	Balance as on 01.04.2023		Additions		Deletions		Balance as on 31.03.2024	
	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount	No of Shares Units	Amount
PREFERENCE SHARES								
Preference Shares of AVR Edge Networks Pvt. Ltd.	99580	235.00					99580	235.00
Less: Provision for diminution in value of investments		<u>11.94</u> <u>223.06</u>						<u>11.94</u> <u>223.06</u>
BONDS								
REC Ltd.-54EC Capital Gain Tax Exemption Bonds			500.00	<u>50.00</u>			500	<u>50.00</u>
IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES								
Land and Buildings (Including Fixtures)		210.81		0.00				210.81
Less: Depreciation		<u>71.61</u> <u>139.20</u> <u>683.96</u>		<u>2.09</u> <u>(2.09)</u> <u>50.00</u>				<u>73.70</u> <u>137.11</u> <u>731.87</u>
				31.03.2024				31.3.2023
Aggregate amount of quoted investments				0.00				0.00
Aggregate amount of unquoted investments				656.70				606.70
Less: Diminution in value of unquoted investments				<u>61.94</u> <u>594.76</u>				<u>61.94</u> <u>544.76</u>
Aggregate amount of immovable properties				210.81				210.81
Total				<u>805.57</u>				<u>755.57</u>
Aggregate depreciation of immovable properties				<u>73.70</u>				<u>71.61</u>
				<u>731.87</u>				<u>683.96</u>

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SCHEDULES FORMING PART OF THE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd.)

NOTE - 8

CURRENT INVESTMENTS :

Description	Balance as on 01.04.2023				Deletions				Additions				Balance as on 31.03.2024			
	No of Shares Units		Amount		No of Shares Units		Amount		No of Shares Units		Amount		No of Shares Units		Amount	
SHORT TERM - AT LOWER OF COST AND FAIR VALUE																
ASK Real Estate Special Opportunities Fund II	78.00		77.87			21.63		21.65			56.37		56.22			
TOTAL			77.87					21.65			56.22		56.22			

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd...)

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 9		
Deferred tax asset		
Tax impact of difference between carrying amount of fixed assets in the Financial Statements and the Income Tax returns	5.85	10.02
Tax impact of expenses charged in the financial statements but allowable as deduction in future years under income tax	17.92	55.68
Net deferred Tax asset	23.77	65.70
NOTE: 10		
Long term loans and advances		
Other loans and advances		
Advances recoverable in cash or in kind or for value to be received	1.96	1.47
	1.96	1.47
NOTE: 11		
Inventories: (Value of Lower of cost and Net realisable value)		
Stores and Spares	44.67	65.60
Live Plants	17.22	21.83
Traded Goods:		
Live Plants	6.13	8.55
Seeds	0.33	0.33
Other Materials	1.55	1.66
Material in Transit	-	-
	69.90	97.97
NOTE: 12		
Trade Receivables		
(a) Trade receivable outstanding for more than six months from the date they become due for payment:		
Considered good - Unsecured		
(a) Trade receivable outstanding for more than six months from the date they become due for payment	-	1.07
	-	1.07
(b) Other receivable		
Unsecured Considered good	208.48	302.60
	208.48	303.67

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd...)

Rupees in Lakhs

Particulars	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment as on 31st March 2024					Total
	Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables - considered good	208.48	-	-	-	-	208.48
(ii) Undisputed Trade receivables - considered doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Disputed Trade receivables - considered good	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed Trade receivables - considered doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-

Particulars	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment as on 31st March 2023					Total
	Less than 6 months	6 months - 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables - considered good	302.60	-	-	-	-	302.60
(ii) Undisputed Trade receivables - considered doubtful	-	1.07	-	-	-	1.07
(iii) Disputed Trade receivables - considered good	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed Trade receivables - considered doubtful	-	-	-	-	-	-

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NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2024 (Contd...)

