# MEDI ASSIST INSURANCE TPA PRIVATE LIMITED

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR(S)

#### 1. Appointment

Your appointment as Independent Director will be for an initial term up to five years and shall take effect from \_\_\_\_\_\_, unless terminated earlier ("**Term**"). The Company may disengage Independent Directors prior to completion of the Term subject to compliance of relevant provisions of the 2013 Act.

As an Independent Director you will not be liable to retire by rotation.

Reappointment at the end of the Term shall be based on the approval of the Board and the shareholders, in accordance with applicable law.

Your reappointment would be considered by the Board based on the outcome of the performance evaluation process and you continuing to meet the independence criteria.

As you are aware, you have been appointed on the following Committee's

Sl. No.	Name of the Committee	Chairperson/ Member	

The Board may reconstitute the composition of any/all Committees, from time to time, and any such change shall be promptly communicated to you. In such an event you may also be required to serve on other Committees of the Board. Upon your appointment to the Committees, you will be provided a charter of the Committee setting out the functions of the Committee.

The Board may constitute other Committees as may be required depending on the business requirements and pursuant to the regulations as may be applicable to the Company. The Board shall intimate you, in case you are required to serve on such other Committees of the Board.

#### 2. Role, Duties and Responsibilities

Role:

- Your role, functions and responsibilities as an Independent Director to the Company and, like all directors, you should act at all times in the best interests of the Company, exercising your independent judgement on all matters. Independent Directors have the same general legal responsibilities to the Company as any other director.
- You shall assist the Company in implementing the best corporate governance practices.
- Requirements under the Companies Act, 2013,

- "Responsibilities of the Board" as outlined in the Corporate Governance requirements as prescribed by Stock Exchanges under Regulation 25 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015
- Accountability under the Director's Responsibility Statement,
- You shall abide by the 'Code For Independent Directors' as outlined in Schedule IV of the 2013 Act, and duties of directors as provided in the Companies Act, 2013 (including Section 166) and a Copy of the Code for Independent Directors as set out in Schedule IV along with Section 166 of the Companies Act, 2013 and relevant Regulations of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 is attached as annexure A for your reference.
- You will also be responsible for providing guidance in the area of your expertise.

# Duties

As a director, you shall stand in an utmost fiduciary relationship with the Company and may be held liable in case of breach of such fiduciary duty. Without prejudice to the generality of the above and subject to the Applicable Laws, you:

- shall act in accordance with the Articles;
- shall act in good faith in order to promote the objects of the Company for the benefit of its members as a whole, and in the best interests of the Company, its employees, the shareholders, the community and for the protection of environment;
- shall exercise due and reasonable care, skill and diligence in performing your role and functions;
- shall not involve in a situation in which you may have a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interest of the Company;
- shall not achieve or attempt to achieve any undue gain or advantage either to yourself or to your relative(s), partner(s), or associate(s) and if you are found guilty of making any undue gain, you shall be liable to pay an amount equal to that gain to the Company;
- shall not assign your office and any assignment if made shall be void;
- shall, where circumstances arise which make you lose your independence, immediately inform the Board about the same;

# Training:

Familiarization program of the business of the Company and such trainings as may be necessary will be conducted from time to time.

#### 3. Time Commitment

Considering the nature of the role of a Director, it is difficult for a company to lay down specific parameters on time commitment. You agree to devote such time as is prudent and necessary for the proper performance of your role, duties and responsibilities as an Independent Director.

# 4. Fees

As an Independent Director you are entitled to sitting fees for attending the meetings of the Board and the Committees of which you are a member as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

The total compensation payable to the entire group of non-executive/independent directors is limited to a fixed amount per year determined by the Board. This amount shall not exceed 1% of the net profit of the Company for the year calculated as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 or any such other limited as may be prescribed under Applicable Law.

#### 5. Insurance

The Company will take an appropriate Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance policy and pay the premiums for the same. It is intended to maintain such insurance cover for the Term of your appointment, subject to the terms of such policy in force from time to time.

#### 6. Code of Conduct

As an Independent Director of the Company, you agree to comply with the Code of Conduct for Non-Executive Directors (NEDs). For your reference, the Code of Conduct for Non-Executive Directors is outlined below:

- Non-Executive Directors of a Company will always act in the interest of the Company and ensure that any other business or personal association which they may have, does not involve any conflict of interest with the operations of the Company and his/ her role therein,
- Non-Executive Directors will comply with all applicable laws and regulations of all the relevant regulatory and other authorities as may be applicable to such Directors in their individual capacities,
- Non-Executive Directors will safeguard the confidentiality of all information received by them by virtue of their position.

