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**Independent Auditor's Review Report on Standalone Unaudited Quarterly Financial Results and Year to Date Results of the Company Pursuant to the Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended)**

**To the Board of Directors of Hindustan Construction Company Limited**

1. We have reviewed the accompanying statement of standalone unaudited financial results ('the Statement') of **Hindustan Construction Company Limited** ('the Company') and its joint operations (Refer Annexure 1 for the list of joint operations included in the Statement) for the quarter ended 31 December 2020 and the year to date results for the period 01 April 2020 to 31 December 2020, being submitted by the Company pursuant to the requirements of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), including relevant circulars issued by the SEBI from time to time. Attention is drawn to the fact that the Note 2 to the Statement regarding 'total balance value of work on hand as at 31 December 2020', as included in the Statement has been approved by the Board of Directors but has not been subjected to audit or review.
2. The Statement, which is the responsibility of the Company's Management and approved by the Company's Board of Directors, has been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standard 34, Interim Financial Reporting ('Ind AS 34'), prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act'), and other accounting principles generally accepted in India and is in compliance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), including relevant circulars issued by the SEBI from time to time. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Statement based on our review.
3. We conducted our review of the Statement in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements (SRE) 2410, Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the Standards on Auditing specified under section 143(10) of the Act, and consequently, does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.



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### 4. As stated in:

- (i) Note 5 to the accompanying Statement, the Company has accounted for managerial remuneration paid/ payable to Whole Time Directors (including Chairman and Managing Director) of the Company aggregating ₹ 23.70 crore for the financial year ended 31 March 2020 and for the nine month ended 31 December 2020, in excess of the limits prescribed under Section 197 of the Act, in respect of which approvals from the shareholders have been obtained, however prior approval from the lenders of the Company in accordance with Section 197 has not been obtained by the Company.

During the current quarter, the Company has adjusted excess remuneration paid to the Chairman and Managing Director for the financial year ended 31 March 2014 with remuneration accrued but not paid for the financial year ended 31 March 2015. Further, the Company has not recovered the excess remuneration aggregating ₹ 8.69 crore paid to the Chairman and Managing Director for the financial year ended 31 March 2016. In the absence of the requisite prior approval from lenders in accordance with Section 197, the above adjustments and non-recovery of excess managerial remuneration of the Chairman and Managing Director is not in compliance with the provisions of the Section 197 of the Act.

Our audit report dated 9 July 2020 on the standalone financial results for the year ended 31 March 2020 and review reports dated 12 November 2020 and 6 February 2020 on the standalone financial results of the Company for the quarter and six month ended 30 September 2020 and quarter and nine month ended 31 December 2019, respectively, were also qualified in respect of this matter.

- (ii) Note 7 to the accompanying Statement, the Company's non-current borrowings, current borrowings and other current financial liabilities as at 31 December 2020 include balances amounting to ₹ 273.56 crore, ₹ 9.57 crore and ₹ 399.68 crore, respectively, in respect of which confirmations/ statements from the respective banks/ lenders have not been provided to us by the management of the Company. Further, in respect of certain loans while the principal balances have been confirmed from the confirmations/ statements issued by banks / lenders, the interest accrued amounting to ₹ 87.50 crore has not been confirmed by the banks/ lenders. The aforesaid balances have been classified into current and non-current, basis the original maturity terms stated in the agreements which is not in accordance with the terms of the agreements relating to the implications in the event of default. Further, confirmations/ statements from banks have not been received for earmarked balances (included under bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents) as at 31 December 2020 amounting to ₹ 20.97 crore.

In the absence of such confirmations/ statements from banks/ lenders or sufficient and appropriate alternate audit evidence, we are unable to comment on the adjustments and changes in classification of balances in accordance with the principles of Ind AS 1, Presentation of financial statements, if any, that may be required to the carrying value of the aforementioned balances in the accompanying Statement. Our audit report dated 9 July 2020 on the standalone financial results for the year ended 31 March 2020 and review report dated 12 November 2020 on the standalone financial results of the Company for the quarter and six month ended 30 September 2020 were also qualified in respect of this matter.

