Ref: SEC/SE/2024-25 Date: May 07, 2024

To, Corporate Relations Department BSE Ltd. Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers Dalal Street, Mumbai- 400001

BSE Scrip Code: 500096



National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.
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NSE Scrip Symbol: DABUR

# Sub: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024

Dear Sir(s),

Pursuant to Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 read with relevant circulars issued by SEBI/Stock Exchanges from time to time, please find enclosed herewith Annual Secretarial Compliance Report for the financial year ended March 31, 2024, issued by M/s Chandrasekaran Associates, Secretarial Auditors of the Company.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully, For Dabur India Limited

(A K Jain)

Executive V P (Finance) and Company Secretary

Encl: as above



**COMPANY SECRETARIES** 

# SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF DABUR INDIA LIMITED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2024

[Pursuant to Regulation 24A of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015]

To, The Board of Directors **Dabur India Limited** 8/3, Asaf Ali Road New Delhi – 110002

We have conducted the review of the compliance of the applicable statutory provisions and the adherence to good corporate practices by **Dabur India Limited** (hereinafter referred as 'the **listed entity'**), having its Registered Office at 8/3, Asaf Ali Road New Delhi – 110002. Secretarial Review 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 listed entity's books, papers, minutes books, forms and returns filed and other records maintained by the listed entity and also the information provided by the listed entity, its officers, agents and authorized representatives during the conduct of Secretarial Review, we hereby report that in our opinion, the listed entity has, during the review period covering the financial year ended on March 31, 2024, complied with the statutory provisions listed hereunder and also that the listed entity has proper Board processes and compliance mechanism in place to the extent, in the manner and subject to the reporting made hereinafter:

We Chandrasekaran Associates, Company Secretaries have examined:

- (a) All the documents and records made available to us and explanation provided by the listed entity,
- (b) The filings/ submissions made by the listed entity to the stock exchanges,
- (c) Website of the listed entity,
- (d) Any other document/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification,

for the year ended on March 31, 2024 ("**Review Period**") in respect of compliance with the provisions of:

- (a) the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 ("SEBI Act") and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder; and
- (b) the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 ("SCRA"), rules made thereunder and the Regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder by the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI");

The specific Regulations, whose provisions and the circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, have been examined, include: -

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- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements)
  Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI LODR Regulations 2015")
- (b) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements)
  Regulations, 2018;
- (c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011;
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018; Not Applicable during the review period.
- (e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and Sweat Equity)
  Regulations, 2021 to the extent applicable;
- (f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities)
  Regulations, 2021;
- (g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015;
- (h) The Depositories Act, 1996 and the Regulations and Bye-laws framed thereunder to the extent of Regulation 76 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018;
- (i) 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 to the extent of securities issued;
- (j) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Investor Protection and Education Fund) Regulations, 2009;
- (k) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Debenture Trustee) Regulations, 1993 (in relation to obligations of Issuer Company);

We have examined the compliance of above regulations, circulars, guidelines issued thereunder as applicable during the review period and based on confirmation received from management of the Company as and wherever required and affirm that:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliance Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/ Remarks by PCS
1.	Secretarial Standards:	Yes	
	The compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standards (SS) issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified by the Central Government under section 118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and mandatorily applicable.		



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2.	Adoption and timely updation of the Policies:	Yes	
	<ul> <li>All applicable policies under SEBI Regulations are adopted with the approval of board of directors of the listed entities.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>All the policies are in conformity with SEBI Regulations and have been reviewed &amp; updated on time, as per the regulations/circulars/guidelines issued by SEBI.</li> </ul>		
3.	Maintenance and disclosures on Website:	Yes	
	<ul> <li>The Listed entity is maintaining a functional website</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Timely dissemination of the documents/ information under a separate section on the website.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Web-links provided in annual corporate governance reports under Regulation 27(2) are accurate and specific which re- directs to the relevant document(s)/section of the website.</li> </ul>		
4.	Disqualification of Director:	Yes	
	None of the Director(s) of the Company are disqualified under Section 164 of Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed entity.		
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed entities have been examined w.r.t.:	Yes	
	(a) Identification of material subsidiary companies.		
	(b) Requirements with respect to disclosure of material as well as other subsidiaries.	Yes	
6.	Preservation of Documents:	Yes	
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations and disposal of records as per Policy of Preservation of Documents and Archival policy prescribed under	1	
	SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015.		



