## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

## To the Members of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

### **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited ("the Company"), which comprise the balance sheet as 31 March 2021, and the statement of profit and loss (including other comprehensive income), statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the 'Basis for Qualified Opinion' section of our report, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at 31 March 2021, and loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

We draw attention to Note 34 of the financial statements, which explains that during the previous year ended 31 March 2020, the 'income from financial assets' of the Company was more than 50 percent of the gross income for the year then ended. Further the Company's financial assets as at that date are also more than 50 percent of its total assets. Consequently, the Company attracts "principal business criteria" for classification as a Non-Banking Financial Company ("NBFC') as per press release by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) vide No. 1998-99/1269 dated 8 April 1999 as at 1 April 2020 and is required to obtain a certificate of registration as NBFC. The Company, vide its letter dated 11 January 2021, has intimated RBI that it is in the business of FM broadcasting and has obtained a license to operate the same from Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. Further as mentioned in the said letter, keeping in view the objective behind the principal test criteria, its registration as NBFC is not required, as condition for meeting the principal business criteria was temporary in nature and is not a financial institution.

The Company has, in the abovementioned note of the financial statements, clarified that while it technically attracts the conditions to be satisfied as NBFC as at 1 April 2020, it will decide its future course of action based on response received from Reserve bank of India.

Pending resolution of this matter, we are unable to comment on the impact thereof, if any, on the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) specified under section 143(10) of the Act. Our responsibilities under those SAs are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the standalone financial statements under the provisions of the Act and the Rules thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on the financial statements.

## **Other Information**

The Company's management and Board of Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon.

Our qualified opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. As described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section above, pending resolution of the matter with RBI, we are unable to comment on the impact thereof, if any, on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021. Accordingly, we are unable to conclude whether or not the other information is materially misstated with respect to this matter.

## Management's and Board of Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Company's Management and Board of Directors are responsible for the matters stated in section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation of these standalone financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs, loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) specified under section 133 of the Act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Management and Board of Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Directors is also responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the company has adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures in the financial statements made by the Management and Board of Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management and Board of Directors use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

## **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

- 1. As required by the Companies (Auditors' Report) Order, 2016 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government in terms of section 143 (11) of the Act, we give in the "Annexure A" a statement on the matters specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Order, to the extent applicable.
- 2. (A) As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, we report that:

- a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) Except for the possible effects of the matter described in the 'Basis for Qualified Opinion' section above, in our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books.
- c) The balance sheet, the statement of profit and loss (including other comprehensive income), the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
- d) Except for the possible effects of the matter described in the 'Basis for Qualified Opinion' section above, in our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the Ind AS specified under section 133 of the Act.
- e) The matter described in the 'Basis for Qualified Opinion' section above, and our observations on the achievement of the objectives of the internal control criteria as explained in our separate report in 'Annexure A' in our opinion, may have an adverse effect on the functioning of the Company.
- f) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on 31 March 2021 taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on 31 March 2021 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164(2) of the Act.
- g) The qualification relating to maintenance of accounts and other matters connected therewith are as stated in the "Basis for Qualified Opinion" section above.
- h) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in "Annexure B".
- (B) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditors' Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
  - i. the Company does not have any pending litigations which would impact its financial position.
  - ii. the Company did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses.
  - iii. there were no amounts which were required to be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company.
  - iv. The disclosures in the financial statements regarding holdings as well as dealings in specified bank notes during the period from 8 November 2016 to 30 December 2016 have not been made in these financial statements since they do not pertain to the financial year ended 31 March 2021.
- (C) With respect to the matter to be included in the Auditors' Report under section 197(16):

In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, there are no directors to whom remuneration is paid / payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Act. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has not prescribed other details under Section 197(16) which are required to be commented upon by us.

For **B S R & Associates** *Chartered Accountants* Firm's Registration No.: 128901W

Place: Gurugram Date: 18 June 2021 Rajesh Arora Partner Membership No.: 076124 UDIN: 21076124AAAACP9116

## Annexure A referred to in our Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited on the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2021

We report that:

- (i) (a) The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of its fixed assets (Property, plant and equipment).
  - (b) The Company has a regular programme of physical verification of its fixed assets by which all the fixed assets are verified in a phased manner over a period of three years. In our opinion, this periodicity of physical verification is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets. In accordance with this programme, all fixed assets were physically verified by the management during the previous year. As informed to us, no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
  - (c) In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the Company does not have any immovable properties. Accordingly, paragraph 3(i)(c) of the order is not applicable.
- (ii) The Company is in the busines of providing radio broadcasting entertainment services and does not hold inventory. Accordingly, paragraph 3(ii) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.
- (iii) According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has granted loan to a Company covered in the register maintained under section 189 of the Companies Act, 2013, in respect of which:

a) In our opinion, the rate of interest and other terms and conditions on which the loan had been granted to a company listed in the register maintained under section 189 of the Act, was not prima facie, prejudicial to the interest of the Company;

b) The loan is repayable on demand and during the current year, the Company has recovered part of the loan granted and payment of interest, thereon and

c) There is no amount overdue for more than 90 days in respect of the abovementioned loan.

- (iv) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, we are of the opinion that provisions of section 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013, as applicable, have been complied with in respect of loans given by the Company. There are no investments made or guarantee given or security provided by the Company as specified under section 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013.
- (v) According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not accepted any deposits as mentioned in the directives issued by the Reserve bank of India and the provisions of section 73 to 76 or any other relevant provisions of the Act and the rules framed thereunder. Accordingly, paragraph 3(v) of the Order is not applicable.
- (vi) According to the information and explanation given to us, the Central Government has not prescribed the maintenance of the cost records under sub-section (1) section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013, for any of the services rendered by the Company. Accordingly, paragraph 3(vi) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.

(vii) (a) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, amounts deducted/accrued in the books of account in respect of undisputed statutory dues including provident fund, employees' state insurance, income-tax, goods and service tax, duty of customs, cess, professional tax and other material statutory dues have generally been regularly deposited during the year by the Company with appropriate authorities. As explained to us, the Company did not have any dues on account of sales tax, service tax, employees' state insurance, duty of excise and value added taxes.

According to the information and explanations given to us, no undisputed amounts payable in respect of provident fund, income-tax, goods and service tax, duty of customs, cess, and other statutory dues were in arrears as at 31 March 2021 for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.

- (b) According to the information and explanations given to us, there are no dues of income tax, sales tax, duty of custom, and goods and service tax, value added tax, which have not been deposited by the Company with appropriate authorities on account of any dispute as at 31 March 2021.
- (viii) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not taken any loans or borrowings from financial institutions, banks and government and has not issued any debentures. Accordingly, paragraph 3(viii) of the order is not applicable to the Company.
- (ix) The Company did not raise any moneys by way of initial public offer or further public offer (including debt instruments) and terms loans during the year. Accordingly, paragraph 3(ix) of the order is not applicable to the Company.
- (x) Attention is invited to Note 36 to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021, during the current year, pursuant to a whistleblower complaint received, an investigation was conducted which brought out certain deficiencies in a stream of radio business. According to the information and explanations given to us, no other material fraud by the Company or on the Company by its officers or employees has been noticed or reported during the course of our audit.
- (xi) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, there are no directors to whom remuneration is paid/ payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 197 of the Act. Accordingly, paragraph 3(xi) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.
- (xii) According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company is not a Nidhi company. Accordingly, paragraph 3(xii) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.
- (xiii) In our opinion and according to the information and explanation given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the transactions with the related parties are in compliance with section 177 and 188 of the Companies, 2013, where applicable and the details of such transactions have been disclosed in the financial statements, as required by the applicable accounting standards.
- (xiv) According to the information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the records of the Company, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement

of shares or fully or partly convertible debentures during the current year. Accordingly, paragraph 3(xiv) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.

- (xv) According to the information and explanations given to us, the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with directors or persons connected with him. Accordingly, paragraph 3(xv) of the Order is not applicable.
- (xvi) Attention is invited to the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our Audit Report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 wherein it is explained that during the previous year ended 31 March 2020, the 'income from financial assets' of the Company was more than 50 percent of the gross income for the year then ended. Further the Company's financial assets as at that date are also more than 50 percent of its total assets. Consequently, the Company attracts "principal business criteria" for classification as a Non-Banking Financial Company ("NBFC') as per press release by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) vide No. 1998-99/1269 dated 8 April 1999 as at 1 April 2020 and is required to obtain a certificate of registration as NBFC. The Company, vide its letter dated 11 January 2021, has intimated RBI that it is in the business of FM broadcasting and has obtained a license to operate the same from Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. Further as mentioned in the said letter, keeping in view the objective behind the principal test criteria, its registration as NBFC is not required, as condition for meeting the principal business criteria was temporary in nature and is not a financial institution.

The Company has, in the abovementioned note of the financial statements, clarified that while it technically attracts the conditions to be satisfied as NBFC as at 1 April 2020, it will decide its future course of action based on response received from Reserve bank of India.

Pending resolution of this matter, we are unable to comment on the impact thereof, if any, on the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2021.

For **B S R & Associates** Chartered Accountants Firm Registration Number: 128901W

Place: Gurugram Date: 18 June 2021 Rajesh Arora Partner Membership No.: 076124 UDIN No.: 21076124AAAACP9116

Annexure B to the Independent Auditor's report on the financial statements of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Report on the internal financial controls with reference to the aforesaid financial statements under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013

(Referred to in paragraph 2(A)(h) under 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section of our report of even date)

### **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited ("the Company") as of 31 March 2021 in conjunction with our audit of the financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

In our opinion, , except for the possible effects of the material weakness described below on the achievement of the objectives of the control criteria, to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Company has, in all material respects, adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements and such internal financial controls were operating effectively as at 31 March 2021, based on the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (the "Guidance Note").

### Basis for qualified opinion

As explained in Note 34 to the financial statements and the basis for qualified opinion section of our audit report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020, the 'income from financial assets' of the Company was more than 50 percent of the gross income for the year then ended. Further the Company's financial assets as at that date are also more than 50 percent of its total assets. Consequently, the Company attracts the "principal business criteria" for classification as a Non-Banking Financial Company ("NBFC') as per press release by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) vide No. 1998-99/1269 dated 8 April 1999 as at 1 April 2020 and is required to obtain a certificate of registration as a NBFC. The Company, vide its letter dated 11 January 2021, has intimated RBI that it is in the business of FM broadcasting and has obtained a license to operate the same from the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. Further as mentioned in the said letter, keeping in view the objective behind the principal business test criteria, its registration as a NBFC is not required, as condition for meeting the principal business criteria was temporary in nature and it is not a financial institution.