- (iii) Note 11(b) to the accompanying Statement, the Company had written back a loss provision aggregating ₹ 331.40 crore during the quarter ended 31 December 2019, which was earlier recognised by the Company during the year ended 31 March 2019 in cognizance of the assignment of beneficial interests / rights in a portfolio of identified arbitration awards and claims based on a non-binding term sheet with a consortium of investors along with a letter of commitment, due to cancellation of the said proposed transaction. However, such write-back is inconsistent with the continued intent of the Company to sell / assign the arbitration awards and claims of the Company to other potential investors as evidenced in the proposed resolution plan with lenders. Pending the finalization of the proposed resolution plan with lenders, we are unable to comment on the extent of loss provision required to be provided for in the financial results as at 31 December 2020. Our audit report dated 9 July 2020 on the standalone financial results for the year ended 31 March 2020 and review reports dated 12 November 2020 and 6 February 2020 on the standalone financial results of the Company for the quarter and six month ended 30 September 2020 and quarter and nine month ended 31 December 2019, respectively, were also qualified in respect of this matter.



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- (iv) Note 10 to the accompanying Statement, the Company has recognised net deferred tax assets amounting to ₹ 670.14 crore outstanding as at 31 December 2020, on account of carried forward unused tax losses, unused tax credits and other taxable temporary differences which are continued to be recognised by the Company on the basis of expected availability of future taxable profits for utilization of such deferred tax assets. However, in view of the continued losses incurred by the Company, uncertainty with respect to outcome of the resolution plan and the impact of COVID-19 on business operations, we are unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence with respect to the current projections prepared by the management and therefore, are unable to comment on any adjustments that may be required to the carrying value of aforesaid net deferred tax assets as at 31 December 2020. Our audit report dated 9 July 2020 on the standalone financial results for the year ended 31 March 2020 and review report dated 12 November 2020 on the standalone financial results of the Company for the quarter and six month ended 30 September 2020 were also qualified in respect of this matter.
5. Based on our review conducted as above and consideration of the review report of the other auditor referred to in paragraph 8 below, except for the effects/ possible effects of the matters described in previous section, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying Statement, prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Ind AS 34, prescribed under Section 133 of the Act, and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, has not disclosed the information required to be disclosed in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (as amended), including the manner in which it is to be disclosed, or that it contains any material misstatement.

### Material Uncertainty on Going Concern

6. We draw attention to Note 9 to the accompanying Statement which indicates that the Company has incurred a net loss of ₹ 476.26 crore during the nine months ended 31 December 2020 and, as of that date, the Company's accumulated losses amounts to ₹ 2,243.92 crore which have resulted in substantial erosion of net worth of the Company and the current liabilities have exceeded its current assets by ₹ 2,064.84 crore as at 31 December 2020. As further disclosed in aforesaid note, the Company has continued to default in repayment of principal and interest in respect of its borrowings and has overdue operational creditors outstanding as at 31 December 2020. A financial creditor and certain operational creditors have also applied to the National Company Law Tribunal ('NCLT') for the debt resolution under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, which have not been admitted by the NCLT for further proceedings as of the date of this report. The above factors, together with uncertainties relating to the impact of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic on the operations of the Company as described in Note 8 to the Statement, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. However, based on ongoing discussion and re-negotiations with lenders, including lenders of an erstwhile subsidiary, for restructuring of loans which are subject to their internal approvals, revised business plans and other mitigating factors as mentioned in the Note 9, management is of the view that going concern basis of accounting is appropriate for preparation of the accompanying Statement. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter.
7. We draw attention to:
- (i) Note 8 to the accompanying Statement, which describes the effects of uncertainties relating to COVID-19 pandemic outbreak on the Company's operations and management's evaluation of its impact on the accompanying Statement as at the reporting date, the extent of which is significantly dependent on future developments.



