CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

CIN: L15122MH2014PLC252200 Reg. Office: Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai-400075. E-mail id: chothaniniraj@gmail.com Website: www.chothanifoodslimited.com

Date: 5th September, 2023

To, Bombay Stock Exchange Limited Phiroje Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai – 400 001.

Sub.: Regulation 34 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and disclosure Requirements) Regulation. 2015- Annual Report for the financial year ended 31st March, 2023

Ref: Chothani Foods Limited (Script Code: 540681)

Dear Sir / Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 34 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation 2015, we are submitting herewith Annual Report for the year ended 31st March, 2023 and the same has also been uploaded on Company's Website.

Kindly find the same in order.

Thanking you.

For Chothani Foods Limited

Neeraj Ashok Chothani Managing Director DIN : 06732169



CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023



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CORPORATE INFORMATION

Board of Directors and Key Managerial Personnel:

NEERAJ ASHOK CHOTHANI (DIN: 06732169)	Managing Director and CFO
ASHOK SHIVJI CHOTHANI (DIN: 06732163)	Chairman and Executive Director
SUNIL SHIVJI CHOTHANI (DIN: 06732173)	Whole time Director
MONIL ASHOK CHOTHANI (DIN : 07978664)	Non- Executive Director
MANSI HARSH DAVE (DIN: 07663806)	Independent Non- Executive Director
RAVIPRAKASH NARAYAN VYAS (DIN: 07893486)	Independent Non- Executive Director (appointed w.e.f. 19.04.2022)
KHUSHBOO NIKHIL DESAI	Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

1. Audit Committee:	
Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Chairman
Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Member
Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Member
2. Nomination & Remuneration Committee	
Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Chairman
Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Member
Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani	Member
3. Stakeholders Relationship Committee	
Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Chairman
Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Member
Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Member



OTHER INFORMATION:

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai - 400075, Maharashtra, India **Tel:** +91-22-2344 6871; 2346 5315 **Email:** ashokmasalamart@gmail.com **Website:** www.chothanifoodslimited.com

GODOWN AND PROCESSING UNIT:

Building No. C, Gala No. 3, Ground Floor, Jai Matadi Compound, Kalher, Bhivandi, Thane. Email: ashokmasalamart@gmail.com Website: www.chothanifoodslimited.com

REGISTRAR & TRANSFER AGENT :

Kfin Technologies Limited. Selenium Building, Tower-B, Plot No 31 & 32, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serilingampally, Hyderabad, Rangareddi, Telangana India - 500 032. Tel No.: +91 – 040 – 67162222 Fax No.: +91 – 040 – 23431551 www.kfintech.com

STATUTORY AUDITORS:

M/S. A Y & COMPANY, Chartered Accountants, 404, Fourth Floor, ARG Corporate Park, Gopal Bari, Ajmer Road, Jaipur (Raj.) Tel: + +91-8003056441; E-mail: info@aycompany.co.in Firm Registration No- 020829C

REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES: Registrar of Companies, Mumbai, Maharashtra

100, Everest, Marine Drive, Mumbai – 400 002 Tel: +91-22-2284 6955, 2281 2627, 2281 2645 Fax: +91-22-22811977 Email: roc.mumbai@mca.gov.in Website: www.mca.gov.in

DESIGNATED STOCK EXCHANGE: SME PLATFORM OF BSE

P.J. Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai, Maharashtra, 400 001

BANKERS:

Union Bank of India, Mumbai



NOTICE

10TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the 10th Annual General Meeting of the members of Chothani Foods Limited will be held on **Saturday**, **30th September**, **2023** at 11:00 a.m. at the Registered Office of the Company at Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai-400075 to transact the following business:-

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- **1.** To receive, consider, approve and adopt the Audited Financial Statement comprising of Balance sheet as at 31st March, 2023, Profit and Loss Account for the year ended on that date, Cash Flow Statement and the Notes together with the director's report and auditor's report thereon.
- **2.** To appoint Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani (DIN: 07978664) as director, who retires by rotation under the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and being eligible offers himself for reappointment.

Registered Office: Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai – 400075

Date : 04/09/2023 Place: Mumbai For Chothani Foods Limited

Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169)



NOTES:

(a) A MEMBER ENTITLED TO ATTEND AND VOTE AT THE MEETING IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT ONE OR MORE PROXIES TO ATTEND AND VOTE (ONLY ON POLL) INSTEAD OF HIMSELF AND THE PROXY NEED NOT BE A MEMBER OF THE COMPANY. The duly completed and signed Proxy Form should be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company, not less than 48 hours before the commencement of Meeting. A proxy form is annexed to this report. Proxies submitted on behalf of limited companies, societies, etc., must be supported by an appropriate resolution / authority, as applicable. Proxy form, in order to be effective, must be deposited at the Corporate Office of the Company, not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the Annual General Meeting.

A person can act as a proxy on behalf of members not exceeding fifty and holding in the aggregate not more than ten percent of the total share capital of the company carrying voting rights. A member holding more than ten percent of the total share capital of the company carrying voting rights may appoint a single person as proxy for any other person or shareholder.

- (b) Pursuant to Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Saturday, 23rd September, 2023 to Saturday, 30th September, 2023 (both days inclusive).
- (c) The relevant details, pursuant to Regulations 26(4) and 36(3) of the SEBI Listing Regulations and Secretarial Standard on General Meetings issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, in respect of Director seeking appointment/re-appointment at this AGM is annexed.
- (d) The notice of 10th Annual General Meeting of the Company and Annual Report 2022-23, is being sent by electronic mode to those Members whose email id(s) are registered with the Company/Depositories. A copy of the notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report is also available for download on the website of the Company at <u>www.chothanifoodslimited.com</u> The Notice can also be accessed from the website of the Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited at www.bseindia.com.
- (e) Members/Proxy holders are requested to bring their copy of Annual Report and Attendance slip sent herewith duly filled-in for attending the Annual General Meeting.
- (f) Members who wish to obtain information of the Company may send their queries at least 10 days before the Annual General Meeting to the Company Secretary at the Corporate Office of the Company.
- (g) In case of joint holders attending the Meeting, only such joint holder who is higher in the order of names will be entitled to vote.
- (h) Corporate Members intending to send their authorized representatives to attend the meeting pursuant to Section 113 are requested to send a certified true copy of the Board Resolution authorizing their representative to attend and vote on their behalf at the meeting.
- (i) The cut off date for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the Members to vote at the 10th Annual General Meeting of the Company is September 22, 2023.
- (j) Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses so far are requested to register their e-mail ID with RTA of the Company / Depository Participant(s) for receiving all communication including Annual Report, Notices, Circulars etc. from the Company electronically.
- (k) The Shareholders are requested to notify changes of their address immediately to the Registrars & Transfer Agent Kfin Technologies Limited. The Company or its registrar will not act on any request received directly from the shareholder holding shares in electronic form for any change of bank



particulars or bank mandate. Such changes are to be advised only to the Depository Participant by the Shareholders.

- Green Initiative Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses so far are requested to register their e-mail address for receiving all communication including Annual Report, Notices, Circulars etc. from the Company electronically.
- (m) Non- Resident Indian Members are requested to inform Registrar and Transfer Agent, immediately of:
 - Change in their residential status on return to India for permanent settlement.
 - Particulars of their Bank Account maintained in India with complete name, branch, account, type, account number and address of the bank with pin code number, if not furnished earlier.
- (n) All documents referred to in the Notice and Explanatory Statement requiring the approval of the Members at the meeting and other statutory registers shall be available for inspection by the Members at the Registered office of the Company during office hours on all working days between 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. from the date of hereof up to the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- (o) The Register of Directors' and Key Managerial Personnel and their shareholding maintained under Section 170 of the Companies Act, 2013, the Register of Contracts or Arrangements in which the Directors are interested under Section 189 of the Companies Act, 2013, will be available for inspection at the Annual General Meeting.
- (p) Members holding shares in dematerialized form are requested to intimate all changes pertaining to their registered e-mail id, bank details, NECS, mandates, nominations, power of attorney etc. to their Depository Participants. Changes intimated to the Depository Participants will then be automatically reflected in the Company's records which will help the Company and its Registrar and Share Transfer Agent M/s. Kfin Technologies Limited, to provide efficient and better service to the members.
- (q) A Route Map to reach the venue of the Annual General Meeting is annexed with the Notice of Annual General Meeting.
- (r) M/s. K Pratik & Associates, Practicing Company Secretaries, has been appointed as Scrutinizers to scrutinize the voting process in a fair & transparent manner.
- (s) The Chairman shall, at the AGM, at the end of discussion on the resolutions on which voting is to be held, allow voting with the assistance of scrutinizer, by use of "Ballot Paper" for all those members who are present at the AGM.
- (t) The Scrutinizer shall, after the conclusion of voting at the AGM, count the votes cast at the meeting and shall submit within 48 hours of the conclusion of the AGM, a Consolidated Scrutinizer's Report of the total votes cast in favour or against, if any, to the Chairman or a person authorized by him / her in writing, who shall counter sign the same and declare the result of the voting forthwith.
- (u) The Results declared along with the report of the Scrutinizer shall be placed on the website of the Company <u>www.chothanifoodslimited.com</u> and on the website of BSE immediately after the declaration of result by the Chairman or a person authorized by him in writing.

Registered Office:

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Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169)

Date : 04/09/2023 Place: Mumbai



Particulars of the Directors seeking appointment/ re-appointment at the ensuring Annual General Meeting pursuant to the regulation 36(3) of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

Information required be furnishing under provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, Secretarial Standards and Regulation 36(3) of SEBI (LODR) Regulation, 2015, in respect of Director seeking to be appointed:

Particulars	Director
Name of the Director	Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani
Brief Resume	Mr. Monil is Non-Executive Director. He joined the Board on 13th November, 2017. He has done Bachelor of Engineering and has 9 years of expertise in Information Technology, Software development Web Designing etc.
Qualification	Bachelor of Engineering
Expertise in specific functional areas and Experience	Expertise in Information Technology, Software development, Web Designing
Executive & Non -Executive Director	Non- Executive
Promoter Group	Yes
Directorship held in other Companies	None
Disclosure of relationships between directors inter-se	Son of Ashok Shivji Chothani – Chairman Brother of Mr. Neeraj Chothani – Managing Director Nephew of Mr. Sunil Chothani- Whole time Director
Committee positions held in other Companies	None
Name of the Listed Companies from which director resigned in past 3 years	None
No. of Equity Shares held in the Company as on 31.03.2022	625 Equity Shares
Skills and Capabilities required (Applicable to Independent Director)	NA
Manner in which the proposed director meets such requirement (Applicable to Independent Director)	NA



With reference to SS-2, for the easy convenience of recipients of notice, Route map to the venue of Annual General Meeting of the Company is as under





BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

To The Members CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

The directors take pleasure in presenting the 10th Annual report together with the Audited financial accounts for the Year ended 31st March, 2023.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The working results of the company for the year ended are as follows:

Particulars	Financial Y	Financial Year ended		
	31/03/2023 (in Lakh)	31/03/2022 (in Lakh)		
Total Revenue	821.03	731.27		
Total Expenses	803.31	715.66		
Profit Before Tax				
Income Tax (Current and prior year)	(4.41)	(3.63)		
Deferred Tax Liability	(0.46)	(2.06)		
Extra-ordinary Items	NIL	NIL		
Net Profit/(Loss) After Tax	12.85	9.92		

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

During the year, Total Revenue of the company increased to Rs. 821.03 as compared to previous year revenue which amounted to Rs. 731.27 Lakhs. The net profit from operations of your Company is Rs. 12.85 Lakhs as compared to Rs. 9.92 Lakhs in last financial year.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

The Authorized Share Capital of your Company as on 31st March, 2023, stood at **Rs. 5,50,00,000** (Indian Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakhs Only), comprising of 55,00,000 Equity Shares (Fifty Five Lakhs) of Rs. 10/-each.

