Notice of Annual General Meeting



Hindustan Unilever Limited

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Notice is hereby given that the 88th Annual General Meeting of Hindustan Unilever Limited will be held on Tuesday, 22nd June, 2021 at 3.00 p.m. through Video Conference/Other Audio Visual Means, to transact the following business. The venue of the meeting shall be deemed to be the Registered Office of the Company at Unilever House, B. D. Sawant Marg, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400 099.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

- To receive, consider and adopt the audited financial statements (including audited consolidated financial statements) for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021 and the Reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon.
- 2. To confirm the payment of Special Dividend, Interim Dividend and to declare Final Dividend on equity shares for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021.
- 3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Dev Bajpai (DIN: 00050516), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Wilhelmus Uijen (DIN: 08614686), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 5. To appoint a Director in place of Mr. Ritesh Tiwari (DIN: 05349994), who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"RESOLVED THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 148(3) and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules made thereunder (including any statutory modification(s) or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force), the remuneration payable to M/s. RA & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Registration No.000242), appointed by the Board of Directors as Cost Auditors to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March, 2022, amounting

to ₹12 lakhs (Rupees Twelve Lakhs only) as also the payment of taxes, as applicable and reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred in connection with the aforesaid audit, be and is hereby approved."

NOTES:

- An Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 102
 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act') relating to
 the Special Business to be transacted at the Annual
 General Meeting ('AGM') is annexed hereto. The Board
 of Directors have considered and decided to include
 the Item No. 6 given above as Special Business in the
 forthcoming AGM, as they are unavoidable in nature.
 - In view of the continuing restrictions on the movement of persons at several places in the country, due to outbreak of Covid-19, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), vide its General Circular No. 20/2020 dated 5th May, 2020 read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated 8th April, 2020, General Circular No. 17/2020 dated 13th April, 2020 and General Circular No. 02/2021 dated 13th January, 2021 and other applicable circulars issued by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), has allowed the Companies to conduct the AGM through Video Conferencing (VC) or Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) during the calendar year 2021. In accordance with the said circulars of MCA, SEBI and applicable provisions of the Act and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (Listing Regulations), the 88th AGM of the Company shall be conducted through VC/OAVM. National Securities Depositories Limited ('NSDL') will be providing facility for voting through remote e-voting, for participation in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and e-voting during the AGM. The procedure for participating in the meeting through VC/OAVM is explained at Note No. 9 below and is also available on the website of the Company at www.hul.co.in.
- As the AGM shall be conducted through VC/OAVM, the facility for appointment of Proxy by the Members is not available for this AGM and hence the Proxy Form and Attendance Slip including Route Map are not annexed to this Notice.

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- 4. Institutional/Corporate Members are requested to send a scanned copy (PDF/JPEG format) of the Board Resolution authorising its representatives to attend and vote at the AGM, pursuant to Section 113 of the Companies Act, 2013, at levercare.shareholder@unilever.com.
- The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Wednesday, 16th June, 2021 to Tuesday, 22nd June, 2021 (both days inclusive).

ELECTRONIC DISPATCH OF ANNUAL REPORT AND PROCESS FOR REGISTRATION OF E-MAIL ID FOR OBTAINING COPY OF ANNUAL REPORT:

- 6. In accordance with, the General Circular No. 20/2020 dated 5th May, 2020 and General Circular No. 2/2021 dated 13th January, 2021 issued by MCA, and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated 12th May, 2020 and Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD2/CIR/P/2021/11 dated 15th January, 2021 issued by SEBI, owing to the difficulties involved in dispatching of physical copies of the financial statements (including Report of Board of Directors, Auditor's report or other documents required to be attached therewith), such statements including the Notice of AGM are being sent in electronic mode to Members whose e-mail address is registered with the Company or the Depository Participant(s).
- Members holding shares in physical mode and who have not updated their e-mail addresses with the Company are requested to update their e-mail addresses by writing to the Company at levercare. shareholder@unilever.com along with the copy of the signed request letter mentioning the name and address of the Member, self-attested copy of the PAN card, and self-attested copy of any document (eg.: Driving License, Election Identity Card, Passport) in support of the address of the Member. Members holding shares in dematerialised mode are requested to register/update their e-mail addresses with the relevant Depository Participants. In case of any queries/difficulties in registering the e-mail address, Members may write to levercare. shareholder@unilever.com.
- The Notice of AGM along with Annual Report for the financial year 2020-21, is available on the website of the Company at www.hul.co.in, on the website of Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited and on the website of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com.

PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE E-VOTING AND E-VOTING DURING THE AGM:

- 9. Pursuant to Section 108 of the Act, Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended and Regulation 44 of Listing Regulations, the Company is pleased to provide the facility to Members to exercise their right to vote on the resolutions proposed to be passed at AGM by electronic means.
- 10. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members/list of Beneficial Owners as on Tuesday, 15th June, 2021, i.e. the date prior to the commencement of book closure, being the cut-off date, are entitled to vote on the Resolutions set forth in this Notice. A person who is not a Member as on the cut-off date should treat this Notice of AGM for information purpose only.
- Members may cast their votes on electronic voting system from any place (remote e-voting). The remote e-voting period will commence at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, 17th June, 2021 and will end at 5.00 p.m. on Monday, 21st June, 2021. In addition, the facility for voting through electronic voting system shall also be made available during the AGM. Members attending the AGM who have not cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be eligible to cast their vote through e-voting during the AGM. Members who have voted through remote e-voting shall be eligible to attend the AGM, however, they shall not be eligible to vote at the meeting. Members holding shares in physical form are requested to access the remote e-voting facility provided by the Company through NSDL e-voting system at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/.
- 12. The details of the process and manner for remote e-voting are explained herein below:

Step 1: Access to NSDL e-voting system:

Pursuant to SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/CIR/P/2020/242 dated 9th December, 2020 on "e-voting facility provided by Listed Companies", e-voting process has been enabled for all the individual demat account holders, by way of single login credential, through their demat accounts/websites of Depositories/DPs in order to increase the efficiency of the voting process. Individual demat account holders would be able to cast their vote without having to register again with the e-voting service provider (ESP) thereby not only facilitating seamless authentication but also ease and convenience of participating in e-voting process.

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Shareholders are advised to update their mobile number and e-mail ID with their DPs in order to access e-voting facility.

a) Login method for e-voting and joining virtual meeting Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode is given below:

Type of Individual Shareholders Shareholders holding securities in demat

mode with NSDL

Login Method

A. Users registered for NSDL IDeAS facility:

- Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://eservices.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-Services is launched, click on the "Beneficial Owner" icon under "Login" which is available under "IDeAS" section.
- 2. A new screen will open. Enter your User ID and Password. After successful authentication, you will be able to see e-voting services. Click on "Access to e-voting" under e-voting services and you will be able to see e-voting page.
- Click on options available against Company name or e-voting service provider NSDL and you
 will be re-directed to NSDL e-voting website for casting your vote during the remote e-voting
 period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

B. Users not registered for IDeAS e-Services:

Option to register is available at https://eservices.nsdl.com. Select "Register Online for IDeAS" Portal or click at https://eservices.nsdl.com/SecureWeb/IdeasDirectReg.jsp

C. Visit the e-voting website of NSDL

- After successfully registering on IDeAS, visit the e-voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the following URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/ either on a Personal Computer or on a mobile. Once the home page of e-voting system is launched, click on the icon "Login" which is available under 'Shareholder/Member' section.
- A new screen will open. Enter your User ID (i. e. your sixteen digit demat account number held with NSDL), Password/OTP and a Verification Code as shown on the screen. After successful authentication, you will be redirected to NSDL Depository site wherein you can see e-voting page.
- 3. Click on options available against Company name or e-voting service provider NSDL and you will be redirected to e-voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-Voting period or joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.