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- (ii) Note 6 to the accompanying Statement in relation to the rectification of the method of measuring the progress towards satisfaction of performance obligation for revenue recognition from output method to input method. Consequent to the aforementioned rectification and the resultant change in accounting policy, the Company has restated the comparative financial information for the quarter ended 31 December 2019 and year to date results for the period 01 April 2019 to 31 December 2019 included in the accompanying Statement, in accordance with the requirements of Ind-AS 8 - 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors'.
- (iii) Note 3 to the accompanying Statement, regarding the Company's non-current investment (including deemed investment) in a subsidiary company, HCC Infrastructure Company Limited, aggregating ₹ 1,571.65 crore as at 31 December 2020. The consolidated net-worth of the aforesaid subsidiary is fully eroded; however, based on certain estimates and other factors, including subsidiary's future business plans, growth prospects, valuation report from an independent valuer and expected outcome of the negotiation/ discussion/ arbitration/ litigations and legal advice in respect of certain claims, as described in the said note, management believes that the realizable amount is higher than the carrying value of the non-current investment due to which this is considered as good and recoverable.
- (iv) Note 4 to the accompanying Statement, regarding uncertainties relating to recoverability of unbilled work-in-progress (other current assets) and current trade receivables amounting to ₹ 863.48 crore and ₹ 387.72 crore, respectively, as at 31 December 2020, which represent various claims raised in the earlier years in respect of projects closed/ substantially closed/ suspended. Further, non-current trade receivables and current trade receivables as at 31 December 2020 includes ₹ 2,062.68 crore and ₹ 924.39 crore, respectively, representing favourable arbitration awards (including interest thereon) which have subsequently been challenged by the clients in courts. Further, during the previous quarters, the Company had initiated and settled two favourable arbitration awards with one of the customers amounting to ₹ 578.12 crore at a loss of ₹ 326.83 crore, which has been considered as an exceptional item as further described in Note 11(a) to the accompanying Statement. The Company is also in active discussions with one of its customers to conciliate another favourable arbitration awards received and the claims made by the Company with respect to non-current trade receivables, current trade receivables and unbilled work-in-progress (Other current assets) amounting to ₹ 118.34 crore, ₹ 215.94 crore and ₹ 470.71 crore. The aforementioned receivables are presently under various stages of negotiations/ arbitration/ litigation with client. Based on the current progress in each case/ related legal opinions, management is of the view that the aforementioned balances are fully recoverable.

Our conclusion is not modified in respect of the above matters.

8. We did not review the interim financial statements of one (1) joint operation, whose interim financial statements reflects revenues of ₹ 60.65 crore and ₹ 125.20 crore, net profit after tax of ₹ 11.60 crore and ₹ 8.31 crore, total comprehensive income of ₹ 11.60 crore and ₹ 8.31 crore for the quarter and nine month ended 31 December 2020, respectively, as considered in the accompanying Statement. This interim financial statements has been reviewed by other auditor whose report has been furnished to us by the management, and our conclusion in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of this joint operation is based solely on the review report of such other auditor, and the procedures performed by us as stated in paragraph 3 above.

Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter with respect to our reliance on the work done by and the report of the other auditor.



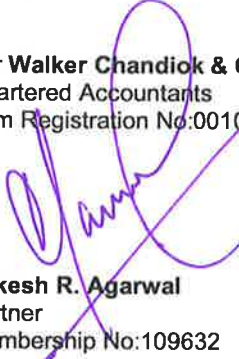
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9. The Statement also includes the interim financial statements/ financial information/ financial results of six (6) joint operations, which have not been reviewed/ audited by their auditor, whose interim financial statements/ financial information/ financial results reflects total revenue of Nil and ₹ 0.76 crore, net profit/ (loss) after tax of ₹ (0.37) crore and ₹ 0.12 crore, total comprehensive income/ (loss) of ₹ (0.37) crore and ₹ 0.12 crore for the quarter and nine month ended 31 December 2020, respectively, and have been furnished to us by the Company's management. Our conclusion on the Statement, in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these joint operations, are based solely on such unaudited/ unreviewed interim financial statements/ financial information/ financial results. According to the information and explanations given to us by the management, these interim financial statements/ financial information/ financial results are not material to the Company. Our conclusion is not modified in respect of this matter with respect to our reliance on the financial statements/ information/ results certified by the Board of Directors.

For **Walker Chandiook & Co LLP**  
Chartered Accountants  
Firm Registration No:001076N/N500013

  
**Rakesh R. Agarwal**  
Partner  
Membership No:109632

**UDIN:21109632AAAABC8624**

Place: Mumbai  
Date: 09 February 2021

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## Annexure 1

### List of joint operations included in the Statement

| Sr. No. | Name of the entity                                |
|---------|---|
| 1.      | Kumagai-Skanska-HCC-Itochu Group                  |
| 2.      | HCC-L & T Purulia Joint Venture                   |
| 3.      | Alpine - Samsung - HCC Joint Venture              |
| 4.      | Alpine - HCC Joint Venture                        |
| 5.      | HCC Samsung Joint Venture CC 34                   |
| 6.      | HCC - VCCL Joint Venture (w.e.f. 29 January 2020) |
| 7.      | Nathpa Jhakri Joint Venture                       |
| 8.      | HCC- HDC Joint Venture                            |



STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTH ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

₹ in crore except earnings per share data

| Sr. No. | Particulars  | Quarter ended    |                   |   | Nine month ended |   | Year ended      |
|---------|--|------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|---|-----------------|
|         |  | 31 December 2020 | 30 September 2020 | 31 December 2019                        | 31 December 2020 | 31 December 2019                        | 31 March 2020   |
|         |  | Unaudited        | Unaudited         | Unaudited<br>Restated -<br>Refer Note 6 | Unaudited        | Unaudited<br>Restated -<br>Refer Note 6 | Audited         |
| 1       | <b>Income</b>  |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | (a) Income from operations   | 814.28           | 454.12            | 948.47                                  | 1,722.12         | 2,864.33                                | 3,643.64        |
|         | (b) Other income   | 8.04             | 12.06             | 7.11                                    | 27.41            | 24.11                                   | 32.50           |
|         | <b>Total income (a+b)</b>  | <b>822.32</b>    | <b>466.18</b>     | <b>955.58</b>                           | <b>1,749.53</b>  | <b>2,888.44</b>                         | <b>3,676.14</b> |
| 2       | <b>Expenses</b>  |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | (a) Cost of materials consumed   | 167.40           | 91.50             | 150.87                                  | 319.83           | 528.59                                  | 690.76          |
|         | (b) Subcontracting expenses  | 346.08           | 133.29            | 395.65                                  | 631.68           | 1,161.20                                | 1,664.80        |
|         | (c) Construction expenses  | 69.99            | 66.29             | 72.34                                   | 171.10           | 217.23                                  | 306.78          |
|         | (d) Employee benefits expense  | 86.42            | 76.52             | 100.99                                  | 244.58           | 308.08                                  | 413.67          |
|         | (e) Finance costs  | 212.72           | 195.12            | 171.44                                  | 604.87           | 527.74                                  | 746.15          |
|         | (f) Depreciation and amortisation expense  | 23.11            | 23.89             | 27.15                                   | 66.92            | 88.05                                   | 109.37          |
|         | (g) Other expenses   | 28.74            | 49.24             | 27.25                                   | 87.65            | 80.08                                   | 105.53          |
|         | <b>Total expenses (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)</b>  | <b>934.46</b>    | <b>635.85</b>     | <b>945.69</b>                           | <b>2,126.63</b>  | <b>2,910.97</b>                         | <b>4,037.06</b> |
| 3       | <b>(Loss) / Profit before exceptional items and tax (1-2)</b>                      | <b>(112.14)</b>  | <b>(169.67)</b>   | <b>9.89</b>                             | <b>(377.10)</b>  | <b>(22.53)</b>                          | <b>(360.92)</b> |
| 4       | Exceptional items - gain / (loss) (Refer note 11)                                  | -                | (84.46)           | 331.40                                  | (326.83)         | 331.40                                  | 319.95          |
| 5       | <b>(Loss) / Profit before tax (3+4)</b>  | <b>(112.14)</b>  | <b>(254.13)</b>   | <b>341.29</b>                           | <b>(703.93)</b>  | <b>308.87</b>                           | <b>(40.97)</b>  |
| 6       | <b>Tax expense / (credit)</b>  |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | (a) Current tax  | 5.30             | 0.03              | -                                       | 5.34             | 0.05                                    | 0.09            |
|         | (b) Deferred tax   | (38.46)          | (74.24)           | 119.07                                  | (233.01)         | 265.64                                  | 127.66          |
|         |  | (33.16)          | (74.21)           | 119.07                                  | (227.67)         | 265.69                                  | 127.75          |
| 7       | <b>(Loss) / Profit for the period / year (5-6)</b>                                 | <b>(78.98)</b>   | <b>(179.92)</b>   | <b>222.22</b>                           | <b>(476.26)</b>  | <b>43.18</b>                            | <b>(168.72)</b> |
| 8       | <b>Other comprehensive income / (loss)</b>   |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | (a) Items not to be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss (net of tax)       |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | - Gain / (Loss) on fair value of defined benefit plans                             | (0.03)           | 0.73              | (2.68)                                  | (0.09)           | (8.03)                                  | (3.16)          |
|         | - Gain / (Loss) on fair value of equity instruments (Refer note 13)                | 5.01             | (0.62)            | 2.20                                    | 6.55             | (3.71)                                  | (10.71)         |
|         | (b) Items to be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss                        | -                | -                 | -                                       | -                | -                                       | -               |
|         | <b>Other comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period / year, net of tax (a+b)</b>  | <b>4.98</b>      | <b>0.11</b>       | <b>(0.48)</b>                           | <b>6.46</b>      | <b>(11.74)</b>                          | <b>(13.87)</b>  |
| 9       | <b>Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the period / year, net of tax (7+8)</b> | <b>(74.00)</b>   | <b>(179.81)</b>   | <b>221.74</b>                           | <b>(469.80)</b>  | <b>31.44</b>                            | <b>(182.59)</b> |
| 10      | Paid up equity share capital (Face value of ₹ 1 each)                              | 151.31           | 151.31            | 151.31                                  | 151.31           | 151.31                                  | 151.31          |
| 11      | Other equity (excluding revaluation reserves)                                      |                  |                   |   |                  |   | 1,027.43        |
| 12      | <b>Earnings / (Loss) per share (Face value of ₹ 1 each)</b>                        |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |
|         | (a) Basic EPS (not annualised) (in ₹)  | (0.52)           | (1.19)            | 1.47                                    | (3.15)           | 0.29                                    | (1.12)          |
|         | (b) Diluted EPS (not annualised) (in ₹)  | (0.52)           | (1.19)            | 1.47                                    | (3.15)           | 0.29                                    | (1.12)          |
|         | See accompanying notes to the standalone unaudited financial results               |                  |                   |   |                  |   |                 |



