#### RAIDEEP INDUSTRIES LIMITED

# "POLICY ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF BOARD, BOARD LEVEL COMMITTEES AND INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY"

The following "Policy on Performance Evaluation of Board, Board level Committees and Independent Directors of the Company" is formulated as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and Chapter II& IV of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR").

This Policy will be applicable to the Company with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. The Board may review and amend this policy from time to time.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

In an endeavor to safeguard the interest of the Company and as prescribed under section 178 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act') and SEBI (LODR), 2015, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors ("the Board") of RAIDEEP INDUSTRIES LIMITED ("the Company") has formulated a policy setting out the criteria for the performance of Independent Directors including the performance of the Board as a whole. Such an evaluation procedure will provide a fine system of checks and balances on the performance of the directors. This policy aims at establishing a procedure for conducting periodical evaluation of directors' performance and formulating the criteria for determining qualification, positive attribute and independence of each director of the Company. This policy further aims at ensuring that the committees to which the Board of Directors has delegated specific responsibilities are performing efficiently in conformity with the prescribed functions and duties.

#### LEGAL BACKGROUND:

- 1. Section 134 sub-section 3(p) read with Sub-rule (4) of Rule 8 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 every listed company and every other public company having paid- up share capital of twenty five crores or more calculated at the end of the preceding financial year should include in the report by its Board of Directors, a statement indicating the manner in which formal annual evaluation has been made by the Board of its own performance and that of its committees and individual directors.
- 2. The Schedule IV i.e. "Code for Independent Directors" provides that independent directors shall bring an objective view in the evaluation of the performance of Board and management.

The independent directors of the company shall hold at least one meeting in a year, without the attendance of non-independent directors and members of management. All the independent directors of the company shall strive to be present at such meeting. The meeting shall:

- (a) review the performance of non-independent directors and the Board as a whole;
- (b) review the performance of the Chairperson of the company, taking into account the views of executive directors and non-executive directors;
- (c) assess the quality, quantity and timeliness of flow of information between the company management and the Board that is necessary for the Board to effectively and reasonably perform their duties.
- 3. Section 178(2) states that the Nomination and Remuneration Committee shall identify persons who are qualified to become directors and who may be appointed in senior management in accordance with the criteria laid down recommend to the Board their appointment and removal and shall carry out evaluation of every director's performance.

4. Clause (f) of sub regulation 2 of Regulation 4 of Chapter II of SEBI (LODR), 2015 states that it is key function of Board of Directors to Monitor and review board of director's evaluation framework.

Sub regulation 10 of Regulation 17 OF Chapter IV of SEBI (LODR), 2015, states that the performance evaluation of independent directors shall be done by the entire board of directors

PART D of schedule II of SEBI (LODR), 2015 states that Nomination & Remuneration Committee shall formulate the criteria for evaluation of performance of independent directors and the board of directors.

#### **EVALUATION METHODOLOGIES**

The Board evaluation process comprises of both assessment and review. This includes analysis of how the Board and its committees are functioning, the timespent by the Board considering matters and whether the terms of reference of the Board committees have been met, besides compliance of the provisions of the Act.

In respect of each of the evaluation factors, various aspects have been provided to assist with the evaluation process in respect of performance of Independent Directors, the Board and its Committees separately. The evaluation factors may vary in accordance with their respective functions and duties.

#### PROCESS FOR EVALUATION OF THE BOARD

A. The Nomination & Remuneration Committee asks each Director to complete the attached rating form with respect to the Board of Directors Evaluation Form, Independent Director Evaluation Form and Evaluation of Board Committees Form.

B. The Board of Directors shall pay regards to the following parameters for the purpose of evaluating the performance.

#### Rating Scale

Scale	Performance
5	Exceptionally Good
4	Good
3	Satisfactory
2	Needs Improvement
1	Unacceptable

- C. The Nomination & Remuneration Committee receives Evaluation Forms on a confidential basis and summarizes the results. The Chairman of the Nomination & Remuneration Committee may have discussions with Individual Directors where clarification or interpretation is required.
- D. The Chairman of the Nomination & Remuneration Committee develops a report for the Nomination & Remuneration Committee. The Committee reviews the Evaluation Forms Result and develops recommendation for the Board to consider.
- E. The Board reviews the Evaluation Forms Result and the Nomination & Remuneration Committee's recommendation and takes any necessary action.

