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Shri B. R. Viswanatha, Nominee Director / Chairman of the Board

Shri B. R. Viswanatha is nominated as Director on the Board of VIL with effect from 01.02.2016. Shri Viswanatha is a Mechanical Engineer from National Institute of Engineering, Mysuru, and also holds Master's degree in Engineering from the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru. He joined the holding company, M/s BEML Limited in 1984. Over the period, he has served in various capacities in different functional areas in BEML like Production, Quality Engineering and Marketing. Prior to assuming the charge as Director (Mining & Construction Business) of the BEML Limited on 01.02.2016, he was the Executive Director of BEML, KGF Complex.

Prof. S. Sadagopan, Independent Director

Prof. S. Sadagopan is currently the Director of IIIT-Bangalore. He is a product of Madras University, India and Purdue University, USA. He taught for 30 plus years at IIT-Kanpur, IIM-Bangalore, IIT-Madras and IIIT-Bangalore in addition to short teaching assignments at RUTGERS, USA and AIT, Bangkok.

He has authored seven books, several book chapters and papers.

He is a Fellow of IEE (UK), Computer Society of India and Institution of Engineers (India). He is a Senior Member of IEEE and ACM. He was a Fulbright Fellow in 1995.

He consults widely to corporations in the automotive, power, oil, software services, banking and the social sector. He lectures extensively on all aspects of IT and invited by corporations, universities and foundations both in India and abroad. He has traveled widely across all the continents.

He serves on the boards of KBITS and KEONICS. Earlier he was on the Board of BEML, Bharat Electronics, Neyveli Lignite Corporation, Indian Renewable Energy Agency, NMDC and Bank of India. He is on the Board of IIIT-Gwalior, IIIT-Bhubaneswar, ISIM-Mysore, earlier he was on the Board of IIIT-Delhi, IGNOU and VIT University.

He serves as a Member of the International World Wide Web Conference Committee (IW3C2), Karnataka Knowledge Commission, and ACM India Council. He was the General Chair for World Wide Web (WWW) Conference

2011 and International Conference on Global Software Engineering (ICGSE) 2007. He does not hold any equity shares of the Company.

Shri G. Sudhindra, Independent Director

Shri Sudhindra is a Bachelor of Commerce and 1987 batch Chartered Accountant. He is also a Graduate Cost & Works Accountant in 1990 and acquired post qualification course on Information Systems Audit (DISA) in 2002.

He started practice immediately after acquiring qualification as a partner in the firm M/s Rao Associates. Currently he is the Managing Partner in the firm.

He has rich experience in Statutory Central Audit of Public Sector Undertakings, Private Sector Companies and Public Sector Banks. Areas of expertise, apart from Company Audits include Direct Tax, International Taxation, FEMA related matters.

He has presented many papers and delivered lectures on audit and income tax in seminars.

Dr. S. Venkateswaran, Independent Director

Dr. S. Venkateswaran is a Mechanical Engineer and holds double-doctorate with a specialization in foundry business.

Dr. Venkateswaran carries a rich mix of academic and industrial experience. Presently he is the Principal of BMS Evening College of Engineering, Basavanagudi, Bangalore, and earlier he was the Principal of BMS Institute of Technology, Yelahanka, Bangalore, during June 2008 to February 2014. He also served as Professor and HoD, Department of Mechanical Engineering in BMS Institute of Technology. Prior to his academic and teaching experience, he served in various industries for about 18 years including exposure to foundry line of business. His first employment was with M/s BEML during 1983-85 as Development Engineer, R&D Department. He is widely travelled and participated in the national and international conferences and published various technical papers in the journals.

Shri R. H. Muralidhara, Nominee Director

Shri R. H. Muralidhara is nominated as Director on the Board of the Company with effect from 19.05.2016. He is graduated in Mechanical Engineering from Mysore University. He joined BEML Limited, the holding company in the year 1983. Over the period, Shri Muralidhara served in various capacities in different functional areas of BEML including Quality, Planning, Production in Defence as well as Mining & Construction vertical apart from heading Mysuru Complex. Prior to assuming the charge as Director (Defence Business) of BEML on 01.03.2016, he was the Chief General Manager, Defence Production at KGF Complex.