As on 31st March, 2023, the issued, subscribed and paid up share capital of your Company stood at **Rs. 5,16,00,000.00** (Rupees Five Crore Sixteen Lakhs Only), comprising of 51,60,000 Equity Shares (Fifty One Lakhs Sixty Thousand) of Rs. 10/- each. During the year under review, the Company has not made any allotment of Shares / Securities.

On 22nd August, 2023 in the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting, the Company increased the authorised share capital from **Rs. 5,50,00,000** (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Lakhs Only), comprising of 55,00,000 Equity Shares (Fifty Five Lakhs) of Rs. 10/- each to Rs. 10,50,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Crores Fifty Lakhs Only) divided into 1,05,00,000 (One Crore Five Lakhs Only) Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- each.



The necessary amendments were made to the capital clause in the Memorandum of Association of the Company, to enable the increase in the Authorised Share Capital of the Company.

DIVIDEND

No divined is being recommended by the Directors for the year ending on 31st March, 2023. As the Board of Directors wants to plough back the profit in the business.

TRANSFER OF UNCLAIMED DIVIDEND TO INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND:

Since there was no Dividend declared and paid last year, the provisions of Section 125 of the Companies Act, 2013 does not apply. Your Company did not have any funds lying unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven years. Therefore, there were no funds which were required to be transferred to Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF).

DEPOSIT

During the year under review your company has not accepted any deposits from the public and therefore no information is required to be furnished in respect of outstanding deposits.

CHANGES IN NATURE OF BUSINESS

There is no significant change made in the nature of the company during the financial year.

NAME OF THE COMPANIES, WHICH HAVE BECOME OR CEASED TO BE SUBSIDIARIES, JOINT VENTURES OR ASSOCIATE COMPANIES

Not Applicable as the company has no subsidiaries, joint ventures or associate company.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM

The Company has established a well-defined process of risk management, wherein the identification, analysis and assessment of the various risks, measuring of the probable impact of such risks, formulation of risk mitigation strategy and implementation of the same takes place in a structured manner. Though the various risks associated with the business cannot be eliminated completely, all efforts are made to minimize the impact of such risks on the operations of the Company. The Company on various activities also puts necessary internal control systems in place across the board to ensure that business operations are directed towards attaining the stated organizational objectives with optimum utilization of the resources.

DEMATERIALIZATION OF SHARES

100% Shareholding of the Company is in dematerialized form and the Company has entered into Tripartite Agreement with NSDL and CDSL for providing demat facilities to its shareholders KFin Technologies Limited continue to be our Registrar and Share Transfer Agent.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

All related party transactions that were entered into during the financial year were on an arm's length basis and were in the ordinary course of business. Particulars of contract or arrangements with related parties is annexed herewith in Form AOC- 2 as "Annexure – A"



SIGNIFICANT AND MATERIAL ORDERS PASSED BY REGULATORS OR COURTS

There are no significant and material orders passed by the Regulators/Courts, which would impact the going concern status of the Company and its future operations.

DETAILS OF DIRECTORS OR KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL WHO WERE APPOINTED OR HAVE RESIGNED DURING THE YEAR

During the year, Mr. Ashok Chothani was liable to retire by rotation and was re-appointed in the 9th AGM. The Company has also received Disclosure of Interest by Directors as per the provisions of Section 184 of Companies Act, 2013.

Mr. Nikunj Chheda resigned as an Independent Director of the Company with effect from 19th April, 2022.

Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas was appointed as an Additional Director in the capacity of Independent Director of the Company with effect from 19th April, 2022.

STATEMENT ON DECLARATION GIVEN BY INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR(S) UNDER SECTION 149

The Board confirms that all the Independent Directors on the Board have given a declaration of their Independence to the Board as required under Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013.

PARTICULARS OF LOANS, GUARANTEES OR INVESTMENTS

The details of loans, guarantees, and investments as required by the provisions of Section 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules made thereunder form part of the Notes to the Financial Statements provided in this Annual Report.

TRANSFER TO RESERVES

The Company has transferred current year's profit of Rs. 12.85 Lakhs to the Reserve & Surplus and the same is in compliance with the applicable provisions prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013.

DIRECTORS AND KEY MANAGERIAL PERSONNEL

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani, Director (DIN: 07978664) of the company is liable to retire by rotation at the ensuring Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.

As of 31st March, 2023, your Company's Board of Directors ("Board") had Six Directors comprising of Three Executive Director and One Non-Executive Director, Two Independent Directors.

BOARD EVALUATION

In compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Board has carried out an annual performance evaluation of its own performance, the directors individually as well as the evaluation of the working of its Nomination & Remuneration Committee and Shareholder's Grievance Committee.

The Board reviewed the performance of the individual directors on the basis of the criteria such as the contribution in decision making, contribution of the individual director to the Board and committee meetings like preparedness on the issues to be discussed, meaningful and constructive suggestions and advice in meetings etc. In addition, the Chairman was also evaluated on the key aspects of his role.



In a separate meeting of independent directors, performance of non-independent directors, performance of Board as whole was evaluated, taking into account the views of executive and non-executive directors.

Performance evaluation of independent directors was done by the entire board, excluding the independent directors being evaluated.

MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A) Number of Board Meetings in the year

During the year 05 meetings of the Board of Director's were held. The intervening gap between the meetings was within the period prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013.

Sr. No.	Date on which board Meetings were held
1.	19 th April, 2022
2.	30 th May, 2022
3.	30 th August, 2022
4.	14 th November, 2022
5.	15 th February, 2022

B) Attendance of Directors at Board meetings held in the previous year are as follows:

Sr. No.	Name of Director	Category of Director	No. of Board Meeting attended	Attendance at the last AGM	No. of Committee which he/she is a Member/ Chair Person (as on 31.03.2023)
1	Neeraj Ashok Chothani (DIN: 06732169)	Managing Director (Executive)	5	Yes	Member in Two Committees
2	Ashok Shivji Chothani (DIN : 06732163)	Chairman & Director (Executive)	5	Yes	Not member in any committee
3	Sunil Shivji Chothani (DIN: 06732173)	Whole-time Director (Executive)	5	Yes	Not member in any committee
4	Monil Chothani (DIN: 07978664)	Director (Non-Executive, Non Independent Director)	5	Yes	Member in one Committees
5	Mansi Harsh Dave (DIN: 07663806)	Independent Director (Non-Executive)	5	Yes	Member in all three committees
6	Raviprakash Narayan Vyas (DIN : 07893486)	Independent Director (Non-Executive)	5	Yes	Chairman in all three Committees

COMMITTEES

There are three Committees constituted as per Companies Act, 2013. They are:

- A. Audit Committee
- B. Nomination & Remuneration Committee
- C. Stakeholders & Relationship Committee



A. Audit Committee

During the year, five (5) Audit Committee meetings were held on 19-04-2022, 30-05-2022, 30-08-2022, 14-11-2022 and 15-02-2023.

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Position in committee	No. of Meetings Attended
1	Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Independent Director	Chairperson	5
2	Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Independent Director	Member	5
3	Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Managing Director	Member	5

B. Nomination and Remuneration Committee

During the year Two (2) Nomination & Remuneration Committee meetings were held on 19-04-2022 and 30-08-2022.

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Position in committee	No. of Meetings Attended
1	Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Independent Director	Chairperson	2
2	Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Independent Director	Member	2
3	Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani	Non-Executive Director	Member	2

C. Stakeholders Relationship Committee

During the year Two (2) Stakeholders Relationship Committee meetings were held on 30-08-2022 and 15-02-2023.

Sr. No	Name	Designation	Position in committee	No. of Meetings Attended
1	Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas	Independent Director	Chairperson	2
2	Mrs. Mansi Harsh Dave	Independent Director	Member	2
3	Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Managing Director	Member	2

D. Independent Director Meeting:

The Company's Independent Directors meet at least once in every financial year without the presence of Executive Directors or management personnel. Such meetings are conducted informally to enable Independent Directors to discuss matters pertaining to the Company's affairs and put forth their views to the Lead Independent Director.

During the year under review, the independent directors met on 31.03.2023 inter alia, to discuss:

- 1. Evaluation of the performance of Non-independent Directors and the Board of Directors as a whole.
- 2. Evaluation of the performance of the chairman of the Company, taking into account the views of the Executive and Non-Executive directors.
- 3. Evaluation of the quality, content and timeliness of flow of information between the management and the board that is necessary for the board to effectively and reasonably perform its duties.

All Independent Directors have given declarations that they meet the criteria of independence as laid down under Section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013.



DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

- (i) To the best of their knowledge and belief and according to the information and explanation obtained by them, your Directors make the following statements in terms of the Section 134(3)(c) of the Companies Act, 2013.
- (ii) That in the preparation of the annual financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2023, the applicable accounting standards have been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures, if any;
- (iii) That such accounting policies, as mentioned in the Financial Statements as 'Significant Accounting Policies' have been selected and applied consistently and judgments and estimates have been made that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at March 31, 2023 and of the profit of the Company for the year ended on that date;
- (iv) That proper and sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- (v) That the annual financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis;
- (vi) That proper internal financial controls were in place and that the financial controls were adequate and were operating effectively;
- (vii) That proper system to ensure compliance with the provisions of all applicable laws was in place and was adequate and operating effectively.

MATERIAL CHANGES AND COMMITMENTS AFFECTING THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY WHICH HAVE OCCURRED BETWEEN THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR OF THE COMPANY TO WHICH THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS RELATE AND THE DATE OF THE REPORT

The Authorised Capital of the Company increased from existing Rs. 5,50,00,000/- (Rupees Five Crores Fifty Lakhs only) divided into 55,00,000 (Fifty Five Lakhs Only) Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- each to Rs. 10,50,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Crores Fifty Lakhs Only) divided into 1,05,00,000 (One Crore Five Lakhs Only) Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- each, by creation of additional 50,00,000 (Fifty Lakhs Only) Equity Shares of Rs. 10/- each.

In the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 22nd August, 2023, the Company issued 50,00,000 Fully Convertible Warrants, each carrying a right to subscribe to one Equity Share at an exercise price of `15.65/- per Equity Share on a preferential basis ("Preferential Allotment") to Promoter and Non-promoters in one or more tranches within a maximum period of 18 (eighteen) months from the date of allotment of Warrants.

PREFERENTIAL ISSUE

Pursuant to the approval of the Board at its meeting held on 31st July, 2023 and approval of the members of the Company at their Extra-Ordinary General Meeting ('EGM') held on 22nd August 2023, the Company issued 50,00,000 (Fifty Lakhs) Fully Convertible Warrants ("Warrants") on preferential basis to the Promoter/Promoter Group of the Company and certain identified non-promoter persons/entity, each convertible into, or exchangeable for, at an option of the Proposed Warrant Allottee, in one or more tranches, one Equity Share of face value of Rs. 10/- each at a price (including the Warrant Subscription Price and the Warrant Exercise Price) of Rs. 15.57/- (Rupees Fifteen and Fifty Seven Paise only) ("Preferential Allotment Price") each



CONSERVATION OF ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY ABSORPTION, FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNING AND OUTGO

(A) Conservation of Energy:

(i)	the steps taken or impact on conservation of energy;	The Company is taking due care for using electricity in the office, godown and Processing Unit. The Company usually takes care for optimum utilization of energy. No capital investment on energy conservation equipment made during the financial year.
(ii)	the steps taken by the company for utilizing alternate	No Alternate source utilized during the
	source of energy;	year.
(iii)	the capital investment on energy conservation	There is no capital investment made by
	equipment	the company on energy conservation
		equipment

(B) Technology Absorption:

(i)	the efforts made towards technology absorption;	NIL
(ii)	the benefits derived like product improvement, cost	NIL
	reduction, product development or import substitution;	
(iii)	in case of imported technology (imported during the	NIL
	last three years reckoned from the beginning of the	
	financial year)-	
	(a) the details of technology imported;	
	(b) the year of import;	
	(c) whether the technology been fully absorbed;	
	(d) if not fully absorbed, areas where absorption has not	
	taken place, and the reasons thereof; and	
(iv)	1	NIL
	Development during the year 2022-23.	