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7.	Performance Evaluation:	Yes	
	The listed entity has conducted performance evaluation of the Board, Independent Directors, and the Committees at the start of every financial year as prescribed in SEBI Regulations.		
8.	Related Party Transactions:	Yes	
	(a) The listed entity has obtained prior approval of Audit Committee for all related party transactions; or		
	(b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons along with confirmation whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected by the Audit Committee, in case no prior approval has been obtained.	Not Applicable.	No related party transaction has been subsequently approved/ratified/r ejected by the Audit committee.
9.	Disclosure of events or information:	Yes	Except as mentioned at point no. 1 & 2 in
	The listed entity has provided all the required disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 along with Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015 within the time limits prescribed thereunder.		the table given below under point (a).
10.	Prohibition of Insider Trading:	Yes	
	The listed entity is in compliance with Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.		
11.	Actions taken by SEBI or Stock Exchange(s), if any:	No	Except as mentioned at point no. 3 in the table given below
	No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges (including under the Standard Operating Procedures issued by SEBI through various circulars) under SEBI Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder except as provided under separate paragraph herein if any.		under point (a).
12.	Additional non-compliances, if any:	Yes	No Additional non- compliance
	No additional non-compliance observed for any SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.	/	observed for all SEBI regulation/circular/g uidance note etc.



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The Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated October 18, 2019, which has been replaced by SEBI Master circular dated July 11, 2023:

Particulars	Complianc e Status (Yes/No/ NA)	Observations / Remarks by PCS			
Compliances with the following conditions while appointing/re-appointing an auditor					
i. If the auditor has resigned within 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter: or	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable			
ii. If the auditor has resigned after 45 days from the end of a quarter of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for such quarter as well as the next quarter: or					
iii. If the auditor has signed the limited review/ audit report for the first three quarters of a financial year, the auditor before such resignation, has issued the limited review/ audit report for the last quarter of such financial year as well as the audit report for such financial year.					
Other conditions relating to resignation of sta	atutory auditor				
<ul> <li>i. Reporting of concerns by Auditor with respect to the listed entity/its material subsidiary to the Audit Committee:</li> </ul>	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable			
a. In case of any concern with the management of the listed entity/material subsidiary such as non-availability of information / non- cooperation by the management which has hampered the audit process, the auditor has approached the Chairman of the Audit Committee of the listed entity and the Audit Committee shall receive such concern directly and immediately without specifically waiting for the quarterly Audit Committee meetings.	÷	CEXA			
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	b. In case the auditor proposes to resign, all concerns with respect to the proposed resignation, along with relevant documents, has been brought to the notice of the Audit Committee. In cases where the proposed resignation is due to non-receipt of information / explanation from the company, the auditor has informed the Audit Committee the details of information/ explanation sought and not provided by the management, as applicable.		
	c. The Audit Committee / Board of Directors deliberated on the matter on receipt of such information from the auditor relating to the proposal to resign as mentioned above and communicate its views to the management and the auditor.		
	<ul> <li>ii. Disclaimer in case of non-receipt of information:         The auditor has provided an appropriate disclaimer in its audit report, which is in accordance with the Standards of Auditing as specified by ICAI / NFRA, in case where the listed entity/ its material subsidiary has not provided information as required by the auditor.     </li> </ul>		
3.	The listed entity / its material subsidiary has obtained information from the Auditor upon resignation, in the format as specified in Annexure- A in SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October 2019.	Not Applicable.	Not Applicable.

(a) The listed entity has generally complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below:

S.No	1
Compliance Requirement (Regulations/circulars /guidelines including specific clause)	Intimation w.r.t. change in the Directors of the Company.
Regulation/ Circular No.	Regulation 30 of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015.
Deviations	Delayed submission of Intimation w.r.t. change in the Directors of the Company consequent upon cessation of Dr. Anand Chand Burman as an Alternate director to Mr. Amit Burman, upon return of Mr. Amit Burman to India on April 08, 2023.