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## Notes:

- The Company is engaged in a single business segment viz. "Engineering and Construction", which is substantially seasonal in character. Further, the Company's margins in the quarterly results vary based on the accrual of cost and recognition of income in different quarters due to nature of its business, receipt of awards / claims or events which lead to revision in cost to completion. Due to this reason, quarterly results may vary and may not be indicative of annual results.
- The total balance value of work on hand as at 31 December 2020 is ₹ 18,541 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 16,857 crore).
- The Company, as at 31 December 2020, has non-current investments amounting to ₹ 1,571.65 crore in its subsidiary, HCC Infrastructure Company Limited (HIL) which is holding 85.45% in HCC Concessions Limited (HCL) having various Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) SPVs under its fold. While HIL has incurred losses and consolidated net-worth as at 31 December 2020 has been fully eroded, the underlying projects are expected to achieve adequate profitability on substantial completion. The net-worth of this subsidiary does not represent its true market value as the value of the underlying investments / assets, based on valuation report of an independent valuer, is higher. Further BOT SPV's have several claims including a favorable arbitration award against its customers mainly in respect of cost-overrun arising due to client caused delays, termination of contracts and change in scope of work which are under various stages of negotiation / discussion with clients or under arbitration / litigation wherein management has been legally advised that it has good case on merits. Therefore, based on certain estimates like future business plans, growth prospects as well as considering the contractual tenability, progress of negotiation / discussion / arbitration / litigations and legal advice, the management believes that the realizable amount of the subsidiary is higher than the carrying value of the non-current investments due to which these are considered as good and recoverable as at 31 December 2020.
- Unbilled work-in-progress (other current assets) and current trade receivables as at 31 December 2020 include ₹ 863.48 crore and ₹ 387.72 crore, respectively, representing various claims raised earlier, based on the terms and conditions implicit in the contracts and other receivables in respect of closed/ suspended projects. Further, non-current trade receivables and current trade receivables as at 31 December 2020 also include ₹ 2,062.68 crore (net of advances of ₹ 470.66 crore) and ₹ 924.39 crore (net of advances of ₹ 2,129.25 crore), respectively, representing claims awarded in arbitration, including interest thereon, in favour of the Company which have been challenged by the customers in higher courts. These receivables are mainly in respect of cost over-run arising due to client caused delays, suspension of projects, deviation in design and change in scope of work; for which Company is at various stages of negotiation/ discussion with the clients or under arbitration/ litigation. Considering the contractual tenability, progress of negotiations/ discussions/ arbitration/ litigations and as legally advised, the management is confident of recovery of the carrying value of the aforementioned receivables and hence no provision is considered necessary. Further, while the Company continues to legally pursue the aforementioned receivables, the Company is also in active discussions with a customer to conciliate favourable arbitration award and claims represented by non-current trade receivables, current trade receivables and unbilled work-in-progress (other current assets) amounting to ₹ 118.34 crore, ₹ 215.94 crore and ₹ 470.71 crore, respectively.
- Pursuant to notification of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2017 amending Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act'), with effect from 12 September 2018, the Company's application to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) for approval in respect of managerial remuneration of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) accrued/ paid in excess of the prescribed limit for the financials years 2014-15 and 2015-16 stands abated. The Company, vide resolution dated 10 September 2019, has obtained approval from the shareholders for the payment of remuneration in respect of the aforesaid years, to be given effect to, only post receipt of the approval of the lenders.