(C) Foreign Exchange Earnings and Outgo:

(i)	The Foreign Exchange earning in terms of actual	NIL
	inflows	
(ii)	The Foreign Exchange outgo during the year in terms	NIL
	of actual outflows	

ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

The Company has prepared the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March, 2023 as per Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with rule 7 of Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014.

EXPLANATION/COMMENTS BY THE BOARD ON QUALIFICATION, RESERVATION OR ADVERSE REMARK OR DISCLAIMER MADE IN AUDITORS' REPORT AND SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT

There are no qualifications, reservations, adverse remarks, disclaimers or any fraud reported by the Statutory Auditors in their report on Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2022-23. There are no qualifications, reservations, adverse remarks and disclaimers of the Secretarial Auditors in the Secretarial Audit Report for the Financial Year 2022-23.



DETAILS IN RESPECT OF FRAUDS REPORTED BY AUDITORS UNDER SUB-SECTION (12) OF SECTION 143 OTHER THAN THOSE WHICH ARE REPORTABLE TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

There were no frauds found which have been reported to the Audit Committee/ Board members as well as to the Central Government. Further, there was no fraud reported by auditors under section 143(12) of the Companies Act, 2013.

DISCLOSURE ABOUT CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

In line with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the rules framed there under with respect to the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), your company is not governed by the provisions of Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014. So, the Company is not required to formulate a policy on CSR and also has not constituted a CSR Committee.

EXTRACT OF ANNUAL RETURN

Pursuant to Section 92(3) of the Act read with Section 134(3)(a) of the Act, the Annual Return as on March 31, 2023 is available on the website of the Company at <u>www.chothanifoodslimited.com</u>

AUDITORS

(I) Statutory Auditors

M/s. A Y & Company, Chartered Accountants (Firm Registration No. 020829C) were appointed as the Statutory Auditors for a period of 5 years from the conclusion of the 9th Annual General Meeting till the conclusion of 14th Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The Notes to the financial statements referred in the Auditors' Report are self-explanatory. The Auditors' Report is enclosed with the financial statements forming part of this Annual Report.

M/s. A Y & Company have confirmed their eligibility and qualification required under Section 139, 141 and applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules issued there under (including any statutory modification (s) or re-enactment (s) thereof for the time being in force).

(II) Secretarial Auditors

In terms of Section 204 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules made there under, M/s K Pratik & Associates, Practicing Company Secretary, have been appointed as a Secretarial Auditors of the Company. The Secretarial Audit report of the Secretarial Auditor is enclosed as "**Annexure-B** to this Report"

COST RECORDS AND AUDIT

The provisions relating to maintaining of cost record and to conduct cost audit are not applicable to the Company.

DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYEES REMUNERATION

The provisions of Rule 5(2) & (3) of the Companies (Appointment & Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014 requiring particulars of the employees in receipt of remuneration in excess of Rs. 60 Lacs per year to be disclosed in the Report of Board of Directors are not applicable to the Company as none of the employees was in receipt of remuneration in excess of Rs. 60 Lacs during the financial year 2022-23.

Appointment & Remuneration of Managerial Personnel is annexed herewith as "Annexure -C".



MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Management Discussion and Analysis Report for the financial year under review is annexed as a part of this Annual Report as "**Annexure- D**."

ADEQUACY OF INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROLS

Your Company has an effective internal financial control and risk-mitigation system, which are constantly assessed and strengthened with new/revised standard operating procedures which also covers adherence to the Company's Policies for safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of accounting records and timely preparation of reliable financial disclosures. The Company's internal financial control system is commensurate with its size, scale and complexities of its operations.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company being listed on the Small and Medium Enterprise Platform is exempted from provisions of corporate governance as per Regulation 15 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015. Hence no corporate governance report is disclosed in this Annual Report.

VIGIL MECHANISM/WHISTLE BLOWER POLICY

In pursuance of the provisions of Section 177(9) & (10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 22 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, a Vigil Mechanism for directors and employees to report genuine concerns has been established. The Policy on vigil mechanism i.e. whistle blower policy may be accessed on the Company's website.

The policy provides for a framework and process, for the employees and directors to report genuine concerns or grievances about leakage of unpublished price sensitive information (UPSI), illegal and unethical behavior to the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

There was no case filled during the year, under the sexual harassment of women at workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013. Further Company ensures that there is a healthy and safe atmosphere for every women employee at the workplace and made the necessary policies for safe and secure environment for women employee.

GENERAL

Your Directors state that no disclosure or reporting is required in respect of the following items as there were no transactions on these items during the year under review:

- 1. Issue of equity shares with differential rights as to dividend, voting or otherwise.
- 2. Issue of shares (including sweat equity shares) to employees of the Company under any scheme.
- 3. The Company has complied with Secretarial Standards issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India on Board and General Meetings.
- 4. There is no proceeding pending under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.



5. The requirement to disclose the details of difference between amount of the valuation done at the time of onetime settlement and the valuation done while taking loan from the Banks or Financial Institutions along with the reasons thereof is not applicable.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Your Directors place on record their deep appreciation to employees at all levels for their hard work, dedication and commitment. The Board places on record its appreciation for the support and cooperation your company has been receiving from its Suppliers, Retailers, and Dealers & Distributors and other associated with the Company. The Directors also take this opportunity to thank all Investors, Clients, Vendors, Banks, Government & Regulatory Authorities and Stock Exchange for their continued support.

Date: 4th September, 2023 Place: Mumbai For Chothani Foods Limited

Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169) Sd/-Sunil Chothani Whole-time Director (DIN: 06732173)



ANNEXURE TO DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

ANNEXURE A

FORM AOC-2

(Pursuant to clause (h) of sub-section (3) of section 134 of the Act and Rule 8(2) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014)

Form for disclosure of particulars of contracts/arrangements entered into by the company with related parties referred to in sub-section (1) of section 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 including certain arm's length transactions under third proviso thereto

Details of contracts or arrangements or transactions not at arm's length basis

1	1 Name(s) of the related party and nature of relationship	
2	2 Nature of contracts/arrangements/transactions	
3	Nature of contracts/arrangements/transactions	Nil
4	Salient terms of the contracts or arrangements or transactions including thevalue, if any-	Nil
5	5 Justification for entering into such contracts or arrangements or transactions	
6	Date(s) of approval by the Board	Nil
7	Amount paid as advances, if any	Nil
8	Date on which the special resolution was passed in general meeting as required under first Proviso to section	Nil

Details of material contracts or arrangement or transactions at arm's length basis:

- (a) Name(s) of the related party and nature of relationship: N.A.
- (b) Nature of contracts/arrangements/transactions: N.A.
- (c) Duration of the contracts / arrangements/transactions: Nil
- (d) Salient terms of the contracts or arrangements or transactions including the value, if any N.A.
- (e) Date(s) of approval by the Board (if any): N.A.
- (f) Amount paid as advances, if any: Nil
- (g) Date on which the special resolution was passed in general meeting (if any): NA

Date: 4th September, 2023 Place: Mumbai

For Chothani Foods Limited

Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169) Sd/-Sunil Chothani Whole-time Director (DIN: 06732173)



ANNEXURE- B FORM NO. MR- 3

SECRETARIAL AUDIT REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED ON 31ST MARCH, 2023

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

To, The Members, **CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED** (Formerly known as "**ASHOK MASALA MART LIMITED**") OFFICE NO. 408, B WING, DHAMJI SHAMJI CORPORATE SQUARE, LAXMI NAGAR, GHATKOPAR EAST, MUMBAI – 400075.

We have conducted the secretarial audit of the compliance of applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **M/s. CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED.** Secretarial Audit was conducted in a manner that provided us a reasonable basis for evaluating the corporate conducts/statutory compliances and expressing our opinion thereon.

Based on our verification of the Company 's books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the Company and also information provided by the Company, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of secretarial audit, We hereby report that in our opinion, the company has during the audit period covering the financial year ended on 31st March, 2023 complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the Company has proper Board-processes and compliance- mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

We have examined the books, papers, minute books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by **M/s.** CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED for the financial year ended on 31st March, 2023 according to the provisions of:

- (i) The Companies Act, 2013 (the Act) and the rules made thereunder:
- (ii) The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ('SCRA) and the rules made thereunder;
- (iii) The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye-laws framed thereunder;
- (iv) The Regulations and Guidelines prescribed under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ('SEBI Act') viz.:
 - a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
 - b) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 1992;
 - c) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2009;
 - d) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Debt Securities) Regulations.
 2008;



- e) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents) Regulations, 1993 regarding the Companies Act and dealing with client;
- f) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

further report that, having regard to the compliance system prevailing in the Company and on examination of the relevant documents and records in pursuance thereof on test-check basis, the Company has complied with the following laws applicable specifically to the Company:

- i. Factories Act, 1948;
- ii. Industrial Disputes Act, 1747;
- iii. Payment of Wages Act, 1936;
- iv. The Minimum Wages Act, 1948;
- v. The Maternity Benefit Act, 1961;
- vi. The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986;
- vii. The Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, 1946;
- viii. The Employees' Compensation Act, 1923 (earlier known as Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923);
- ix. Equal Remuneration Act, 1976;
- x. The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986;
- xi. The Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986;
- xii. The Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling And Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008;
- xiii. The Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974;
- xiv. Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Rules, 1975;
- xv. The Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981;
- xvi. The Air (Prevention & Control Of Pollution) Rules, 1982;
- xvii. Sale of Goods Act, 1930;
- xviii. Income Tax Act, 1961;
- xix. Central Excise Act, 1944;
- xx. Central Excise Rules, 2002;
- xxi. Central Sales Act, 1956;
- xxii. Service Tax Rules, 1994;
- xxiii. The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013;
- xxiv. Customs Act, 1962;
- xxv. Wealth Tax Act, 1957.

The management of the Company has informed us that other than the Acts as mentioned above, there is no industry specific law which is applicable to the Company.

We have also examined compliance with the applicable clauses of the following:

(i) Secretarial Standards issued by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India.



During the year under report, the Company has complied with the provisions of the Act, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Standards, etc. as mentioned above.

We further report that,

The Board of Directors of the Company is not duly constituted with proper balance of Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors. The changes in the composition of the Board of Directors that took place during the period under review were carried out in compliance with the provisions of the Act.

Adequate notice is given to all Directors to schedule the Board Meetings, agenda and detailed notes on agenda were sent at least seven days in advance and a system exists for seeking and obtaining further information and clarifications on the agenda items before the meeting and for meaningful participation at the meeting.

Majority decision is carried through while the dissenting members' views are captured and recorded as part of the minutes.

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

I further report that during the audit period:

- Mr. Raviprakash Narayan Vyas, was appointed as an Independent Director for initial term of five (5) consecutive years with effect from 19th April, 2022 to 18th April, 2027 in the Board Meeting dated 19th April, 2022;
- Mr. Nikunj Vasantlal Chheda, had tendered his resignation on 19th April, 2022 and the Board of Directors, in their meeting dated 19th April, 2022 accepted his resignation with effect from the said Board Meeting.

For **K PRATIK & ASSOCIATES** Practising Company Secretary

Date: 29/08/2023

Place: Mumbai

CS PRATIK HARSHAD KALSARIYA Proprietor Membership No. A33502 COP No.: 12368 *UDIN: A033502E000885551 Peer Review No. 1953/2022

Note: This report is to be read with our letter of even date which is annexed as 'ANNEXURE A' and forms an integral part of this report.

* Note: Unique Document Identification Number (UDIN) is generated for this certificate and same is reported to the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and the UDIN is issued in accordance with the applicable provisions of the ICSI Unique Document Identification Number (UDIN) Guidelines, 2019.



"ANNEXURE - A"

To, The Members, **CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED** (Formerly known as "**ASHOK MASALA MART LIMITED**") OFFICE NO. 408, B WING, DHAMJI SHAMJI CORPORATE SQUARE, LAXMI NAGAR, GHATKOPAR EAST, MUMBAI - 400075.