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 13		
Cash & cash equivalents		
Cash and Stamps on Hand	2.22	1.01
Bank Balances with scheduled Banks		
- In Current Account	17.35	19.67
- In Deposit Account	1203.35	1308.49
	1222.92	1329.17
With Scheduled Banks - Earmarked balances with bank		
- In Dividend Account	0.84	-
- In Margin Money Deposit for Issue of Guarantee	0.23	0.21
	1.07	0.21
	1223.99	1329.38
Bank deposits with more than 12 months maturity	1152.82	282.42
NOTE: 14		
Short term loans & advances:		
Considered good - Unsecured		
Advances recoverable in cash or in kind or		
for value to be received	16.14	7.73
Prepaid Expenses	4.60	10.54
Input Tax Receivable	15.71	14.50
Other Loans and Advances :	-	-
Tax payments pending adjustment	9.48	80.22
	45.93	112.99
NOTE: 15		
Other Current Assets:		
Accrued Income	24.95	28.29
	24.95	28.29

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NOTES FORMING PART OF STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 16		
REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS		
Sale of Products		
Sales - Plants	1106.04	1171.49
Less: Duty on DTA Sales	(0.72)	(0.58)
Sales - Traded Goods		
Plants	28.28	36.72
Seeds	12.24	17.81
Other Materials	0.34	0.44
Other Operating revenue	-	0.03
	1146.18	1225.91
NOTE: 17		
OTHER INCOME		
Interest income on:		
(i) Bank deposits	89.80	65.94
(ii) Others	6.96	9.85
Income from Investments		
(i) Long Term	0.22	0.22
(ii) Current	-	-
Insurance/Other Claim Received/ Accrued	8.19	12.28
Profit on Sale/redemption of Investments		
(i) Long Term	-	-
(ii) Current	-	-
Profit on Sale of Assets	4.59	0.72
Provision no longer required written back	154.47	-
Net gain from foreign currency transaction/translation	0.81	12.64
Miscellaneous Receipts	0.07	2.31
	265.11	103.96
NOTE: 18		
COST OF MATERIAL CONSUMED:		
Consumption of Chemical, Stores and Plants (refer note no. 23)	121.09	136.09

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NOTES FORMING PART OF STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 19		
CHANGES IN INVENTORIES		
(INCREASE)/DECREASE IN STOCK		
TISSUE CULTURE - Live Plants		
Opening Stock	21.83	22.23
Closing Stock	17.22	21.83
	4.61	0.40
Traded Plants		
Opening Stock	8.55	13.94
Closing Stock	6.13	8.54
	2.42	5.40
Seeds		
Opening Stock	0.33	0.33
Closing Stock	0.33	0.33
	-	-
Other Materials		
Opening Stock	1.66	2.01
Closing Stock	1.55	1.66
	0.11	0.35
	7.14	6.15
NOTE: 20		
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSES (Refer Note 31)		
Salaries, Wages and Bonus	513.14	505.04
Contribution to Provident & other Funds	44.79	40.49
Provision for Gratuity	8.57	9.35
Provision for Leave Encashment	1.34	0.48
Welfare Expenses	24.19	24.70
	592.03	580.06

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NOTES FORMING PART OF STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	Rupees in Lakhs	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
NOTE: 21		
FINANCE COST		
Interest Expense	-	1.10
	-	1.10
NOTE: 22		
OTHER EXPENDITURE		
Rent	332.61	167.00
Rates and Taxes	2.33	2.76
Insurance	4.73	4.93
Printing & Stationery	2.84	3.88
Postages and Telephones	1.62	1.53
Travelling and Conveyance	30.63	13.37
Advertisement	0.40	0.72
Freight and Transport	96.93	121.65
Power, Fuel and Water	75.40	72.09
Directors' Sitting Fees	1.40	1.26
Remuneration to Auditors:		
For Audit	6.50	5.50
For Certification/Tax Audit	4.78	3.62
For Taxation matters	0.65	1.10
For Travelling and Other Expenses	1.10	1.10
Repairs and Maintenance:		
Buildings	10.27	11.31
Machinery	6.43	9.56
Vehicles	8.22	9.26
Others	23.78	23.97
Loss on Redemption of Mutual Funds	5.53	0.61
Expenses Recovered by Mutual Funds	3.68	3.88
Legal & Professional Charges	1.58	1.28
Miscellaneous Expenses	38.59	23.51
	660.00	483.89

