

Criteria for making payments to Non-Executive Directors

Schedule V read with Regulation 34 (3) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015 (hereinafter referred as "Listing Regulations"), requires every Company to publish its criteria of making payments to Non-Executive Directors in its annual report. Alternatively, as per Regulation 46 (2) of Listing Regulations, this may be put up on the Company's website and reference may be drawn thereto in its annual report.

Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 17(6) (a) of Listing Regulations require the prior approval of the shareholders of a Company for making payment to its Non-Executive Directors (hereinafter referred as "NEDs").

However, the requirement of obtaining prior approval of shareholders in general meeting shall not apply to payment of sitting fees to non-executive directors, if made within the limits prescribed under Companies Act, 2013 for payment of sitting fees without approval of the Central Government.

Accordingly, the following criteria are laid down for Pharmaids Pharmaceuticals Limited (hereinafter referred as "the Company").

Pursuant to the provisions of Companies Act, 2013 read with Listing Regulations, following are the criteria for making payment to Non-Executive Directors of the Company:

1. Sitting Fees:

The NEDs (which expression includes Independent Directors) may receive remuneration by way of sitting fees for attending meetings of Board or Committee thereof. Provided that the amount of such fees shall not exceed Rupees One lakh per meeting of the Board or Committee, or such amount as may be prescribed by the regulatory authorities from time to time.

2. Commission / Remuneration:

Section 197 of the Companies Act, 2013 allows a Company to pay remuneration to its NEDs either by way of a monthly payment or at a specified percentage of the net profits of the Company or partly by one way and partly by the other.

Remuneration referred to above, may be paid to Non-Executive Directors as may be decided by the Board of Directors of the Company from time to time, depending on the extra time that may be devoted, and contributions made by the Non-Executive Directors to the Company.

3. Criteria for fee and commission:

Within the parameters prescribed by the Companies Act, the quantum of sitting fees and commission will be recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee ("NRC") and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company. Overall remuneration (sitting fees and commission) should be reasonable and commensurate with the responsibilities, time spent in Board and Committee meetings by the NEDs. The aggregate commission payable to all the NEDs will be recommended by the NRC to the Board based on Company's performance, profits, return to investors, shareholder value creation and such other qualitative parameters.

4. Professional Fees:

Under the Companies Act, 2013, Section 197 allows a Company to pay remuneration to its NEDs for services rendered by any such Director if:

- a. The services rendered are of Professional nature;
- b. In the opinion of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee the Director possess the requisite qualification for the practice of the profession. As per the provisions of Section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company shall approve the Professional fees to be paid to Non- Executive Director(s), and with the approval of the Shareholders wherever required.

5. Reimbursement of actual expenses incurred:

NEDs may also be paid/reimbursed such sums either as fixed allowance and /or actual as fair compensation for travel, boarding and lodging and incidental and /or actual out of pocket expenses incurred by such member for attending Board/Committee Meetings.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is entrusted with the role of reviewing the compensation of NEDs

6. Stock Options:

As per the Regulation 17 of the Listing Regulations, the shareholders' resolution shall specify the limits for the maximum number of stock options that can be granted to Non-Executive Directors, in any financial year and in aggregate.

Provided that an Independent Director shall not be entitled to any stock options and may receive remuneration by way of fees and reimbursement of expenses for participation in meetings of the Board and other meetings and profit related commission as may be approved by the members.

Amendments

The above criteria and policy are subject to review by the Nomination & Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company.