Shareholders holding securities in demat mode with CDSL

Users who have opted for Easi/Easiest:

- Shareholders can login through their user ID and password. Option will be made available to reach e-voting page without any further authentication. The URL for users to login to Easi/Easiest are https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/home/login or www.cdslindia.com and click on New System Myeasi.
- After successful login of Easi/Easiest the user will be also able to see the e-voting Menu. The Menu will have links of e-voting service provider i.e. NSDL. Click on NSDL to cast your vote.

B. Users who have not opted for Easi/Easiest:

Option to register for Easi/Easiest is available at https://web.cdslindia.com/myeasi/Registration/EasiRegistration

C. Visit the e-voting website of NSDL

- Alternatively, the user can directly access e-voting page by providing demat Account Number and PAN No. from a link in www.cdslindia.com home page. The system will authenticate the user by sending OTP on registered Mobile & e-mail as recorded in the demat Account.
- After successful authentication, user will be provided links for the respective ESP i.e. NSDL where the e-voting is in progress.



Type of Individual Shareholders	Login Method		
Shareholders (holding securities in demat mode) login through	. Shareholders can also login using the login credentials of their demat account through their Depository Participant registered with NSDL/CDSL for e-voting facility. After logging, you will be see e-voting option.	able to	
their depository participants	 Once you click on e-voting option, you will be redirected to NSDL/CDSL Depository site after succ authentication, wherein you can see e-voting feature. 	essful	
	Click on options available against Company name or e-voting service provider-NSDL and you we be redirected to e-voting website of NSDL for casting your vote during the remote e-voting perio joining virtual meeting & voting during the meeting.		

Important Note: Members who are unable to retrieve User ID/Password are advised to use Forget User ID and Forget Password option available at abovementioned website.

Individual Shareholders holding shares in demat mode who need assistance for any technical issues related to login through Depository i.e. NSDL and CDSL may reach out to below helpdesk:

Login type	Helpdesk details	
Individual	Members facing any technical issue in	
Shareholders	login can contact NSDL helpdesk by	
holding securities	sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in	
in demat mode	or call at toll free No. 1800 1020 990 and	
with NSDL	1800 22 44 30	
Individual	Members facing any technical issue	
Shareholders	in login can contact CDSL helpdesk by	
holding securities	sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@	
in demat mode	cdslindia.com or contact at 022- 23058738	
with CDSL	or 022-23058542-43	

 Login Method for e-voting and joining virtual meeting for shareholders other than Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode and shareholders holding securities in physical mode.

How to Log-in to NSDL e-voting website?

- a) Visit the e-voting website of NSDL. Open web browser by typing the URL: https://www.evoting.nsdl.com/.
- b) Once the home page of e-voting system is launched, click on the icon 'Login' which is available under 'Shareholders/Members' section.
- c) A new screen will open. You will have to enter your User ID, your Password and a Verification Code as shown on the screen.

Alternatively, if you are registered for NSDL eservices i.e. IDEAS, you can log-in at https://eservices.nsdl.com/ with your existing IDEAS login. Once you log-in to NSDL eservices after using your log-in credentials, click on

- e-voting and you can proceed to Step 2 i.e. Cast your vote electronically.
- d) Your User ID details are given below:

Manner of holding shares	Your User ID is:
a) For Members who hold shares in	8 Character DP ID followed by 8 Digit Client ID For example:
demat account with NSDL.	if your DP ID is IN300*** and Client ID is 12***** then your User ID is IN300***12******.
b) For Members	16 Digit Beneficiary ID
who hold	For example:
shares in demat account with	if your Beneficiary ID is 12************ then your
CDSL.	User ID is 12**********
c) For Members holding	EVEN Number followed by Folio Number registered with the Company
shares in	For example:
Physical Form.	if folio number is 001*** and EVEN is 101456 then your User ID is 101456001***

- e) Your password details are given below
 - i. If you are already registered for e-voting, then you can use your existing password to login and cast your vote.
 - ii. If you are using NSDL e-voting system for the first time, you will need to retrieve the 'initial password' which was communicated to you. Once you retrieve your 'initial password', you need to enter the 'initial password' and the system will force you to change your password.