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Action Taken by	None.
<b>Type of Action</b> (Advisory/ clarification/ fine/ Show cause notice/ Warning letter etc.)	None.
Details of Violation	Delayed submission of Intimation w.r.t. change in the Directors of the Company consequent upon the cessation of Dr. Anand Chand Burman as an Alternate director to Mr. Amit Burman, upon return of Mr. Amit Burman to India on April 08, 2023.
Fine Amount	None.
Observations/ Remarks	Non-compliance of Regulation 30 of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015, as
of the Practicing	the submission of intimation w.r.t. Change in the Directors of the
Company Secretary	Company consequent upon the cessation of Dr. Anand Chand Burman as an Alternate director to Mr. Amit Burman, upon return of Mr. Amit Burman to India on April 08, 2023 has been submitted by the Company on April 10, 2023 along with reasons for delayed submission
Management Response	The Company had submitted the intimation to Stock exchanges along with reasons for delay that April 8 & 9, 2023 being non-working days, the intimation could not be sent within the prescribed timelines.
Remarks	None.

S.No	2
Compliance Requirement (Regulations/circulars /guidelines including specific clause)	Intimation w.r.t action(s) taken or orders passed by any regulatory, statutory, enforcement authority or judicial body against the listed entity or its directors, key managerial personnel, senior management, promoter or subsidiary, in relation to the listed entity, in respect of the matters specified therein.
Regulation/ Circular No.	Regulation 30 of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015 read with SEBI Circular SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/123 dated July 13, 2023
Deviations	Delayed submission of intimation with the stock exchanges w.r.t order received by the Company from State Tax Officer, Rudrapur on February 23, 2024.
Action Taken by	None.
Type of Action (Advisory/ clarification/ fine/ Show cause notice/ Warning letter etc.)	None.
Details of Violation	Delayed submission of intimation with the stock exchanges w.r.t order received by the Company from State Tax Officer, Rudrapur on February 23, 2024.
Fine Amount	None.
Observations/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Non-compliance of Regulation 30 of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015 read with aforesaid SEBI circular as the submission of intimation with the stock exchanges w.r.t order received by the Company from State Tax Officer, Rudrapur on February 23, 2024 has been delayed.
Management Response	The Company had submitted the intimation to Stock exchanges along with reasons for delay that the information from State Tax Officer, Rudrapur was received post closure of working hours on Friday,

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	February 23, 2024 and hence the intimation was filed on February 25, 2024 on a best effort basis.
Remarks	None.
S.No	3
Compliance Requirement (Regulations/circulars /guidelines including specific clause)	Intimation w.r.t. statement of related party transactions for each half year to the stock exchanges on the date of publication of standalone and consolidated financial results.
Regulation/ Circular No.	Regulation 23(9) of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015.
Deviations	Delayed submission of intimation w.r.t. statement of related party transactions for the half year ended March 31, 2023 in XBRL format with BSE Limited ("BSE").
Action Taken by	BSE.
<b>Type of Action</b> (Advisory/ clarification/ fine/ Show cause notice/ Warning letter etc.)	Fine.
Details of Violation	Delayed submission of Intimation w.r.t. statement of related party transactions for half year ended March 31, 2023 in XBRL format with BSE.
Fine Amount	Rs. 29,500/- (inclusive of GST).
Observations/ Remarks of the Practicing Company Secretary	Non-compliance of Regulation 23(9) of SEBI LODR Regulations 2015, as the submission of intimation w.r.t statement of related party transactions for the half year ended March 31, 2023 in XBRL format was delayed.
Management Response	The Company has paid the fine amount within the prescribed time and has also requested BSE for waiver of fine imposed as the XBRL file submitted by the Company on time was not reflecting/ captured on BSE website due to some technical issue. Reply from the BSE is awaited.
Remarks	None.

(b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports:

