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FORM NO. MR-3 SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT For the Financial Year ended on March 31, 2022

[Pursuant to Section 204 (1) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule No. 9 of the Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014]

To, The Members **Empower India Limited** 25/25a, IIND Floor, 327, Nawab Bldg., D.N.Road, Opp.Thomas Cook, Mumbai-400001

We have conducted, the Secretarial Audit of compliance of applicable statutory provisions and adherence to good corporate practices, by Empower India Limited (hereinafter referred as 'the Company'). Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts / statutory compliances and accordingly expressing my opinion thereupon.

Based on our verification of books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also the information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, we hereby report that in our opinion, the Company, has during the audit period covering the financial year ended on 31.03.2022 complied with various statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company has proper Board processes and compliance mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter.

We have examined the books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company for the Year ended 31.03.2022 according to the provisions of the following, as amended from time to time, and to the extent applicable:-

- i. The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and Rules made there under;
- ii. The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA') and the rules made thereunder;
- iii. The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye Laws framed thereunder;

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- iv. The provisions of Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and the rules and regulations made thereunder to the extent of Foreign Direct Investment, Overseas Direct Investment and External Commercial Borrowings;
- v. The following Regulations prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act'):-
 - (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
 - (b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
 - (c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2018; **N.A.**
 - (d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014; **N.A.**
 - (e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations, 2008;
 - (f) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client; **N.A.**
 - (g) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2009; **N.A.**; and
 - (h) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; **N.A.**
 - (i) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015
- vi. Other Laws Applicable to the Company as a Business Unit and Other Offices:
 - a) Taxation Laws
 - b) **Environment Laws-**The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986; Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974; Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977;
 - c) Labour and Social Security Laws Such as employees State Insurance Act, 1948; Payment of Bonus Act, 1965; Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972; Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970; Maternity Benefit Act, 1961; The Equal Remuneration Act 1976; Employees Provident Funds And Miscellaneous Act, 1952, as amended.
 - d) IT Related Laws Information Technology Act, 2000;
 - e) Miscellaneous Laws-Electricity Act, 2003; Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 2013

We have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of the Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.



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During the period under review the Company has been regular in complying with various applicable provisions of the Act, rules, regulations, Guidelines and Standards etc. which are subject matter of present Audit Report, stated hereinabove.

It is further reported that:

The Board of Directors of the Company is duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Director, Non – Executive Director, Woman Director and Independent Director. The changes in the composition of the Board of Directors that took place during the period under review were carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

In compliance with applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder and Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, adequate notices were given to all directors to schedule the Board Meetings and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.

Decisions are carried through unanimously and therefore dissenting members' views are not required to be captured and recorded as part of the minutes.

We further report that there are adequate systems and processes in the Company commensurate with the size and operations of the Company to monitor and ensure compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and guidelines.

For H NITIN & ASSOCIATES

(Company Secretaries)

CS Nitin Hotchandani FCS No.: F9632

C P No.: 11673

UDIN: **F009632D000577947**

Place: Jaipur Date: 06/07/2022

This report is to be read with our letter of even date which is annexed as **Annexure A** and forms an integral part of this report.

'Annexure A'

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Our report of even date is to be read along with this letter.

- 1. Maintenance of secretarial record is the responsibility of the management of the company. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these secretarial records based on our audit.
- 2. We have followed the audit practices and processes as were appropriate to obtain reasonable assurance about the correctness of the contents of the Secretarial records. The verification was done on test basis to ensure that correct facts are reflected in secretarial records. We believe that the processes and practices, we followed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.
- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of financial records and Books of Accounts of the company.
- 4. Where ever required, we have obtained the Management representation about the compliance of laws, rules and regulations and happening of events etc.
- 5. The compliance of the provisions of Corporate and other applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards is the responsibility of management. Our examination was limited to the verification of procedures on test basis.
- 6. The Secretarial Audit report is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the Company nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the Company.
- 7. The maximum liability of our firm under the secretarial audit in respect of the aggregate of all claims shall not exceed the fee charged by us.

For H NITIN & ASSOCIATES

(Company Secretaries)

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