Transcript for the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of JAIPRAKASH ASSOCIATES LIMITED being held on Thursday, the 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 12:00 Noon (IST) through Video Conferencing.

## CS & Compliance Officer

Executive Chairman Sir, Respected Board Members and dear Shareholders.

Good Afternoon to everyone,

I, Sandeep Sabharwal, Company Secretary and Compliance Officer of your Company have joined this meeting from Basant Lok, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi, India, and I welcome you to this 24<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting Jaiprakash Associates Limited, being conducted through Video Conferencing mode as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Listing Regulations and various other circulars issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs and SEBI. The notice of AGM for conducting the same through Video Conferencing was sent on 7th September, 2021 via electronic mode through CDSL, to all such members whose email IDs were registered with the Company and depositories as on 27th August, 2021. The facility to join the meeting through Video Conferencing is provided to up to 1,000 shareholders of the Company on first come first served basis only, pursuant to MCA Circulars. As the meeting is conducted through Video Conferencing, hence attendance through proxies is not allowed.

Now, I would like to take you through certain important points for joining this meeting through Video Conferencing.

All the members who have joined this meeting are put on mute mode by default to avoid noise and disturbance during the proceedings of this meeting for smooth and seamless conduct of the meeting. As per the requirements of the Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI Listing Regulations, the facility for e-voting at the meeting has been provided by CDSL. Members present in this meeting and who have not voted through remote e-voting, which facility was made available from 27th September, 2021 to 29th September, 2021, may cast their vote while at the same time watch the proceedings of the meeting. Voting through show of hand is not allowed. Voting facility will remain open throughout the meeting and for further time as announced by the Chairman of the meeting. The members who were holding shares as on cut-off date i.e. 23rd September, 2021, can only cast their vote for the business of the meeting. Since the meeting is through Video Conferencing and the resolutions mentioned in the notice convening this AGM have already been put to vote through remote e-voting and also voting on the resolution is available during the meeting, there will be no proposing or seconding for the resolutions.

Further, all the documents referred to in the notice of AGM and Statutory Registers are available for inspection by the members as per the process mentioned in the AGM notice.

As per the confirmation from the host of the meeting, quorum for the meeting is present.

	Sir, may I now request Executive Chairman Sir of your
	Company to take up further proceedings of this AGM.
Shri Manoj Gaur,	Thank you very much Mr. Saharwal.
Executive Chairman	
	Respected Members of the Board, my colleagues and dear
	Shareholders.
	A very good morning to you and heartily welcome to you
	during 24th AGM of the Company.
	I have joined this meeting through Video Conferencing as
	per the Regulations in vogue from "JA" House, Basant Lok,
	Vasant Vihar, New Delhi.
	My dear Shareholders along with respected Members of this
	Board, as I commence the proceedings of this meeting,
	since the Company Secretary has confirmed the quorum is
	complete, I call the meeting to order.
	It is my prime responsibility that inspite of fact we are
	addressing and attending the proceedings of the AGM
	through new norms of Video Conference as per the
	guidelines issued by Government of India, I hope and pray
	that you all are doing well and taking full measures and
	precautions to remain safe and secure. As you can perhaps
	witness some of the Directors of your Company are
	available with me in the Conference Hall while some senior
	esteemed Directors are available on Video Conferencing.
	First of all, let me introduce to Shri Sunil Kumar Sharma,
	Executive Vice-Chairman of the Company then we also
	have in the Conference Hall along with me, Shri Pankaj
	Gaur, Jt. Managing Director of the Company (Construction
	Division of the organization). Now let me introduce

Shri Ranvijay Singh, Whole-time-Director of the Company present with me in the Conference Room.