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

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

For K PRATIK & ASSOCIATES

Practising Company Secretary

Date: 29/08/2022 Place: Mumbai

CS PRATIK HARSHAD KALSARIYA

Proprietor Membership No. A33502 COP No.: 12368 *UDIN: A033502E000885551 Peer Review No. 1953/2022



ANNEXURE C

DETAILS OF REMUNERATION

Details pertaining to remuneration as required under Section 197(12) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 5(1) of Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014

(i) The ratio of the remuneration of each director to the median employee's remuneration for the financial year and such other details as prescribed is as given below:

Name of the Directors	0	(in Lakhs)	Ration of remuneration of director to the median remuneration
Executive Director			
Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Managing Director	4.20	21:1
Mr. Sunil Shivji Chothani	Whole-time Director	4.20	21:1
Mr. Ashok Shivji Chothani	Executive Director	4.20	21:1
Non- Executive Director			
Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani	Director	NA	NA
Ms. Mansi Harsh Dave	Independent Director	NA	NA
Mr. Nikunj Vasantlal Chheda	Independent Director	NA	NA

Notes:

- i. The aforesaid details are calculated on the basis of remuneration for the financial year 2022-23.
- ii. The remuneration to Directors does not include sitting fees paid to them for the financial year 2022-23.
- iii. Median remuneration of all its employees is Rs 20,000/- for the financial year 2022-23.
- (ii) The percentage increase in remuneration of each director, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Executive Officer, if any, in the financial year:

Name of the Directors, Chief Financial	Designation	% increase in remuneration in
Officer, Chief Executive, Company Secretary		the financial year
Mr. Neeraj Ashok Chothani	Managing Director	NIL
Mr. Sunil Shivji Chothani	Whole-time Director	NIL
Mr. Ashok Shivji Chothani	Executive Director	NIL
Ms. Khushboo Nikhil Desai	Company Secretary	NIL

- (iii) The percentage increase / (decrease) in the median remuneration of employees in the financial year: In the Financial Year, there was no change in the median remuneration of employees.
- (iv) The number of permanent employees in the Company as on 31st March, 2023: There are 9 (Nine) permanent employees on the rolls of the Company as on March 31, 2023.
- (v) The explanation on the relationship between average increase in director's remuneration and Company performance: The Company's PAT has increased from Rs. 9.92 Lakhs to Rs. 12.85 Lakhs showing increase of 29.54% against which Remuneration has remained unchanged as compared to last year. Directors has withdrawn lesser remuneration as against statutory limits and authorized by shareholders of Company.
- (vi) Comparison of the remuneration of the Key Managerial Personnel (KMP) against the performance of the Company: The Company's PAT has increased from Rs. 9.92 Lakhs to Rs. 12.85 Lakhs showing increase of 29.54% against which Remuneration has remained unchanged as compared to last year.



(vii) Variations in the market capitalization of the Company, price earnings ratio as at the closing date of the current financial year and previous financial year and percentage increase or decrease in the market quotations of the shares of the Company in comparison to the rate at which the Company came out with the last public offer.

Closing of Financial Year	Issued Capital (Shares)	Closing Market price per share		PE Ratio	Market Capitalization (Rs. Lakhs)
31.03.2021	51,60,000	3.85*	0.17	22.65	198.66*
31.03.2022	51,60,000	11.86*	0.19	62.42	611.98*
31.03.2023	51,60,000	16.50*	0.25	66.00	851.40*

*Note: If the trading has not occurred on particular day, Price of preceding trading day has been considered.

- (viii) Average percentile increase already made in the salaries of employees other than the managerial personnel in the last financial year and its comparison with the percentile increase in the managerial remuneration and justification thereof and any exceptional circumstances for increase in the managerial remuneration: The average percentage increase already made in the salary of the employees other than managerial personnel in the last financial year i.e. 2022-23 is marginal whereas Remuneration of key managerial personnel remained unchanged.
- (ix) Affirmation that the remuneration is as per the remuneration policy of the Company: The Company affirms remuneration is as per the remuneration policy of the Company.

Date: 4th September, 2023 Place: Mumbai

For Chothani Foods Limited

Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169) Sd/-Sunil Chothani Whole-time Director (DIN: 06732173)



ANNEXURE- D

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS REPORT

Management Discussion and Analysis is given in a separate section forming part of the Director's Report in this Annual Report.

1. Industry Structure & Development:

India is known for its varied culture and abundant heritage, and also one of the key elements that specify the nation's culture is its food. The substantial use spices in cooking are just one of the specifying features of Indian food, making it special and tasty. India is among the biggest producers as well as exporters of flavors worldwide, with a rich history of flavor trading dating back to old times. The country is blessed with an exotic climate and fertile soil that makes it perfect for the cultivation of a variety of flavors.

India produces about 75 of the 109 varieties listed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The most produced and exported spices are pepper, cardamom, chili, ginger, turmeric, coriander, cumin, celery, fennel, fenugreek, garlic, nutmeg & mace, curry powder, spice oils, and oleoresins. Out of these spices, chili, cumin, turmeric, ginger, and coriander makeup about 76% of the total production.

The Indian spices market is a quickly growing market, driven by a number of aspects such as enhancing need for seasonings in residential and also global markets, the development of the food as well as beverage sector, and also transforming customer choices. The market is extremely fragmented, with a large number of gamers operating out there, as well as is anticipated to expand at a CAGR of greater than 7% during the projection duration (2020-2025). The growth of the export market for Indian seasonings is likewise significant as well as is expected to proceed in the coming years.

The Indian spice processing industry have bright future as agro processing units because India may be a big spice basket for majority of countries in the world as India is the largest producer and processor of spices. India has been the largest producer of spices for many years. India accounts for more than one-third of global production with more than 75 varieties of spices, including cardamom, chilli, coriander, cumin, turmeric, ginger, garlic, fenugreek, mustard, and pepper.

We are engaged into manufacturing and supplying of blended spices, whole spices and grinded spices. We have been supplying the traditional and delectable range of spices. We are committed to manufacture and supply different types of spices, meeting highest quality standards in line with customer requirements.

We have two brands "**APPU MASALA**" & "**GAYATRI MASALA**" with more than 30 types of Spices and Masalas including instant mix range such as Pav Bhaji Masala, Chaat Masala, Tea Masala, Garam Masala, Sambhar Masala, Punjabi Chole Masala, Biryani / Pulav Masala, Kitchen King Masala and various Powders like Red Chilli Powder, Jeera Powder, White Pepper Powder, Turmeric Powder. We are positioned as professional and built a reliable reputation within Maharashtra's spices arena.

2. **Opportunities and Threats**

Opportunities

The Indian kitchen spice market provides numerous manufacturing opportunities. The growing popularity of Indian cuisine around the world, as well as a shift in consumer preferences towards branded, organic, and natural products are driving up demand for spices.



Spice processing, blending and packaging, organic spice production, spice oil extraction, spice export, and spice trading are all manufacturing opportunities in the Indian kitchen spices market. The investment required for each of these opportunities is determined by the size of the operation and the profitability is determined by factors such as the cost of raw materials, machinery, labour, transportation, and product demand.

In addition to the manufacturing sector, there are many opportunities in spice retailing, distribution, and e-commerce. As more people shop online, e-commerce platforms provide an excellent opportunity to reach a larger consumer and grow their business.

The Company has already tie up with Reliance Retail Limited (Jio) to sale its products online. We as a Company constantly puts an effort to on product quality, pricing, marketing, and distribution and we concentrate on developing a solid business plan, investing in quality control and research and forming strong partnerships with suppliers, retailers, and distributors.

Threats

The spice market is becoming a more diverse and complex industry. Consumer demand for spices is growing in different parts of the world, but there are also many challenges associated with this expanding market.

The price of spices has been on the rise in recent years, as production has outpaced demand. This has put pressure on small producers who cannot afford to increase prices. On the supply side, there are also concerns about sustainability due to climate change and increasing plant disease. Climate change may also impact yields, making it difficult for farmers to replant crops after a devastating drought or frost event.

There are specific difficulties that the Indian flavors market is facing, such as the presence of lowquality and adulterated spices in the marketplace, lack of standardization and also quality control in the market, and high rates of natural flavors.

Another challenge that countries face when it comes to spice production is logistics. Many manufacturers do not have enough warehouses or storage facilities to store all of the spices that are being produced. This creates problems when it comes to transporting these spices from the producers to the markets which makes it difficult for spices to reach the markets.

One way to overcome some of these challenges is to develop standardized protocols for the procurement, storage, and distribution of spices. Additionally, efforts must be made to ensure that spices are available at an affordable price. Greater awareness among consumers about the various benefits of using spices could also help increase their popularity.

3. Future Outlook

The latest report by IMARC Group, titled "**India Spices Market**: **Global Industry Trends**, **Share**, **Size**, **Growth**, **Opportunity and Forecast 2023-2028**", the India spices market size reached INR 160,676 Crores in 2022. Looking forward, IMARC Group expects the market to reach INR 298,909 Crores by 2028, exhibiting a growth rate (CAGR) of 10.8% during 2023-2028

The Company plans continuous expansion of its product portfolio and provide differentiated offerings with the objective to capitalize on the emerging trends and strengthen its position in the market.

Your Company will adapt, innovate and collaborate with established and emerging e-commerce players to stay ahead in further evolution of this channel and increase share of online sales and make its brands available across various e-commerce channels thereby appealing to consumers' need for convenience.



4. Segment Wise Performance

The Company is engaged in manufacturing of masala and spices. The turnover of the Company for the year ended 31st March, 2023 is Rs. 820.20 Lakhs.

5. Risk & Concern

The Company continuously works towards de-risking its business by adopting preventive measures. However, there are certain potential risks being more industry oriented and the management strongly feels the same could be mitigated by having systematic decisions and measures. These Industry Oriented risks are as listed below:

Procurement Risk: Adequate availability of key raw materials at the right prices is crucial for the Company. The major raw material being agro based, availability of same depends on the vagaries of nature. Therefore, any disruption in the supply due to a natural or other calamity or violent changes in the cost structure could adversely affect the Company's ability to reach its consumers with the right value proposition. However, the Company is adopting best possible measures to ensure constant supply at right prices.

Intense competition from unorganized sector: One of the characteristics of this industry is the presence of unorganized sector offering products in loose unbranded form which intensifies competition. The Company has invested significantly in building strong brands which helps differentiate its products.

Credit Risk: The Company has the capability of producing spices and spices products ware to suit the budget and tastes of customers and hence is optimistic of growth in domestic market. It also enjoys customer loyalty.

6. Internal Control System and their Adequacy

The Company's well defined organization structure, documented policy guidelines, predefined authority levels, and an extensive system of internal controls ensure optimal utilisation and protection of resources, accurate reporting of financial transactions and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The Company's internal auditors review business processes and controls. The Audit Committee of the Board then discusses significant findings and corrective measures initiated.

7. Financial performance and Operational Performance

The company has achieved a total income of `821.03 Lakhs and net profit is at `12.85 Lakhs during the year ended 31st March, 2023 as compared to `731.26 Lakhs and net profit is at `9.92 Lakhs respectively for the last financial year.

8. Human Resources/ Industrial Relations:

Your Company considers its intellectual capital as its most valuable asset. Personnel policies of the Company are designated to ensure fairness to and growth of all individuals in the organization and aim to provide a challenging work environment. The Industrial Relations was harmonious cordial during the year under review.



CAUTIONARY STATEMENT:

Statement made in this report in describing the company's objectives, estimates and expectations are "Forward looking Statement" within the meaning of applicable laws and regulations. They are based on certain assumptions and expectations of future events but the company, however, cannot guarantee that these assumptions are accurate or will be materialized by the company. Actual results may vary from those expressed or implied, depending upon the economic conditions, Government policies and/ or other related factors.