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

Rupees in Lakhs
31.03.2024 31.03.2023

NOTE - 23

Plants, Stores and Spares Consumed:

	Year Ended 31.03.2024		Year Ended 31.03.2023	
			%	%
a) Imported	25.82	21.32	25.23	18.54
b) Indigenous	95.27	78.68	110.86	81.46
	121.09	100.00	136.09	100.00

NOTE - 24

Earnings Per Share (EPS)

The following reflects the profit and share data used in the basic EPS computation:

	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
Profit/(Loss) after tax	(43.90)	525.05
Net profit/(Loss) for calculation of Basic EPS	(43.90)	525.05
Net Profit as above - Net profit for calculation of diluted EPS	(43.90)	525.05
Number of equity shares in calculating EPS	5 40 000	5 40 000
Basic EPS	(8.13)	97.23
Diluted EPS	(8.13)	97.23

NOTE - 25

Earnings in Foreign Exchange

FOB Value of Exports	1003.39	1040.63
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NOTE - 26

Expenditure in Foreign Exchange:

Travelling	21.25	4.16
Total	21.25	4.16

NOTE - 27

CIF Value of Imports:

Stores and Chemicals	7.69	34.25
Total	7.69	34.25

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Rupees in Lakhs
31.03.2024 31.03.2023

NOTE - 28

Contingent Liability:

1. The retrospective effect from 01.04.2014 of the operations and implementations of the payment of bonus (Amendment) Act, 2015 has been stayed by the Honourable High Court of Kerala. Considering the same, the Company has not provided for the additional liability.

2. Rent demand disputed in appeals - against escalated rent claims from Cochin Special economic zone pending before the High Court with interest	Nil	221.36
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The company has discharged the escalated rent claims during the year against which a partial provision was created in the previous year.

The future cash outflows on the above items are determinable only on receipt of decision/judgement that is pending at various form/authorities. The Company does not expect the outcome of these proceedings to have a materiality adverse effect on its financial results.

NOTE - 29

Segment Reporting

The Operations of the company relates to Tissue Culture of Live Plants which is the only business segment and therefore no separate reporting is made.

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

NOTE - 30

Related Party Transactions:

Following associate companies are related to the Company on account of common control through Constitution of Board / Shareholdings:

- AV Thomas & Company Limited
- A V Thomas International Limited
- A V Thomas Investments Company Ltd
- AVR Edge Networks Private Ltd
- AVT Holdings Private Limited
- Doors and More Wood Products Ltd
- Dalp Benevolent Trust
- The Highland Produce Company Limited
- The Rajagiri Rubber & Produce Co Ltd
- Dalp Trading & Manufacturing Limited
- A V Thomas Leather & Allied Products Pvt Ltd
- A V Thomas Exports Limited
- Rajagiri Impex Ltd
- J Thomas Educational and Benevolent Trust

Key Management Personnel : **Mr. Dilip Thomas**, Director

Rupees in Lakhs

Particulars	Associates		Key Management Personnel (including relatives)	
	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	31.03.2024	31.03.2023
INCOME:				
Sales	2.76	4.57		
Dividend	0.22	0.22		
EXPENDITURE:				
Rent	0.38	0.36		
C & F and Air Cargo charges	96.39	120.05		
Purchases	12.13	13.35		
Sitting Fees			0.56	0.56
Remuneration			15.63	6.00
Dividend	11.94	0.00	7.44	0.00
Common Utility Charges	0.60	0.60		
Purchase of Investments	-	-		
BALANCE:				
Debit balances				
Credit balances	26.93	36.89		

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

NOTE - 31

Employee Benefits:

The Company has adopted the Accounting Standard (AS)-15 (Revised) on "Employee Benefits" with effect from 1st April 2007

i) Defined Benefit Plans:

a) Description of the Company's defined benefit plan:

i) Gratuity Scheme:

This is a funded defined benefit plan for qualifying employees for which the Company makes contribution to the Gratuity Fund managed by the Life Insurance Corporation of India. The scheme provides for a lumpsum payment to vested employees at retirement, death while in employment or on termination of employment. Vesting occurs upon completion of five years of service.

ii) Leave Encashment:

The company also operates a non funded leave encashment scheme for its employees.

b) Reconciliation of changes in the Present Value of Obligation:

	31.03.2024		31.03.2023	
	Gratuity Funded	Leave Encashment Non Funded	Gratuity Funded	Leave Encashment Non Funded
	(₹in Lakhs)			
Present Value of the Obligation as on 01.04.2023	139.39	14.15	136.95	13.67
Current Service Cost	6.17	2.62	6.11	2.51
Interest Cost	9.56	0.69	8.99	0.65
Benefits Paid	(12.11)	(8.96)	(16.75)	(8.62)
Actuarial loss / (gain)	8.80	6.99	4.09	5.94
Present Value of Obligation as on 31.3.2024	<u>151.81</u>	<u>15.49</u>	<u>139.39</u>	<u>14.15</u>
c) Reconciliation of changes in the fair value of Plan Assets:				
Fair Value of Plan Assets as on 01.04.2023	103.39	Nil	110.29	Nil
Expected return on plan assets	7.09	Nil	7.01	Nil
Contributions by Employer	7.93	8.96	2.11	8.62
Benefits Paid	(12.11)	(8.96)	(16.75)	(8.62)
Actuarial gain / (loss)	0.94	Nil	0.73	Nil
Fair Value of Plan Assets as on 31.03.2024	<u>107.24</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>103.39</u>	<u>Nil</u>
d) The total expense recognised in the statement of profit and loss is as follows:				
Current Service Cost	6.17	2.62	6.11	2.51
Interest Cost	9.56	0.69	8.99	0.65
Expected return on plan assets	(7.09)	N.A	(7.01)	N.A
Net Actuarial (gain) / loss recognised in the year	7.86	6.99	3.36	5.94
	<u>16.50</u>	<u>10.30</u>	<u>11.45</u>	<u>9.10</u>

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

Employee Benefits: (Contd..)	31.03.2024		31.03.2023	
	Gratuity Funded	Leave Encashment Non Funded	Gratuity Funded	Leave Encashment Non Funded
e) Reconciliation of Net Liability recognised on the Balance Sheet:				
Net Liability as at the beginning of the year	36.00	14.15	26.66	13.67
Add: Expense as (d) above	16.50	10.30	11.45	9.10
Less: Employers Contribution / Payment	7.93	8.96	2.11	8.62
Net Liability as at the end of the year	44.57	15.49	36.00	14.15
f) Constitution of Plan Assets:				
Investments in LIC Group Gratuity Scheme	107.24	N.A.	103.39	N.A.
g) Principal actuarial assumptions used as at the Balance Sheet date:				
Discount Rate	6.97%	6.97%	7.17%	7.17%
Salary Escalation Rate	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
Attrition Rate	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
Expected rate of return on plan assets	7.00%	NA	7.00%	NA

The estimates of future salary increases, considered in actuarial valuation, take account of inflation, seniority, promotion and other relevant factors such as demand and supply in the employment market.

h) The amounts pertaining to defined benefit plan are as follows:

	31.03.2024	31.03.2023	31.03.2022	31.03.2021	31.03.2020
Gratuity Funded Plan					
Defined Benefit Obligation	151.81	139.39	136.94	133.16	155.00
Plan Assets	107.24	103.39	110.29	112.63	143.25
Surplus / (Deficit)	(44.57)	(36.00)	(26.65)	(20.53)	(11.75)
Experience adjustment - Plan Liability	(7.09)	(5.48)	(5.23)	(3.97)	(11.03)
Experience adjustment - Plan Assets	0.94	0.73	0.15	(0.02)	(0.55)

The Company expects to fund Rs. 8 lakhs towards its gratuity plan during the year 2024-25.

i) Defined Contribution Plans:

The Company makes contribution towards employees' provident fund, family pension fund, superannuation fund and employees' state insurance scheme. Under the rules of these schemes, the Company is required to contribute a specified percentage of payroll costs. The Company during the year recognised Rs.36.48 lakhs as expenses towards contribution to these plans.