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- iii. How to retrieve your 'initial password'?
 - If your e-mail ID is registered in your demat account or with the Company, your 'initial password' is communicated to you on your e-mail ID. Trace the e-mail sent to you from NSDL from your mailbox. Open the e-mail and open the attachment i.e. a .pdf file. Open the .pdf file. The password to open the .pdf file is your 8 digit client ID for NSDL account, last 8 digits of client ID for CDSL account or folio number for shares held in physical form. The .pdf file contains your 'User ID' and your 'initial password'.
 - If your e-mail ID is not registered, please follow process for those shareholders whose e-mail ids are not registered.
- f) If you are unable to retrieve or have not received the 'Initial password' or have forgotten your password:
 - Click on 'Forgot User Details/Password?'
 (If you are holding shares in your demat account with NSDL or CDSL) option available on www.evoting.nsdl.com.
 - ii. <u>Physical User Reset Password?</u> (If you are holding shares in physical mode) option available on <u>www.evoting.nsdl.com</u>.
 - iii. If you are still unable to get the password by aforesaid two options, you can send a request at <u>evoting@nsdl.co.in</u> mentioning your demat account number/folio number, your PAN, your name and your registered address.
 - iv. Members can also use the OTP (One Time Password) based login for casting the votes on the e-Voting system of NSDL.
- g) After entering your password, tick on Agree to "Terms and Conditions" by selecting on the check box.
- h) Now, you will have to click on "Login" button.
- i) After you click on the "Login" button, Home page of e-voting will open.

Step 2: Cast your vote electronically and join General Meeting on NSDL e-voting system.

a) How to cast your vote electronically and join AGM on NSDL e-voting system?

- a) After successful login at Step 1, you will be able to see all the companies "EVEN" in which you are holding shares and whose voting cycle and General Meeting is in active status
- b) Select "EVEN" of Company for which you wish to cast your vote during the remote e-voting period and casting your vote during the General Meeting. For joining virtual meeting, you need to click on "VC/OAVM" link placed under "Join General Meeting".
- Now you are ready for e-voting as the voting page opens.
- d) Cast your vote by selecting appropriate options i.e. assent or dissent, verify/modify the number of shares for which you wish to cast your vote and click on 'Submit' and also 'Confirm' when prompted.
- e) Upon confirmation, the message 'Vote cast successfully' will be displayed.
- f) You can also take the printout of the votes cast by you by clicking on the print option on the confirmation page.
- g) Once you confirm your vote on the resolution, you will not be allowed to modify your vote.

b) Process for those shareholders whose e-mail ids are not registered with the depositories for procuring user ID and password and registration of e-mail ids for e-voting for the resolutions set out in this notice:

- a) Members whose shares are held in physical mode are requested to provide Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by e-mail to levercare. shareholder@unilever.com.
- Members whose shares are held in demat mode are requested to provide DPID-CLID (16 digit DPID + CLID or 16 digit beneficiary ID), Name, client master or copy of



Consolidated Account statement, PAN (self attested scanned copy of PAN card), AADHAR (self attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) to levercare.shareholder@unilever.com. If you are an Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode, you are requested to refer to the login method explained at step 1 (A) i.e. Login method for e-voting and joining virtual meeting for Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode.