Unless specifically authorized by the Company, you shall not disclose company and business information to public constituencies such as the media, the financial community, employees, shareholders, agents, franchisees, dealers, distributors and importers.

Your obligation of confidentiality shall survive termination or cessation of your directorship with the Company.

We would also like to draw your attention to the applicability of Section 195 of the Companies Act, 2013, Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015, prohibiting disclosure or use of unpublished price sensitive information.

Additionally, you shall not participate in any business activity which might impede the application of your independent judgment in the best interest of the Company.

All Directors are required to sign a confirmation of acceptance of the Code of Conduct for NEDs on annual basis.

#### 7. Performance Appraisal / Evaluation Process

As a member of the Board, your performance shall be evaluated annually. Evaluation of each director shall be done by all the other Directors. The criteria for evaluation shall be disclosed in the Company's Annual Report. However, the actual evaluation process shall remain confidential and shall be a constructive mechanism to improve the effectiveness of the Board and its Committees.

#### 8. Disclosures

During the Term, you agree to promptly notify the Company of any change in your directorships, and provide such other disclosures and information as may be required under the applicable laws. You also agree that upon becoming aware of any potential conflict of interest with your position as Independent Director of the Company, you shall promptly disclose the same to the Chairman. Please confirm that as on date of this letter, you have no such conflict of interest issues with your existing directorships.

During your Term, you agree to promptly provide a declaration under Section 149(7) of the 2013 Act, upon any change in circumstances which may affect your status as an Independent Director.

#### 9. Changes of personal details

During the Term, you shall promptly intimate the Company Secretary and the Registrar of Companies in the prescribed manner, of any change in address or other contact and personal details provided to the Company.

#### 10. Availability of information to the Board

The Board has full and unfettered access to any information of the Company, and to any employee of the Company. At Board meetings, the Board invites managers of the Company when additional details into the items being discussed are required.

#### **11.** Independent directors' discussion

The Board's policy is to have one separate meeting of only independent directors so that they can have a full and open discussion on the performance of the Company, risks faced by the Company, and the performance of executive members of the Board including the chairperson. The Independent Director's may invite the chairman, any executive director and any senior management personnel to make presentations on relevant issues.

#### 12. Disengagement

You may resign from the Directorship of the Company by giving a notice in writing to the Company stating the reasons for resignation. The resignation shall take effect from the date on which the notice is received by the Company or the date, if any, specified by you in the notice, whichever is later.

Your Directorship on the Board of the Company shall cease in accordance with law. The Company may disengage Independent Directors prior to completion of Term (subject to compliance of relevant provisions of the 2013 Act) upon

• Violation of any provision of the Code of Conduct as applicable to Non-Executive Directors,

• Upon the director failing to meet the criteria for independence as envisaged in Section 149(6) of the 2013 Act.

#### 13. Miscellaneous

This letter along with your detailed profile shall be disclosed on the website of the Company if required under law.

## **14.** Acceptance of Appointment

We are confident that the Board and the Company will benefit immensely from your rich experience and we are eager to have you as an integral part of the growth of our Company. If these terms of appointment are acceptable to you, please confirm your acceptance by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter.

This letter shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India. Both parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts in Karnataka, India as regards any claim or matter arising in connection with the terms of this letter. The Company has a right to change the terms of this letter from time to time in accordance with the Applicable Laws.

We thank you for your continued support and commitment to the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors for Medi Assist Insurance TPA Private Limited

Name: Designation: DIN:

#### AGREE AND ACCEPT

I have read and understood the terms of my appointment as an Independent Director of the Company and I hereby affirm my acceptance to the same.

Name:

Place: Date:

#### **ANNEXURE A**

#### **Code for Independent Directors**

This Code is a guide to professional conduct of Independent Directors.

## I. Guidelines of Professional Conduct

The Independent Directors shall:

- uphold ethical standards of integrity and probity;
- act objectively and constructively while exercising their duties;
- exercise their responsibilities in a bona fide manner in the interest of the company;
- devote sufficient time and attention to their professional obligations for informed and balanced decision making;
- not allow any extraneous considerations that will vitiate their exercise of objective independent judgment in the paramount interest of the company as a whole, while concurring in or dissenting from the collective judgment of the Board in its decision making;
- not abuse their position to the detriment of the company or its shareholders or for the purpose of gaining direct or indirect personal advantage or advantage for any associated person;
- refrain from any action that would lead to loss of their independence;
- where circumstances arise, which make an independent director lose their independence, the independent director must immediately inform the Board accordingly;
- assist the company in implementing the best corporate governance practices.

