

May 07, 2024

Listing Compliance & Legal Regulatory BSE Limited Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street, Mumbai 400 001 Stock Code: 543227, 974728, 974820 & 975101

Dear Sir/Madam,

Happiest Minds Technologies Limited Regd. Office: #53/1-4, Hosur Main Road, Madivala, Bengaluru-560068, Karnataka, India CIN of the Co. L72900KA2011PLC057931 P: +91 80 6196 0300, F: +91 80 6196 0700 Website: www.happiestminds.com Email: investors@happiestminds.com

Listing & Compliance National Stock Exchange of India Limited Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex Bandra East, Mumbai 400 051 Stock Code: HAPPSTMNDS

Sub: Report of the Monitoring Agency

Pursuant to Regulation 32(6) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015 read with Regulation 173A of SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, please find enclosed herewith Monitoring Agency Report dated May 07, 2024, in respect of utilization of proceeds of QIP for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, issued by M/s. CARE Ratings Limited, Monitoring Agency.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully, For **Happiest Minds Technologies Limited**



Praveen Kumar Darshankar Company Secretary & Compliance Officer Membership No. F6706

Monitoring Agency Report



No. CARE/HO/GEN/2024-25/1006

Shri Sriranganarayana Krishnamacharya Vice President (Finance) Happiest Minds Technologies Limited No 53/1-4, Hosur Main Road, Madivala, Next To Madivala Police Stn, Bengaluru Karnataka 560068

May 07, 2024

Dear Sir,

Monitoring Agency Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 - in relation to the Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP) of equity shares of Happiest Minds Technologies Limited ("the Company")

We write in our capacity of Monitoring Agency for the) for the fresh issue of 54,11,255 equity shares for the amount aggregating to Rs.500.00 crore of the Company and refer to our duties cast under 82 of the Securities & Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations.

In this connection, we are enclosing the Monitoring Agency Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 as per aforesaid SEBI Regulations and Monitoring Agency Agreement dated August 04, 2023.

Request you to kindly take the same on records.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Hitesh Avachat Associate Director Hitesh.avachat@careedge.in





Report of the Monitoring Agency

Name of the issuer: Happiest Minds Technologies Limited. For quarter ended: March 31, 2024 Name of the Monitoring Agency: CARE Ratings Limited (a) Deviation from the objects: Nil (b) Range of Deviation: Not applicable

Declaration:

We declare that this report provides an objective view of the utilization of the issue proceeds in relation to the objects of the issue based on the information provided by the Issuer and information obtained from sources believed by it to be accurate and reliable. The MA does not perform an audit and undertakes no independent verification of any information/ certifications/ statements it receives. This Report is not intended to create any legally binding obligations on the MA which accepts no responsibility, whatsoever, for loss or damage from the use of the said information. The views and opinions expressed herein do not constitute the opinion of MA to deal in any security of the Issuer in any manner whatsoever. Nothing mentioned in this report is intended to or should be construed as creating a fiduciary relationship between the MA and any issuer or between the agency and any user of this report. The MA and its affiliates also do not act as an expert as defined under Section 2(38) of the Companies Act, 2013.

The MA or its affiliates may have credit rating or other commercial transactions with the entity to which the report pertains and may receive separate compensation for its ratings and certain credit related analyses. We confirm that there is no conflict of interest in such relationship/interest while monitoring and reporting the utilization of the issue proceeds by the issuer, or while undertaking credit rating or other commercial transactions with the entity.

We have submitted the report herewith in line with the format prescribed by SEBI, capturing our comments, where applicable. There are certain sections of the report under the title "Comments of the Board of Directors", that shall be captured by the Issuer's Management / Audit Committee of the Board of Directors subsequent to the MA submitting their report to the issuer and before dissemination of the report through stock exchanges. These sections have not been reviewed by the MA, and the MA takes no responsibility for such comments of the issuer's Management/Board.