- c) Alternatively shareholder/members may send a request to evoting@nsdl.co.in for procuring user ID and password for e-voting by providing above mentioned documents.
- d) In terms of SEBI circular dated 9th December, 2020 on e-voting facility provided by Listed Companies, Individual shareholders holding securities in demat mode are allowed to vote through their demat account maintained with Depositories and Depository Participants. Shareholders are required to update their mobile number and e-mail ID correctly in their demat account in order to access e-voting facility.

c) The instructions for members for e-voting on the day of the AGM are as under:

- The procedure for e-voting on the day of the AGM is same as the instructions mentioned above for remote e-voting.
- b) Only those Members, who will be present in the AGM through VC/OAVM facility and have not casted their vote on the Resolutions through remote e-voting and are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting system in the AGM.
- c) Members who have voted through remote e-voting will be eligible to attend the AGM. However, they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM.
- d) In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free No. 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 or send a request to Mr. Amit Vishal, Senior Manager, NSDL at evoting@nsdl.co.in.

PROCEDURE FOR JOINING THE AGM THROUGH VC/OAVM

- 13. Member will be provided with a facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM through the NSDL e-voting system. Members may access by following the steps mentioned above for Access to NSDL e-voting system. After successful login, you can see link of "VC/OAVM link" placed under "Join General meeting" menu against Company name. You are requested to click on VC/OAVM link placed under Join General Meeting menu. The link for VC/OAVM will be available in Shareholder/ Member login where the EVEN of Company will be displayed. Please note that the members who do not have the User ID and Password for e-voting or have forgotten the User ID and Password may retrieve the same by following the remote e-voting instructions mentioned in the notice to avoid last minute rush.
- 14. Members are encouraged to join the Meeting through Laptops for better experience.
- Further Members will be required to allow Camera and use Internet with a good speed to avoid any disturbance during the meeting.
- 16. Please note that Participants Connecting from Mobile Devices or Tablets or through Laptop connecting via Mobile Hotspot may experience Audio/Video loss due to fluctuation in their respective network. It is therefore recommended to use Stable Wi-Fi or LAN Connection to mitigate any kind of aforesaid glitches.
- Members, who need assistance before or during the AGM, may:
 - Send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or use Toll free no.: 1800-222-990; or
 - Contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Senior Manager, NSDL at the designated email ID: <u>AmitV@nsdl.co.in</u>; or
 - Contact Ms. Pallavi Mhatre, Manager, NSDL at the designated email ID: pallavid@nsdl.co.in.

PROCEDURE TO ASK QUESTIONS/SEEK CLARIFICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO ANNUAL REPORT:

18. As the AGM is being conducted through VC/OAVM, for the smooth conduct of proceedings of the AGM, Members are encouraged to express their views/ send their queries in advance mentioning their name, demat account number/folio number, e-mail id, mobile number at levercare.shareholder@unilever.com. Questions/queries received by the Company till 5.00 p.m. on Thursday, 17th June, 2021 shall only be considered and responded during the AGM.

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 The Company reserves the right to restrict the number of questions and number of speakers, as appropriate for smooth conduct of the AGM.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- 20. It is strongly recommended not to share your password with any other person and take utmost care to keep your password confidential. Login to the e-voting website will be disabled upon five unsuccessful attempts to key in the correct password. In such an event, you will need to go through the 'Forgot User Details/Password?' or 'Physical User Reset Password?' option available on www.evoting. nsdl.com to reset the password.
- 21. The voting rights shall be as per the number of equity shares held by the Member(s) as on Tuesday, 15th June, 2021 being the cut-off date. Members are eligible to cast vote electronically only if they are holding shares as on that date.
- 22. The Company has appointed Mr. S. N. Ananthasubramanian, Practicing Company Secretary (FCS 4206 and CP No. 1774), to act as the Scrutiniser, to scrutinise the entire e-voting process in a fair and transparent manner. The Members desiring to vote through remote e-voting are requested to refer to the detailed procedure given hereinafter.
- 23. The results of the electronic voting shall be declared to the Stock Exchanges after the conclusion of AGM. The results along with the Scrutiniser's Report, shall also be placed on the website of the Company at www.hul.co.in.