S	Observa	Observations	Compliance	Details	of	Remedial	Comm
r.	tions/	made in	Requirement	violation /		actions, if any,	ents
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	Practici	compliance	guidelines	taken	1	entity	PCS
	ng	report for the	including	penalty			on
	Compan	year ended	specific clause)	imposed,	if		the
	У	March 31,	•	any, on the			action
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1.	Not	Initial	Pursuant to the	Initial	The said	No
	applicabl	disclosure, and	provisions of	disclosure, and	disclosures were	further
	e.	annual	SEBI circular No.	annual	made by the	comm
		disclosure	SEBI/HO/DDHS/	disclosure	Company to Stock	ents
		("Collectively	CIR/P/2018/144	("Collectively	Exchanges on	requir
		referred as	dated November	referred as	April 13, 2022,	e from
		disclosures")	26, 2018, Initial	disclosures")	which	the
		pursuant to the	disclosure, and	pursuant to the	inadvertently	PCS.
		SEBI circular	annual disclosure	SEBI circular	could not form	
		No.	("Collectively	No.	part of the Annual	
		SEBI/HO/DDH	referred as	SEBI/HO/DDHS	Audited Financial	
		S/CIR/P/2018/	disclosures") in	/CIR/P/2018/14	Results of the	
		144 dated	the prescribed	4 dated	Company	
		November 26,	format therein	November 26,	submitted to	
		2018, were not	shall form part of	2018, were not		
		forming part of	Annual Audited	forming part of		
		the Annual	Financial Results	the Annual	The Company vide	
		Audited	of the Company.	Audited	its letter dated	
		Financial		Financial	August 03, 2022,	
		Results of the		Results of the		
		Company for		Company for		
		quarter and		quarter and	to	
		financial Year		financial Year		
		ended March		ended March	with a request to	
		31, 2022.		31, 2022.	consider such	
					disclosures to	
					form part of the	
					Annual Audited Financial Results	
					of the Company	
					for quarter and	
	2	_			financial Year	
					ended March 31,	
					2022 as submitted	
					on May 05, 2022.	
) .	Not	The Company	Pursuant to the	Intimation	The Company had	The
	applicabl	has delayed	*provisions of	w.r.t. payment	I was a second and	said
	e.	the submission	SEBI Operational	status of		fine
		with respect to	Circular dated	redemption of	Commercial Paper	was
		the payment	August 10, 2021,	commercial	on maturity but	waived
		status	intimation with	paper was	inadvertently	-off by
		of redemption	respect to the	required to be	submitted delayed	the
		of commercial	payment status	given to the	information to	NSE.
		paper of the	of redemption of	NSE within 24	NSE, where the	Theref
		Company.	commercial	hours from the	commercial paper	ore,
		Further, the	paper is required	date of payment	of the Company	action
		Company	to be given within	of commercial	are listed.	taken
		had vide their	24 hours from	paper (i.e.	Company's	by the
		letter dated	the date of	December 14,	application for	Compa
		October 11,	payment to the	2021).	waiver of fine was	ny is
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		NSE vide its letter dated March 01, 2023 has considered favourably the request for waiver of fine and the fine has been waived off.		2022. consequently, NSE had imposed a fine of INR 80, 240/- (inclusive of GST) for the same.		requir e from the PCS.
3.	Not applicable.	The Company has made a submission for specifying the record date for the payment of interest on Non-Convertible Debentures issued by the Company, on October 03, 2022 which should have been given by the Company on or before September 27, 2022, in terms of the regulation 60 of the SEBI LODR Regulations 2015.	Pursuant to the provisions of Regulation 60 of the SEBI LODR Regulations 2015, the listed entity is required to give a notice with respect to the fixation of record date for the purpose of payment of interest, dividend and payment of redemption or repayment amount of nonconvertible securities, in advance of at least seven working days (excluding the date of intimation and the record date), to the Stock Exchange where the Non-Convertible Securities of the Company are listed.	Convertible Debentures issued by the Company, on October 03, 2022 which should have been given by the Company on or before September 27, 2022, in terms of the Regulation 60 of the SEBI LODR Regulations 2015.	was inadvertently delayed by 3 working days for which Company	The said fine was waived -off by the NSE vide its letter dated June 16, 2023. Theref ore, action taken by the Compa ny is satisfa ctory and no further comm ents require from the PCS.

#### Assumptions & Limitation of scope and Review:

- 1. Compliance of the applicable laws and ensuring the authenticity of documents and information furnished, are the responsibilities of the management of the listed entity.
- 2. Our responsibility is to certify based upon our examination of relevant documents and information. This is neither an audit nor an expression of opinion.

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- 3. We have not verified the correctness and appropriateness of the financial Records and Books of Accounts of the listed entity.
- 4. This Report is solely for the intended purpose of compliance in terms of Regulation 24A (2) of the SEBI LODR Regulations 2015 and is neither an assurance as to the future viability of the listed entity nor of the efficacy or effectiveness with which the management has conducted the affairs of the listed entity.
- 5. This Report is limited to the Statutory Compliances on laws/ regulations / guidelines listed in our report which have been complied with by the Company up to the date of this Report pertaining to the financial year ended March' 2024.
- 6. 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 random test basis.
- 7. 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 the random 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.

For Chandrasekaran Associates Company Secretaries

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Peer Review Certificate No: 4186/2023

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Rupesh Agatwal

Managing Partner
Membership No. A16302

Certificate of Practice No. 5673 UDIN: A016302F000258632

Date: May 02, 2024

Place: Delhi