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NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024 (Contd...)

NOTE - 32

Total outstanding to Micro and Small Enterprises (SMEs)

(₹ in Lakhs)

Year ended 31-03-2024	Year ended 31-03-2023
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The information regarding dues to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises as required under Micro, Small & Medium Enterprise Development (MSMED) Act,2006 as on 31st March 2024 is furnished below:

(a) The Principal amount and the interest due there on remaining unpaid to any supplier as at the end of the accounting year		
(i) Principal due to Micro & Small Enterprise	Nil	Nil
(ii) Principal due to Medium Enterprise	6.92	Nil
(iii) Interest	Nil	Nil
(b) The amount of interest paid by the buyer under MSMED Act, 2006 along with the amounts of the payment made to the supplier beyond the appointed day during each accounting year	Nil	Nil
(c) The amount of interest due and payable for the period (Where the principal has been paid but interest under the MSMED Act,2006 not paid)	Nil	Nil
(d) The amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of the accounting year	Nil	Nil
(e) The amount of further interest due and payable even in the succeeding year, until such date when the interest dues as above are actually paid to the small enterprise, for the purpose of disallowance as a deductible expenditure under Section 23.	Nil	Nil

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NOTE 33: Financial Ratios

Ratio	Numerator	Denominator	31-Mar-24 Ratio	31-Mar-23 Ratio	% Variance	Reason for variance
"Current Ratio (in times)"	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	12.68	5.20	143.95%	Decrease in income tax provision resulting from the inclusion of an extraordinary item in the prior year and the reversal of the provision established for rent related to CSEZ.
"Debt Equity Ratio (in times)"	Total Debt (including lease liability)	Total shareholder equity	0.00	0.00	0.00%	
"Debt Service Coverage Ratio (in times)"	Earning available for debt service (Net Profit after taxes + Non-cash operating expenses like depreciation and other amortizations + Interest + other adjustments like loss on sale of Fixed assets etc.)	Debt Service = Interest & Lease Payments + Principal Repayments	NA	499.04	NA	Finance cost is Nil.
Return on Equity Ratio (in %)	Profit after Tax	Average Shareholders Equity	-1.83%	25.97%	-107.05%	Loss due to payment of arrear rent to CSEZ.
Inventory Turn over Ratio (in times)	Cost of goods sold	Average inventory	13.66	12.68	7.68%	
Trade Receivable Turn over Ratio (in times)	Net Credit Sales	Average Accounts Receivable	4.48	4.21	6.43%	
Trade Payable Turn over Ratio (in times)	Net Credit Purchases	Average Accounts Payable	0.77	1.02	-24.62%	
Net Capital Turn over Ratio (in times)	Net Sales (Sales minus sales return)	Average Working Capital	0.75	0.96	-22.13%	
Net Profit Ratio (in %)	Net Profit (Net profit after tax)	Net Sales (Sales minus sales return)	-4%	43%	-108.94%	Loss due to payment of arrear rent to CSEZ and Presence of exceptional item in the previous year.
Return on Capital Employed Ratio (in %)	EBIT	Capital Employed (Tangible net worth + Total debt + Deferred Tax Liability)	0.00	0.26	-100.32%	Loss due to payment of arrear rent to CSEZ and Presence of exceptional item in the previous year.
Return on Investment (in %)	Net return on investment	Average investment	0%	0.00	0.00%	

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Accounting for Tax on Income:

“The impact of deferred tax on income for the year is considered and recognised appropriately.

The Company has adopted tax rate prescribed under section 115BAA of the Income Tax Act 1961 after complying with the condition attached to the applicability of the section from Financial Year 2020-2021.

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The Code on Social Security, 2020

The Social Security Code relating to Employee Benefit during employment and post employment benefit received presidential assent in September 2020.

The Code has been published in the Gazette of India. However, the date on which the Code will come into effect has not been notified.