The Company has, in the abovementioned note of the financial statements, clarified that while it technically attracts the conditions to be classified as NBFC as at 1 April 2020, it will decide its future course of action based on response received from the Reserve bank of India.

The above represents a material weakness, since the company did not have an appropriate internal control system in respect to compliance with the prescribed requirements issued by the RBI for registration as a NBFC. Which could potentially result in non compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Pending resolution of this matter, we are unable to comment on the impact thereof, if any, on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

A 'material weakness' is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal financial control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis

## Management's Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Company's management and the Board of Directors are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note. These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act").

## Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note and the Standards on Auditing, prescribed under section 143(10) of the Act, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements with reference to financial statements are established and maintained and whether such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements included obtaining an understanding of such internal financial controls, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements.

## Meaning of Internal Financial controls with Reference to Financial Statements

A company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements include those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

## Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial controls with Reference to Financial Statements

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

For **B S R and Associates** *Chartered Accountants* Firm's Registration No.: 128901W

Place: Gurugram Date: 18 June 2021 Rajesh Arora Partner Membership No.: 076124 UDIN: 21076124AAAACP9116

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	Balance sheet as at March 31, 2021 Particulars	Notes	As at March 31. 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31. 2020 (INR in '000)
	ASSETS			
.)	Non-current assets			
	(a) Property, plant and equipment	3	1,908	5,932
	(b) Right - of - use assets	29A	39,483	48,306
	(c) Intangible assets	4	-	36,603
	(d) Financial assets			
	(i) Loans	5A	1,368	3,879
	(ii) Other financial assets	5B	16,372	16,372
	(e) Deferred tax assets (net)	23	-	17,840
	(f) Income tax assets (net)	7	1,070	6,225
	(g) Other non-current assets	6	254	64
	Total non-current assets		60,455	1,35,221
2)	Current assets			
	(a) Financial assets			
	(i) Trade receivables	8	10,550	21,618
	(ii) Cash and cash equivalents	9	5,532	9,200
	(iii) Bank balances other than (ii) above	9A	70,000	-
	(iv) Loans	5A	1,89,536	2,67,000
	(v) Other financial assets	5B	24,004	6,886
	(b) Other current assets	10	7,194	5,062
	Total current assets	-	3,06,816	3,09,766
	TOTAL ASSETS		3,67,271	4,44,987
	(a) Equity share capital (b) Other equity Total equity	11 12	3,40,000 (40,195) <b>2,99,805</b>	3,40,000 40,458 <b>3,80,458</b>
	Liabilities			
2)	Non-current liabilities			
	(a) Financial liabilities			
	(i) Lease liabilities	14C	29.404	39,509
			38,404	
	(b) Provisions	14D	546	511
	Total non-current liabilities Current liabilities		38,950	40,020
	(a) Financial liabilities			
	(i) Lease liabilities	14C	0.262	0 227
		140	8,363	9,237
	(ii)Trade payables	13	5	
	(a)Total outstanding due of micro	15	2	-
	enterprise and small enterprises			
	(b)Total outstanding dues of creditors other	13	15,520	7,926
	than of micro enterprise and small			
	(iii)Other financial liabilities	14A	2,140	5,972
	(b) Contract liabilities	14B	681	-
	(c) Other current liabilities	15	1,507	1,027
	(d) Provisions	14D	300	347
	Total current liabilities		28,516	24,509
	Total liabilities		67,466	64,529
	TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		3,67,271	4,44,987

See accompanying notes to the standalone financial statements.

In terms of our report of even date attached

For **B S R and Associates** *Chartered Accountants* (Firm Registration Number: 128901W) For and on behalf of the **Board of Directors of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited** 

**Rajesh Arora** *Partner* Membership No. 076124 Dinesh Mittal Director (DIN:105769) Piyush Gupta Director (DIN :03155591)

Ankur Neema Karth CFO CEO

 Karthi Narayanan
 Arjit Gupta

 CEO
 Company Secretary

 Membership No. A30696

Place: Gurugram Date: June 18, 2021 Place: New Delhi Date: June 18, 2021

	Particulars	Notes	Year ended March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	Year ended March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
	Income			
a)	Revenue from operations	16	25,248	44,910
c)	Other income	17	21,170	2,31,608
	Total income		46,418	2,76,518
I	Expenses			
a)	Radio license fees		13,682	13,686
o)	Employee benefits expense	18	12,262	23,066
c)	Finance costs	20	3,770	4,065
d)	Depreciation and amortization expense	19	12,736	20,240
e)	Other expenses	21	34,595	53,606
	Total expenses	_	77,045	1,14,663
II	(Loss) / Profit before exceptional items and tax (I-II)	_	(30,627)	1,61,855
v	Exceptional items	21A	31,708	57,696
V	(Loss) / Profit before tax		(62,335)	1,04,159
VI	(Loss) / Earnings before finance cost, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) before exceptional items [III+II(d)+II(c)]		(45,829)	1,28,464
/11	Tax expense:			
	(1) Current tax	23	194	30,966
	(2) Deferred tax	23	17,840	1,038
	Total tax expense	_	18,034	32,004
/111	(Loss) / Profit for the year after tax (V-VII)		(80,369)	72,155
х	Other comprehensive income			
4	Items that will not to be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
i)	Remeasurement of the defined benefit plans		(284)	204
	Income tax effect		-	(59)
	Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the year, net of tax	_	(284)	145
	Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the year, net of tax (VIII+IX)	_	(80,653)	72,300
K KI	Earnings par aquity share			
M	Earnings per equity share Basic and Diluted (Nominal value of shares INR 1/-)	22	(0.24)	0.02

See accompanying notes to the standalone financial statements.

In terms of our report of even date attached

For **B S R and Associates** Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration Number: 128901W)

Rajesh Arora Partner Membership No. 076124 For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited

Dinesh Mittal Director (DIN:105769)

Piyush Gupta Director (DIN :03155591)

Ankur Neema Karthi Narayanan CFO

CEO

Place: New Delhi Date: June 18, 2021 Arjit Gupta Company Secretary Membership No. A30696

Place: Gurugram Date: June 18, 2021

# HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited Statement of Cash Flow for the year ended on March 31, 2021

Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Cash flows from operating activities:	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)
(Loss) /Profit before tax	(62,335)	1,04,159
Adjustments for:	(,)	
Depreciation and amortisation expense	12,736	20,240
Impairment of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	31,708	57,696
(exceptional items) Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	2,570	
Interest income from deposits and others	(18,138)	(2,27,806)
Rental income	(1,482)	(2,408)
Liabilities no longer required written back	(346)	(153)
Gain on lease termination	(168)	-
Interest expense Loss allowance for doubtful debts	3,365 3,623	3,904 16,809
Cash flows used in operating activities before changes in	(28,467)	(27,559)
following assets and liabilities		,
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in trade receivables	7,444	416
(Increase) / Decrease in current and non-current financial assets and other current and non-current assets	(7,087)	714
Increase / (Decrease) in trade payables	7,940	(3,650)
Increase in contract liabilities	681	-
Increase/(Decrease) in current and non-current financial liabilities	(3,642)	3,264
and other current and non-current liabilities and provisions		
Cash used in operations	(23,131)	(26,816)
Income tax refund / (paid) [net]	4,961	(29,469)
Net cash flows used in operating activities (A)	(18,170)	(56,285)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(368)	(2,326)
Disposals of property, plant and equipment Interest received	194 7,938	- 2,50,017
Loans given to related party	(12,500)	(3,47,500)
Rental income	1,482	2,408
Loans returned by related party	89,964	30,60,500
Deposits matured / (given) (net)	(70,000)	88,625
Net cash flows generated from investing activities (B)	16,710	30,51,724
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Return of capital to shareholders (refer note 30)	-	(30,00,000)
Repayment of lease liabilities*	-	(6,406)
Interest paid	(2,208)	(3,901)
Net cash flows used in financing activities (C)	(2,208)	(30,10,307)
Net demons in such and each any indexts (D= 1 (D+C)	(2,000)	(14.000)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents (D=A+B+C) Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year (E)	<b>(3,668)</b> 9,200	<b>(14,868)</b> 24,068
Cash and cash equivalents at year end (D+E)	5,532	9,200
Components of cash and cash equivalents as at end of the year		
Cash on hand With banks	-	-
- On current accounts	132	-
- On deposit accounts	5,400	9,200
Cash and Cash Equivalents as per statement of cash flow	5,532	9,200
* Refer note 29A for Leases		
Refer note 35 for Expenditure on CSR Summary of significant accounting policies	2	
Summary of Significant accounting policies		
See accompanying notes to the standalone financial statements.		
In terms of our report of even date attached		
For B S R and Associates	For and on behalf of the B	
Chartered Accountants	HT Music and Entertainme	ent Company Limited
(Firm Registration Number: 128901W)		
Rajesh Arora	Dinesh Mittal	Pi
Partner	Director	L
Membership No. 076124	(DIN:105769)	(1

Place: Gurugram Date: June 18, 2021

iyush Gupta Director DIN :03155591)

Ankur Neema CFO Karthi Narayanan CEO Arjit Gupta Company Secretary Membership No. A30696

Place: New Delhi Date: June 18, 2021

### HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited Statement of changes in equity for the year ended March 31, 2021

### A. Equity share capital (Refer Note 11)

Equity shares of INR 1 each issued, subscribed and fully paid up

Particulars	Equity share capital	
	( A)	
	No. of shares	(INR in '000)
Balance as at April 1, 2019	3,34,00,00,000	33,40,000
Return of capital to shareholders (refer Note 30) during the		
year	(3,00,00,00,000)	(30,00,000)
Balance as at March 31, 2020	34,00,00,000	3,40,000
Balance as at March 31, 2021	34,00,00,000	3,40,000

### B. Other equity attributable to equity holders (Refer Note 12)

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	Retained earnings	Total
Balance as at April 1, 2019	(31,842)	(31,842)
Profit for the year	72,155	72,155
Other comprehensive income (net of tax)*	145	145
Balance as at March 31, 2020	40,458	40,458
Profit for the year	(80,369)	(80,369)
Other comprehensive income (net of tax)*	(284)	(284)
Balance as at March 31, 2021	(40,195)	(40,195)

\* Other comprehensive income represents remeasurement of defined benefit plans (net of tax)

See accompanying notes to the standalone financial statements.

