

# **V2 RETAIL LIMITED**

### **RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY**

### **BACKGROUND**

This document lays down the framework of Risk Management at V2 RETAIL LIMITED (hereinafter referred to as the 'Company') and defines the policy for the same. This document shall be under the authority of the Board of Directors of the Company. It seeks to identify risks inherent in any business operations of the Company and provides guidelines to define, measure, report, control and mitigate the identified risks.

# Objective

The Board, its Audit Committee and its executive management should collectively identify the risks impacting the company's business and document their process of risk identification, risk minimization, risk optimization as a part of a risk management policy or strategy.

ii). The Board should also affirm and disclose in its report to members that it has put in place critical risk management framework across the company, which is overseen by the Board. The disclosure should also include a statement of those elements of risk, that the Board feels, may threaten the existence of the company.

It has therefore become mandatory for the listed Companies to prepare a comprehensive framework of risk management for assessment of risks and determine the responses to these risks so as to minimize their adverse impact on the organization.

### **IDENTIFICATION AND CATEGORISATION OF RISKS**

Risks are events or conditions that may occur, and whose occurrence, if it does take place, has a harmful or negative impact on the achievement of the organization's business objectives. Key characteristics by which risks can be identified are:

- Risks are adverse consequences of events or changed conditions
- Their occurrence may be identified by the happening of trigger events
- Their occurrence is uncertain and may have different extents of likelihood Recognizing the kind of risks that company is/may be exposed to, risks will be classified broadly into the following categories: 1
  - 1. Strategic Risk: include the range of external events and trends (like Government policy, competition, court rulings or a change in stakeholder requirements) that can adversely impact the company's strategic growth trajectory and destroy shareholder value.

- Business Risk: include the risks associated specifically with the company and having an adverse impact on the company's capability to execute activities critical for business growth, thereby affecting its near-term performance.
- 3. Operational Risk: are those risks which are associated with operational uncertainties like unpredictable changes affecting operations, internal risks like attrition etc.

## **Risk Management and Risk Monitoring**

In the management of Risk the probability of risk assumption is estimated with available data and information and appropriate risk treatments worked out in the following areas:

#### 1. Economic Environment and Market conditions

Strategically, we seek to continuously expand the customer base to maximise the potential sales volumes and at the same time securing additional volumes from existing customers on the basis of our record of satisfactory performance in our earlier dealings. The efforts to enhance quality of products and upgrading their performance parameters are aimed at deriving optimum value from the existing customer base and targeting a larger customer profile. Historically, the strength of our relationships has resulted in significant recurring revenue from existing customers.

To counter pricing pressures caused by strong competition, the Company has been increasing operational efficiency and continued to take initiatives to move up the quality control scale besides cost reduction and cost control initiatives.

## 2. Technological Obsolescence

The Company strongly believes that technological obsolescence is a practical reality. Technological obsolescence is evaluated on a continual basis and the necessary investments are made to bring in the best of the prevailing technology.

#### 3. Financial Reporting Risks

Changing laws, regulations and standards relating to accounting, corporate governance and public disclosure, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) Rules, and Indian stock market listing regulations are creating uncertainty for Companies. These new or changed laws, regulations and standards may lack specificity and are subject to varying interpretations. Their application in practice may evolve over time, as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies. This could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs of compliance as a result of ongoing revisions to such Corporate Governance standards.

We are committed in maintaining high standards of Corporate Governance and public disclosure and our efforts to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards in this regard would further help us address these issues.

Our preparation of financial statements in conformity with Indian GAAP and in accordance with the Accounting Standards issued by ICAI, requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances including consultation with experts in the field, scrutiny of published data for the particular sector or sphere, comparative study of other available corporate data, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. These may carry inherent reporting risks. We believe that the accounting policies related to revenue recognition and Accounting for Income taxes are significant.

## 4. Risk of Corporate accounting fraud:

Accounting fraud or corporate accounting fraud are business scandals arising out of Misusing or misdirecting of funds, overstating revenues, understating expenses etc.

The Company mitigates this risk by

- Understanding the applicable laws and regulations
- Conducting risk assessments,
- Enforcing and monitoring code of conduct for key executives
- Instituting Whistleblower mechanisms
- Deploying a strategy and process for implementing the new controls
- Adhering to internal control practices that prevent collusion and concentration of authority

### 5. Legal Risk

Legal risk is the risk in which the Company is exposed to legal action.

As the Company is governed by various laws and the Company has to do its business within four walls of law, where the Company is exposed to legal risk exposure.

We have an experienced team of professionals, advisors who focus on evaluating the risks involved in a contract, ascertaining our responsibilities under the applicable law of the contract, restricting our liabilities under the contract, and covering the risks involved so that they can ensure adherence to all contractual commitments.

Management places and encourages its employees to place full reliance on professional guidance and opinion and discuss impact of all laws and regulations to ensure company's total compliance. Advisories and suggestions from professional agencies and industry bodies, chambers of commerce etc. are carefully studied and acted upon where relevant.

#### 6. Human Resource Management

The Company's Human Resources Development (HRD) Department will add value to all its Units and associate Companies by ensuring that the right person is assigned to the right job and that they grow and contribute towards organizational excellence.

Our growth has been driven by our ability to attract top quality talent and effectively engage them in right jobs.

Risk in matters of human resources are sought to be minimized and contained by following a policy of providing equal opportunity to every employee, inculcate in them a sense of belonging and commitment and also effectively train them in spheres other than their own specialization. Employees are encouraged to make suggestions on innovations, cost saving procedures, free exchange of other positive ideas relating to manufacturing procedures etc. It is believed that a satisfied and committed employee will give of his best and create an atmosphere that cannot be conducive to risk exposure.

Employee-compensation is always subjected to fair appraisal systems with the participation of the employee and is consistent with job content, peer comparison and individual performance.

We seek to provide an environment that rewards entrepreneurial initiative and performance.

#### 7. Disaster Risks:

Natural risks like Fire, Floods, Earthquakes, etc.

# **Risk Mitigation Measures:**

- The goods of the Company are insured with periodical review of adequacy, rates and risks covered under professional advice.
- Fire extinguishers have been placed at fire sensitive locations.
- First aid training is given to watch and ward staff and safety personnel.
- Workmen of the Company are covered under ESI, EPF, etc., to serve the welfare of the workmen.

## **Disclaimer Clause**

The Management cautions its readers that the risks outlined above are not exhaustive and are for information purposes only. Management is not an expert in assessment of risk factors, risk mitigation measures and management's perception of risks. Readers are therefore requested to exercise their own judgment in assessing various risks associated with the Company.