CEO/CFO CERTIFICATION

To,

The Board of Directors Chothani Foods Limited

I, Neeraj Chothani, the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the Company do here by certify to the Board that:

- 1. We have reviewed financial statements and the cash flow statement for the year ending 31st March, 2023 and that to the best of their knowledge and belief:
- (i) These statements do not contain any materially untrue statement or omit any material factor contain statements that might be misleading;
- (ii) These statements together present a true and fair view of the company's affairs and are in compliance with existing accounting standards, applicable laws and regulations.
- 2. There are, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no transactions entered into by the company during the year which are fraudulent, illegal or violative of the company's code of conduct.
- 3. We accept responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal controls for financial reporting and that we have evaluated the effectiveness of internal control systems of the company pertaining to financial reporting and we have disclosed to the auditors and the Audit Committee, deficiencies in the design or operation of such internal controls, if any, of which we are aware and the steps we have taken or propose to take to rectify these deficiencies.
- 4. We have indicated to the auditors and the Audit committee:
- (i) Significant changes in internal control over financial reporting during the year;
- (ii) Significant changes in accounting policies during the year and that the same have been disclosed in the notes to the financial statements; and
- (iii) Instances of significant fraud of which we have become aware and the involvement therein, if any, of the management or an employee having a significant role in the company's internal control system over financial reporting;

Date: 4th September, 2023 Place: Mumbai

For Chothani Foods Limited Sd/-Neeraj Chothani Managing Director (DIN: 06732169)



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

TO THE MEMBERS OF CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

OPINION

We have audited the accompanying Financial Statements of **CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED** ("the Company"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2023, the Statement of Profit and Loss for the year ended on March 31, 2023, the Statement Cash flow statement for the year ended & and a summary of 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, the aforesaid Financial Statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act & other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2023, its Profit/(loss) and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit of the Financial Statements in accordance with the standards on Auditing specified under section 143(10) of the Act (SAs). Our responsibilities under those standards 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 (ICAI) together with the independence requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provision of the Act, and the Rules made thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ICAI's 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.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

We have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

S.No.	Key Audit Matter		
1.	Assessment of Trade Receivables:		
	The company has trade receivables amounting to Rs. 648.38 Lakhs (i.e. 50.66% of total assets) at		
	the Balance Sheet Date March 31, 2023.		
	The increasing challenges over the economy and operating environment in the Trading & manufacturing industry during the year have increased the risks of default on receivables from the company's customers. In particular, in the event of insolvency of customers, the company is exposed to potential risk of financial loss when the customers fail to meet their contractual obligations in accordance with the requirements of the agreements.		



Based on historical default rates and overall credit worthiness of customers, management believes that no impairment allowance is required in respect of outstanding trade receivables as on March 31, 2023.

For the purpose of impairment assessment, significant judgements and assumptions, including the credit risks of customers, the timing and amount of realisation of these receivables, are required for the identification of impairment events and the determination of the impairment charge.

Auditor Response to key Audit Matter:

Principal Audit Procedures:

We have performed the following procedures in relation to the recoverability of trade receivables:

- Tested the accuracy of aging of trade receivables at year end on a sample basis;
- Obtained a list of outstanding receivables and assessed the recoverability of the unsettled receivables on a sample basis through our evaluation of management's assessment with reference to the credit profile of the customers, historical payment pattern of customers, publicly available information and latest correspondence with customers
- Tested subsequent settlement of trade receivables after the balance sheet date on sample basis.

Conclusion:

We found the key judgement and assumptions used by management in the recoverability assessment of trade receivables to be supportable based on the available evidence.

INFORMATION OTHER THAN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT THEREON.

The company's board is responsible for the preparation of the other information. The other information comprises the information included Management Discussion and Analysis, Board's Report including Annexures to Board's Report, Business Responsibility Report but does not include the Financial Statements and our Auditor's report thereon.

Our 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 during the course of our 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. We have nothing to report in this regard.

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in Section 134(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") with respect to the preparation of these Financial Statements to give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance, & cash flows of the Company in accordance with accounting standard & accounting principles generally accepted in India. 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 the 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, management is 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 management either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The board of directors are responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE AUDIT OF 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 decision of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatements 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 financial controls 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 system 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 made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of 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.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.



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.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- 1. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, based on our audit 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) 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 & Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account;
- d) In our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the accounting standards specified under Section 133 of the Act, read with Rule 7 of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014;
- e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on March 31, 2023, taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on March 31, 2023, from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act;
- f) With respect to the adequacy of internal financial control over financial reporting of the company & the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate report in Annexure "A". Our report expresses an unmodified opinion on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of the company's internal financial controls over financial reporting.
- g) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the requirements of section 197(16) of the Act, as amended:

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the remuneration paid by the Company to its directors during the year is in accordance with the provisions of section 197 of the Act.

- With respect to other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanation given to us:
 - (i) The Company has disclosed the impact of pending litigations on its financial position in its financial statements.





- (ii) The Company has made provision, as at March 31, 2023 as required under the applicable law or accounting standards, for material foreseeable losses, if any, on long-term contracts including derivative contracts.
- (iii) The Company is not liable to transfer any amounts, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund during the year ended March 31, 2023.
- (iv) a) The Management has represented that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person or entity, including foreign entity ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, whether, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;

(b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Company from any person or entity, including foreign entity ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, whether, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;

- (v) The company has not declared and paid any dividend during the year 2022-23
- (vi) Provision to Rule 3(1) of the companies (Accounts) Rule, 2014 for maintaining books of account using accounting software which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility is applicable to the company with effect from April 01, 2023, and accordingly, reporting under Rule 11(g) of Companies (Audit & Auditors) Rules, 2014 is not applicable for the financial year ended March 31, 2023.
- 2. As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 (the "Order") issued by the Central Government in terms of Section 143(11) of the Act, we give in "Annexure B" a statement on the matters specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Order.

For A Y & Company Chartered Accountants FRN: 020829C

Sd/-

Arpit Gupta Partner M.NO. : 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Place : Mumbai Date : 30.05.2023



ANNEXURE "A" TO THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the Internal Financial Control under clause (i) of sub section 3 of Section 143 of companies Act , 2013 ('The Act')

We have audited the internal financial control over financial reporting of Chothani Foods Limited ('the company') as of 31st March, 2023 in conjunction with our audit of the financial statement of the company for the year ended on that date.

Management Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Control over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls over financial reporting based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting (the "Guidance Note") issued by ICAI and the standards on auditing prescribed under section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls. 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 over financial reporting was established and maintained and if 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 system over financial reporting and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls over financial reporting, 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 system over financial reporting.

Meaning of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting

A company's internal financial control over financial reporting 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 control over financial reporting includes 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 authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized 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 over Financial Reporting

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls over financial reporting, 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 over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control over financial reporting may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and such internal financial controls over financial reporting were operating effectively as at March 31, 2023, based on the internal control over financial reporting criteria established by the company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Control Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

For A Y & Company Chartered Accountants FRN : 020829C

Sd/-

Arpit Gupta Partner M.NO. : 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Place : Mumbai Date : 30.05.2023



ANNEXURE "B" TO THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Referred to in Paragraph 2 Under "Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements" of Our Report to the member of Chothani Foods Limited of Even Date

To the best of our information and according to the explanations provided to us by the Company and the books of account and records examined by us in the normal course of audit, we state that:

- 1) In respect of the Company's Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets:
 - a) (A) The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of fixed assets;
 - (B) The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars of intangible assets.
 - (b) The Company has a program of physical verification of Property, Plant and Equipment so to cover all the assets once every three years which, in our opinion, is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets. Pursuant to the program, certain Property, Plant and Equipment were due for verification during the year and were physically verified by the Management during the year. According to the information and explanations given to us, no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
 - (c) The title deeds of immovable properties are held in the name of the company.
 - (d) The company has not revalued its Property, Plant & Equipment (including Right of use assets) or intangible assets during the year
 - (e) No proceeding have been initiated or are pending against the company as at March 31, 2023 for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 (45 of 1988) and rules made thereunder.
- 2) (a) The inventories, except goods-in-transit and stocks lying with third parties, have been physically verified by the management during the year. In our opinion and based on information and explanations given to us, the coverage and procedure of such verification by the management is appropriate having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its operations. No discrepancies of 10% or more in the aggregate for each class of inventories were noticed on such physical verification of inventories.
 - b) The Company has not been sanctioned working capital limits in excess of ₹ 5 crore, in aggregate, at any points of time during the year, from banks or financial institutions on the basis of security of current assets and hence reporting under clause 3(ii)(b) of the Order is not applicable.
- 3) In our opinion the investments made by the company are prima facie, not prejudicial to the interest of the company. Further the company has not, provided any guarantee or security, granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans , secured or unsecured to companies, firms, LLP or other parties covered in register maintained under section 189 of the companies act 2013. Hence the question of reporting such loans are not prejudicial to the company's interest or whether the receipt of the principal amount and interest are regular and whether reasonable steps for recovery of overdues of such loan are taken, does not arise.



- 4) In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the company has complied with the provisions of section 185 and 186 of the Companies Act, 2013 in respect of loans, investments, guarantees, and security.
- 5) The Company has not accepted any deposit or amounts which are deemed to be deposits. Hence, reporting under clause 3(v) of the Order is not applicable.
- 6) As informed to us, the maintenance of Cost Records has not been specified by the Central Government under sub-section (1) of section 148 of the Companies Act, 2013 for the business activities carried out by the Company. Hence, reporting under clause (vi) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.
- 7) (a) According to information and explanations given to us and on the basis of our examination of the books of account, and records, the Company has been regular in depositing undisputed statutory dues including Provident Fund, Employees State Insurance, Income-Tax, Goods & Service Tax, Duty of Customs, Cess and any other statutory dues with the appropriate authorities and no statutory dues were outstanding as at 31st March, 2023 for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable except as followings:
 - b) According to the information and explanation given to us, there are no dues of income tax, Goods & service tax & duty of customs outstanding on account of any dispute.
- 8) There were no transactions relating to previously unrecorded income that have been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
- 9)
- a) In our opinion, the Company has not defaulted in the repayment of loans or other borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender during the year.
- b) The Company has not been declared wilful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or government or any government authority.
- c) The Company has not taken any term loan during the year and there are no outstanding term loans at the beginning of the year and hence, reporting under clause 3(ix)(c) of the Order is not applicable.
- d) On an overall examination of the financial statements of the Company, funds raised on shortterm basis have, prima facie, not been used during the year for long-term purposes by the Company.
- e) On an overall examination of the financial statements of the Company, the Company has not taken any funds from any entity or person on account of or to meet the obligations of its subsidiaries.
- f) The Company has not raised any loans during the year and hence reporting on clause 3(ix)(f) of the Order is not applicable.
- 10) a) The Company has not raised any money by way of initial public offer (including debt instruments) during the year and hence reporting under clause 3(x)(a) of the Order is not applicable.
 - b) During the year, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully or partly or optionally) and hence reporting under clause 3(x)(b) of the Order is not applicable.



- a) No fraud by the Company and no material fraud on the Company has been noticed or reported during the year.
 - b) No report under sub section (12) of section 143 of the companies act has been filed in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13of companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the central Government during the year and upto the date of this report..
 - c) We have taken into consideration the whistle blower complaints received by the Company during the year (and upto the date of this report), while determining the nature, timing, and extent of our audit procedures.
- 12) The Company is not a Nidhi Company. Therefore, the provisions of clause 3 (xii) of the Order are not applicable to the Company.
- 13) In our opinion, the Company is in compliance with Section 177 and 188 of the Companies Act, 2013 with respect to applicable transactions with the related parties and the details of related party transactions have been disclosed in the financial statements as required by the applicable accounting standards.
- 14) a) In our opinion the company has an internal audit system commensurate with the size and nature of its business.
 - b) We have not received Internal Audit Report till the signing of this statutory audit report.
- 15) In our opinion during the year the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with its Directors or persons connected with its directors. and hence provisions of section 192 of the Companies Act, 2013 are not applicable to the Company.
- 16) (a) In our opinion, the Company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 Hence, reporting under clause 3(xvi)(a), (b) and (c) of the Order is not applicable.