In terms of our report of even date attached

For **B S R and Associates** *Chartered Accountants* (Firm Registration Number: 128901W) For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited

**Rajesh Arora** *Partner* Membership No. 076124 Dinesh Mittal Director (DIN:105769) Piyush Gupta Director (DIN :03155591)

Ankur Neema CFO Karthi Narayanan CEO Arjit Gupta Company Secretary Membership No. A30696

Place: Gurugram Date: June 18, 2021 Place: New Delhi Date: June 18, 2021

### Note 3 : Property, plant and equipment

					(INR in '000)
Particulars	Improvement to Leasehold Premises	Plant and Machinery	Office Equipment*	Furniture and Fixtures	Total
Gross Carrying Amount					
As at April 1, 2019	25,205	19,770	6,419	2,915	54,309
Additions	-	2,322	-	-	2,322
Less : Disposals/ adjustments	-	-	-	-	-
As at March 31, 2020	25,205	22,092	6,419	2,915	56,631
Additions	368	-	-	-	368
Less : Disposals/ adjustments	25,205	1,735	1,576	2,891	31,407
As at March 31, 2021	368	20,357	4,843	24	25,592
Accumulated Depreciation/ Impairment					
As at April 1, 2019	16,485	16,635	5,064	1,191	39,375
Charge for the year	1,658	544	802	278	3,282
Less : Disposals/ adjustments	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment	4,065	2,828	318	831	8,042
As at March 31, 2020	22,208	20,007	6,184	2,300	50,699
Charge for the year	900	673	276	138	1,987
Less : Disposals/ adjustments	23,034	1,688	1,852	2,428	29,002
As at March 31, 2021	74	18,992	4,608	10	23,684
Net block					
As at March 31, 2021	294	1,365	235	14	1,908
As at March 31, 2020	2,997	2,085	235	615	5,932

\*Includes IT Equipment

## Note 4 : Intangible assets

			(INR in '000)
Particulars	Goodwill	License Fees	Total
Gross carrying amount			
Deemed cost as at April 1, 2019	19,405	1,27,903	1,47,308
As at March 31, 2020	19,405	1,27,903	1,47,308
As at March 31, 2021	19,405	1,27,903	1,47,308
Accumulated amortization/impairment			
As at April 1, 2019	19,405	33,012	52,417
Charge for the year	-	8,635	8,635
Impairment (refer note 21A)	-	49,653	49,653
As at March 31, 2020	19,405	91,300	1,10,705
Charge for the year	-	4,895	4,895
Impairment (refer note 21A)	-	31,708	31,708
As at March 31, 2021	19,405	1,27,903	1,47,308
Net block			
As at March 31, 2021	-	-	-
As at March 31, 2020	-	36,603	36,603

### Note 5A : Loans

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Unsecured considered good (at amortised cost)		
Security deposits	1,368	3,879
Inter-corporate deposits to related parties (Refer Note 25A)*	1,89,536	2,67,000
Total Loans	1,90,904	2,70,879
Current	1,89,536	2,67,000
Non-current	1,368	3,879

\*Inter-corporate deposits to holding company (HT Media Limited) is receivable on demand at 6.5% p.a. Rs 189,536 ('000) [As on March 31, 2020 Rs 264,500 ('000)] Inter-corporate deposits to fellow subsidiary company (Next Mediaworks Limited) is for the period of one year from August 26,

2019 at 11% p.a. Rs Nil ('000) [As on March 31, 2020 Rs 2,500 ('000)]

### Note 5B :Other financial assets

	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
(i) Other financial assets (at amortised cost)		
Interest accrued on deposits [includes receivables from related parties INR	14,450	4,249
12,352 (in '000), (previous year INR 4213 in '000)] (refer note 25A)		
Deposits with original maturity of more than 1 year (held as security)*	16,372	16,372
Other receivables [represents receivable from related parties [includes		
receivables from related parties INR 9,543 (in '000) (previous year INR 2,637 in	9,554	2,637
Total other financial assets	40,376	23,258
Current	24,004	6,886
Non-current	16,372	16,372

\* Represents deposits pledged with bank and held as margin money

### Break up of financial assets carried at amortised cost

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Trade receivables (Refer Note 8)	10,550	21,618
Cash and cash equivalents (Refer Note 9)	5,532	9,200
Other bank balances (Refer Note 9A)	70,000	-
Other financial assets (Refer Note 5B)	40,376	23,258
Loans (Refer Note 5A)	1,90,904	2,70,879
Total financial assets carried at amortised cost	3,17,362	3,24,955

#### Note 6 : Other non-current assets

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Capital advance	202	64
Advances other than capital advances		
Prepaid expenses	52	-
Total	254	64

#### Note 7 : Income tax assets (net)

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Income tax assets (net)	1,070	6,225
Non-current	1,070	6,225

#### Note 8 : Trade receivables

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Trade receivables	10,550	21,618
Total	10,550	21,618

Break up for trade receivables details:	As at March 31, 2021 As at March 31, (INR in '000) (INR in '000)	
Secured, considered good	-	-
Unsecured, considered good	10,550	21,618
Unsecured, considered doubtful	17,675	14,424
	28,225	36,042
Loss allowance for bad and doubtful receivables	17,675	14,424
Total trade receivables	10,550	21,618

Trade receivables do not include any dues from directors or other officers of the Company either severally or jointly with any other person. Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and credit period generally falls in the range of 1 to 90 days.

### Note 9 : Cash and cash equivalents

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Balance with banks :		
- On current accounts	132	-
- Deposits with original maturity of 3 or less than 3 months	5,400	9,200
Cash on hand	-	-
Total	5,532	9,200

Short-term deposits are made for varying periods of between one day and three months, depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Company and earn interest at the respective short-term deposit rates.

#### Note 9A : Other bank balances

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Balance with banks :		
- Deposits with original maturity of more than 3 months but less than 12 months	70,000	-
Total	70,000	-

### Note 10 : Other current assets

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Prepaid expenses	894	1,182
Advances given	475	452
Balance with Government authorities	1,999	1,139
CSR pre-spent (refer note 35)	20	-
Other receivable	3,806	2,289
Total	7,194	5,062

#### Note 11 : Share capital

#### Authorised share capital

Particulars	No. of Shares	(INR in '000)
As at April 1, 2019	3,36,00,00,000	33,60,000
Changes during the year	-	-
As at March 31, 2020	3,36,00,00,000	33,60,000
Changes during the year	-	-
As at March 31, 2021	3,36,00,00,000	33,60,000

#### Terms/ rights attached to equity shares

The Company has only one class of equity shares having par value of INR 1 per share. Each holder of equity shares is entitled to one vote per share. The Company declares and pays dividends in Indian rupees. The dividend proposed by the Board of Directors is subject to the approval of the shareholders in the ensuing Annual General Meeting.

In the event of liquidation of the Company, the holders of equity shares will be entitled to receive remaining assets of the Company, after distribution of all preferential amounts. The distribution will be in proportion to the number of equity shares held by the shareholders.

Issued, subscribed and fully paid up share capital	Equity share c	Equity share capital		
Equity shares of INR 1 each issued, subscribed and fully paid	No. of Shares	(INR in '000)		
As at April 1, 2019	3,34,00,00,000	33,40,000		
Return of capital to shareholders (refer Note 30) during the year	(3,00,00,00,000)	(30,00,000)		
As at March 31, 2020	34,00,00,000	3,40,000		
As at March 31, 2021	34,00,00,000	3,40,000		

# Reconciliation of the equity shares outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the year : Particulars

Particulars	March 31,	2021	Iviarch 3	1, 2020
	No. of shares	Amount	No. of shares	Amount
		(INR in '000)		(INR in '000)
Shares outstanding at the beginning of the year	34,00,00,000	3,40,000	3,34,00,00,000	33,40,000
Shares issued during the year	-	-	-	-
Return of capital to shareholders (refer Note 30) during the vear	-	-	(3.00.00.00.000)	(30.00.000)
Shares outstanding at the end of the vear	34.00.00.000	3.40.000	34.00.00.000	3.40.000

### Shares held by holding/ ultimate holding company and/ or their subsidiaries/ associates

Out of equity shares issued by the company, shares held by its holding company, subsidiary of holding company are as below:

Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)
HT Media Limited, the holding company		
340,000,000 (March 31, 2020- 340,000,000 ) equity shares of INR 1 each fully paid	3,40,000	3,40,000

#### Details of shareholders holding more than 5% shares in the Company

	Particulars	As at March 31, 2021		As at March 31,	
		No. of shares	% holding in the No in class	No. of shares	% holding in the No in class
E	Equity shares of INR 1 each fully paid				
ł	HT Media Limited, the holding company	34,00,00,000	100%	34,00,00,000	100%

The above includes 6 (six) shares in the HT Media Limited beneficially held through its nominees.

## Note 12 : Other equity

Particulars	March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)	
Retained earnings	(40,195)	40,458	
Total	(40,195)	40,458	

## **Retained earnings**

Particulars	Amount (Rs in '000)
As at April 1, 2019	(31,842)
Net profit for the year Add: Items of other comprehensive income recognised directly in retained earnings	72,155
- Remeasurement of the defined benefits plan, net of tax	145
As at March 31, 2020	40,458
Net loss for the year Add: Items of other comprehensive income recognised directly in retained earnings	(80,369)
<ul> <li>Remeasurement of the defined benefits plan, net of tax</li> </ul>	(284)
As at March 31, 2021	(40,195)

#### Note 13 : Trade payables

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Trade payables		
Amount payable to micro enterprise and small enterprises	5	-
Amount payable to creditors other than of micro enterprise		
and small enterprises	6,673	7,851
Trade payables to related parties (Refer Note 25A)	8,847	75
Other than micro enterprise and small enterprises	15,520	7,926
Total	15,525	7,926
Current	15,525	7,926

Terms and conditions of the above financial liabilities:

- Trade payables are non-interest bearing and are normally settled in the range of 0 to 90 days. For explanations on the companies credit risk management processes, refer Note 28.

There are no micro, small and medium enterprises, to whom the company owes dues, which are outstanding for more than 45 days/credit period as at the end of year. The information as required to be disclosed in relation to micro, small and medium enterprises has been determined to the extent such parties have been identified on the basis of information available with the Company.