PROCEDURE FOR INSPECTION OF DOCUMENTS:

- 24. All the documents referred to in the accompanying Notice and Explanatory Statement, shall be available for inspection through electronic mode, basis the request being sent on levercare.shareholder@unilever.com.
- 25. During the AGM, the Register of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel and their Shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Act, the Register of Contracts or arrangements in which Directors are interested under Section 189 of the Act and the Certificate from Auditors of the Company certifying that the ESOP Schemes of the Company are being implemented in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014 shall be available for inspection upon login at NSDL e-voting system at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com.

DIVIDEND RELATED INFORMATION:

- 26. The Members, whose names appear in the Register of Members/list of Beneficial Owners as on Tuesday, 15th June, 2021, i.e. the date prior to the commencement of book closure, being the cut-off date will be paid the Final Dividend for the financial year ended 31st March, 2021, as recommended by the Board, if approved at the AGM, on or after Friday, 25th June, 2021.
- 27. Members holding shares in demat form are hereby informed that bank particulars registered with their respective Depository Participants, with whom they maintain their demat accounts, will be used by the Company for the payment of dividend. The Company or its Registrar cannot act on any request received directly from the Members holding shares in demat form for any change of bank particulars. Such changes are to be intimated only to the Depository Participant(s) of the Members. Members holding shares in demat form are requested to intimate any change in their address and/or bank mandate immediately to their Depository Participants.
- 28. Members holding shares in physical form are requested to intimate any change of address and/or bank mandate to KFin Technologies Private Limited (KFintech), Registrar and Share Transfer Agent of the Company or Investor Service Department of the Company immediately by sending a request on e-mail at levercare.shareholder@unilever.com or contact KFintech at einward.ris@kfintech.com. In case, the Company is unable to pay the dividend to any shareholder by the electronic mode, due to non-availability of the details of the bank account, the Company shall upon normalisation of the postal services, dispatch the dividend warrant to such shareholder by post.
- 29. Shareholders may note that the Income Tax Act, 1961, as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, mandates that dividends paid or distributed by a Company after 1st April, 2020 shall be taxable in the hands of the Shareholders. The Company shall therefore be required to deduct Tax at Source (TDS) at the time of making the final dividend. In order to enable us to determine the appropriate TDS rate as applicable, Members are requested to submit the documents in accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961.
 - a) For Resident Shareholders, TDS shall be made under Section 194 of the Income Tax Act, 1961 at 10% on the amount of Dividend declared and paid by the Company during financial

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year 2021-22 provided PAN is registered by the Shareholder. If PAN is not registered, TDS would be deducted @ 20% as per Section 206AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

However, no tax shall be deducted on the Dividend payable to a resident Individual if the total dividend to be received by them during financial year 2021-22 does not exceed ₹5,000. Please note that this includes the future dividends if any which may be declared by the Board in the financial year 2021-22.

Separately, in cases where the shareholder provides Form 15G (applicable to any person other than a Company or a Firm or HUF)/Form 15H (applicable to an Individual above the age of 60 years), provided that the eligibility conditions are being met, no TDS shall be deducted.

- For Non-resident Shareholders, taxes are required to be withheld in accordance with the provisions of Section 195 of the Income Tax Act, 1961 at the rates in force. As per the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961, the withholding tax shall be at the rate of 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) on the amount of Dividend payable to them. However, as per Section 90 of the Income Tax Act, 1961, the non-resident shareholder has the option to be governed by the provisions of the Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) between India and the country of tax residence of the shareholder, if they are more beneficial to them. For this purpose, i.e. to avail the Tax Treaty benefits, the non-resident shareholder will have to provide the following:
 - Self-attested copy of Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) obtained from the tax authorities of the country of which the shareholder is resident.
 - Self declaration in <u>Form 10F</u> if all the details required in this form are not mentioned in the TRC.
 - Self-attested copy of the Permanent Account Number (PAN Card) allotted by the Indian Income Tax authorities.
 - <u>Self- Declaration</u> certifying the following points:
 - Member is and will continue to remain a tax resident of the

