

Related Party Transaction Policy

Jayant Agro-Organics Limited Leadership through Innovation

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Related Party Transaction Policy

The Board of the Company, vide its resolution dated, has approved and adopted the following related party transaction policy ("**Policy**") to regulate the decision making and the approval process for the related party transaction or proposed to be undertaken by the company. This Policy has been formulated pursuant to Regulation 23 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015 and Companies Act 2013.

1. Effective date: This policy come into force on 1st October, 2014

2. Definitions:

- "Audit Committee" shall mean the audit committee of the Company as constituted in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirement) Regulations, 2015.
- "Authorised Employees" shall have the meaning assigned in Clause 4.2 of this Policy.
- "Board" or "Board of Directors" shall mean the board of directors of the Company as constituted from time to time.
- "Company" shall mean Jayant Agro-Organics Limited.
- "Companies Act" shall mean the Companies Act 2013 as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time, read with the relevant rules, regulations and notifications as may be applicable.
- "Directors" shall mean the executive, non-executive or independent directors appointed on the Board of the Company, from time to time.
- "Key Managerial Personnel" shall mean as defined in section 2(51) of Companies Act, 2013.
- "SEBI (LODR) or SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 shall mean SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and shall also include any amendments, modifications or supplements, etc. from time to time.
- "Manager" shall mean a person as defined in section-2(53) of Companies Act, 2013.
- "Office or Place of Profit" shall mean as provided in section-188 of the Act.
- "Policy" shall mean the related party transaction policy of the Company as provided herein.
- "Relative" with reference to any individual, shall mean as defined in section -2(77) of the Act and pursuant to the provisions of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015
- "Related Party" shall be construed as defined in section-2(76) of the Act and provisions of SEBI (LODR);

"Related Party Database" shall have the meaning assigned in Clause 4.1 of this policy.

"Related Party Transaction" shall mean transactions as mentioned in section-188(1) of the Act.

"RPT Thresholds" shall mean the thresholds for the Related Party Transactions as may be specified in the Rules.

"Rules" shall mean the companies (meetings of Board and its Powers) Rules 2014 as may be amended modified or supplemented from time to time.

Other terms used, but not defined herein, shall have the same meaning as assigned to these in the Companies Act.

3. Objective of the Policy

As a guiding principle, the Company undertakes only such Related Party Transactions that are in the best interest of the Company and its shareholders. This Policy has been formulated and adopted by the Board in order to identify and regulate the Related Party Transactions in accordance with the Companies Act and SEBI (LODR), to streamline the approval process and to provide all relevant disclosures to the shareholders and ensure best governance practices are followed and legal compliance is done.

4. Identifications of Related Party Transactions

- 4.1 The management of the Company shall maintain a database of all the Related Parties and updates the same from time to time ("**Related Party Database**") All Directors, Key Managerial Personnel and Manager, if any, are required to notify the Company of any additions or modifications to the list of Related Parties disclosed by them.
- 4.2 The Board has granted authority to all functional heads and certain employees of the Company ("Authorised Employees") for entering into transactions for and on behalf of the Company. All such Authorised Employees shall be provided access to the Related Party Database. Prior to entering into/finalizing any transaction on behalf of the Company, each database to ensure that the proposed transaction does not involve a Related Party. In case the proposed transaction involves a Related Party ("Proposed Related Party Transaction"), the Authorized Employee shall notify the Chairman and Managing Director or the company secretary of the company about the details of the relevant Related Party and the proposed related party transaction.
- 4.3 Upon being informed of any proposed Related Party Transaction, the managing director or the company secretary of the Company is required to place the relevant details of the Proposed Related Party Transaction before the Audit Committee.