#### RESPONSIBILITY OF BOARD

The Company conducts its operations under the directions of the Board of the Company and within the framework laid down by the Companies Act, 2013, the Articles of Association of the Company, listing agreement with stock exchanges and internal code of conduct and policies formulated by the Company. The Company's Board of Directors

are expected to act in good faith; exercise their judgment on an informed basis in the best interest of the Company and its stakeholders.

It shall be the duty of Chairman & Managing Director of the Company, who shall be supported by the Company Secretary, to organize the evaluation process and accordingly conclude the steps required to be taken. The evaluation process will be used constructively as a system to improve the effectiveness of Board and its Committees, to maximize their strength and tackle their shortcomings.

In conformity with the requirements of the Act, the performance evaluation of Independent Directors shall be done by the entire Board of Directors, excluding the director being evaluated.

#### POLICY REVIEW:

#### (a) Annual Reviews.

There will be an annual evaluation of the performance of Board, Board Level Committees and of Independent Directors. The purpose of the evaluation is to determine how effectively the Board, Directors and the Committees are fulfilling their role and duties.

#### (b) Outcome of Reviews.

All reviews are to include open discussion by the Board of the results of the evaluations and to decide any changes which are required to be made by the Board to address any lack of performance and to agree the goals for the Board and, separately, for its Committees for the ensuing year. Board and Committee goals will always be set having regard to the approved strategy of the Company.

If particular concerns arise from the evaluation in relation to any individual Director, or Committee, the Chairman will meet with that Director, or Chairman of that Committee, to discuss the concerns and any actions to be taken as a result. If the concerns relate to the Chairman, then the Chairman will discuss the matter as appropriate with the Board.

# (c) Regular Feedback.

Directors will also be encouraged to provide feedback on a regular basis on the conduct of Board meetings and other business, and the preparation for them, in order to assist in the continual improvement of the way the Board carries out its role at a 'micro' level.

Part I
Board of Directors Evaluation Form
(By all the Directors individually)

	Criteria	Scale	How can the
		(1,2,3,4,5)	board do it
			better or
			differently
Board	Composition & Quality		
1.	The Board has appropriate expertise and		
	experience to meet the best interests of the		
	company		
2.	The board has appropriate combination of		
	industry knowledge and diversity (gender,		
	experience, background).		
3.	All the independent directors are independent in		
	true letter and spirit i.e. whether the independent		
	Director has given declaration of independence		
	and they exercise their own judgement, voice		
	their concerns and act freely from any conflicts of		
	interests		
4.	Board members demonstrate highest level of		
	integrity (including maintaining confidentiality		
	and identifying, disclosing and managing		
	conflicts of interests).		
5.	The Board members spend sufficient time in		
	understanding the vision, mission of the company		
	and strategic and business plans, financial		
	reporting risks and related internal controls and		
	provides critical oversight on the same.		