During the current quarter, the Company has adjusted excess remuneration paid to the CMD, held in trust, during financial year 2013-14 with the unpaid remuneration for financial year 2014-15 in accordance with the approval obtained from its shareholders in the meeting held on 10 September 2019. The Company has also communicated the lenders of the aforesaid adjustments/ payment vide its letter dated 24 November 2020. These adjustments were carried out by the Company basis the advice received from a senior legal counsel which has opined that since the Company had already obtained approval from the lenders in earlier years through the Monitoring Committee of lenders which is still valid and persisting, there is no requirement to obtain fresh approval from the lenders as Section 197 of the Act abated all applications pending for approval before MCA, as at the date it came in force. Basis above opinion, the managerial remuneration paid for financial year 2015-16 also stands regularized.

Further on 26 September 2019, the Company in its shareholders' meeting has also obtained approvals vide special resolutions for managerial remuneration of CMD and Whole Time Directors for the period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2022, to be given effect to, only post receipt of the approval of lenders. Pending receipt of lenders approval, managerial remuneration continue to be accrued / paid by the Company as detailed below:

| Financial Year | Designation                        | (₹ in crore)         |                   |                                      |                             |  |
|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
|                |                                    | Remuneration accrued | Remuneration paid | Remuneration as per prescribed limit | Excess remuneration accrued | Excess remuneration paid held in trust |
|                |                                    | (a)                  | (b)               | (c)                                  | (d = a - c)                 | (e = b - c)                            |
| 2019-20        | CMD and Whole Time Directors (WTD) | 13.57                | 3.75              | -                                    | 13.57                       | 3.75                                   |
| 2020-21        | CMD and Whole Time Directors (WTD) | 10.13                | 1.08              | -                                    | 10.13                       | 1.08                                   |
| <b>Total</b>   |                                    | <b>23.70</b>         | <b>4.83</b>       |                                      | <b>23.70</b>                | <b>4.83</b>                            |

In absence of any specific approval from lenders for remuneration payable to CMD/ WTD for financial years 2014-15, 2015-16, 2019-20 and 2020-21, statutory auditors review report is modified in respect of this matter.

- During the quarter ended 31 March 2020, the Company changed the method of measuring progress i.e. from output method to input method as specified in Ind AS 115 - 'Revenue from Contract with Customers' consequent to change in the circumstances including change in the nature of contracts secured by the Company during recent years. Management believes that input method, a method widely also used by most other engineering and construction companies, would be more reliable and relevant in measuring the progress of the projects and therefore also be more accurate in measuring the Company's performance in transferring control of goods and services promised to the customers until completion of the contracts. Pursuant to the impact of this change in method, the Company has restated the comparative financial statements/ information for the quarter and nine month ended 31 December 2019, in accordance with the requirements of Ind-AS 8 - 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors'. The impacts of the restatement are as follows:

## Impact on Statement of Profit and Loss

| Particulars   | (₹ in crore)                   |                                   |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|   | Quarter ended 31 December 2019 | Nine Month Ended 31 December 2019 |
| Decrease in revenue from operations                 | (126.40)                       | (29.52)                           |
| Decrease in subcontracting expenses                 | (108.77)                       | (14.16)                           |
| Increase in loss before tax                         | (17.63)                        | (15.36)                           |
| Increase in tax credit                              | 6.16                           | 5.37                              |
| Increase in loss for the period                     | (11.47)                        | (9.99)                            |
| Increase in total comprehensive loss for the period | (11.47)                        | (9.99)                            |
| Decrease in basic and diluted loss per share        | (0.08)                         | (0.07)                            |