5. Role of the audit committee with respect to related party transaction.

- 5.1 All Proposed Related Party Transactions and subsequent material modification thereof, shall be placed before the Audit Committee for its approval in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and SEBI (LODR), provided however, that the audit committee may grant omnibus approval for Related Party Transactions proposed to be entered into by the Company subject to the following conditions:
- (a) Audit committee shall have the power to lay down the criteria for granting the omnibus approval in line with this policy and such approval shall be applicable in respect of transactions which are repetitive in nature.
- (b) Audit Committee shall satisfy itself about the need for such omnibus approval and that such approval is in the interest of the Company.
- (c) Such omnibus approval shall specify (i) the name/s of the Related Party, nature of transaction, period of transaction, maximum amount of transaction that can be entered into (ii) the indicative base price /current contracted price and the formula for variation in the price of any and (iii) such other conditions as the Audit Committee may deem fit; provided that where the need for a Related Party Transaction cannot be foreseen and aforesaid details are not available, Audit Committee may grant omnibus approval for such transactions subject to their value not exceeding INR 1 crore per transaction.
- (d) Audit committee shall review, atleast on a quarterly basis, the details of Related Party Transaction and material modifications thereof, if any, entered by the Company pursuant to each of the omnibus approval given.
- (e) Such omnibus approvals shall be valid for a period not exceeding one year and shall require fresh approvals after the expiry of one year.
- 5.2 The Audit Committee shall also approve related party transactions, where the Company is not a party, but the Company's subsidiary is a party, if the value crosses the thresholds as prescribed under the Regulation 23 of SEBI (LODR)
- 5.3 The Audit Committee, while assessing a Proposed Related Party Transaction, shall determine whether the transaction may be considered to be (a) in ordinary course of business of the Company. (b) on arm's length or (c) a material Related Party Transaction. In order to determine these conditions, the Audit Committee shall be guided by the following:
- a) Ordinary course of Business: A transaction may be considered in the ordinary course of business of the Company if (i) the object of the company permits so; ii) The Company has frequently under taken similar transaction in the past; and (iii) if such transactions are a part of the industry practice.

b) Arm's length

- i) A transaction would be considered on arm's length if it is on terms not less favorable to the Company than terms generally available with an unrelated entity.
- ii) The Audit Committee may require the management of the Company or its employees to provide relevant data to determine whether the relevant transaction is on arm's length and/or may take advice from professionals.
- iii) The Audit Committee must make its determination on the basis of generally accepted norms.
- iv) In case the Company has not entered into transaction similar to the Proposed Related Party Transaction with any unrelated entity or the Proposed Related Party Transaction involves any proprietary technology, professional expertise of the related party or any special circumstances, the Audit committee must take into account terms of comparable transaction undertaken by other entities in the same sector, to determine whether the proposed related party transaction is on arm's length or not.

c) Materiality:

- i) Any Proposed Related Party Transaction will be considered as a material Related Party Transaction if the transaction(s) to be entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year, exceeds rupees one thousand crore or ten per cent of the annual consolidated turnover of the listed entity as per the last audited financial statements of the listed entity, whichever is lower.
- ii) A transaction involving payments made to a related party with respect to brand usage or royalty shall be considered material if the transaction to be entered into individually or taken together with previous transactions during a financial year exceed five percent of the annual consolidated turnover of the Company as per the last audited financial statement of the Company.
- iii) Any Proposed Related Party Transaction, which is not in ordinary course of business or not on arms' length and is of a value more than the RPT Thresholds, shall also be considered as material Related Party Transaction.
- iv) Other factors that may be considered for determining materiality of the Proposed Related Party Transaction: (A) whether the transaction has inherent reputational risk; (B) are any significant restrictions proposed to be imposed on the Company, such as Non-compete obligations which are uncommon for a similar transactions? (c) does the transaction affect the independence of an Independent Director?
- v) Material modifications in relation to the Related Party Transaction(s) shall mean any change / variation / modification in an existing related party transaction / contract / arrangement, the financial effect of which is an increase in the per annum value of the relevant related party transaction / contract / arrangement by 10%.