	As at	As at
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)
The principal amount remaining unpaid to any supplier as at		
the end of the year	5	-
The interest due on principal amount remaining unpaid to		
any supplier as at the end of the year	_	_
any supplier as at the end of the year	-	_
The amount of interest paid by the Company in terms of		
section 16 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises		
Development Act, 2006 (MSMED Act),	-	-
along with the amount of the payment made to the supplier		
beyond the appointed day during the year	_	_
beyond the appointed day during the year	-	-
The amount of interest due and payable for the period of		
delay in making payment (which have been paid but		
beyond the appointed day during the year)	-	-
but without adding the interest specified under the MSMED		
Act	_	_
The amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the		
end of the year	-	-
The amount of further interest remaining due and payable		
even in the succeeding years, until such date when the		
interest dues as above are actually	_	_
paid to the small enterprise, for the purpose of disallowance		
as a deductible expenditure under the MSMED Act	-	-

### Note 14 A: Other financial liabilities

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Other financial liabilities at amortised cost		
Book overdraft	-	702
Employee related payable	2,122	5,270
Retention money	18	-
Total other financial liabilities	2,140	5,972
Total other financial liabilities	2,140	5,972
Current	2,140	5,972

#### Break up of financial liabilities carried at amortised cost

Particulars	Note no.	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Trade payables	13	15,525	7,926
Book overdraft	14A	-	702
Employee related payable	14A	2,122	5,270
Total financial liabilities carried at amortised cost		17,647	13,898

### Note 14 B: Contract liabilities

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Deferred revenue	681	-
Total contract liabilities	681	-

#### Note 14 C : Lease liabilities

	As at	As at
Particulars	March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Lease liabilities (refer note 29A)	46,767	48,746
Total	46,767	48,746
Current	8,363	9,237
Non-current	38,404	39,509

### Note 14 D : Provisions

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Provision for employee benefits (Refer Note 24)		
Provision for leave benefits	371	335
Provision for gratuity	475	523
Total	846	858
Current	300	347
Non-current	546	511

### Note 15 : Other current liabilities

Particulars	As at March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	As at March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Advances from customers	1,039	417
Statutory dues	468	610
Total	1,507	1,027

### Note 16 : Revenue from operations

Revenue from contracts with customers

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Airtime sales	25,248	44,910
Total	25,248	44,910

Reconciliation of revenue recognised with the contracted price is as follows:

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Contract price	25,325	44,910
Adjustments to the contract price	77	-
Revenue recognised	25,248	44,910
The adjustments made to the contract price comprises of volume disco	unts, returns, credits,	etc under the
head "Revenue from Operations".		

#### Note 17 : Other income

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Interest income on EIR basis		
- Bank deposits	2,222	5,273
- Loan to related parties (refer note 25A)	15,579	2,22,257
- Interest on income tax refund	468	-
-Others*	337	276
Other non- operating income		
Liabilities no longer required written back	346	153
Infrastructure support services (refer note 25A)	1,482	2,408
Miscellaneous income	736	1,241
Total	21,170	2,31,608

\* includes Rs 168 ('000) towards gain on de-recognition of lease liability. Previous Year Nil

### Note 18 : Employee benefits expense

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Salaries, wages and bonus	11,125	21,412
Contribution to provident and other funds (refer note 24)	796	972
Gratuity expense (refer note 24)	183	176
Workmen and staff welfare expenses	158	506
Total	12,262	23,066

#### Note 19 : Depreciation and amortization expense

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Depreciation of tangible assets (refer note 3)	1,987	3,282
Amortization of intangible assets (refer note 4)	4,895	8,635
Depreciation expense of right-of-use assets (refer note 29A)	5,854	8,323
Total	12,736	20,240

Note 20 : Finance costs

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Interest to others	271	-
Interest on lease liabilities (refer note 29A)	3,365	3,904
Bank charges	134	161
Total	3,770	4,065

#### Note 21 : Other expenses

	For the year ending	For the year ending
Particulars	March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
Power and fuel	3,608	1,920
Advertising and sales promotion	3,685	10,479
Rent (refer note 29A)	570	939
Rates and taxes	31	19
Insurance	342	27
Repairs and maintenance:		
- Plant and machinery	1,258	1,425
- Building	8	34
- Others	1,928	1,909
Travelling and conveyance	2,491	6,142
Communication costs	430	898
Legal and professional fees	5,721	6,107
Payment to auditor (refer (a) below)	675	675
Royalty & copyright	2,647	2,300
Loss allowance for doubtful debts	3,623	16,809
Support software	925	925
Subscription	523	510
Exchange differences (net)	-	2
Loss on sale of property, plant & equipment	2,570	-
Expenditure on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) (refer note 35)	1,780	426
Miscellaneous expenses	1,780	2,060
Total	34,595	53,606

#### (a) Payment to auditors

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021 (INR in '000)	For the year ending March 31, 2020 (INR in '000)
As auditor :		
- Audit fee	500	500
- Tax audit fee	175	175
- Certification fees	-	-
- Out of pocket expenses	-	-
Total	675	675

### Schedule 21A : Exceptional items

Particulars	For the year ending March 31, 2021	For the year ending March 31, 2020
	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)
Exceptional Items*	31,708	57,696
Total	31,708	57,696

\* The Company after considering the current economic environment has performed an impairment assessment of Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets. As the recoverable amount of Cash Generating Unit ("CGU") is lower than the carrying amount of assets, the Company has recognised an impairment loss of INR 31,708 in '000 (previous year INR 49,653 in '000) towards Intangible Assets and INR Nil (previous year INR 8,043 in '000) towards tangible assets as an exceptional item.

The recoverable amount of CGU of Intangible Assets is based on its value in use which is INR NIL (previous year INR 42,671 in '000) using discount rate of 16%.

### Note 22 : Earnings per share (EPS)

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing the profit for the year attributable to equity holders by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders by the weighted average number of equity shares outstanding during the year plus the weighted average number of Equity shares that would be issued on conversion of all the dilutive potential equity shares into equity shares.

The following reflects the income and share data used in the basic and diluted earnings per share computations:

Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Profit attributable to equity holders (INR in '000)	(80,369)	72,155
Weighted average number of Equity shares for basic and diluted earnings	34,00,00,000	3,08,61,36,986
Earnings per share		
Basic and diluted earnings per share	(0.24)	0.02

### Note 23 : Income tax

The major components of income tax expense for the year ended March 31, 2021 and March 31, 2020 are :

### Statement of profit and loss :

·		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Current income tax :		
Current income tax charge	-	29,650
Adjustments in respect of current income tax of previous year	194	1,316
Deferred tax:		
Relating to origination and reversal of temporary differences	17,840	2,285
Adjustments in respect of Deferred tax credit of previous year	-	(1,247)
Income tax expense reported in the statement of profit and loss	18,034	32,005
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In the absence of reasonable certainty the Company has derecognised the deferred tax assets of INR 17,840.

### **OCI** section :

Deferred tax related to items recognised in OCI during in the year :

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Income tax charge on remeasurement gain on defined benefit plans	-	59
Income tax charged to OCI	-	59

Reconciliation of tax expense and the accounting profit multiplied by India's domestic tax rate for March 31, 2021 and (INR in '000)

Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Accounting profit/(loss) before income tax	(62,335)	1,04,159
At India's statutory income tax rate of 27.82% (Previous year : 29.12%)	(17,342)	30,331
Unrecognised deferred tax (net for the year ended 31 March)	17,342	
Reversal of opening Deferred Tax Asset	17,840	-
Non-deductible expenses for tax purposes	-	124
Impact of change in tax rate of next financial year	-	2,003
Impact of change in tax rate on opening balances of deferred taxes	-	(523)
Current tax pertaining to previous year	194	1,316
Deferred tax recognised on temporary differences pertaining to previous	-	(1,247)
year		
Income tax expense reported in the statement of profit and loss	18,034	32,005

**Deferred tax** 

### Deferred tax relates to the following:

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	As at	As at
	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Tax impact of temporary differences arising on:		
Provision for defined benefit obligation	-	216
Impairment of doubtful debts and advances	-	3,133
Unabsorbed depreciation carried forward	-	-
Expenses allowable on payment basis	-	1,128
Difference in WDV of tangible and intangible fixed assets as per books of	-	5,841
account and tax books		
MAT credit entitlement	-	7,522
Total deferred tax assets	-	17,840

In the absence of reasonable certainty the Company has derecognised the deferred tax assets of INR 17,840 in '000

## Reconciliation of deferred tax assets (net):

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	As at	As at
	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Opening balance as of 1 April	17,840	18,939
Tax expense recognised in statement of profit and loss	(17,840)	(1,099)
Closing balance as at 31 March	-	17,840

Deductible temporary differences, unused tax losses, and unused tax credits for which no deferred tax asset is recognised in the balance sheet as on 31 March 2021 are as below:

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Deferred tax Assets		
- Carry forwards business loss (Available for 8 Assessment Year upto FY 2028-29)	3,724	-
- Unabsorbed depreciation (Available for infinite period)	3,634	-
- MAT credit	7,522	-
- Other temporary difference	20,300	-
Total deferred tax Assets	35,180	-

### Note 24 : Employee benefits

A. Define benefit plan: Gratuity		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Gratuity	475	523
Total	475	523
Current	156	12
Non-current	319	511

The Company has a defined benefit gratuity plan. Every employee who has completed five years or more of services gets a gratuity on separation at 15 days salary (last drawn salary) for each completed year of service.

The following tables summarize the components of net benefit expense recognised in the statement of profit or loss and the funded status and amounts recognised in the balance sheet for the respective plans:

#### Gratuity

Changes in the defined benefit obligation as at March 31, 2021 :

Present value of obligation		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Opening balance	523	551
Current service cost	147	133
Interest expense or cost	36	43
Re-measurement (or Actuarial) (gain) / loss arising		
- change in financial assumptions	(22)	63
- change in demographic assumptions	(7)	(0)
- experience variance (i.e. Actual experience vs	(255)	(267)
assumptions)		
Benefits paid	-	-
Net transfer/in (out)	53	-
Total	475	523

The principal assumptions used in determining gratuity obligation for the Company's plans are shown below:

Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Discount rate	6.15%	6.85%
Salary growth rate	4%	5%
Withdrawal rate		
Up to 30 years	35%	3%
31 - 44 years	35%	2%
Above 44 years	35%	1%

A quantitative sensitivity analysis for significant assumption is as shown below:

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Defined benefit obligation (base)	475	523

				(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021 March 31, 2020		31, 2020	
Assumptions	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	Increase
Discount rate (-/+ 1%)	14	(14)	85	(49)
Salary growth rate (-/+ 1%)	(14)	14	(72)	124
Attrition rate (-/+ 50%)	34	(30)	(8)	40

The sensitivity analysis above have been determined based on a method that extrapolates the impact on defined benefit obligation as a result of reasonable changes in key assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period.