The Company will assess the impact of the code when it comes into effect.

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Audit Trail:

The company is in the process of taking necessary steps to enable the feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility in the accounting software for maintaining books of accounts and expecting the same to be implemented from FY 2024-25.

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Other Notes :

Additional Regulatory Information as required under Schedule III Division I of Companies Act, 2013:

- (i) The Company does not hold any Benami property and there are no Proceedings have been initiated or pending against the company for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibitions) Act, 1988 (45 of 1988) and the rules made thereunder.
- (ii) The Company is not declared willful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or other lender in any time during the year and previous year.
- (iii) The company has no transactions with companies struck off under section 248 of the Companies Act, 2013 or section 560 of Companies Act, 1956.
- (iv) All the charges/satisfaction are registered with Registrar of Companies within the statutory period as specified in the Companies Act, 2013.
- (v)(a) The Company confirms that no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entity (“Intermediaries”), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;
- (b) The Management confirms that no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Company from any person or entity, including foreign entity (“Funding Parties”), with the

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understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party (“Ultimate Beneficiaries”) or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;

- (vi) There were no transactions relating to previously unrecorded income that have been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- (vii) The Company has not traded or invested in Crypto currency or Virtual Currency anytime during the financial year.
- (viii) During the year there are no loans or advances made to Promoters, Directors, KMPs and related parties.
- (ix) The Company has borrowings from banks on the basis of security of current assets. The same has been used for the specific purpose for which it was taken.
- (x) The Quarterly returns / statements of current assets filed by the Company with the banks are agreement with books of accounts and hence no separate disclosure is made for reason for discrepancies.
- (xi) The Company has complied with Sec 2(87) of the Act read with Companies (Restriction on number of Layers) Rules, 2017 for the investments made by the Company.
- (xii) All title deeds of immovable properties other than leased assets are in the name of the company.

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Figures for the previous year are regrouped wherever considered necessary.

Vide our Report of date attached
For SURI & CO.,
Chartered Accountants
Firm Regn. No: 004283S
G. RENGARAJAN
Partner
Membership No.219922

Chennai
05-08-2024

For and on behalf of the Board

PRIYALATHA THOMAS
Chairman

K. SURESH
Director

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STATISTICS OF PROFITS, PROVISIONS, DIVIDENDS ETC. (For the last 10 years)

Season	Net Profit/(Loss) after taxation ₹.	Provision for		Allocation to Reserve Funds ₹.	Dividends on Equity shares	
		Depreciation ₹.	Taxation ₹.		₹.	%
2014/2015	(25,14,779)	69,84,191	21,00,000	Nil	5,40,000	10
2015/2016	(84,69,766)	61,05,052	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2016/2017	(1,28,03,240)	55,91,990	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2017/2018	(62,83,713)	43,58,513	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2018/2019	(51,18,510)	44,95,276	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2019/2020	(1,11,60,687)	34,28,928	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2020/2021	(1,04,10,709)	25,55,847	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2021/2022	2,13,83,885	35,56,206	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
2022/2023	5,25,04,881	22,79,273	1,15,73,843	Nil	27,00,000	50
2023/2024	(43,90,881)	13,44,151	41,93,279	Nil	Nil	Nil

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Form No. MGT-11

PROXY FORM

[Pursuant to section 105(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 19(3) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014]

Corporate Identity Number (CIN) : U01131KL1943PLC071569

Name of the Company : L.J. INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

Registered Office : New No. 56/712, (Old No. 27/1032) Panamipilly Nagar, Cochin - 682 036.