- 7 Non-current borrowings, current borrowings, other non-current financial liabilities and other current financial liabilities as at 31 December 2020 include balances amounting to ₹ 273.56 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 165.55 crore), ₹ 9.57 crore (31 March 2020: Nil), Nil (31 March 2020: ₹ 591.04 crore) and ₹ 399.68 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 336.82 crore), respectively, in respect of which confirmation/statements from the respective banks/ lenders have not been received. Further, in respect of non-current borrowings and current borrowings aggregating ₹ 1,396.01 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 864.23 crore), while the lenders have confirmed the principal outstanding, the accrued interest aggregating ₹ 87.50 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 42.76 crore) have not been confirmed. In the absence of confirmations/ statements from the lenders, the Company has provided for interest and other penal charges on these borrowings based on the latest communication available from the respective lenders at the interest rate specified in the agreement. The Company's management believes that amount payable on settlement will not exceed the liability provided in books in respect of these borrowings. Also, the classification of these borrowings into current and non-current as at 31 December 2020 is also based on the original maturity terms stated in the agreements with the lenders. Further, earmarked balances (included under bank balances other than cash and cash equivalents) and guarantees issued by banks on behalf of the Company as at 31 December 2020 includes balances amounting to ₹ 20.97 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 5.46 crore) and Nil (31 March 2020: ₹ 76.93 crore), respectively, in respect of which confirmation/ statements from banks have not been received inspite of incessant efforts by the Company's management. Statutory auditors review report is modified in respect of this matter.
- 8 The outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic had disrupted regular business operations of the Company due to the lock down restrictions and other emergency measures imposed by the Government from time to time. The business operations are gradually reaching normalcy. Accordingly, the results for the quarter are not comparable with those for the previous quarters. The management has taken into account the possible impacts of known events, upto the date of the approval of these financial results, arising from COVID-19 pandemic on the carrying value of the assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2020. However, there exists significant estimation uncertainty in relation to the future impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the Company and, accordingly, the actual impact in the future may be different from those presently estimated. The Company will continue to monitor any material change to the future economic conditions and consequential impact on the financial results.
- 9 The Company has incurred net loss of ₹ 476.26 crore during the nine month ended 31 December 2020 and as of that date has accumulated losses aggregating ₹ 2,243.92 crore which has resulted in substantial erosion of its net worth and its current liabilities exceeded its current assets by ₹ 2,064.84 crore. The Company also continues to default on payment to lenders along with overdue to operational creditors. A financial creditor and certain operational creditors have applied before the National Company Law Tribunal ('NCLT') for the debt resolution under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, none of which has been admitted so far. Further, the COVID-19 pandemic has also disrupted business operations of the Company during the period and there continues to exist uncertainty with respect to the pandemic on Company's operations. The above factors indicate that events or conditions exist, which may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. The Company is in advanced stages of completing a resolution plan with lenders of the Company. The resolution plan also includes debt resolution in respect of lenders of an erstwhile subsidiary, whose liabilities were taken over by the Company in earlier years at settlement value basis the settlement terms entered between the Company and lenders. The Resolution plan of lenders has undergone changes from time to time in respect of agreed terms, including in current quarter. The Resolution Plan has received an in-principal approval from respective lenders and is subject to final approval by their respective Board/Committees, post approval from Overseeing Committee (OC) appointed by Reserve Bank of India. Further, based on the expectation of the implementation of the Resolution Plan with lenders, underlying strength of the Company's business plans and future growth outlook as assessed, the management is confident of improving the credit profile of the Company, including through time-bound monetisation of assets including arbitration awards, claims and other assets which would result in it being able to meet its obligations in due course of time. Accordingly, the Management considers it appropriate to prepare these financial results on a going concern basis.
- 10 On 20 September 2019, vide the Taxation Laws (Amendment) Ordinance 2019, the Government of India inserted Section 115BAA in the Income Tax Act, 1961 which provides domestic companies a non-reversible option to pay corporate tax at reduced rates effective 1 April 2019 subject to certain conditions. However, the Company having significant amount of brought forward tax losses and unabsorbed depreciation on which deferred tax asset has been recognised, is still evaluating and has not yet elected to exercise the option permitted under section 115BAA. In view of the above, there is no impact of the new tax rate on the standalone financial results for the current period. As at 31 December 2020, the Company continues to recognize net deferred tax assets amounting to ₹ 670.14 crore (31 March 2020: ₹ 437.08 crore) on account of carried forward unused tax losses, unused tax credits and other taxable temporary differences. Based on the expected profits from the unexecuted orders on hand, outcome of the ongoing discussion with lenders for restructuring of loans and expected settlement of arbitration awards, the Company management is confident that sufficient future taxable income will be available against which such deferred tax assets will be realized. Statutory auditors review report is modified in respect of this matter.