(b) In our opinion, there is no core investment company within the Group (as defined in the Core Investment Companies (Reserve Bank) Directions, 2016) and accordingly reporting under clause 3(xvi)(d) of the Order is not applicable.

- 17) The company has not incurred cash losses in the financial year and in the immediately preceding financial year.
- 18) During the year under review, there has been no resignation of statutory auditors during the year.
- 19) On the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realisation of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, other information accompanying the financial statements and our knowledge of the Board of Directors and Management plans and based on our examination of the evidence supporting the assumptions, nothing has come to our attention, which causes us to believe that any material uncertainty exists as on the date of the audit report indicating that Company is not capable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of balance sheet as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date. We, however, state that this is not an assurance as to the future viability of the Company. We further state that our reporting is based on the facts up to the date of the audit report and we neither give any guarantee nor any assurance that all liabilities falling due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date, will get discharged by the Company as and when they fall due.



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- 20) There are no unspent amounts towards Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) requiring a transfer to a Fund specified in Schedule VII to the Companies Act in compliance with second proviso to subsection (5) of Section 135 of the said Act. Accordingly, reporting under clause 3(xx)(a) of the Order is not applicable for the year.
- 21) The reporting under Clause 3(xxi) of the Order is not applicable in respect of audit of financial statements. Accordingly, no comment in respect of the said clause has been included in this report.

For A Y & Company Chartered Accountants FRN: 020829C

Sd/-

Arpit Gupta Partner M.NO. : 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Place : Mumbai Date : 30.05.2023



Balance sheet as at March 31, 2023

Particular	Notes		
Tatticulai	INDIES	As at 31 March 2023	As at 31 March 2022
I. Equity and Liabilities			
Shareholders Fund			
Share Capital	2.1	516.00	516.00
Reserves & Surplus	2.2	164.84	151.99
1		680.84	667.99
Non-current liabilities			
Long Term Borrowings	2.3	48.98	52.31
Deferred tax liabilities (Net)	2.4	4.82	4.36
Other Long Term Liabilities		-	1.00
		53.80	56.67
Current liabilities		55.00	00.07
Short Term Borrowings	2.5	115.05	121.20
Trade payables	2.0	110.00	121.20
(a) total outstanding dues of micro and small enterprises	2.6		
(b) total outstanding dues of micro and small enterprises	2.6	419.48	270.80
Other current liabilities	2.0	419.48 6.66	7.28
Short term Provisions	2.7	4.00	3.39
	2.0		
T + 1		545.19	402.62
Total		1,279.84	1,127.33
II. Assets			
Non- current assets			
Property, Plant & Equipments			
Tangible Assets	2.9	78.08	83.10
Capital WIP		-	
Intangible Assets	2.9	2.72	3.63
Non Current Investments		19.15	18.45
Deferred Tax Assets (Net)	2.4	-	
Long Term Loans & Advances		-	
Other Non Current Assets	2.10	2.07	2.07
		102.02	107.25
Current Assets			
Current Investments		-	
Inventories	2.11	435.15	389.16
Trade Receivables	2.12	648.38	503.72
Cash & Bank Balances	2.13	2.17	2.43
Short Term loans & advances	2.14	85.28	117.72
Other current Assets	2.15	6.84	6.96
	0	1,177.82	1,020.09
Total		1,279.84	1,127.33
Notes on significant accounting policies	1		,
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements			

As per our report of even date For A Y & Company Firm Registration No. 020829C Chartered Accountants

Sd/-Arpit Gupta Partner Membership No. 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Date : 30.05.2023 Place : Mumbai

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

Sd/-Mr. Ashok Chothani Chairman & Director DIN: 06732163

Sd/-Mr. Sunil Chothani Whole Time Director DIN: 06732173 Sd/-Mr. Neeraj Chothani Managing Director & CFO DIN: 06732169



Particular	Notes	31 March 2023	(Amount in Lakhs 31 March 2022
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Income			
Revenue from Operations	2.16	820.20	730.1
Other Income	2.17	0.83	1.0
Total Income (I)		821.03	731.2
Expenses			
Cost of Material Consumed	2.18	-	
Purchase of Stock in Trade	2.19	756.25	661.6
Change in Inventories of Finished Goods, WIP & Stock inTrade	2.20	(45.98)	(47.19
Employee benefit expenses	2.21	29.42	32.3
Finance Cost	2.22	23.87	20.2
Depreciation & Amortization Expense	2.23	5.93	8.7
Other Expenses		33.83	39.8
Total Expenses (II)		803.31	715.6
Profit/(loss) Before Prior period, exceptional and			
extraordinary items and tax (I) - (II)		17.72	15.6
Prior period items (Net)		-	
Profit/(Loss) before tax		17.72	15.6
Tax Expenses			
Current Tax		4.00	3.3
Deferred Tax Charge		0.46	2.0
Tax Related to Earlier Years		0.41	0.2
Total Tax Expense		4.87	5.6
Profit/(loss) after tax		12.85	9.9
Earnings/(loss) Per Share			
Basic (Nominal value of shares Rs.10 (PY: Rs.10))	2.24	0.25	0.1
Diluted (Nominal value of shares Rs.10 (PY: Rs.10))	2.24	0.25	0.1

Statement of Profit and Loss for the year ended March 31, 2023

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

As per our report of even date For A Y & Company Firm Registration No. 020829C Chartered Accountants

Sd/-Arpit Gupta Partner Membership No. 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Date : 30.05.2023 Place : Mumbai

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

Sd/-Mr. Ashok Chothani Chairman & Director DIN: 06732163

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Cash Flow Statement for the year ended March 31, 2023

		Amount in lakhs
Cash flow statement as at	31 March 2023	31 March 2022
Cash flow from operating activities		
Net Profit before tax and extraordinary items	17.72	15.61
Non-Cash adjustment to reconcile profit before tax to net cash		
flows	5.93	6.74
Depreciation	(0.78)	(0.73)
Investment Income	23.87	20.23
Finance Cost	23.07	20.23
Operating profit before Working Capital changes	46.74	41.84
Change in Working Capital	(9.93)	(137.13)
Increase/(Decrease) in Trade Payables	148.67	149.56
Increase/(Decrease) in Other current Liabilities	(0.62)	(3.86)
Decrease/(Increase) in Inventories	(45.98)	(47.19)
Decrease/(Increase) in Trade receivables	(144.61)	(123.67)
Decrease/(Increase) in Short term Loans and advances	32.49	(110.81)
Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	0.11	(1.15)
Cash generated from operations	36.81	(95.29)
Income Tax(Paid)/ Refund	(3.80)	(2.59)
Net Cash flow from / (used in) Operating activities (A)	33.02	(97.88)
Cash Flow from/(used in) Investing Activities		
Purchase of Fixed Assets	-	(0.17)
Interest received	0.78	0.73
Purchase of Non Current Investments	(0.70)	(14.45)
Increase in other Non Current Assets	· · ·	3.03
Net Cash (used in) investing activities (B)	0.08	(10.86)
Cash Flow from/ (used in) Financing Activities		
Finance Cost	(23.87)	(20.23)
Proceeds/ (Repayment) of Short term Borrowings	(6.15)	74.77
Proceeds in/ (Repayment) of Long term Borrowings	(3.33)	(5.43)
Net Cash flow from / (used in) financing activities (C)	(33.35)	49.11
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents (A+B+C)	(0.26)	(59.63)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the year	2.43	62.06
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the year	2.17	2.43

As per our report of even date For A Y & Company Firm Registration No. 020829C Chartered Accountants

Sd/-Arpit Gupta Partner Membership No. 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Date : 30.05.2023 Place : Mumbai For and on behalf of the Board of Directors CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

Sd/-Mr. Ashok Chothani Chairman & Director DIN: 06732163

Sd/-Mr. Sunil Chothani Whole Time Director DIN: 06732173 Sd/-Mr. Neeraj Chothani Managing Director & CFO DIN: 06732169



NOTE – 1

SUMMARY SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO ACCOUNTS

A. COMPANY INFORMATION

The company was originally incorporated as a Private Limited Company under the name "Ashok Masala Mart Private Limited" under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and certificate of incorporation was issued by the Registrar of Companies, Central Registration Centre, Mumbai on January 17, 2014. The status of our Company was changed to public limited and the name of our Company was changed to "Chothani Foods Limited". The Corporate Identification Number of our Company is L15122MH2014PLC252200.

B. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Accounting Convention

The financial statement are prepared under the historical cost convention on the "Accrual Concept" and Going Concern assumption of accountancy in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India and comply with the accounting standards as prescribed by Companies (Accounting Standard) Rules, 2006 and with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made there under.

2. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities on the date of the financial statement and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Difference between the actual results and estimates are recognized in the period in witch results are known/materialized.

3. Property, Plant and Equitpment

Property, Plant and Equitpment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, if any. Cost comprises of all expenses incurred to bring the assets to its present location and condition. Borrowing cost directly attributable to the acquisition /construction are included in the cost of fixed assets. Adjustments arising from exchange rate variations attributable to the fixed assets are capitalized.

In case of new projects / expansion of existing projects, expenditure incurred during construction / preoperative period including interest and finance charge on specific / general purpose loans, prior to commencement of commercial production are capitalized. The same are allocated to the respective t on completion of construction / erection of the capital project / fixed assets.

Subsequent expenditures related to an item of tangible asset are added to its book value only if they increase the future economic benefits from the existing asset beyond its previously assessed standard of performance.



Capital assets (including expenditure incurred during the construction period) under erection / installation are stated in the Balance Sheet as "Capital Work in Progress."

4. Impairment of Assets

At each balance sheet date, the Company reviews the carrying amount of its fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the assets is estimated in order to determine the extent of impairment loss. Recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's net selling price and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows expected from the continuing use of the assets and from its disposal are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects the current market assessments of time value of money and the risks specific to the assets.

5. Depreciation

All fixed assets, except capital work in progress, are depreciated on WDV Method. Depreciation is provided based on useful life of the assets as prescribed in Schedule II to the Companies Act, 2013. Depreciation on additions to / deletions from fixed assets made during the period is provided on prorata basis from / up to the date of such addition / deletion as the case may be.

6. Investments

Investments are classified into current investments and non-current investments. Current investments i.e. investments that are readily realizable and intended to be held for not more than a year valued at cost. Any permanent reduction in the carrying amount or any reversals of such, reductions are charged or credited to the Statement of Profit & loss Account.

Non-current investments are stated at cost. Provision for dimunintion in the value of these investments is made only if such decline is other than temporary, in the opinion of the management.

7. Inventories

Inventories consist of Raw Material & Finished Goods are valued at Cost or Net Realizable Value, whichever is lower.

8. Revenue Recognition

Revenue from the operations is recognized on generally accepted accounting principal and when it is earned and no significant uncertainty exists as to its ultimate collection and includes taxes, wherever applicable.

The capital gain on sale of investments if any are recognized on completion of transaction. No notional profit/loss are recognized on such investments.

Interest income is recognized on time proportion basis, when it is accured and due for payment.



9. Borrowing Cost

Borrowing cost that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets are capitalized as part of the cost of such assets. A qualifying assets is one that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use. All other borrowing costs are charged to revenue.

10. Employee Benefits

Short – term employee benefits are recognized as an expense at the undiscounted amount in the profit & loss account of the year in which the related service is rendered.

Post employment and other long term employee benefits are recognized as an expense in the profit & loss account for the year in which the liabilities are crystallized.

11. Taxes on Income

Income tax expenses for the year comprises of current tax and deferred tax. Current tax provision is determined on the basis of taxable income computed as per the provisions of the Income Tax Act. Deferred tax is recognized for all timing differences that are capable of reversal in one or more subsequent periods subject to conditions of prudence and by applying tax rates that have been substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

12. Foreign Currency Translation

- a) Transaction denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the year end are restated at closing rate.
- b) Any exchange difference on account of settlement of foreign currency transaction and restatement of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency is recognized in the statement of Profit & loss Account.