Now let me introduce Shri K N Bhandari Sahab, Independent Director, Chairman, Audit Committee, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Bhandari Sahab, Welcome Sir,

Let me introduce to you Shri R N Bhardwaj Sahab, Independent Director, member of Board and who was former Chairman of LIC, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Let me introduce to you M.s Homai A. Dauwalla, Independent Director, Chairperson of CSR Committee, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Now let me introduce to you, Shri S.C.K. Patne, Independent Director, Chairman of Finance Committee, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Now let me introduce to you, Shri T R Kakkar, Independent Director, Chairman NRC and Stakeholders' Relationship Committee, Special Secretary Home, Government of India, Former Commissioner Delhi Police, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Kakkar Sahab Welcome

Let me introduce to you Shri K.P. Rau, Independent Director, member of Board, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

Let me introduce to you Shri R.K. Singh, Director, member of Board, who is participating through Video Conferencing.

## Shri Manoj Gaur, Executive Chairman

Along with us, Shri Ashok Soni, Chief Financial Officer, who is also participating from this Conference Hall and our Company Secretary, Mr. Sabharwal, who has been already commenced the deliberations. I thank all of you Sir for sparing valuable time for attending this meeting. Shri Naveen Gupta ji, Statutory Auditors of the Company and Shri Ashok Tyagi ji, Secretarial Auditors are also present through Video Conferencing. Shri Ashok Tyagi ji, Practicing Company Secretary and Shri Milan Malik, Practicing Company Secretary is also acting as Scruitinizer and Alternate Scruitinizer are present through Video Conferencing. The Scrutinizers have been appointed to scruitinize the remote e-voting and e-voting process during this meeting.

I welcome them also.

I, Manoj Gaur, Executive Chairman & CEO of your Company have joined this meeting through video conferencing from 'JA' House, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi, India. I welcome our esteemed and respected members of the Board attending the 24th Annual General Meeting of your Company being conducted through video conferencing mode for the second time in the history of your Company on account of Covid-19 pandemic. I sincerely thank all of

you for attending the meeting and wish for your and your family's well being and pray for your safety& health. I would like to request everyone to be patient during the conduct of this meeting and call upon you to help us to make the event successful.

As you are aware, the rapid outbreak of Covid-19 globally since 2020 presented alarming health crises which the world is grappling with. Around 22 crores cases have been reported globally and in India the figure is around 3.31 crores. Covid-19 pandemic has created havoc all over the world and affected global economy and our economy. Your Company's progress and performance has been impacted since 2020. This menacing disease has fundamentally changed the way of our working. As you are aware, the second wave of covid-19 had actually created havoc and numerous lives were lost. Our Company also lost some of its prominent colleagues including our past auditors. During this time, there was huge shortage of medical facilities oxygen and during the second wave, everyone was feeling helpless at that point of time. Jaypee Group has always been on the forefront in meeting the hardships caused due to such tragedies in the past. As a noble contribution, Jaypee Group made available its medical facilities at Jaypee Hospital in Noida, Rewa, Chitta and Chandpur. In anticipation of the third wave of covid, Jaypee Group created a 100 beds covid facility at JIT Noida, which was equipped with medical facilities and oxygen. New oxygen plant was installed at Jaypee Hospital, Noida. Oxygen concentrators were also arranged. Jaypee Group also contributed towards medical facilities at Jaypee Nagar Dist. Rewa with 400 bed Covid Centre including 50 oxygen

beds, and 100 bed Covid facility centre at JIT Noida, equipped with medical facilities. I am glad to inform that, with proactive approach of management, out of 16,935 employees of the Company, 16273 (96%) employees and at Group level, out of 29,818 employees, 29,047 employees (more than 97%) at various offices/ sites have been vaccinated.

Government of India, State Government, RBI, Ministry of Finance and various other Governments have brought out slew of measures to combat the financial crises created by Covid-19. We are quite optimistic that we will be able to fight the crises and shall be a winner.

As already informed to you by the Company Secretary that the requisite quorum for the meeting is present. As such, I would like to call this meeting to order.

Shri Pankaj Mangal, the Statutory Auditors of the Company and Shri Ashok Tyagi, the Secretarial Auditors are present in the meeting through video conferencing.