| 11 Exceptional Items  | (₹ In crore)                       |                                   |                                      |                                      |                             |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | Quarter ended<br>30 September 2020 | Quarter ended<br>31 December 2019 | Nine month ended<br>31 December 2020 | Nine month ended<br>31 December 2019 | Year ended<br>31 March 2020 |
| a) Loss on settlement with a customer [(Refer note (i) below)]                                    | (84.46)                            | -                                 | (326.83)                             | -                                    | -                           |
| b) Reversal of loss provision in respect of arbitration awards and claims [Refer note (ii) below] | -                                  | 331.40                            | -                                    | 331.40                               | 331.40                      |
| c) Reversal of gain on settlement of debts  | -                                  | -                                 | -                                    | -                                    | (11.45)                     |
| <b>Total gain/ (loss)</b>   | <b>(84.46)</b>                     | <b>331.40</b>                     | <b>(326.83)</b>                      | <b>331.40</b>                        | <b>319.95</b>               |

**Note:**

(i) During the current period, the Company has entered into Settlement Agreements with one of its customers to conciliate long pending dispute in respect of the Arbitration Awards published in Company's favour, for two projects completed during earlier years, which were being contested by the customer before the Hon'ble High Courts. Pursuant to these settlements, the Company has realised ₹ 32.35 crore and ₹ 218.94 crore as full and final settlement with an understanding that all pending disputes stand resolved. The resultant loss ₹ 84.46 crore and ₹ 326.83 crore has been recognised by the Company as an exceptional loss in the financial results for the quarter ended 30 September 2020 and nine month ended 31 December 2020, respectively.

Though the Company had a fair chance to recover entire money over the period, however, considering the time involved in the litigation and urgent need to realize monies urgently to tie up its cashflow deficit for its operations, the Company opted for this conciliation, as per the scheme provided u/s 73 of Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 2015 by Ministry of Road Transport Highways.

(ii) During the quarter ended 31 March 2019, the Company had recognized a provision of ₹ 331.40 crore pursuant to the signing of a non-binding term sheet with a consortium of investors along with a letter of commitment, for an assignment of the beneficial interest in portfolio of identified arbitration awards and claims ('specified assets') for an aggregate consideration of ₹ 1,750 crore. The said provision continued thereafter in view of mutual extension of the said transaction till 31 December 2019. In the absence of any further extension, the Company decided to cancel this proposed transaction, which had been reported to and confirmed by statutory auditors. Pursuant to the cancellation of the aforesaid transaction, the provision of ₹ 331.40 crore, related to specified assets, recognized earlier has been written back during the previous year. Statutory auditors review report is modified in respect of reversal of aforesaid provision.



- 12 The Code on Social Security, 2020 ('Code') relating to employee benefits during employment and post-employment benefits received Presidential assent in September 2020. The Code has been published in the Gazette of India. However, the date on which the Code will come into effect has not been notified. The Company will assess the impact of the Code when it comes into effect and will record any related impact in the period the Code becomes effective.
- 13 Gain / (loss) on fair valuation of equity instruments' represents movement in carrying value of financial assets (investments) measured at fair value through Other comprehensive income.
- 14 Previous quarters/ year figures have been regrouped / reclassified, wherever considered necessary to conform to current period.
- 15 These financial results have been prepared to comply in all material respects with the Indian Accounting Standards ('Ind AS') as prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act') read with Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules as amended from time to time. The Audit Committee has reviewed these results and the Board of Directors have approved the above standalone unaudited financial results at their respective meetings held on 9 February 2021.

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Mumbai, Date: 9 February 2021