#### The following represents the maturity profile of Defined benefit obligations in future years:

The following represents the maturity prome of Defined benefit obligations in future years:			
		(INR in '000)	
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020	
Within the next 12 months (next annual reporting			
period)	156	12	
Between 2 and 5 years	318	55	
Between 6 and 10 years	93	8	
Beyond 10 years	10	1,525	
Total expected payments	577	1.600	

Average duration of the defined benefit plan obligation is 16 Years (previous year - 17 Years)		
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Weighted average duration	3 Years	15 Years

#### B. Defined contribution plan

b. Benneu contribution plan		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Contribution to provident and other funds	796	972
Charged to statement of profit and loss	796	972

#### C. Leave encashment (unfunded)

The Company recognises the leave encashment expenses in the statement of profit and loss based on actuarial valuation. The expenses recognised in the statement of profit and loss and the leave encashment liability at the beginning and at the end of the year :

		(INR in '000)
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
Liability at the beginning of the year	335	408
Paid during the year	(407)	(62)
Provided during the year	443	(12)
Liability at the end of the year	371	335

#### Note 25 : Related party transactions

i) List of related parties and relationships:-	
transactions have occurred or not	HT Media Limited (Holding company) The Hindustan Times Limited #
	Earthstone Holding (Two) Private Limited## (Ultimate controlling party is the Promoter Group)
Fellow subsidiaries (with whom transactions have occurred during	Next Mediaworks Limited
the year)	Next Radio Limited

# The Hindustan Times Limited (HTL) does not hold any direct investment in the Company. However, HTL's subsidiary HT Media Limited controls the Company.

## Earthstone Holding (Two) Private Limited (formerly known as Earthstone Holding (Two) Limited) is the holding Company of The Hindustan Times Limited.

#### ii) Transactions with related parties

Refer Note 25A

#### iii) Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

The sales to and purchases from related parties are made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. Outstanding balances at the year-end are unsecured and interest free (other than Inter-corporate loans given or taken) and settlement

#### Note 25A : Transactions during the year with related parties

Holding company		Fellow subsidiary company		
Particulars	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)	(INR in '000)
Income				
Commission charges received (included in other income)	124	499	-	-
Airtime revenue	-	176	-	-
Share of Advertisement Revenue Received on Joint Sales	867	-	-	-
Interest on inter corporate deposits	15,506	2,19,706	74	2,551
Infrastructure support services (seats) given	-	-	1,482	2,408
Expense			-	-
Royalty fee paid	57	114	-	-
Advertisement expenses	-	319	-	-
Commission charges paid (included in other expenses)	116	257	-	-
Expense for management support services	-	-	183	-
Others				
Reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of the party by				
company	345	800	-	-
Reimbursement for expenses incurred on behalf of the company				
by party	731	-	-	-
Refund of excess share capital	-	(30,00,000)	-	-
Proceeds from issue of equity shares	-	-	-	-
Inter corporate deposit given	12,500	2,87,500	-	60,000
Inter corporate deposit (refunded)	87,464	30,03,000	2,500	57,500
Balance outstanding				
Trade payable	8,645	75	202	-
Other receivable	9,339	36	204	2,601
Inter corporate deposits- interest accrued	12,352	1,919	-	2,294
Inter corporate deposits	1,89,536	2,64,500	-	2,500

#### Note 26 : Segment information

In accordance with Ind AS-108 'Operating Segments', the Company' operating segment is Media and Entertainment and it has no other primary reportable segments. Considering the nature of operations and the manner in which the chief operating decision maker of the Company reviews the operating results, the Company has concluded that there is only one operating segment. Accordingly, the segment revenue, segment results, total carrying amount of segment assets and segment liabilities, total cost incurred to acquire segment assets and total amount of charge for depreciation during the year, are as reflected in the Financial Statements as at and for the year ended March 31, 2021. The geographical revenue is allocated based on the location of the customers. The Company primarily caters to the domestic market and hence it has been considered as to be operating in a single geographical location.

#### Information about major customers:

No single customer represents 10% or more of the Company's total revenue during the year ended March 31, 2021 and March 31, 2020.

#### Note 27 : Fair values

Set out below, is a comparison by class of the carrying amounts and fair value of the companies financial instruments, other than those with carrying amounts that are reasonable approximations of fair values:

Particulars	Carrying Value March 31, 2021 March 31, 2020		Fair value March 31, 2021 March 31, 2020		(INR'000) Fair value mechanism Hierarchy	
Financial assets measured at amortised cost					level	
Margin money (held as security in form of fixed deposit) (refer note 5B)	16,372	16,372	16,372	16,372	Level 2	
Security deposits given [Non-Current] (refer note 5A)	1,368	3,879	1,368	3,879	Level 2	

The management assessed that fair value of trade receivables, cash and cash equivalents, Bank balances, loan given (current), other current financial assets, trade payables and other current financial liabilities approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. The fair value of the financial assets and liabilities is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

-The Security deposits given are evaluated by the Company based on parameters such as interest rate, risk factors, risk characteristics and individual credit-worthiness of the counterparty. Based on this evaluation, allowances are taken into account for the expected losses.

- Fixed bank deposits with more than 12 months maturity has been derived basis the interest accrued on fixed deposits upto the balance sheet date.

#### Note 28: Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Company's principal financial liabilities, comprises trade and other payables, . The main purpose of these financial liabilities is to finance the Company's operations. The Company's principal financial assets include loans given, trade and other receivables, and cash and cash equivalents that it derives directly from operations. (1) Market tisk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market orices. Market risk comprises two types of risk: interest rate risk and currency risk.

#### (a) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company is exposed to fair value interest rate risk arising on short-term inter corporate deposits.

The fair value interest rate risk is the risk of changes in fair values of fixed interest bearing inter corporate deposits because of fluctuations in the interest rates.

#### Exposure to interest rate risk

The interest rate profile of the Company's interest-bearing financial instruments is as follows: (INR in '000)

(1111111000)		
31 March 2021	31 March 2020	
1,89,536	2,67,000	
1,89,536	2,67,000	
-	-	
-	-	
1,89,536	2,67,000	
	1,89,536 <b>1,89,536</b> -	

#### Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed-rate instruments

A reasonably possible change of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased (decreased) profit or loss by INR 1895 in '000 (year ended 31 March 2020 - INR 2670 in'000).

#### (b) Foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk arises due to the fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company's exposure to the risk of changes in foreign exchange rates relates to the Company's operating activities (when revenue or expense is denominated in a foreign currency) is not material.

#### (2) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that counterparty will not meet its obligations under a financial instrument or customer contract, leading to a financial loss. The Company is exposed to credit risk from its operating activities (primarily trade receivables) and from its financing activities, including deposits with banks and ICD given to related parties.

#### (a) Trade receivables, Loans given and Other Financial Assets at amortised cost

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date on an individual basis for major clients. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying value of each class of financial assets disclosed in Note 8, Note 5A and Note 5B. The Company does not hold collateral as security.

The Company evaluates the concentration of risk with respect to trade receivables as low, as its customers are located in several jurisdictions and industries and operate in largely independent markets.

The Company based on internal assessment which is driven by the historical experience/ current facts available in relation to default and delays in collection thereof, the credit risk for trade receivables is considered low. The Company estimates its allowance for trade receivable Movement in expected credit loss allowance of trade receivables are as follows:

		(INR in '000)
	31 March 2021	31 March 2020
Balance at the beginning of the year	14,424	6,787
Less: Provision created (net of provision reversed)	3,251	7,637
Balance at the end of the year	17,675	14,424

#### (b) Financial instruments and cash deposits

Credit risk from balances with banks and financial institutions is managed by the Company's treasury department in accordance with the Company's policy. Investments of surplus funds are made as per guidelines and within limits approved by Board of Directors. Board of Directors/ Management reviews and update guidelines, time to time as per requirement. The guidelines are set to minimise the concentration of risks and therefore mitigate financial loss through counterparty's potential failure to make payments.

(INR in '000)

#### (3) Liquidity risk

The Company monitors its risk of a shortage of funds using a liquidity planning mechanism.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Company's financial liabilities:

Particulars	With in 1 year	More than 1	Total
		years	
As at March 31, 2021			
Lease Liabilities (Refer Note 29A)	8,363	38,404	46,767
Trade and other payables (Refer Note 13)	15,520	-	15,520
Other financial liabilities (Refer Note 14A)	2,140	-	2,140
As at March 31, 2020			
Lease Liabilities (Refer Note 29A)	9,237	39,509	48,746
Trade and other payables (Refer Note 13)	7,926	-	7,926
Other financial liabilities (Refer Note 14A)	5,972	-	5,972

## Note 29 : Capital management

For the purpose of the Company's capital management, capital includes issued equity capital and all other equity reserves. The primary objective of the Company's capital management is to maximise the shareholder value.

The Company manages its capital structure through equity funding and it's own operations. It does not have any debt. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years ended March 31, 2021 and March 31, 2020.

#### Note 29A: Leases

The Company has taken office premises under lease arrangement. i) The details of the right-of-use asset held by the Company is as follows:

	(INR in '000)		
Particulars	Buildings	Total	
Balance at 1 April 2019	55,149	55,149	
Reclassification from prepaid rent	1,480	1,480	
Depreciation charge for the year	(8,323)	(8,323)	
Balance at 31 March 2020	48,306	48,306	
Depreciation charge for the year	(5,854)	(5,854)	
Derecognition on termination of lease	(2,969)	(2,969)	
Balance at 31 March 2021	39,483	39,483	

ii) Set out below are the carrying amounts of lease liabilities and the movements during the period:

	(INR in '000)
	Amount
Balance at 1 April 2019	55,149
Accretion of interest	3,904
Payments of Principal	(6,406)
Payments of Interest	(3,901)
Balance at 31 March 2020	48,746
Accretion of interest	3,365
Payments of Principal	-
Derecognition on termination of lease	(3,137)
Payments of Interest	(2,208)
Balance at 31 March 2021	46,767
Current	8,363
Non- Current	38,404
iii) Amounts recognised in profit or loss:	
Particulars	(INR in '000)
Interest on lease liabilities	3,365
Depreciation expense of right-of-use assets	5,854
Expenses relating to short-term leases	570
iv) Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows:	
Particulars	(INR in '000)
Total cash outflow for leases	-

#### Note 30: Capital reduction Scheme

The Board of Directors of HT Music & Entertainment Company Limited (HTME) [subsidiary of HTML] at its meeting held on April 4, 2019 had approved an application for reduction of share capital of HTME from INR 3,340,000 ['000] to INR 340,000 ['000] by cancelling and extinguishing 3,000,000 ['000'] equity shares of INR 1 each of HTME held by HTML. The proposal was approved by the equity shareholders of HTME on April 5, 2019, followed by sanction thereof by Hon'ble NCLT, Mumbai Bench ("NCLT") on February 6, 2020 (certified copy of the order received on February 18, 2020). In terms of the order of NCLT, the paid up Share Capital of HTME stands reduced to INR 340,000 ['000'] and HTME returned INR 3,000,000 ['000] to it's shareholder viz. HTML on Feb 27, 2020.