Shri Ashok Tyagi, Practising Company Secretary as Scrutinizer and Shri Milan Malik, Practising Company Secretary as Alternate Scrutinizer are also present in this meeting. The Scrutinizershave been appointed to scrutinize remote e-voting and e-voting process during this meeting.

I welcome them also.

The FY 2020-21 was full of uncertainties and presented lot of challenges. The industrial sector of Indian Economy

particularly infrastructure sector continues to remain subdued. First quarter offinancial year 2021-22 was further impacted by Covid-19 pandemic. Each of the business vertical in which your Company is operating i.e. E&C, Real Estate Sector and Hospitality were affected differently in each of Zones they have been operating. The Company's operations have been impacted. The Gross total Revenue during FY 2020-21 was Rs. 4519 crores as against Rs. 4687 crores in the previous year. EBIDTA during FY 2020-21 was Rs. 895 crores against Rs. 302 crores previous year. Loss during current year was reduced to Rs. 271 crores as against Loss of Rs. 892 crores in the previous year despite adverse market conditions and working capital constraints faced by the Company.

The figures for FY 2020-21 are before you in the annual repowhich has been circulated by e-mail. The Company's E& Division is the core strength which has more than Rs.12,00 crores orders in hand in Hydro Power Sector, Irrigation an Road Sector. Your Company is presently executing the following projects namely:-

- Alimineti Madhava Reddy Project in Telangana,
- Punatsangchhu II HEP in Bhutan,
- 900 MW Arun-3 HEP in Nepal,
- Rahughat HEP Project (40 MW) in Nepal,
- Naitwarmori HEP in Uttrakhand,
- PRLIS Project in Telangana,
- 1000MW PakalDul HEP in J&K,
- 4 Laning Varanasi-Gorakhpur Highway in U.P.,
- Number of Micro Irrigation Projects.

This bears testimony to the confidence the Government agencies and also Stakeholders repose on your Company.

As you are aware, Hospitality/Hotels Sector were affected the most during the year due to Covid-19. The performance of the hotels division was affected throughout FY 2020-21. We are trying our best to bring up our performance in cement division both in terms of Revenue and EBIDTA.

As you are aware, under directions of the Hon'ble Suprem Court the Company had deposited a sum of Rs. 750 crore with NCLT. As per Hon'ble Supreme Court order, the deposite sum of Rs. 750 crores in fixed deposit was lying at NCL Allahabad since August, 2018. Hon'ble Supreme Court vide is order dated 24.03.2021 finally decided the issue in favour JAL that this amount of Rs. 750 crores belongs to you Company. We expect the money will be released to the Company shortly, after clearance from NCLT, Princips Bench, New Delhi.

The shareholders may recall that a balance Rs.1000 crore payable by UltraTech under Restructuring plan, was hel back, which was to be paid to lenders of the Company throug redemption of Redeemable Preference Shares (RPS) issued to UTCL payable by them, subject to certain Condition Precedents (CPs), which included some forest/NG clearances. The forest clearance was received on 27t January, 2021. It is expected that after all clearances, the funds would be released by ICICI Bank which would reduce company's debt and thus interest burden.

After lot of deliberations and several round of meetings, you Company entered into Comprehensive Debt Restructuring Plan with its lenders according to which the entire debt wa divided into two parts: (i) unsustainable debt and (i Sustainable Debt. Unsustainable debt was divided into tw parts. Under Part 1, your Company sold its identified operating cement plants spread over the status of UP, MP, HI Uttrakhand and AP to UltraTech Cement Limited and repair its debt towardslenders and also repaidits entire Fixe Deposits. Under Part 2, Identified Real Estate busines comprising of around 950 acres of land was to be transferred along with corresponding debt of around Rs.11,834 crore was required to be transferred to a Special Purpose Vehic through a Scheme of Arrangement for sanction by NCLT. Th said Scheme of Arrangement received all approvals i.e. from shareholders, lenders, stock exchanges, SEBI, Governmen etc. but the Scheme is pending before NCLT, Allahabad for sanction. I may add that on the instructions of RBI, ICIO Bank filed a petition against your Company under IBC which was objected by the Company and the same is also pending before NCLT. As informed to you in the last meeting, Hon'b NCLT heard both cases i.e. IBC and Hive Off simultaneous but no order was pronounced. However, in view of changes: NCLT, the matter has been put to re-hearing post which would be disposed off.