13. Provision, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Provisions involving substantial degree of estimation in measurement are recognized when there is a present obligation as a result of past events and it is probable that there will be an outflow of resources.

C. NOTES ON ACCOUNTS

1. The financial statements including financial information have been prepared after making such regroupings and adjustments, considered appropriate to comply with the same. As result of these regroupings and adjustments, the amount reported in the financial statements/information may not necessarily be same as those appearing in the respective audited financial statements for the relevant years.



2. Post Employment Benefits:

The Company has not valued its obligations related to Post Employment Benefits as on March 31, 2023

3. Segment Reporting

The Company at present is engaged in the Trading of Whole and Grounded Spices and all operation are undertaken at single units. In view of above, primary, and secondary reporting disclosures for business/ geographical segment as envisaged in AS –17 are not applicable to the Company.

4. Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets (AS 29)

Contingent liabilities and commitments (to the extent not provided for). There are no contingent liabilities as on March 31, 2023

5. **Transaction in Foreign Currency**

The company has no foreign exchange transaction(s) during the year under consideration.

6. Trade Payable Ageing Summary As on 31.03.2023 :

Particulars	Outstanding	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment				
	Less than 1 yr.	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	More than 3 yrs.		
MSME						
Others	410.37	0.78	1.81	6.52	419.48	
Disputed dues - MSME						
Disputed dues - Others						

As on 31.03.2022 :

Particulars	Outstanding	Total			
	Less than 1 yr.	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	More than 3 yrs.	
MSME					
Others	154.99		2.82	112.99	270.80
Disputed dues - MSME					
Disputed dues - Others					



8. Trade Receivable Ageing Summary As on 31.03.2023

Particulars	Outstanding	f payment	Total			
	Less than 6 months	6 months- 1 year	1-2 yrs.	5	More than 3 yrs.	
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables- considered good	451.90	162.07	21.98	1.59	10.84	648.38
(ii) Undisputed Trade Receivables- Considered Doubtful						
(iii) Disputed Trade Receivables considered good						
(iv) Disputed Trade Receivables considered doubtful						

As on 31.03.2022

Particulars	Outstandi	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					
	Less than 6 months	6 months- 1 year	1-2 yrs.	2-3 yrs.	More than 3 yrs.		
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables- considered good	217.01	30.94	184.59	65.98	5.25	503.77	
(ii) Undisputed Trade Receivables- Considered Doubtful							
(iii) Disputed Trade Receivables considered good							



(iv) Disputed	 	 	
Trade			
Receivables considered doubtful			

9. Statement of Various Accounting Ratios

S. No.	Particular	Numerator	Denominator	Ratio		Movement in %	Movements (if movement
					1		is more than 25%)
				31.03.2023	31.03.2022		
(a)	Current Ratio	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	2.16	2.53	14.72	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%
(b)	Debt-Equity Ratio	Total Debt	Shareholders Equity	0.24	0.26	7.25	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%
(c)	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Net Operating Income	Total Debt Service	-	-	0.00	-
(d)	Return on Equity Ratio	Profit After Tax	Average Shareholders Equity	0.02	0.01	-27.34	The ratio has increased due to increase in Profit margins and Sales.
(e)	Trade Receivables turnover ratio (in times	Revenue	Average Trade Receivable	1.42	1.65	13.83	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%
(f)	Trade payables turnover ratio (in times)	Purchase of Services & other Expenses	Average Trade Payables	2.19	3.38	35.09	This Ratio has been decreased due to reduced Credit Period allowed from Creditors and paying off Payables on time.
(g)	Net capital turnover ratio (in times)	Revenue	Net Working Capital	1.30	1.18	-9.63	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%



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(h)	Net profit ratio	Net Profit	Revenue	1.57	1.36	-15.31	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%
(i)	Return on Capital employed	Operating Profit	Total Capital Employed	0.06	0.05	-13.87	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%
(j)	Return on investment.	Profit After Tax	Initial Value of Investments	0.02	0.02	-27.60	The ratio has increased due to increase in Profit margins and Sales.
(k)	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	EBITDA	Total Interest Service	1.99	2.20	9.67	Reason is not required as movement is not more than 25%

7. Other Disclosure:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Note in financial statements
(i)	Title deeds of Immovable Property not held in the name of the Company:	The Company do not have any Immovable property which is not held in the name of Company.
(ii)	Loans or advances to specified persons	The Company has not provided any Loan or Advances to specified persons.
(iii)	Details of Benami Property held	The Company do not have any Benami property, where any proceeding has been initiated or pending against the Company for holding any Benami property.
(iv)	Borrowings secured against current assets	The Company has availed facilities from banks on the basis of security of current assets.
(v)	Wilful Defaulter	The Company is not declared Wilful Defaulter by any Bank or any Financial Instituition.
(vi)	Relationship with Struck off Companies	The Company do not have any transactions with struck- off companies.
(vii)	Undisclosed income	The Company does not have any transaction which is not recorded in the books of accounts that has been surrendered or disclosed as income during the year in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 (such as, search or survey or any other relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961).
(x)	Details of Crypto Currency or Virtual Currency	The Company have not traded or invested in Crypto currency or Virtual Currency during the financial year.



Share Holder Funds

	(An	nount in Lakhs)
2.1. Share Capital	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Authorised Shares		
55,00,000 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 Each (Previous year 55,00,000 Equity		
Shares of Rs. 10 Each)	550.00	550.00
Issued Shares		
51,60,000 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 Each (Previous Year 51,60,000 Equity		
Shares of Rs. 10 Each)	516.00	516.00
Subscribed & Paid up Shares		
51,60,000 Equity Shares of Rs. 10 Each (Previous Year 51,60,000 Equity		
Shares of Rs. 10 Each)	516.00	516.00
Total Issued, Subscribed and Fully Paid-up		
Share Capital	516.00	516.00

A. Reconciliation of the number of shares outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the reporting period

Equity Shares		ear ended on 31 arch 2023	2021-22		
-	Number Issued Capital (Rs.)		Number	Issued Capital (Rs.)	
Shares outstanding at the beginning of the year	51,60,000	5,16,00,000	51,60,000	5,16,00,000	
Bonus Shares Issued during the year	-	-	-	-	
Shares Issued during the year	-	-	-	-	
Shares outstanding at the end of the					
year	51,60,000	5,16,00,000	51,60,000	5,16,00,000	

B. Shares in the company held by each shareholder holding more than 5 % shares specifying the number of shares held

Particulars	2022-23			1-22
Name of Shareholder	Number	% of Holding	Number	% of Holding
Bonne Volonte Communications LLP	13,81,550	26.77%	13,81,550	26.77%
Sunil Shivji Chothani	4,82,500	9.35%	4,82,500	9.35%
Ashok Shivji Chothani	4,82,500	9.35%	4,82,500	9.35%
Westpac Investments private Limited	3,90,000	7.56%	6,30,000	12.21%
Urvashi Pravin Seth	2,60,000	5.04%	NIL	-

C. Shares held by holding/ultimate holding company and/or their subsidiaries/associates There is no Holding Company of Chothani Foods Limited

D. Shares with rights preferences and restrictions attaching to each class including restriction on distribution of dividend and repayment of capital



Equity shares

The company has only one class of Equity having a par value Rs. 10.00 per share. Each shareholder is eligible for one vote per share held. The dividend proposed by the board of directors is subject to the approval of the shareholders in ensuing Annual General Meeting, except in case of interim dividend. In the event of liquidation, the Equity shareholders are eligible to receive the remaining assets of the company after distribution of all preferential amounts, in proportion to their shareholding.

E. Shareholding Of Promoters

Particulars	2022	2-23	% Change in Shareholding	2021-22		% Change in Shareholding
Name of Shareholder	Number	% of Holding		Number	% of Holding	
Ashok Shivji Chothani	4,82,500	9.35%	-	4,82,500	9.35%	_
Neeraj Ashok Chothani	1,50,950	2.93%	-	1,50,950	2.93%	-
Sunil Shivji Chothani	4,82,500	9.35%	-	4,82,500	9.35%	-
Bonne Volonte Communications LLP	13,81,550	26.77%	-	13,81,550	26.77%	-

(Amount in Lakhs) 31-Mar-22 31-Mar-23 2.2. Reserves & Surplus A. Surplus Opening balance 76.52 66.60 (-) Bonus Shares issued during the year (-) Adjustment of Deferred Tax for Earlier Period _ (+) Net Profit/(Net Loss) For the current year 9.92 12.85 89.37 76.52 **B. Securities Premium Opening Balance** 75.48 75.48 (+) Additions during the year (-) Bonus Shares issued during the year **Closing Balance** 75.48 75.48 164.84 151.99 **Closing Balance**

NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

	(Amo	ount in Lakhs)
2.4. Deferred Tax Liability/(Assets)	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Deferred tax Liability (asset) at the beginning of the year	4.36	2.29
Addition during the year	0.46	2.06
Total	4.82	4.36



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(Amount in Lakhs)

2.5. Long Term Borrowings	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Secured		
HDFC Bank - Office Loan	48.98	52.31
Total	48.98	52.31

Current liabilities

	(An	nount in Lakhs)
2.5. Short Term Borrowings	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Secured		
Union Bank of India OD Account		
	111.72	118.22
Current Maturities of Long Term Debt	3.33	2.98
Total	115.05	121.20

(Amount in Lakhs)

2.6. Trade Payables	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Trade Payables		
Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	-	-
Other than Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	419.48	270.80
Total	419.48	270.80

2.6.1 Disclosure in respect of amount due to Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises: The management has initiated the process of identifying enterprises which have provided goods and services to the Company and which qualify under the definition of micro and small enterprises, as defined under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006. Accordingly, the disclosure in respect of the amounts payable to such enterprises as at 31 March 2023 has been made in the financials statements based on information received and available with the Company as on date of financials. The Company has not received any claim for interest from any supplier under the said Act.

	(Am	ount in Lakhs)
2.7. Other Current Liabilities	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Provision for Expenses Payable	5.19	5.58
Salary payable	1.12	1.16
Advance from Customers	0.29	0.14
Statutory Dues Payable	0.06	0.40
Total	6.66	7.28

(Amount in Lakhs)

2.8. Short Term Provisions	31-03-2023	31-03-2022
Provision for Income tax	4.00	3.39
Total	4.00	3.39



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NON CURRENT ASSETS

(Amount in Lakhs)

2.9. Property, Plant & Equipments		Gross 1	Block		Accu	mulated	Depreci	ation	,	in Lakns) Block
Particulars	Balance as at 1 April 2022	Additi ons	Dele tion/ Sale	Balance as at 31 March 2023	Balance as at 1 April 2022	Depre ciation charge for the period	Dele tion- Sale/ Loss	Balance as at 31 March 2023	Balance as at 1 April 2022	Balance as at 31 March 2023
A. Tangible Assets										
Air Compressor	0.14			0.14	0.05	0.02		0.06	0.09	0.08
Auger Filler Machine	2.79			2.79	0.92	0.34		1.26	1.87	1.53
Bag Scaling Machine	0.09			0.09	0.03	0.01		0.04	0.06	0.05
Band Sealer	0.16			0.16	0.05	0.02		0.07	0.11	0.09
Camera & LED	0.25			0.25	0.09	0.06		0.16	0.16	0.09
Mobile	0.07			0.07	0.00	0.01		0.01	0.07	0.06
Computer/printer	0.28			0.28	0.18	0.04		0.22	0.10	0.06
Cylinder dye	4.11			4.11	1.32	0.51		1.82	2.79	2.29
Furniture	1.81			1.81	0.82	0.26		1.07	1.00	0.74
Office Premises	84.76			84.76	8.05	3.74		11.79	76.71	72.97
Weighing Scale	0.22			0.22	0.07	0.03		0.10	0.14	0.12
	94.68	-	-	94.68	11.58	5.02	-	16.60	83.10	78.08
B. Intangible Assets								-	-	-
Goodwill	6.42			6.42	2.81	0.90		3.71	3.61	2.71
Trademark	0.03			0.03	0.01	0.00		0.01	0.01	0.01
	6.45	-	-	6.45	2.82	0.91	-	3.73	3.63	2.72
Total	101.13	-	-	101.13	14.40	5.93	-	20.33	86.73	80.80