- country of its residence during the financial year 2021-22;
- Member is eligible to claim the beneficial DTAA rate for the purposes of tax withholding on dividend declared by the Company;
- iii. Member has no reason to believe that its claim for the benefits of the DTAA is impaired in any manner;
- iv. Member is the ultimate beneficial owner of its shareholding in the Company and Dividend receivable from the Company; and
- v. Member does not have a taxable presence or a permanent establishment in India during the financial year 2021-22.
- 30. Please note that the Company is not obligated to apply the beneficial DTAA rates at the time of tax deduction/withholding on dividend amounts. Application of beneficial DTAA Rate shall depend upon the completeness and satisfactory review by the Company, of the documents submitted by Non-Resident shareholder.
- 31. Accordingly, in order to enable us to determine the appropriate TDS/withholding tax rate applicable, we request you to provide these details and documents as mentioned above before Monday, 31st May, 2021.
- 32. Kindly note that the aforementioned documents are required to be submitted at https://ris.kfintech.com/form15/ on or before Monday, 31st May, 2021 in order to enable the Company to determine and deduct appropriate TDS/withholding tax rate. No communication on the tax determination/deduction shall be entertained post Monday, 31st May, 2021. It may be further noted that in case the tax on said dividend is deducted at a higher rate in absence of receipt of the aforementioned details/documents from you, there would still be an option available with you to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund, if eligible.
- 33. We shall arrange to e-mail the soft copy of TDS certificate to you at your registered e-mail ID in accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act 1961 after filing of the quarterly TDS Returns of the Company, post payment of the said Dividend.
- The Company vide its separate e-mail communication dated Friday, 14th May, 2021 had informed the

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- Members regarding this change in the Income Tax Act, 1961 as well as the relevant procedure to be adopted by the Members to avail the applicable tax rate.
- 35. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs had notified provisions relating to unpaid/unclaimed dividend under Sections 124 and 125 of Companies Act, 2013 and Investor Education and Protection Fund (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016. As per these Rules, dividends which are not encashed/claimed by the shareholder for a period of seven consecutive years shall be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority. The IEPF Rules mandate the Companies to transfer the shares of shareholders whose dividends remain unpaid/ unclaimed for a period of seven consecutive years to the demat account of IEPF Authority. Hence, the Company urges all the shareholders to encash/claim their respective dividend during the prescribed period. The details of the unpaid/unclaimed amounts lying with the Company as on 30th June, 2020 (date of last AGM) are available on the website of the Company at https://www.hul.co.in/investor-relations/unclaimedand-unpaid-dividends/ and on MCA's website. The details of unpaid and unclaimed amounts lying with the Company as on 31st March, 2021 shall be updated in due course. The Member(s) whose dividend/shares as transferred to the IEPF Authority can now claim their shares from the Authority by following the Refund Procedure as detailed on the website of IEPF Authority http://iepf.gov.in/IEPF/refund.html.
- 36. Members are requested to contact KFintech/Investor Service Department of the Company for encashing the unclaimed dividends standing to the credit of their account. The detailed dividend history and due dates for transfer to IEPF are available on 'Investor Relations' page on the website of the Company at https://www.hul.co.in/investor-relations/unclaimedand-unpaid-dividends/

OTHERS:

- 37. Members of the Company had approved the appointment of M/s. B S R & Co. LLP, Chartered Accountants, as the Statutory Auditors at the Eighty Sixth AGM of the Company which is valid till Ninety First AGM of the Company. In accordance with the Act, the appointment of Statutory Auditors is not required to be ratified at every AGM.
- 38. In terms of Section 152 of the Act, Mr. Dev Bajpai, Mr. Wilhelmus Uijen and Mr. Ritesh Tiwari are liable to retire by rotation at this Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offers themselves for re-appointment.