After the Scheme is sanctioned (pending with NCLT with more than 44 months), your Company expects to meet the sustainable debt. Since CRRP is delayed for around for years, the Company is in active discussions with the lender for way ahead for meeting the sustainable debt.

I would like to re-iterate that your Company could pay the entire outstanding fixed deposits to the members/public and meet the Company's obligations to the lenders on substantial implementation of Part 1 of unsustainable debt portion.

You would recall that the Company had played a pivotal roin Nation building by development of several infrastructur projects of National importance, such as, Sardar Sarova Dam, Indira Sagar, Chamera-II, Baglihar, Dulhasti et besides implementation of six laning Eastern Periphera Expressway Project in U.P. which was inaugurated by Hon'b Prime Minister of India in May, 2018, dam and undergroun power package of 720MW Mangdechhu HE Project in Bhuta in 2019 which was dedicated to Republic of Bhutan.

In the past also, the Company executed several premier projects such as Baspa-II HEP, Karcham Wangtoo HE Project in Himachal and Vishnuprayag HE Project in Uttrakhan which was commissioned by your Company on "Built Ow and Operate Basis".

Your Company is presently focusing on its area of constrength i.e. E&C and EPC Contracts and is quite hopeful that we shall enhance our order book position in near future. We are confident that we shall continue to get your support if tuture as well.

We assure our esteemed members that under the motivational & inspirational leadership and guidance of our revered Hon'ble Founder Chairman Shri Jaiprakash Gaur jude shall continue to deliver to the Nation several such project and bring your Company back to its earlier glory with our

hard work, determination and commitment. It is worthwhile to mention here that your Company's Founder Chairman Shri Jaiprakash Gaur ji with his iron will, continue to guid us and is presently steering Varanasi-Gorakhpur Expresswa project connecting prestigious cities of Varanasi an Gorakhpur which happens to be highly monitored project to NHAI, GOUP & PMO). His presence at Project site at Doharighat is an inspirational act. The Project is poised to clear all hurdles and shall be completed in a time boun manner.

Projects with Kalypso and Knights Court are being undertaken in terms of Order of RERA under the supervision, whereby home buyers would be required to make balance payments, company would additionally contribute funds. Similar arrangements are being considered for JPS Sport City land in collaboration with Kassia, Cove and Bud Circuit.

The matter relating to Company's subsidiary, Jaype Infratech Limited (JIL) is pending before Hon'ble Suprem Court of India and the Resolution Plan is yet to attain finality. The management of JAL had extendedfull support to IRP JIL for early delivery of homes to the home buyers and serve the interest of all the stakeholders.

Another associate Company, Jaiprakash Power Venture Limited (JPVL) implemented the Debt Resolution Plan an settled with the lenders. The operations of JPVL are showin satisfactory results. Your Company has been meeting several legal challenges i various Courts including Supreme Court, NCLT, NCLAT et We are thankful to our Banks and Institutions who have stoo with us and appreciated the role of the Company management in being sensitive to repayment of the obligations to the Lenders.

In line with the Company's philosophy as laid down by our revered Founder, the Company made its humble contribution to the National during the war against Covid-19. Jaypee Groundonated to PM CARE Fund and to States Fund. Jaypee Groundso contributed towards medical facilities at Jaypee Nagar Dist. Rewa with 400 bed Covid Centre including 50 oxyge beds, and 100 bed Covid facility centre at JIT Noida, equippe with medical facilities. Voluntary contributions were also made by the senior management to Jaypee Hospital to stoc up medicines and key medical equipments to fight against Corona Virus.