5.4 In the event of Audit Committee:

- a) approves the Proposed Related Party Transaction and is of the view that such a transaction is in ordinary course, on arm's length and a non-material Related Party Transaction, the Company may proceed with the Proposed Related Party Transaction with the approval of the Audit committee;
- b) approves the Proposed Related Party Transaction, but is of the view that the Proposed Related Party Transaction, is either (i) not in ordinary course, or not on arm's length or both (ii) but is a non-material Related Party Transaction and does not meet the RPT Thresholds, the Audit Committee may recommend it for Board approval.
- c) approves the Proposed Related Party Transaction, but is of the view that the Proposed Related Party Transaction, either (i) not in ordinary course, or not on arms' length or both and exceeds the RPT thresholds or (ii) is a material Related Party Transaction (irrespective of whether it is in ordinary course, or on arms' length). Audit Committee must recommend it for Board approval and a shareholders approval to be obtained through a resolution in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and the SEBI LODR.
- 5.5 In the event the Audit Committee does not approve the Proposed Related Party Transaction, the Audit Committee must state reasons for the same. The Audit Committee may make specific recommendations to the management of the Company for the amendments/modifications that are required to the terms of the Proposed Related Party Transaction. The Audit Committee must liaise with the management of the Company to understand the commercial requirements to enter into the Proposed Related Party Transaction and take these into account while accessing the Proposed Related Party Transaction.
- 5.6 Where any Director in the Audit Committee is directly or indirectly interested in the Proposed Related Party Transaction, such Director shall not be present at the Audit Committee meetings where the Proposed Related Party Transaction is being deliberated open.

6. **Approval from the Board**

- 6.1 In the event the Audit Committee is of the view that the Proposed Related Party Transaction is either (i) not in ordinary course, or (ii) not on arms' length or both, the Proposed Related Party Transaction shall be placed before Board for its approval. The Board shall consider the Proposed Related Party Transaction in a meeting the agenda for such a Board meeting shall at least provide the following details.
- (a) name of the Related Party and nature of relationship;
- (b) nature duration & particulars of the Proposed Related Party Transaction;
- (c) material terms of the Proposed Related Party Transaction including the value, if any;
- (d) any advance paid or received for the Proposed Related Party Transaction, if any;



- (e) the manner of determining the pricing and other commercial terms, both included as part of written contract proposed to be entered into in relation to the Proposed Related Party Transaction and those that are not a part of the contract;
- (f) whether all factors relevant to the Proposed Related Party Transaction have been considered, if not, the details of factors not considered with the rationale for not considering those factors; and
- (g) any other information relevant or important for the Board to take a decision on the proposed transaction.
 - 6.2 Where a Director is, directly or indirectly, interested in the Proposed Related Party Transaction, such Director shall not participate in the discussions at the Board meeting where the Proposed Related Party Transaction is being deliberated upon.
- 6.3 In the event the Board approves the Proposed Related Party Transaction and (a) the transaction is of a value less then the RPT thresholds and (b) in the opinion of the Audit Committee is a non-material Proposed Related Party Transaction, the Company can undertake the transaction post the Board approval.
- 6.4 In the event the Board approves the Proposed Related Party Transaction but (a) the transaction is of a value specified in the RPT thresholds (b) in the opinion of the Audit Committee is a material Related Party Transaction, the Proposed Related Party Transaction shall be required to be approved by a resolution of the shareholders' of the Company.
- 6.5 For ease of reference, the approvals required for various Related Party Transaction are given below:

Approvals	Audit Committee only	Audit Committee and	Audit Committee, Board
required		Board only	and shareholders
from			resolution
Nature of	Transaction which are:	Transactions which:	Transaction which are:
transaction	(a) In ordinary course of		
	business, and on arms'	(a) Either not in ordinary	(a) Either not in ordinary
	length,	course of business or not on	course of business or not on
		arms' length or both, but	arms' length, or both AND
	And	DO NOT meet the RPT	meet the RPT Thresholds;
		Thresholds;	
	(b) are non-material		Or
	Related Party	And	
	Transaction		(b) are material Related
		(b) are non-material Related	Party Transactions,
	And	Party Transactions	(irrespective of whether
			these are in ordinary course
	The Audit Committee		of business and on arms'
	shall also approve related		length)
	party transactions, where		

the Company is not a	
party, but the Company's	
subsidiary is a party, if	
the value crosses the	
thresholds as prescribed	
under the Regulation 23	
of SEBI (LODR)	