Name of the member (s) :

Registered address :

E-mail Id :

Folio No/ Client Id :

DP ID :

I/We, being the member (s) holding shares of the above named company, hereby appoint

1. Name :
Address :
E-mail Id :
Signature : or failing him

2. Name :
Address :
E-mail Id :
Signature : or failing him

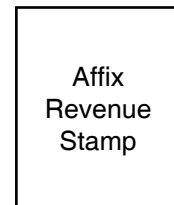
3. Name :
Address :
E-mail Id :
Signature :

as my/our proxy to attend and vote (on a poll) for me/us and on my/our behalf at the our behalf at the 81st Annual General Meeting of the Company, to be held on Thursday, the 26th September, 2024 at 11.00 a.m.at its Registered Office at New No. 56/712, (Old No. 27/1032) Panamipilly Nagar, Cochin - 682 036. and at any adjournment thereof in respect of such resolutions as are indicated overleaf:

Signed this..... day of..... 2024

Signature of shareholder

Signature of Proxy holder(s)



Note : This form of proxy in order to be effective should be duly completed and deposited at the Registered Office of the Company, not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting.

Resolution Number	Resolution
	Ordinary Business
1.	To receive, consider and adopt the audited Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31st March 2024, the reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
2.	To appoint a Director in the place of Mr. Dilip Thomas (DIN : 00052185), who retires by rotation and being eligible has offered himself for re-appointment.
3.	To appoint a Director in the place of Mr. K. Suresh (DIN : 00255162), who retires by rotation and being eligible has offered himself for re-appointment.
	Special Business
4.	To fix payment of Remuneration to Mrs. Mala Cherian, Director

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ATTENDANCE SLIP

I hereby record my presence at the 81st Annual General Meeting of the Company at 11.00 a.m. on Thursday the 26th day of September 2024, at the Registered Office of the Company at New No. 56/712, (Old No.27/1032) Panampilly Nagar, Cochin - 682 036.

Folio No. / DPID

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.....
Full Name of the *Shareholder / proxy (in Block Letters)

.....
Signature of *Shareholder / Proxy

*Strike out whichever is not applicable

E-mail ID

Note : Shareholders attending the meeting in Person / Proxy are requested to complete the Attendance Slip and hand over at the entrance of the Meeting Hall.

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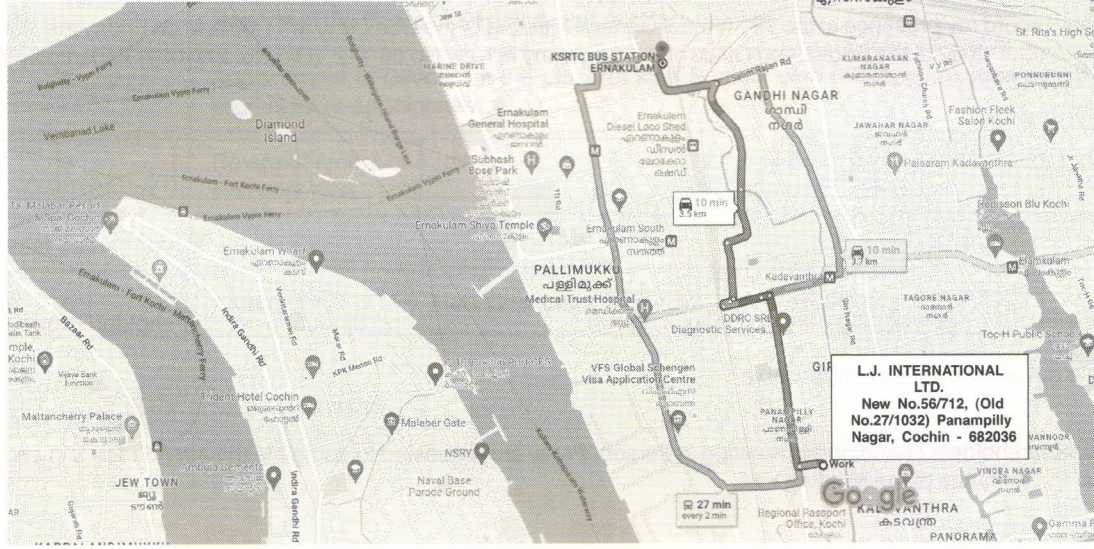
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Drive 3.5 km, 10 min ERNAKULAM C.P. Ummer Rd., Shenoy's, Ernakulam, Kerala - 682011



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Front Ernakulam, X79R+G8Q, S Railway Station Rd, Ernakulam South,
Ernakulam, Kerala 682016**