We are extremely thankful to all the stakeholders for the fait and kind support in our journey. I must say that you unstinted support has always been our driving force. We are thankful to you for taking the time out for attending the Annual General Meeting though video conferencing.

I am quite hopeful that we shall hold next Annual General Meeting when we could meet you in person, which I always cherish.

Now, I will request my able colleague, Shri Sabharwal, Company Secretary to read the Auditors Report and proceed further.

Shri Sandeep	Thank you Chairman Sir.
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Sabharwal	Statutory Auditors' and Secretarial Auditors' of the Company have already submitted their respective Reports for FY 2020-21 and the same form part of Annual Report already circulated to the members. As per request received by the Chairman from some of the members, with the permission of the Chair, may I read only the qualified opinion from the Auditors for FY 2020-21 (which is on page 126 and page 214 of Annual Report) and rest be taken as read.
	Shri Sandeep Sabharwal thereupon read qualified opinion.
	Full Auditors' Report is available from page no. 126 to 137
	(Auditors' Report on the Standalone Financial Statements)
	and 214 to 223 (Auditors' Report on the Consolidated
	Financial Statements) and Secretarial Auditors Report in
	Form of MR-3 is available from page no. 59 to 66 of the
	Annual report. The management comments on the qualified
	opinion and observations are given in Annexure-3 to the
	Directors' Report at page 36.
	May I now request Chairman Sir to take up the agenda for
	members approval.
Shri Manoj Gaur,	Thank you Mr. Sandeep Sabharwal.
Executive Chairman	
	Notice convening AGM, Directors' Report, Auditors'
	Report, Financial Statement including Consolidated
	Financial Statements having already been circulated to
	the members, with the permission of the members
	present, I take them as read.

I now take up the Agenda items as per the Notice circulated to members and explain objectives and implications of each of the items as indicated in the Notice.

As you know Item No. 1 & Item No. 2 are "Ordinary Businesses".

**So Item No. 1**- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Financial Statements and consolidated financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended on March 31, 2021 together with the Report of Auditors and Directors thereon being **Ordinary Resolutions** 

It is a statutory requirement as per Section 129 & 134 of the Companies Act, 2013.

For the next item, since Shri Manoj Gaur Ji, Chairman may be considered interested, he vacated the Chair and Shri Sunil Kumar Sharma Ji, Executive Vice Chairman took the Chair.

Item No. 2- It is my pleasure and privilege to put the motion for appointment of our Director in place of Shri Jaiprakash Gaur ji who himself offers for re-appointment thereon being Special Resolutions

It is statutory requirement Shri Jaiprakash Gaur has consented for his re-appointment and his profile is available in the Notice of AGM.

## Shri Manoj Gaur, Executive Chairman

Item No. 3 to Item no. 4 are "Special Business".

Item No. 3 is to consider, discuss and approve the rectification of remuneration payable to Cost Auditors for the