- 39. Mr. Dev Bajpai, Mr. Wilhelmus Uijen and Mr. Ritesh Tiwari, Executive Directors, have been appointed as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and shall serve in accordance with, the terms of contract of employment with the Company.
- 40. The terms and conditions including the remuneration of Mr. Dev Bajpai, Mr. Wilhelmus Uijen and Mr. Ritesh Tiwari as Whole-time Directors are being governed within the overall limits of remuneration approved by the Shareholders at their Annual General Meeting held on 29th June, 2019 and resolution passed through Postal ballot dated 29th April, 2021. The remuneration payable to them for the financial year 2021-22 shall be decided by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee of the Company which shall be within the aforesaid limits approved by the Shareholders. The details of Remuneration paid and number of meetings of the Board and its Committee attended during the financial year 2020-21 forms part of Corporate Governance Report.
- 41. Details as required in Regulation 36(3) of the Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standard on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India in respect of the Directors seeking re-αppointment at the AGM are provided at page nos. 282 and 285 of this Report. Requisite declarations have been received from the Directors seeking appointment/re-αppointment. The Independent Directors of the Company have been appointed for a consecutive term of 5 years and are not eligible to retire by rotation.
- 42. As per Regulation 40 of SEBI Listing Regulations, as amended, securities of listed companies can be transferred only in dematerialised form with effect from 1st April, 2019, except in case of request received for transmission or transposition of securities. In view of this and to eliminate all risks associated with physical shares and for ease of portfolio management, members holding shares in physical form are requested to consider converting their holdings to dematerialised form.
- 43. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide its circular dated 20th April, 2018 has mandated registration of Permanent Account Number (PAN) and Bank Account Details for all securities holders. Members holding shares in physical form are therefore, requested to submit their PAN and Bank Account Details to KFintech/Investor Services Department of the Company by sending a duly signed letter along with self-attested copy of PAN Card and



original cancelled cheque through e-mail at <u>levercare</u>. <u>shareholder@unilever.com</u>. The original cancelled cheque should bear the name of the Member. In the alternative Members are requested to submit a copy of bank passbook/statement attested by the bank. Members holding shares in demat form are requested to submit the aforesaid information to their respective Depository Participant.

44. Members can also provide their feedback on the shareholder services of the Company using the 'Shareholders Satisfaction Survey' form available on the 'Investor Relations' page of the website of the Company at www.hul.co.in. This feedback will help the Company in improving Shareholder Service Standards.

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Mumbai: 29th April, 2021

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT Item No. 6

The Board of Directors of the Company, on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, approved the appointment and remuneration of M/s. RA & Co., Cost Accountants (Firm Registration No. 000242), to conduct the audit of the cost records of the Company for the financial year ending 31st March, 2022. In terms of the provisions of Section 148(3) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 14(a)(ii) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditor is required to be approved by the Members of the Company. Accordingly, consent of the Members is sought for the remuneration payable to the Cost Auditors.

None of the Directors or Key Managerial Personnel or their relatives, are concerned or interested, financially or otherwise, in this Resolution.

The Board recommends the Ordinary Resolution set out at Item No. 6 for the approval of Members.

By Order of the Board

Dev Bajpai

Executive Director Legal & Corporate Affairs and Company Secretary FCS No: 3354/DIN: 00050516

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Manner of registering/ updating e-mail address	Manner of joining the AGM	TDS on Dividend
Members holding shares in physical mode and who have not registered/updated their e-mail addresses with the Company are requested to update their e-mail addresses by writing to the Company at levercare.shareholder@unilever.com	A facility to attend the AGM through VC/OAVM is available through the NSDL e-voting system at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com	As per the Income Tax Act, 1961, as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, the dividends paid or distributed by a Company after 1st April, 2020 shall be taxable in the hands of the Members. The Company shall deduct Tax at Source (TDS) at the time of making the final dividend. Members are requested to submit the documents in accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961 at https://ris.kfintech.com/form15