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	(Amount in Lakhs)			
2.10. Other Non Current Assets	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22		
Virchand L Gada - Deposit	1.07	1.07		
Rajendrakumar Hajarimal Jain	1.00	1.00		
Total	2.07	2.07		

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2.11. Non Current Investments	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Gold Bar	3.90	3.90
Shares of Saraswat Co Operative Bank Limited	0.09	0.09
Fixed Deposit	15.15	14.45
Total	19.15	18.45

CURRENT ASSETS

(Amount in La		
2.11. Inventories	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Finished Goods	435.15	389.16
Total	435.15	389.16
2.12. Trade Receivables	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Unsecured, Considered good		
Debts outstanding other than Related Parties for a period:		
Less than Six Months- Considered Good	-	-
More than Six Months- Considered Good	648.38	503.77
Total	648.38	503.77

(Amount in Lakhs)

2.13. Cash and Bank Balances	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Cash & Cash Equivalent		
Balance with Banks in current Accounts	0.97	1.56
Balance with Banks in deposit Accounts	-	-
Cash on hand	1.21	0.87
Total	2.17	2.43



	(At	(Amount in Lakhs)		
2.14. Short Term Loans and Advances	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22		
Staff Advance	7.37	6.66		
Aryaman Financial Services Limited	1.00	1.00		
Getalong Enterprise Limited	0.11	0.11		
Luminous International Private Limited	-	35.00		
Sun Enterprises	76.50	25.00		
Others	0.30	50.00		
Total	85.28	117.77		

(Amount in		
2.15. Other Current Assets	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Balance With Revenue Authorities	6.77	6.96
Prepaid Insurance	0.08	-
Total	6.84	6.96

(Amount in La		nount in Lakhs)
2.16. Revenue From Operations	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Domestic Sales	820.20	730.18
Total	820.20	730.18

	(Amount in Lakhs)		
2.17. Other Income	31-Mar-23 31-Mar-22		
Interest on Fixed Deposits	0.78	0.73	
Interest on Loans & Advances	-	-	
Other Income	0.06	0.36	
Total	0.83	1.09	

	(Amount in Lakhs)		
2.18. Purchases of Stock in Trade	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22	
Purchases	756.25	661.68	
Total	756.25	661.68	



2.19. Change in Inventories	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Inventories at the beginning of the year		
Finished Goods		
	389.16	341.97
Inventories at the End of the year		
Finished Goods	435.15	389.16
Total	(45.98)	(47.19)

(Amount in Lak		
2.20. Employee Benefits Expenses	.20. Employee Benefits Expenses 31-Mar-23 3	
Director Remuneration	12.60	12.60
Salary & Wages	16.59	19.51
Staff Welfare	0.23	0.23
Total	29.42	32.35

	(Amount in Lakhs)	
2.21. Finance Cost	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Interest charges	19.97	16.35
Bank Charges	3.89	3.88
Total	23.87	20.23

(Amount	in	Lal	(hs)	
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(Amount in L		nount in Lakhs)
2.22. Depreciation & Amortization Expense	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Depreciation Expenses	5.93	6.74
Preliminary Expenses Written Off	-	2.02
Total	5.93	8.75



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(Amount in La		ount in Lakhs)
2.23. Other Expenses	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Audit Fees		-
Advertising exp	0.24	-
APMC Charges	0.36	0.47
Claim	0.54	1.64
Commission	0.25	0.05
Conveyance	0.17	1.11
Discount	0.03	0.05
Donation	-	-
Dr/Cr Balance Written Off	3.66	2.47
Electricity Charges	0.34	0.38
General Expenses	0.24	0.34
Grinding charges	1.17	0.94
Hamali charges	0.00	0.00
Internet Charges	0.04	0.09
Insurance Charges	0.49	0.57
Loading/Unloading	0.04	0.07
Listing Fees	0.25	0.25
Property Tax	0.30	0.62
Office Expenses	0.37	1.10
Packing charges	5.92	4.62
Postage & Courier	0.10	0.08
Printing & Stationary	0.87	0.79
Professional Fees	3.76	9.09
Penalty	0.05	-
Rent Paid	6.84	5.10
Repair & Maintenance	0.01	-
ROC Fees	0.14	0.44
Society Maintenance	0.67	0.77
Software Charges	0.15	-
Telephone & Mobile Expenses	0.20	0.19
Transportation Expenses	6.57	6.40
Travelling Expenses	0.01	2.07
Website Expenses	0.07	0.14
VAT Paid	-	-
Total	33.83	39.85

2.24. Earnings Per Share	31-Mar-23	31-Mar-22
Profit/(Loss) after tax as per Statement of Profit and Loss	12.85	9.92
Weighted average number of equity shares in calculating basic EPS	51.60	51.60
Basic {Nominal Value of Shares- Rs. 10/- (Previous Year- Rs. 10/-)}	0.25	0.19
Diluted {Nominal Value of Shares- Rs. 10/- (Previous Year- Rs. 10/-)}	0.25	0.19



2.25 Related Party Disclosures- AS-18

Relationship with Related party	Name of related parties
Key Managerial Personnel	Ashok Shivji Chothani (Chairman and Director)
Key Managerial Personnel	Neeraj Chothani (Managing Director and C.F.O.)
Key Managerial Personnel	Sunil Shivji Chothani (Whole time Director)
Key Managerial Personnel	Khushboo Nikhil Desai (Company Secretary)
Transactions with Related Party:-	
Name of the Party	For year ended on March 31, 2023
Director Remuneration including	
<u>Incentive</u> Ashok S Chothani	4.20
Neeraj Chothani	4.20
Sunil S Chothani	4.20
Salary Expenses	
Khushboo Nikhil Desai	3.00
Closing Balances of Related Parties	
Name of the Party	For year ended on March 31, 2023
Payables	
Ashok Chothani	1.97
Neeraj Chothani	0.78
Sunil S Chothani	1.73



2.26 Other disclosures

(a) **Remuneration to Directors**

Particulars	31st March 2023	31st March 2022
Salary including Variable Pay	12.60	12.60
Total	12.60	12.60

- (b) As per the best estimate of the management, there is no capital commitment and contingent liability exists as on the date of the financial statement.
- (c) Disclosures required under mandatory accounting standards & Schedule III are given to the extent applicable and possible.
- (d) Additional information as required by para 5 of General Instructions for preparation of Statement of Profit and Loss (other than already disclosed above) are either Nil or Not Applicable.
- (e) The company has not received any intimation from suppliers regarding their status under the Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act 2006 and hence disclosers, if any, relating to the amount unpaid as at the year end together with interest payable/paid as required under the said Act have not been furnished.
- (f) All the balance shown under the heads sundry debtors sundry creditors, loan & advances and unsecured loan are subject to confirmation.
- (e) Previous year figures are regrouped or rearranged wherever considered necessary.

As per our report of even date For A Y & Company Firm Registration No. 020829C Chartered Accountants

Sd/-Arpit Gupta Partner Membership No. 421544 UDIN : 23421544BGSQCF7706 Date : 30.05.2023 Place : Mumbai

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors CHOTHANI FOODS LIMITED

Sd/-Mr. Ashok Chothani Chairman & Director DIN: 06732163

Sd/-Mr. Sunil Chothani Whole Time Director DIN: 06732173 Sd/-Mr. Neeraj Chothani Managing Director & CFO DIN: 06732169



Proxy Form

(Pursuant to Section 105 (6) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 19 (3) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014-Form No. MGT-11)

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Name of the Member(s):	
Registered Address:	
Email ID:	
Folio No./ Client ID:	
DP ID:	

I/We, being the member(s) of _______ shares of the above named Company. Hereby appoint:

1. Name : Address : Email ID: Signature	or
2. Name : Address : Email ID: Signature	or
3. Name : Address : Email ID: Signature	

as my/ our proxy to attend and vote (on a poll) for me/us and on my/our behalf at the 10thAnnual General Meeting of the company, to be held on the Saturday, 30th September, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at OFFICE NO. 408, B WING, DAMJI SHAMJI CORPORATE SQUARE, LAXMI NAGAR, GHATKOPAR EAST, MUMBAI - 400075 and at any adjournment thereof in respect of such resolutions as are indicated below:

Sr. No.		Vote	
	Resolution		Against
1	Adoption of Balance sheet as at 31^{st} March, 2023 and the Statement of Profit and Loss for the year ended on that date and the Reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon (<i>Ordinary Resolution</i>)		
2	Appointment of Mr. Monil Chothani as a Director liable to retire by rotation. (Ordinary Resolution)		

Please affix Re. 1/-
Revenue
Stamp and
Sign

Note:

2. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.

^{1.} This form of proxy in order to be effective should be duly completed and deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the meeting.





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ATTENDANCE SLIP (To be presented at the entrance) 10th Annual General Meeting on Saturday, 30th September, 2023

Saturday, 30th September, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at the Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai - 400075.

Folio No.	DP ID:	Client ID No
Name of the Member:		_Signature:
Name of the Proxy holder:		Signature :

I/We hereby record my/our presence at the **10th Annual General Meeting** of the Company being held on Saturday, 30th September, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Office No. 408, B Wing, Damji Shamji Corporate Square, Laxmi Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai- 400075.

Note: Members are requested to bring their copies of Annual Report to the Meeting.



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BALLOT PAPER

[Pursuant to section 109(5) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 21(1) (c) of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014]

10th Annual General Meeting

1.	Name(s) of Shareholder(s) (in block		
	letters) including joint holders, (if any).		
		:	
2.	Registered Folio No. / DP ID No. / Client		
	ID No.	:	
3.	Address		
		:	
4.	No. of Equity Shares held		
		:	

I/We hereby exercise my/ our vote in respect of the Ordinary Resolutions/Special Resolutions enumerated below and as set out in the Notice of 10th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company scheduled on Saturday, 30th September, 2023 by recording my/our assent or dissent to the said resolutions by

placing tick (Vv) mark in the appropriate box below:

Agenda Item No.	Description of Resolution	I/We assent to the resolution (Vote in Favour)	I/We dissent to the resolution (vote against)
			the tick ick [√] mark
	Adoption of the Audited Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2023 and Profit & Loss Account for the year ended on that date together with the Reports of the Board of Directors and Auditors thereon. (Ordinary Resolution)		
2.	Re-appointment of Mr. Monil Ashok Chothani (DIN: 07978664), as a Director liable to retire by rotation. (Ordinary Resolution)		

Place:

Date:

Signature of the Member/Authorised Representative

Note: Please read the instructions given below carefully before exercising your vote.



INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Please complete and sign the Ballot Form and put the same in the Ballot Box provided in the AGM Venue.
- 2. The Form should be signed by the Member as per the specimen signature registered with the Company/Depositories. In case of joint holding, the Form should be completed and signed by the first named Member and in his/her absence, by the next named joint holder. A Power of Attorney (POA) holder may vote on behalf of a Member, mentioning the registration number of the POA registered with the Company or enclosing an attested copy of the POA. Exercise of vote by Ballot is not permitted through proxy.
- 3. In case of Company, trust, society etc. certified copy of Board Resolution authorizing representative must be registered or filed with us in advance to avoid any inconvenience.
- 4. Votes must be cast in case of each resolution by marking ($\sqrt{}$) mark in the appropriate column provided in the Ballot.
- 5. The voting rights of shareholders shall be in proportion of the shares held by them in the paid up equity share capital of the company.
- 6. Unsigned, incomplete, improperly filled ballot forms will not be counted for voting.
- 7. The decision of the Scrutinizer on the validity of the Ballot Form and any other related matter shall be final.
- 8. The results declared along with Scrutinizer's Report, shall be placed on the Company's website within two days of the passing of the Resolutions at the AGM of the Company, and communicated to the BSE Limited, where the shares of the Company are listed.

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