7. Approval by the shareholders

- 7.1 In case, shareholders' approval is required for undertaking the Proposed Related Party Transaction in accordance with clause 6.4 of this policy, the explanatory statement annexed to the notice of the shareholders' meeting shall, at a minimum, provide the following details:
 - (a) name of the Related Party;
 - (b) name of the Director or Key Managerial Personnel who is related if any;
 - (c) natural of the relationship;
 - (d) nature, material terms, monetary value and particulars or the Proposed Related Party Transaction;
 - (e) any other information relevant or important for the shareholders to take a decision on the Proposed Related Party Transaction and
 - (f) In case the relevant Related Party is a company, the extent of shareholding interest in such Related Party of every promoter, director, manager if any, and of every other Key Managerial Personnel of the Company, if the extent of such shareholding is more than 2% of the paid-up share capital of the Related Party
- 7.2 No shareholder of the Company, who fall within the definition of a Related Party shall vote on the resolution required for approving such a Proposed Related Party Transaction, irrespective of whether such a shareholder is a party to the particular transaction or not.
- 7.3 The voting on a shareholders' resolution pertaining to the Proposed Related Party Transaction may be by way of show of hands, electronic means or postal ballot or any other manner as permitted in the Companies Act.

8. Maintenance of Registers and Disclosures.

- 8.1. The company shall maintain a register of all contracts or arrangements entered into by the Company with the Related Parties, in a form and manner prescribed under the Companies Act ("Related party transactions Register"). Such Related Party Transaction Register shall be preserved permanently and kept at the registered office of the Company.
- 8.2 After entering any particulars in the Related Party Transaction Register, the register shall be placed before the next meeting of the Board and signed by all the Directors present at such meeting. The Related Party Transaction Register shall be produced at every annual general meeting of the Company and remain open and accessible during the continuance of the meeting.



- 8.3 All Related Party Transaction entered into by the Company shall be disclosed in the Board's report to be appended to the annual financial statements of the Company's, along with the justifications for entering in such Related Party Transaction.
- 8.4 All material Related Party Transaction shall be disclosed by the Company quarterly along with the compliance report on corporate governance and its annual report, as may be required under the SEBI (LODR).
- 8.5 In addition to the above, the Company shall make all other disclosures as may be prescribed under SEBI (LODR), the Companies Act and the relevant accounting standards from time to time.
- 8.6 The Company Secretary for the Company shall maintain the minutes of all meetings of the Audit Committee, the Board and the shareholders wherein any Related Party transactions have been considered or deliberated upon.

9. Miscellaneous

9.1 Interpretation: Unless the context of this policy otherwise requires

words using the singular or plural number also include the plural or singular number;

words of any gender are deemed to include the other gender; reference to the word "include" shall be construed without limitation;

the terms "Clause" refers to the specified clause of this policy;

Reference to any legislation or law or to any provision thereof shall include references to any such legislation or Law as it may, after the date hereof, from time to time, be amended, supplemented, re-enacted, replaced or superseded, and any reference to a statutory provision shall include any subordinate legislation made from time to time under that provision; and

- 9.2 **Applicable laws:** In case the provisions of this Policy are in conflict with the provisions of the applicable law [including provisions of the Companies Act or the SEBI (LODR)] or provisions of the applicable law or any interpretation thereof are more beneficial than the provisions of this Policy, the provisions of the applicable law and the relevant interpretation thereof shall supersede the provisions of this Policy and the Company shall be entitled to act in accordance with such provisions of the applicable laws and any interpretation thereof. All actions taken by the Company in accordance with such applicable laws shall be deemed to be in consonance with this policy.
- 9.3 This policy shall be disclosed on the website of the Company and a link thereto shall be provided in the Annual Report.

As approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 8th November, 2014 and as amended from time to time.