#### II. Roles and functions

The Independent Directors shall:

- help in bringing an independent judgment to bear on the Board's deliberations especially on issues of strategy, performance, risk management, resources, key appointments and standards of conduct;
- bring an objective view in the evaluation of the performance of Board and management;
- scrutinize the performance of management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitor the reporting of performance;
- satisfy themselves on the integrity of financial information and that financial controls and the systems of risk management are robust and defensible;
- safeguard the interests of all stakeholders, particularly the minority shareholders;
- balance the conflicting interest of the stakeholders;
- determine appropriate levels of remuneration of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management and have a prime role in appointing and where necessary recommend removal of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management;

• moderate and arbitrate in the interest of the company as a whole, in situations of conflict between management and shareholder's interest.

## III. Duties

The Independent Directors shall:

- undertake appropriate induction and regularly update and refresh their skills, knowledge and familiarity with the company;
- seek appropriate clarification or amplification of information and, where necessary, take and follow appropriate professional advice and opinion of outside experts at the expense of the company;
- strive to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Board committees of which they are members.
- participate constructively and actively in the committees of the Board in which they are chairpersons or members;
- strive to attend the general meetings of the company;
- where they have concerns about the running of the company or a proposed action, ensure that these are addressed by the Board and, to the extent that they are not resolved, insist that their concerns are recorded in the minutes of the Board meeting;
- keep themselves well informed about the company and the external environment in which it operates;
- not to unfairly obstruct the functioning of an otherwise proper Board or committee of the Board;
- pay sufficient attention and ensure that adequate deliberations are held before approving related party transactions and assure themselves that the same are in the interest of the company;
- ascertain and ensure that the company has an adequate and functional vigil mechanism and to ensure that the interests of a person who uses such mechanism are not prejudicially affected on account of such use;
- report concerns about unethical behaviour, actual or suspected fraud or violation of the company's code of conduct or ethics policy;
- acting within their authority, assist in protecting the legitimate interests of the company, shareholders and its employees;
- not disclose confidential information, including commercial secrets, technologies, advertising and sales promotion plans, unpublished price sensitive information, unless such disclosure is expressly approved by the Board or required by law.

# IV. Manner of appointment:

 Appointment process of independent directors shall be independent of the company management; while selecting independent directors the Board shall ensure that there is appropriate balance of skills, experience and knowledge in the Board so as to enable the Board to discharge its functions and duties effectively.

- The appointment of independent director(s) of the company shall be approved at the meeting of the shareholders.
- The explanatory statement attached to the notice of the meeting for approving the appointment of independent director shall include a statement that in the opinion of the Board, the independent director proposed to be appointed fulfils the conditions specified in the Act and the rules made thereunder and that the proposed director is independent of the management.
- The appointment of independent directors shall be formalised through a letter of appointment, which shall set out:
  - a. the term of appointment;
  - b. the expectation of the Board from the appointed director; the Board-level committee(s) in which the director is expected to serve and its tasks;
  - c. the fiduciary duties that come with such an appointment along with accompanying liabilities;
  - d. provision for Directors and Officers (D and O) insurance, if any;
  - e. the Code of Business Ethics that the company expects its directors and employees to follow;
  - f. the list of actions that a director should not do while functioning as such in the company; and
  - g. the remuneration, mentioning periodic fees, reimbursement of expenses for participation in the Boards and other meetings and profit related commission, if any.
- The terms and conditions of appointment of independent directors shall be open for inspection at the registered office of the company by any member during normal business hours.
- The terms and conditions of appointment of independent directors shall also be posted on the company's website.

#### V. Re-appointment:

• The re-appointment of independent director shall be on the basis of report of performance evaluation.

#### VI. Resignation or removal:

- The resignation or removal of an independent director shall be in the same manner as is provided in sections 168 and 169 of the Act.
- An independent director who resigns or is removed from the Board of the company shall be replaced by a new independent director within three months from the date of such resignation or removal, as the case may be.
- Where the company fulfils the requirement of independent directors in its Board even without filling the vacancy created by such resignation or removal, as the case may be, the requirement of replacement by a new independent director shall not apply.

## VII. Separate meetings:

- The independent directors of the company shall hold at least one meeting in a financial 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.

## VIII. Evaluation mechanism:

- The performance evaluation of independent directors shall be done by the entire Board of Directors, excluding the director being evaluated.
- On the basis of the report of performance evaluation, it shall be determined whether to extend or continue the term of appointment of the independent director.