#### Note 31: Disclosure required under section 186(4) of the Companies Act, 2013

Name of the Loanee	Secured/ Unsecured	Due Date	Rate of Interest	Purpose of Loan	March 31, 2021	March 31, 2020
HT Media Limited	Unsecured	On Demand	6.50%	Repayment of short term working Capital borrowings	1,89,536	2,64,500
Next Mediaworks Limited	Unsecured	26-Aug-20	11.00%	To meet the business requirements / repayment of existing loans and/or for general corporate purposes.	-	2,500

#### Note 32:

Management has considered the possible effects that may result from the pandemic relating to COVID-19 on the carrying amount of Property, Plant and Equipment, Intangible Assets, Receivables, Other Financial, Non-Financial assets and Deferred Tax Assets of the Company. In developing the assumptions relating to the possible future uncertainties because of this pandemic, the Company, as at the date of adoption of these financial statements has used internal and external sources of information. The Company has performed sensitivity analysis on the assumptions used and based on current factors estimated that the carrying amount of assets as at 31 March 2021 will be recovered after recording an impairment loss against intangible assets and reversal of deferred tax assets. Given the uncertainties associated with nature, condition and duration of COVID-19, the impact assessment on the Company's financial statements will be continuously made and provided for as required. The Company has made provision of INR 31,708 ('000) against intangible assets (refer note 21A) and reversed deferred tax assets of INR 17,840 ('000) (refer note 23)

#### Note 33: Standards issued but not effective

Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") notifies new standard or amendments to the existing standards. There is no such notification which would have been applicable from April 1, 2020.

#### Note 34:

During the previous year ended 31 March 2020, due to significant amount of interest income received by the Company from funding given by HT Media Limited ('the Parent company') for the purpose of planned acquisition, the Company's 'income from financial assets' constituted more than 50 per cent of the gross income for the financial year ended March 31, 2020. Further, the 'financial assets' of the Company are also more than 50 per cent of its total assets as at March 31, 2020 (mainly Inter Corporate Deposits given to Group companies). Accordingly, the Company attracted the eligibility criteria ('Principal business' test) as per the press release by Reserve Bank of India ('RBI') vide No. 1998-99/1269 dated April 8, 1999 for being classified as a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) from April 1, 2020. The equity investment from the Parent Company was for a certain planned acquisition , which did not get consummated. Consequently, the funds/excess equity capital was returned to the Parent company after securing approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), Mumbai bench, vide its order dated 6th February 2020. The Company does not expect interest of such a significant amount to be recurring in future. The Board of Directors has also noted and confirmed that such interest income does not represent income from ordinary activities of the Company and that the Company does not intend to carry on the business as an NBFC, and continues to operate as per its principal objects stated in Memorandum of Association.

The Company has made an intimation to the RBI vide letter dated 11 January 2021, wherein the Company has informed RBI that in its considered view the Company does not need to register as a NBFC, since it is not a financial institution and also the triggering of the NBFC criteria was temporary. Further, in the said letter, the Company has intimated RBI that it is in the business of FM broadcasting and has obtained a license to operate the same from the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. In response, RBI has requested the Company to submit audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2021. The Company has informed the RBI that is che audit is in progress and the audited financial statements are yet to approved by Board, these will be shared post the Board meeting that is scheduled to approve the financial statements. The Company believes that it does not meet the "principle business criteria" as on March 31, 2021.

#### Note 35:

Expenditure on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

Particulars	For the year March 31, 2021	· · · · ·
(a) Gross amount required to be spent by the company during the year	1.780	426
(b) Amount approved by the Board to be spent dy the company during the year	1,800	426
c) Amount spent during the year on:		-
(i) Construction / acquisition of any asset	-	-
(ii) On purposes other than (i) above	1,800	426
(d) Amount carried forward from previous year for setting off in the current year	-	-
(e) Excess amount spend during the year carried forward to subsequent year (f) The company has spent excess amount and details of the same are as follows:-	20	-

Financial Year		Amount required to be spent during the year		carried	Balance carried forward to next year
2020-21	-	1,780	1,800	-	20

(g) Details of amount spent during the year ended March 31, 2021

(INR	'N

		(INR '000)
CSR project or activity identified	Amount spent/ contributed on the projects or programmes	Amount spent : Direct or through implementing agency
Promoting education	1,800	Through HT Foundation for Change
	1,800	

#### Note 36:

HT Media Limited (Holding Company), received a whistleblower complaint in August 2020 from a named employee of the radio business on his last working day ("WB Complaint"). The WB Complaint alleged anomalies resulting in deficiencies in certain financial reporting processes of the radio business of the Group. The Holding Company, in accordance with its whistleblower policy, and as confirmed by the Audit Committee appointed an independent law firm which worked closely with two independent accounting firms for an in-depth comprehensive review. The said investigation brought out practices indicating the following deficiencies and lapses during financial years 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21: a. Practice of pre-billing (i.e. billing and booking revenue for services yet to be consumed/ delivered) resulting in reporting of higher revenue in financial results. Such billing remained unconsumed/ undelivered.

b. Potential manipulation of debtor ageing by issuance of inappropriate credit notes and additional invoices to avoid higher provisioning for bad debts.

c. Circulating improper balance confirmation requests (by including invoices without delivery/ requests for advertisement) to customers (with such balances either remaining unconfirmed or disputed) resulting in reporting higher revenue.

d. Potentially improper credit approvals including forced/ credit approval under protest at the instructions of senior management of the Radio business.

Further, based on a very detailed investigation performed, the investigating team and the management concluded that the above mentioned findings were confined to a stream of revenue ('Non FCT') of radio business and were not pervasive across other financial statement captions. The said investigation did not reveal existence of any personal profiteering or siphoning of funds or embezzlement or misappropriation of funds. The final findings of the investigation were presented to the Audit Committee and Board of Directors of the Holding Company, including multiple status update briefings in the interim. The Board of Directors considered the investigation report and expressed its concurrence with the follow-up actions recommended by the Audit Committee of the Holding Company, which include (i) actions against the Company's personnel identified as responsible for the misdemeanor; (ii) further strengthening internal control framework and centralized revenue assurance function; (iii) strengthening governance and communication around Whistleblower (WB) and Code of Conduct (COC) process; and (iv) redefining values and culture for the organisation and digitize the program. During the current year, the management undertook the following initiatives : (a) strengthening the internal financial controls and processes; and (b) changes in HR policies and practices with emphasis on strict implementation of ethical codes and practices.

As an outcome of the above investigation, the revenue from operations for the current year was adjusted by Rs 1,744 (INR in '000). The Company has made an assessment of potential non compliance and believes that further financial impact, if any, is not expected to be material.

See accompanying notes to the standalone financial statements.

In terms of our report of even date attached

For **B S R and Associates** *Chartered Accountants* (Firm Registration Number: 128901W)

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of HT Music and Entertainment Company Limited

**Rajesh Arora** *Partner* Membership No. 076124 Dinesh Mittal Director (DIN:105769) **Piyush Gupta** *Director* (DIN :03155591)

Ankur Neema CFO Karthi Narayanan CEO Arjit Gupta Company Secretary Membership No. A30696

Place: Gurugram Date: June 18, 2021 Place: New Delhi Date: June 18, 2021

# 1. Corporate Information

HT Music & Entertainment Company Limited ("HTME or the Company") is a Public Company domiciled in India and incorporated under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956.

The Company is engaged in radio broadcast and all other related activities through its radio station operating under brand name 'Fever 91.9 FM' in Chennai, managing and organizing events, shows etc. of various kinds and nature and derives revenue by organizing such events. The registered office of the Company is located at Unit 701 A, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Tower 2, Indiabulls Finance Centre, Senapati Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road, Mumbai – 400013.

Information on related party relationship of the Company is provided in Note No 25.

The financial statements of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2021 are authorized for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors on June 18, 2021.

# 2. Significant Accounting Policies

### 2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards ('Ind-AS') specified in the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (as amended) under Section 133 of the Companies Act 2013 (the "accounting principles generally accepted in India").

The accounting policies are applied consistently to all the periods presented in the financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for the following assets and liabilities which have been measured at fair value:

- Defined benefit plans plan assets measured at fair value;
- Certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value (refer accounting policy regarding financial instruments)

The financial statements are presented in Indian Rupees (INR), which is also the Company's functional currency. All amounts disclosed in the financial statements and notes have been rounded off to the nearest thousands as per the requirement of Schedule III, unless otherwise stated.

### **2.2** Summary of Significant accounting policies

### a) Current versus non- current classification

The Company presents assets and liabilities in the balance sheet based on current/ non-current classification. An asset is treated as current when it is:

- Expected to be realised or intended to sold or consumed in normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be realised within twelve months after the reporting period, or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is current when:

- It is expected to be settled in normal operating cycle
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading
- It is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period, or
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

The Company classifies all other liabilities as non-current.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are classified as non-current assets and liabilities.

The operating cycle is the time between on air of advertisement and its realisation in cash and cash equivalents. The Company has identified twelve months as its operating cycle.

### b) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded by the Company at their respective functional currency spot rates at the date the transaction first qualifies for recognition. However, for practical reasons, the Company uses an average rate if the average approximates the actual rate at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency spot rates of exchange at the reporting date.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items or on restatement of the Company's monetary items at rates different from those at which they were initially recorded during the year, or reported in previous financial statements, are recognized as income or as expenses in the year in which they arise.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions.

#### c) Fair value measurement

The Company measures financial instruments, such as, derivatives and certain investments at fair value at each reporting/ balance sheet date.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Company.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Company determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-

assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Company has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

# d) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue can be reliably measured, regardless of when the payment is being made. Revenue is measured based on the transaction price, which is the consideration, adjusted for allowances, trade discounts, volume rebates, if any, as specified in the contract with the customer. Revenue excludes taxes collected from customers. The Company has concluded that it is the principal in all of its revenue arrangements since it is the primary obligor in all the revenue arrangements as it has pricing latitude and is also exposed to credit risks.