6. The Board understands the legal requirements	
and obligations under which they act as a Board;	
i.e. bylaws, corporate governance manual etc. and	
discharge their functions accordingly.	
7. The Board has set its goals and measures its	
performance against them on annual basis.	
8. The Board has defined its stakeholders and has	
appropriate level of communication with them.	
9. The Board understands the line between	
oversight and management.	
10. The board monitors compliances with corporate	
governance regulations and guidelines.	
11. An effective succession plan of board in place	
12. The Board has the proper number of committees	
as required by legislation and guidelines, with	
well-defined terms of reference and reporting	
requirements.	
Board Meetings and Procedures	
1. The Annual Calendar of Board meetings is	
communicated well in advance and reviewed	
from time to time	
2. The Board meeting agenda and related	
background papers are concise and provide	
information of appropriate quality and detail.	
3. The information is received by board members	
sufficiently in advance for proper consideration	
4. Adequacy of attendance and participation by the	
board members at the board meetings.	
5. Frequency of Board Meetings is adequate	
6. The facility for video conferencing for	
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conducting meetings is robust	
7. Location of Board Meeting (As a good governance	
practice the Board meeting should be held at	
different places).	
8. The Board meetings encourage a high quality of	
discussions and decision making.	
9. Openness to ideas and ability to challenge the	
practices and throwing up new ideas	
10. The amount of time spent on discussions on	
strategic and general issues is sufficient	
11. How effectively does the Board works collectively	
as a team in the best interest of the company?	
12. The minutes of Board meetings are clear,	
accurate, consistent, complete and timely	
13. The actions arising from board meetings are	
properly followed up and reviewed in subsequent	
board meetings.	
14. The processes are in place for ensuring that the	
board is kept fully informed on all material	
matters between meetings (including appropriate	
external information eg. emerging risks and	
material regulatory changes).	
15. Adequacy of the separate meetings of independent	
directors	
16. Appropriateness of secretarial support made	
available to the Board	
17. All proceedings and resolutions of the Board are	
recorded accurately, adequately and on a timely	
basis	
Board Development	

1.	Appropriateness of the induction programme	
	given to the new board members	
2.	Timeliness and appropriateness of ongoing	
	development programmes to enhance skills of its	
	members	
3.	Appropriate development opportunities are	
	encouraged and communicated well in time	
Во	ard Strategy and Risk Management	
1.	The time spent on issues relating to the strategic	
	direction and not day-to- day management	
	responsibilities	
2.	Engaging with management in the strategic	
	planning process, including corporate goals,	
	objectives and overall operating and financial	
	plans to achieve them.	
3.	The Board has developed a strategic plan / policies	
	and the same would meet the future requirement	
	of the Company.	
4.	The Board has sufficient understanding of the risk	
	attached with the business structure and the	
	Board uses appropriate risk management	
	framework and whether board reviewed and	
	understood the risks provided in the internal	
	audit report and the management is taken	
	sufficient steps to mitigate the risk.	
5.	The Board evaluates the strategic plan/ policies	
	periodically to assess the Company's performance,	
	considers new opportunities and responds to	
	unanticipated external developments	
6.	The Risk management framework is subject to	

review.	
7. Monitoring the implementation of the long term	
strategic goals	
8. Monitoring the company's internal controls and	
compliance with applicable laws and regulations	
9. The adequacy of Board contingency plans for	
addressing and dealing with crisis situations	
10. Appropriateness of effective vigil mechanism.	
11. The Board focuses its attention on long-term	
policy issues rather than short- term	
administrative matters.	
12. The Board discusses thoroughly the annual	
budget of the Company and its implications	
before approving.	
13. The Board periodically reviews the actual result of	
the Company vis-à-vis the plan/ policies devised	
earlier and suggests corrective measures, if	
required.	
Board and Management Relations	
1. The Board sets the overall tone and direction of	
the Company.	
2. The Board has approved comprehensive policies	
and procedures for smooth conduct of all material	
activities by Company.	
3. The Board has a range of appropriate performance	
indicators that are used to monitor the	
performance of management.	
4. The Board is well informed on all issues (short and	
long-term) being faced by the Company.	
5. The Board adequately reviews proposed departures	
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from the long-and short- term business plans of	
the Company before they take place	
Succession Planning	
1. The Board has a succession plan for the	
Chairperson and the Chief Executive Officer /	
Managing Director.	
2. The Board reviews the existing succession plan and	
if appropriate, make necessary changes by taking	
into account the current conditions.	

	Exceptionally	Good	Satisfactory	Needs	Unacceptable
	Good			Improvement	
Overall Rating of					
the Performance					
Comments					
Suggestions					
Name of the	Sign	ature		Date	
Director					

Note: In case, an evaluation factor is assigned 'not applicable' or 'adequate information not available' then, the score may be calculated by excluding the marks for that particular evaluation factor.