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	Financial Year 2021-22 pursuant to the provisions of Section
	148(3) and all other applicable provisions, if any, of the
	Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder is an
	Ordinary Resolution.
	Chairman asked Company Secretary : Whether it is Special
	Resolution or an Ordinary Resolution
Shri Sandeep	It is an Ordinary Resolution
Sabharwal	
Shri Manoj Gaur,	It is a statutory requirement to ratify the remuneration of
Executive Chairman	Rs. 4,55,000/-of Cost Auditors which is reasonable and is
	same as was in last year.
Shri Manoj Gaur,	Item No. 4 – Appointment of Statutory Auditors – Ordinary
Executive Chairman	Resolution
	(To appoint M/s. Dass Gupta & Associates, Chartered
	Accountants as Statutory Auditors and fix remuneration,
	pursuant to provisions of Section 139 and 142 and other
	applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules
	made thereunder, for four years from 2021-22 to 2024-25).
	It is a Statutory requirements under Section 139 to appoint
	M/s. Dass Gupta & Associates as Statutory Auditors and
	fix their remuneration.
	In line with the prevailing SEBI & MCA circulars, members
	have been provided the facility of e-voting during the AGM,
	the members are requested to cast their votes in respect of
	each of the aforesaid resolutions.
	With this, we have completed the official agenda of the
	24 <sup>th</sup> AGM. I have shared with you as the first servant of this
	Company that current year has given many challenges but
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	we are trying to address each of them. The most difficult
	part of first six months is being completed today and our
	spirits are higher than they were in March 2021. We have
	bigger order book than what was in March 2021. We have
	better coal stock than what was in March 2021. So I am
	sure that this year, we may see lesser revenue but better
	financial performance. As we are at the end of 2021
	financial year and I look forward and welcoming you with
	the God's blessings and your support and good wishes for
	25 <sup>th</sup> AGM next year. I am sure before 30 <sup>th</sup> September of next
	year.
	Thank you.
Shri Sandeep	Questions
Sabharwal	
Shri Manoj Gaur,	I am reminded by my Company Secretary that there are
Executive Chairman	certain questions. Some shareholders are desirous of
	certain queries.
	Mr. Ajay Kumar Jain, shareholder was not joined the
	meeting so next shareholder.
Shri Sandeep	Mr. Vibhor Gupta. Mr. Gupta please raise your query.
Sabharwal	
Shri Vibhor Gupta,	Good afternoon, Manoj ji, Sunil ji and esteemed Board
Shareholder	members.
	How will Company utilize Rs. 750 crores (as per decision of
	SC) ?
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Shri Manoj Gaur,	The Company will utilize Rs. 750 crore for its smooth
Executive Chairman	functioning and growth in E & C, Cement Division, Real
	Estate etc.
Shri Sandeep	Mr. Mishra, please ask your query.
Sabharwal	
Shri Harikesh	Sir Namaskar. First of all I would like to congratulate for
Mishra, Shareholder	your energetic and torch bearing thanks speech which
	boost up our confidence very well and we are with you.
	My question is When is the Scheme of Arrangement with
	JIDL likely to be cleared by NCLT?
Shri Manoj Gaur,	Mr. Harikesh, thanks for your kind words, you are raised
Executive Chairman	very good question. People have forgotten about this, but
	Company and Banks are keeping close watch on this.
	First motion was approved in January 2018. Next date of
	hearing is in December 2021. We hope that this matter is
	resolved soon.
Shri Sandeep	Mr. Ramesh Bhatia, please ask your query
Sabharwal	, i
Mr. Ramesh Bhatia,	Post second wave of COVID-19, what are the prospects of
Shareholder	Company's business?
Shri Manoj Gaur,	Thank you Mr. Bhatia for having faith in the Company. We
Executive Chairman	believe our Company under leadership of Shri Jaiprakash
	Gaur ji, Founder Chairman, will overcome the difficult
	situation caused by Covid 19.
	The share price of the Company at Stock Exchanges is not
	reflecting the real position of the Company.
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	Any other Shareholder for query?

Shri Sandeep	No Sir.
Sabharwal	
Shri Manoj Gaur,	With this we conclude the AGM.
Executive Chairman	
Shri Sandeep	Please give 15 minutes time for e-voting.
Sabharwal	
Shri Manoj Gaur,	15 minutes time for e-voting. Please cast your vote for
Executive Chairman	support and strengthening of the Company. To interact
	with shareholders was really good but the shareholders
	who have not got the opportunity for this are also voting.
	With this, the responsibility and wishes of elders inspiring
	us for further growth. Our independent Directors wishes
	and blessing are with us and we pray to God that you all
	remain be healthy and we do work under your guidance.