Goods and Service tax is not received by the Company on its own account. Rather, it is tax collected on value of the services by the service provider on behalf of the government. Accordingly, it is excluded from revenue.

Contract asset represents the Company's right to consideration in exchange for services that the Company has transferred to a customer when that right is conditioned on something other than the passage of time.

When there is unconditional right to receive cash, and only passage of time is required to do invoicing, the same is presented as Unbilled receivable.

A contract liability is recognised if a payment is received or a payment is due (whichever is earlier) from a customer before the Company transfers the related goods or services and the Company is under an obligation to provide only the goods or services under the contract. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Company performs under the contract (i.e., transfers control of the related goods or services to the customer).

The specific recognition criteria described below must also be met before revenue is recognized:

### Airtime Revenue

Revenue from radio broadcasting is recognized on an accrual basis on the airing of client's commercials.

#### Event Revenue

Revenue is recognised on an accrual basis based on the events organized during the year.

# e) Taxes

### Current income tax

Tax expense is the aggregate amount included in the determination of profit or loss for the period in respect of current tax and deferred tax.

Current income tax is measured at the amount expected to be paid to the tax authorities in accordance with the Income Tax Act, 1961.

Current income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted, at the reporting date.

Current income tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or in equity). Current tax items are recognised is correlation to the underlying transaction either in OCI or directly in equity. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

Appendix C to Ind AS 12, Income Taxes dealing with accounting for uncertainty over income tax treatments does not have any material impact on financial statements of the Company.

### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on temporary differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes at the reporting date.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, the carry forward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred tax assets are re-assessed at each reporting date and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss. Deferred tax items are recognised in correlation to the underlying transaction either in OCI or directly in equity.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if and only if it has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets and current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

# GST/ value added taxes paid on acquisition of assets or on incurring expenses

Expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST/value added taxes paid, except:

- When the tax incurred on a purchase of assets or services is not recoverable from the taxation authority, in which case, the tax paid is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item, as applicable
- When receivables and payables are stated with the amount of sales tax included

The net amount of tax recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

### f) Property, plant and equipment

The Company has applied for one time transition option of considering the carrying cost of Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible assets on the transition date i.e. April 1, 2015 as the deemed cost under Ind-AS.

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Such cost includes the cost of replacing part of the plant

and equipment and borrowing costs for long-term construction projects if the recognition criteria are met.

Cost comprises the purchase price, borrowing costs (if capitalization criteria are met) and any directly attributable cost of bringing the asset to its working condition for the intended use. Any trade discounts and rebates are deducted in arriving at the purchase price.

# **Recognition:**

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment shall be recognised as an asset if, and only if:

- (a) it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the entity; and
- (b) the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Subsequent expenditure related to an item of property, plant and equipment is added to its book value only if it increases the future benefits from the existing asset beyond its previously assessed standard of performance. All other expenses on existing assets, including day- to- day repair and maintenance expenditure and cost of replacing parts, are charged to the statement of profit and loss for the period during which such expenses are incurred.

When significant parts of plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Company depreciates them separately based on their specific useful lives. Likewise, when a major inspection is performed, its cost is recognised in the carrying amount of the plant and equipment as a replacement if the recognition criteria are satisfied. All other repair and maintenance costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. The present value of the expected cost for the decommissioning of an asset after its use is included in the cost of the respective asset if the recognition criteria for a provision are met.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Type of asset	Useful lives estimated by management (Years)
Leasehold Improvement	9 or tenure of lease whichever is
	lower
Plant and Machinery	10
Furniture and Fixtures	10
IT Equipment	3
Office Equipment	5

The Company, based on technical assessment made by the management depreciates certain assets over estimated useful lives which are different from the useful life prescribed in Schedule

Il to the Companies Act, 2013. The management has estimated, supported by technical assessment, the useful lives of certain plant and machinery as 10 years. These useful lives are lower than those indicated in Schedule II.

The management believes that these estimated useful lives are realistic and reflect fair approximation of the period over which the assets are likely to be used.

Property, Plant and Equipment which are added/disposed off during the year, depreciation is provided on pro-rata basis with reference to the month of addition/deletion.

An item of property, plant and equipment and any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the income statement when the asset is derecognised.

Subsequent expenditure can be capitalised only if it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Company.

Expenditure directly attributable to construction activity is capitalized. Other indirect costs incurred during the construction periods which are not directly attributable to construction activity are charged to Statement of Profit and Loss. Reinvested income earned during the construction period is adjusted against the total of indirect expenditure.

The residual values, useful life and methods of depreciation of property, plant and equipment are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

### g) Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is their fair value at the date of acquisition. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Internally generated intangibles, excluding capitalised development costs, are not capitalised and the related expenditure is reflected in profit or loss in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

On transition to Ind-AS, the Company has elected to continue with the carrying value of all of its Intangible assets recognised as at April 1, 2015 measured as per the Indian GAAP and use that carrying value as the deemed cost of the Intangible assets.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed as either finite or indefinite.

Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the end of each reporting period. Changes in the expected useful life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are considered to modify the amortisation period or method, as appropriate, and are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortisation expense on intangible assets with finite lives is recognised in the statement of profit and loss.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortised, but are tested for impairment annually, either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

An intangible asset is derecognised upon disposal (i.e., at the date the recipient obtains control) or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising upon de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the statement of profit or loss.

Goodwill acquired separately are measured in initial recognition at cost. Following initial recognition, intangible assets, intangible assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Internally generated intangible assets, excluding capitalized development costs, are not capitalised and expenditure is reflected in the statement of profit and loss in the year in which the expenditure is incurred. The Goodwill recognized is amortized over useful life not exceeding 5 years.

Intangible Asset	Useful life (in years)
Goodwill*	5
License Fees (One time entry fee)	15

Intangible assets are amortized on straight line basis using the estimated useful life as follows:

\*Represents goodwill acquired under Scheme of Arrangement under section 391-394 of Companies Act, 1956 and is amortized over a period of 5 years in terms of the scheme.

The above periods also represent the management estimated economic useful life of the respective intangible assets.

#### h) Leases

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. *Company as a lessee* 

The Company recognises right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term at the lease commencement date. The cost of the right-of-use asset measured at inception shall comprise of the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to be incurred by the lessee in dismantling and removing the underlying asset or restoring the underlying asset or site on which it is located. The right-of-use assets is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated depreciation, accumulated impairment losses, if any and adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The right-of-use assets is depreciated using the straightline method from the commencement date over the shorter of lease term or useful life of rightof-use asset. The estimated useful lives of right-of-use assets are determined on the same basis as those of property, plant and equipment. Right-of-use assets are tested for impairment whenever there is any indication that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable. Impairment loss, if any, is recognised in the statement of profit and loss.

The Company measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date of the lease. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company uses incremental borrowing rate. The lease payments shall include fixed payments, variable lease payments, residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option where the Company is reasonably certain to exercise that option and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the lessee exercising an option to terminate the lease. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. The lease liability is subsequently remeasured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability, reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made and remeasuring the carrying amount to reflect any reassessment or lease modifications or to reflect revised insubstance fixed lease payments. The Company recognises the amount of the re-measurement of lease liability due to modification as an adjustment to the right-of-use asset and statement of profit and loss depending upon the nature of modification. Where the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is reduced to zero and there is a further reduction in the measurement of the lease liability, the Company recognises any remaining amount of the re-measurement in statement of profit and loss.

The Company has elected not to apply the requirements of Ind AS 116 to short-term leases of all assets that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases for which the underlying asset is of low value. The lease payments associated with these leases are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

As a practical expedient a lessee (the company) has elected, by class of underlying asset, not to separate lease components from any associated non-lease components. A lessee (the company) accounts for the lease component and the associated non-lease components as a single lease component.

### Company as a lessor

At the inception of the lease the Company classifies each of its leases as either an operating lease or a finance lease. The Company recognises lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight- line basis over the lease term. In case of a finance lease, finance income is recognised over the lease term based on a pattern reflecting a constant periodic rate of return on the lessor's net investment in the lease.

# i) Impairment of non-financial assets

For assets with definite useful life, the Company assesses, at each reporting date, whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If any indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Company estimates the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or cash-generating unit's (CGU) fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. Recoverable amount is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets. When the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. In determining fair value less costs of disposal, recent market transactions are taken into account. If no such transactions can be identified, an appropriate valuation model is used. These calculations are corroborated by valuation multiples, quoted share prices for publicly traded Company's or other available fair value indicators.

The Company bases its impairment calculation on detailed budgets and forecast calculations, which are prepared separately for each of the Company's CGUs to which the individual assets are allocated. These budgets and forecast calculations generally cover a period of five years. For longer periods, a long-term growth rate is calculated and applied to project future cash flows

after the fifth year. To estimate cash flow projections beyond periods covered by the most recent budgets/forecasts, the Company extrapolates cash flow projections in the budget using a steady or declining growth rate for subsequent years, unless an increasing rate can be justified. In any case, this growth rate does not exceed the long-term average growth rate for the products, industries, or country or countries in which the entity operates, or for the market in which the asset is used.

Impairment losses of continuing operations are recognised in the statement of profit and loss.

An assessment is made at each reporting date to determine whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses no longer exist or have decreased. If such indication exists, the Company estimates the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the assumptions used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The reversal is limited so that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its recoverable amount, nor exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. Such reversal is recognised in the statement of profit or loss unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case, the reversal is treated as a revaluation increase.

### j) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. When the Company expects some or all of a provision to be reimbursed, for example, under an insurance contract, the reimbursement is recognised as a separate asset, but only when the reimbursement is virtually certain. The expense relating to a provision is presented in the statement of profit and loss net of any reimbursement.

If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects, when appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. When discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

### k) Employee benefits

### Short term employee benefits and defined contribution plans:

All employee benefits payable/available within twelve months of rendering the service are classified as short-term employee benefits. Benefits such as salaries, wages and bonus etc. are recognised in the statement of profit and loss in the period in which the employee renders the related service.