## PART II

## INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR EVALUATION FORM

# (PEER REVIEW- by Directors other than director being evaluated)

	Criteria	Scale	How can the
		(1,2,3,4,5)	board do it better
			or differently
Partici	pation at Board/ Committee Meetings		
1.	Director comes well prepared and informed for		
	theBoard / committee meeting(s).		
2.	Director demonstrates a willingness to devote		
	time andeffort to understand the Company and		
	its business anda readiness to participate in		
	events outside the meetingroom, such as site		
	visits?		
3.	Director's contributions at Board / Committee		
	meetingsare of high quality and innovative.		
4.	Director's proactively contributes in to		
	development ofstrategy and to risk management		
	of the Company.		
Manag	ging Relationship		
1.	Director's performance and behaviour promotes		
	mutualtrust and respect within the Board /		
	Committee.		
2.	Director is effective and successful in managing		
	Relationships with fellow Board members and		
	seniormanagement?		
Knowl	edge and Skill		
1.	Director understands governance, regulatory,		
	financial, fiduciary and ethical requirements of		
	the Board /Committee.		
2.	Director actively and successfully refreshes his/		
	herknowledge and skills and up to date with the		

	latestdevelopments in areas such as corporate		
	governanceframework, financial reporting and		
	the industry andmarket conditions.		
3.	Director is able to present his/ her views		
	convincinglyyet diplomatically.		
4.	Director listens and takes on Board the views of		
	othermembers of Board.		
Person	al Attributes		
1.	Director has maintained high standard of ethics		
	andintegrity.		
2.	Director exercises objective independent		
	judgment in the best interest of Company.		
3.	Director has effectively assisted the Company is		
	implementing best corporate governance		
	practice and then monitors the same.		
4.	Director helps in bringing independent		
	judgment during board deliberations on strategy,		
	performance, risk management etc.		
5.	Director keeps himself/ herself well informed		
	about the Company and external environment in		
	which it operates.		
6.	Director acts within his authority and assists in		
	protecting the legitimate interest of the		
	Company, Shareholder and employees.		
7.	Director maintains high level of confidentiality.		
8.	Director adheres to the applicable code of		
	conduct for independent directors		
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	Exceptionally	Good	Satisfactory	Needs	Unacceptable
	Good			Improvement	
Overall Rating of					
the Performance					

Comments		
Suggestions		
Name of the Director	Signature	Date

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# PART III EVALUATION OF BOARD COMMITTEES FORM (By Board of Directors)

Criteria		Scale	How can the
		(1,2,3,4,5)	board do it
			better or
			differently
Function and Duties			
1.	The Committee of the Board are appropriately		
	constituted.		
2.	The terms of reference for the committee are		
	appropriate with clear defined roles and		
	responsibilities.		
3.	Observing Committees terms of reference.		
4.	The amount of responsibility delegated by the		
	Board to each of the committees is appropriate.		
5.	The reporting by each of the Committees to the		
	Board is sufficient.		
6.	The performance of each of the Committees is		
	assessed annually against the set goals of the		
	committee.		
7.	Whether the terms of reference are adequate to		
	serve committee's purpose?		
8.	The committee regularly reviews its mandate and		
	performance.		
9.	Committee takes effective and proactive		
	measures to perform its functions.		
Manag	gement Relations		
1.	Committee gives effective suggestion and		
	recommendation.		
2.	Committee meetings are conducted in a manner		

that encourages open communication and	
meaningful participation of its members.	
Committee Meetings and Procedures	
1. Committee meetings have been organized	
properly and appropriate procedures were	
followed in this regard?	
2. The frequency of the Committee meetings is	
adequate.	
3. Committee makes periodically reporting to the	
Board along with its suggestions and	
recommendations.	

	Exceptionall y Good	Good	Satisfactor	Needs Improveme nt	Unacceptab le
Overall Rating of the Performance					
Comments					
Suggestions					
Name of the Director	Sig	gnature		Date	

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For Raideep Industries Limited

Sd/-(Rai Sahib) Managing Director