Signature: Name and designation of the Authorized Signatory: Hitesh Avachat Designation of Authorized person/Signing Authority: Associate Director





1) Issuer Details:

Name of the issuer Name of the promoter Industry/sector to which it belongs

2) Issue Details

Issue Period Type of issue Type of specified securities IPO Grading, if any Issue size (in `crore)

- : Happiest Minds Technologies Limited
- : Mr Ashok Soota
- : Information Technology
- : July 11, 2023 to July 14, 2023
- : Qualified Institutional Placement
- : Equity shares
- : Not applicable
- : Rs.500.00 crore of fresh issue (Note 1)

Note 1:

The company had offered 54,11,255 Equity Shares under the rights issue, at Rs. 924 per share (including share premium of Rs. 922 per share) aggregating to ₹ 500.00 crore. The issue was subscribed and the company has allotted 54,11,255 Equity Shares to the applicants.

Particulars	Remarks
Total shares issued and subscribed as part of QIP	54,11,255
Total subscriptions towards QIP (in Rs.)	500,00,00,000
Details of expenses incurred related to issue (in Rs.)	14,00,00,000
Net Proceeds of QIP (in Rs.)	486,00,00,000

3) Details of the arrangement made to ensure the monitoring of issue proceeds:

Particulars	Reply	Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Comments of the Board of Directors
Whether all utilization is as per the disclosures in the Offer Document?	Yes	Chartered Accountant Certificate * Bank statement	NA	Nil
Whether shareholder approval has been obtained in case of material deviations# from expenditures disclosed in the Offer Document?	No	NA	NA	Nil
Whether the means of finance for the disclosed objects of the issue have changed?	No	NA	NA	Nil



Particulars	Reply	Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Comments of the Board of Directors
Is there any major deviation observed over the earlier monitoring agency reports?	No	NA	NA	Nil
Whether all Government/statutory approvals related to the object(s) have been obtained?	NA	NA	NA	Nil
Whether all arrangements pertaining to technical assistance/collaboration are in operation?	NA	NA	NA	Nil
Are there any favorable/unfavorable events affecting the viability of these object(s)?	No	NA	NA	Nil
Is there any other relevant information that may materially affect the decision making of the investors?	No	NA	NA	Nil

#Where material deviation may be defined to mean:

a) Deviation in the objects or purposes for which the funds have been raised

b) Deviation in the amount of funds actually utilized by more than 10% of the amount projected in the offer documents.

4) Details of objects to be monitored:

(i) Cost of objects –

		Source of information /	Original cost		Comments	Comme	nts of the Board of D	irectors
Sr. No	Item Head	certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	(as per the Offer Document) in Rs. Crore	Revised Cost in Rs. Crore	of the Monitoring Agency	Reason for cost revision	Proposed financing option	Particulars of - firm arrangements made
1	Investment in Subsidiaries	Placement document/Bank statements	25.00	25.00	NA	Nil	Nil	Nil
2	Working Capital requirement	Placement document/Bank statements	300.00	300.00	NA	Nil	Nil	Nil
3	Inorganic Growth Placement document/Bank statements		50.00	50.00	NA	Nil	Nil	Nil
4	General Corporate Purpose Placement document/Bank statements		111.00	111.00	NA	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total			486.00					



	(ii) Progress in the objects	; —								
		Source of information /		Amo	unt utilised in R	s. Crore			Comments of the Board of Directors	
Sr. No	Item Head	certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Amount as proposed in the Offer Document in Rs. Crore	As at beginnin g of the quarter in Rs. Crore	During the quarter in Rs. Crore	At the end of the quarter in Rs. Crore	Unutilised amount in Rs. crore	Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Reasons for idle funds	Proposed course of action
1	Investment in Subsidiaries	Placement document/Bank statements	25.00	-	-	-	25.00	-	Nil	Nil
2	Working Capital requirement	Placement document/Bank statements	300.00	212.17	-	212.17	87.83	-	Nil	Nil
3	Inorganic Growth	Placement document/Bank statements	50.00	-	-	-	50.00	-	Nil	Nil
4	General Corporate Purpose	Placement document/Bank statements	111.00	92.80	-	92.80	18.20	-	Nil	Nil
Total			486	304.97	0.00	304.97	181.03			