Retirement benefit in the form of provident fund is a defined contribution scheme. The Company has no obligation, other than the contribution payable to the provident fund. The Company recognizes contribution payable to the provident fund scheme as an expense, when an employee renders the related service. If the contribution payable to the scheme for service received before the balance sheet date exceeds the contribution already paid, the deficit payable to the scheme is recognized as a liability after deducting the contribution already paid. If the contribution already paid exceeds the contribution due for services received before the balance sheet date, then excess is recognized as an asset to the extent that the pre-payment will lead to, for example, a reduction in future payment or a cash refund.

### Gratuity

Gratuity is a defined benefit scheme. The cost of providing benefits under the defined benefit plan is determined using the projected unit credit method.

Re-measurements, comprising of actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the asset ceiling, excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability and the return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability), are recognised immediately in the balance sheet with a corresponding debit or credit to retained earnings through OCI in the period in which they occur. Re-measurements are not reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

Past service costs are recognised in profit or loss on the earlier of:

- The date of the plan amendment or curtailment, and
- The date that the Company recognises related restructuring cost

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net defined benefit liability or asset.

The Company recognises the following changes in the net defined benefit obligation as an expense in the Statement of profit and loss:

- Service costs comprising current service costs, past-service costs, gains and losses on curtailments and non-routine settlements; and
- Net interest expense or income

### **Termination benefits**

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated by the group before the normal retirement date. The Group recognises termination benefits at the earlier of the following dates: (a) when the group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits; and (b)

when the Group recognises costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of Ind AS 37 and involves the payment of terminations benefits. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to present value.

#### **Compensated Absences**

Accumulated leave, which is expected to be utilized within the next 12 months, is treated as short term employee benefit. The Company measures the expected cost of such absences as the additional amount that it expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement that has accumulated at the reporting date.

The Company treats accumulated leave expected to be carried forward beyond twelve months, as long- term employee benefit for measurement purposes. Such long- term compensated absences are provided for based on the actuarial valuation using the projected unit credit method at the period end. Actuarial gains/losses are immediately taken to the statement of profit and loss and are not deferred. The Company presents the leave as a current liability in the balance sheet to the extent it does not have an unconditional right to defer its settlement for 12 months after the reporting date. Where Company has the unconditional legal and contractual right to defer the settlement for a period beyond 12 months, the same is presented as non-current liability.

### I) Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

### **Financial assets**

### Initial recognition and measurement

All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value plus, in the case of financial assets not recorded at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset.

### Subsequent measurement

For purposes of subsequent measurement, Debt instruments are measured at amortised cost.

A 'debt instrument' is measured at the amortised cost if both the following conditions are met:

- a) The asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets for collecting contractual cash flows, and
- b) Contractual terms of the asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding.

After initial measurement, such financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate (EIR) method. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortisation is included in finance income in the profit or loss. The losses arising from impairment are recognised in the profit or loss. This category generally applies to trade and other receivables. For more information on receivables, refer to Note 8.

### De-recognition

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a Company of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognized (i.e. removed from the Company's balance sheet) when:

- The rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or
- The Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; and either (a) the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Company has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset, nor transferred control of the asset, the Company continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Company continuing involvement. In that case, the Company also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Company has retained.

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Company could be required to repay.

### Impairment of financial assets

In accordance with Ind-AS 109, the Company applies expected credit loss (ECL) model for measurement and recognition of impairment loss on the following financial assets and credit risk exposure:

- a) Financial assets that are debt instruments, and are measured at amortised cost e.g, loans, debt securities, deposits, trade receivables and bank balance
- b) Trade receivables or any contractual right to receive cash or another financial asset that result from transactions that are within the scope of Ind-AS 115 (referred to as 'contractual revenue receivables' in these financial statements).

The Company follows 'simplified approach' for recognition of impairment loss allowance on:

• Trade receivables or contract revenue receivables; and

The application of simplified approach does not require the Company to track changes in credit risk. Rather, it recognises impairment loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date, right from its initial recognition.

For recognition of impairment loss on other financial assets and risk exposure, the Company determines that whether there has been a significant increase in the credit risk since initial recognition. If credit risk has not increased significantly, 12-month ECL is used to provide for impairment loss. However, if credit risk has increased significantly, lifetime ECL is used. If, in a subsequent period, credit quality of the instrument improves such that there is no longer a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, then the entity reverts to recognising impairment loss allowance based on 12-month ECL.

Lifetime ECL are the expected credit losses resulting from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. The 12-month ECL is a portion of the lifetime ECL which results from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date.

ECL is the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Company in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the entity expects to receive (i.e., all cash shortfalls), discounted at the original EIR. When estimating the cash flows, an entity is required to consider:

• All contractual terms of the financial instrument (including prepayment, extension, call and similar options) over the expected life of the financial instrument. However, in rare cases

when the expected life of the financial instrument cannot be estimated reliably, then the entity is required to use the remaining contractual term of the financial instrument

• Cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms

As a practical expedient, the Company uses a provision matrix to determine impairment loss allowance on portfolio of its trade receivables. The provision matrix is based on its historically observed default rates over the expected life of the trade receivables and is adjusted for forward-looking estimates. At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed.

ECL impairment loss allowance (or reversal) recognized during the period is recognized as income/ expense in the statement of profit and loss. This amount is reflected under the head 'other expenses' in the P&L. The balance sheet presentation for various financial instruments is described below:

Financial assets measured as at amortised cost, contractual revenue receivables and lease receivables: ECL is presented as an allowance, i.e., as an integral part of the measurement of those assets in the balance sheet. The allowance reduces the net carrying amount. Until the asset meets write-off criteria, the Company does not reduce impairment allowance from the gross carrying amount. For assessing increase in credit risk and impairment loss, the Company combines financial instruments on the basis of shared credit risk characteristics with the objective of facilitating an analysis that is designed to enable significant increases in credit risk to be identified on a timely basis.

The Company does not have any purchased or originated credit-impaired (POCI) financial assets, i.e., financial assets which are credit impaired on purchase/ origination.

### **Financial liabilities**

### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, payables, as appropriate. All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Company's financial liabilities mainly include trade and other payables.

### Subsequent measurement

Trade and other payables are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### De-recognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the de-recognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

# Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

# Interest income

For all debt instruments measured at amortised cost, interest income is recorded using the effective interest rate (EIR). EIR is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset or to the amortised cost of a financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Company estimates the expected cash flows by considering all the contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment, extension, call and similar options) but does not consider the expected credit losses. Interest income is included in finance income in the statement of profit and loss.

### m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalent in the balance sheet comprise cash at banks and on hand and shortterm deposits with an original maturity of three months or less, which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and short-term deposits, as defined above, net of outstanding bank overdrafts as they are considered an integral part of the Company's cash management. Cash flows from operating activities are being prepared as per the Indirect method mentioned in Ind AS 7

## n) Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events whose existence will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the Company or a present obligation that is not recognized because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation. A contingent liability also arises in extremely rare cases where there is a liability that cannot be recognized because it cannot be measured reliably. The Company does not recognize a contingent liability but discloses its existence in the financial statements. Contingent assets are only disclosed when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity.

# o) Earning per share

Basic EPS amounts are calculated by dividing the profit for the year attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of Equity shares outstanding during the year.

# Diluted earnings per share

Diluted earnings per share adjust the figures used in the determination of basic earnings per share to take into account:

- the after income tax effect of interest and other financing costs associated with dilutive potential equity shares, and

- the weighted average number of additional equity shares that would have been outstanding assuming the conversion of all dilutive potential equity shares.

# 2.3 Significant accounting judgments, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the Company's financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and the accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets or liabilities affected in future periods.

### The areas involving critical estimates are as below:

# Property, plant & Equipment

The Company, based on technical assessment made by the management depreciates certain assets over estimated useful lives which are different from the useful life prescribed in Schedule II to the Companies Act, 2013. The management has estimated, supported by technical assessment, the useful lives of certain plant and machinery as 10 years. These useful lives are

lower than those indicated in Schedule II. The management believes that these estimated useful lives are realistic and reflect fair approximation of the period over which the assets are likely to be used.

### Defined benefit plans

These include the determination of the discount rate, future salary increases and mortality rates. Due to the complexities involved in the valuation and its long-term nature, a defined benefit obligation is highly sensitive to changes in these assumptions. All assumptions are reviewed at each reporting date.

The cost of the defined benefit gratuity plan and other post-employment medical benefits and the present value of the gratuity obligation are determined using actuarial valuations. An actuarial valuation involves making various assumptions that may differ from actual developments in the future.

The parameter most subject to change is the discount rate. In determining the appropriate discount rate for plans operated in India, the management considers the interest rates of government bonds in currencies consistent with the currencies of the post-employment benefit obligation.

The mortality rate is based on publicly available mortality tables for the specific countries. Those mortality tables tend to change only at interval in response to demographic changes. Future salary increases and gratuity increases are based on expected future inflation rates for the respective countries.

Further details about gratuity obligations are given in Note 24.

# The areas involving critical judgement are as below:

### Taxes

Uncertainties exist with respect to the interpretation of complex tax regulations, changes in tax laws, and the amount and timing of future taxable income. Given the wide range of business relationships and the long-term nature and complexity of existing contractual agreements, differences arising between the actual results and the assumptions made, or future changes to such assumptions, could necessitate future adjustments to tax income and expense already recorded. The Company establishes provisions, based on reasonable estimates. The amount of such provisions is based on various factors, such as experience of previous tax assessments and differing interpretations of tax regulations by the taxable entity and the responsible tax authority. Such differences of interpretation may arise on a wide variety of issues depending on the conditions prevailing in the respective domicile of the Companies.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and the level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.

# Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the balance sheet cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, their fair value is measured using valuation techniques including the DCF model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments. See Note27 for further disclosures.

# Impairment of financial assets

The impairment provisions for financial assets are based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Company uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on Company's past history, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period.

# Impairment of non-financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If any indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Company estimates the asset's recoverable amount. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or CGU's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. It is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or group of assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pretax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. In determining fair value less costs of disposal, recent markets transactions are taken into account. If no such transactions can be identified, an appropriate valuation model is used. These calculations are corroborated by valuation multiples, quoted share prices for publicly traded subsidiaries or other available fair value indicators.

### Determining the lease term of contracts with renewal and termination options - as lessee

The Company determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

The Company applies judgement in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain whether or not to exercise the option to renew or terminate the lease. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise either the renewal or termination. After the commencement date, the Company reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise or not to exercise the option to renew or to terminate.

The periods covered by termination options are included as part of the lease term only when they are reasonably certain not to be exercised.

For further details about leases, refer to accounting policy on leases and Note 29A.