(iii) Deployment of unutilized public issue proceeds:

Sr. No.	Type of instrument and name of the entity invested in	Amount invested	Maturity date	Earning	Return on Investment (%)	Market Value as at the end of quarter		
Fixed Deposits with Axis Bank								
1.	Fixed Deposit No: 923040083775325	53.00 (Note 1)	August 12, 2024	3.85	7.05	NA		
2.	Fixed Deposit No: 923040091499037	58.33	August 04, 2024	4.62	7.70	NA		
		Fixed Depos	sits with State Bank of India	1				
3.	Fixed Deposit No: 42560196194 (FD worth Rs.101.00 crores out of which Rs 47.70 crores constitutes amount from Monitoring account while Rs 53.30 are sourced via cash balance of current account)	47.70 (Note 2)	December 30, 2024	3.75 (proportionate basis)	7.60%	NA		
		Fixed D	Deposits with RBL Bank					



4.	Fixed Deposit No: 709021318119	9.50	April 10, 2024	0.12	7.80	NA
5.	Fixed Deposit No: 709021706943	12.50	May 15, 2024	0.11	7.05	NA

<u>Note:</u> 1) FD worth Rs 54.80 crores initiated out of which Rs. 53.00 crores are funded through QIP funds.

2) FD worth Rs 101.00 crores initiated out of which Rs. 47.70 crores are funded through QIP funds.

(iv) Delay in implementation of the object(s) -

		pletion Date	Delay (no. of days/	Comments of the Board of Directors		
Objects	As per the offer document	Actual	months)	Reason of delay	Proposed course of action	
Investment in Subsidiaries	FY 2024*	Delay than estimated scheduled	NA	Nil	Nil	
Working Capital requirement	FY 2024 & FY 2025	Utilisations exceeding estimated Schedule for FY24	NA	Nil	Nil	
Inorganic Growth	FY 2024*	Delay than estimated scheduled	NA	Nil	Nil	
General Corporate Purpose	FY 2024 & FY 2025	Utilisations exceeding estimated Schedule for FY24	NA	Nil	Nil	

*As per the company placement document, the estimated timeline of execution is FY24, however the document states that in the event that estimated utilization out of the Net Proceeds in a fiscal is not completely met, the same shall be utilized in the subsequent fiscals, as may be decided by the Company, in accordance with applicable laws.

Note: Details for delay than estimated scheduled timeline mentioned in the offer document.

5) Details of utilization of proceeds stated as General Corporate Purpose (GCP) amount in the offer document:

Sr. No	Item Head^	Amount in Rs. Crore	Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Comments of Monitoring Agency	Comments of the Board of Directors
1	General Corporate Purpose	92.80	Bank Statement	NA	Nil

^ Section from the offer document related to GCP:

"Our company intends to deploy Rs 11,100 lacs out of the Net Proceeds towards general corporate purpose subject to the amount allocated towards general corporate purpose not exceeding 25% of the Gross Proceeds in compliance with the circular bearing reference No. NSE/CML/2022/56 dated December 13, 2022, issued by NSE and circular no. 20221213-47 dated December 13, 2022, issued by BSE.

We will have flexibility in utilizing the Net Proceeds for general corporate purpose, including but not restricted to strategic initiatives, investments, repayment and pre-payment penalty on loans as applicable, strengthening of our research and development (R&D), meeting exigencies and expenses incurred by our Company, as may be applicable, funding any shortfall in any of the objects is se forth above, or such other purposes as may be determined by the Board or a duly constituted committee thereof from time to time, subject to compliance with applicable law, including provisions of the Companies Act. The quantum of utilization of funds or the deployment towards each of the above purposes will be determined by our Board or a committee thereof, based on the amount actually available under this head and business requirements of our Company, from time to time."

³⁾ Idle monitoring fund of Rs 0.50 crores reported in ICICI bank current account in Q3FY24 is supplemented by excess cash balance in RBL bank current account whose FD is created. Thereby, there is no absolute transfer of funds.

