

January 19, 2024

To, **BSE Limited** Phiroze Jeejeeboy Towers Dalal Street, Fort, Mumbai 400 001 <u>BSE Scrip Code:539141</u> To, **National Stock Exchange of India Limited** Exchange Plaza, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Plot no.C/1, G Block, Sandra Kurla Complex, Sandra (East), Mumbai 400 051 <u>NSE Scrip Symbol: UFO</u>

Dear Sir/ Ma'am,

Sub: Disclosure of events or information under Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("SEBI LODR Regulations") – Pronouncement of Order by the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench sanctioning the Scheme of Amalgamation amongst Wholly owned subsidiaries (direct / step down) viz. Scrabble Entertainment Limited, Plexigo Entertainment Private Limited, Zinglin Media Private Limited, Scrabble Entertainment (Mauritius) Limited with Holding Company – UFO Moviez India Limited and their respective shareholders

This is in continuation of intimation dated July 6, 2023 sent to you regarding the Scheme of Arrangement amongst Wholly owned subsidiaries (direct / step down) viz. Scrabble Entertainment Limited ("SEL" or "Transferor Company 1"), Plexigo Entertainment Private Limited ("PEPL" or "Transferor Company 2"), Zinglin Media Private Limited ("ZMPL" or "Transferor Company 3") and Scrabble Entertainment (Mauritius) Limited ("SEML" or "Transferor Company 4") (together known as "Transferor Companies") with Holding Company – UFO Moviez India Limited ("UFO / Transferee Company").

We wish to inform you that the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench ('Hon'ble NCLT') on January 17, 2024, pronounced the Order, sanctioning the aforesaid Scheme of Amalgamation ('Order'), we enclose herewith a copy of the Order dated January 17, 2024, approving the Scheme, as uploaded on the website of Hon'ble NCLT on January 18, 2024.

Upon receipt of the certified copy of the order passed by the Hon'ble NCLT and filing of the same by the companies with the Registrar of Companies, the Scheme would be made effective.

This disclosure is being made in terms of Regulation 30 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended.

We request you to kindly take this intimation on record.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

For UFO Moviez India Limited

Kavita Thadeshwar Company Secretary

Encl.: a/a

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In the matter of Companies Act, 2013 And

In the matter of

Section 230-232 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Section 234 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules, 2016;

### AND

In the matter of

Scheme of Amalgamation of

### Scrabble Entertainment Limited

("Transferor Company 1") And

**Plexigo Entertainment Private Limited** ("Transferor Company 2")

And

## Zinglin Media Private Limited

("Transferor Company 3")

And

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ScrabbleEntertainment(Mauritius)Limited(Transferor Company 4)WithUFO Moviez India Limited("Transferee Company")and their respective shareholders (the"Scheme")

| Scrabble Entertainment Limited,       |                               |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| [CIN: U92190MH2008PLC178456]          | Petitioner company No.1       |
|                                       | Transferor Company No.1       |
| Plexigo Entertainment Private Limited |                               |
| [CIN: U92419MH2020PTC343580]          | Petitioner company No.2       |
|                                       | Transferor Company No.2       |
| Zinglin Media Private Limited,        |                               |
| [CIN: U74999MH2017PTC300940]          | Petitioner company No.3       |
|                                       | Transferor Company No.3       |
| UFO Moviez India Limited              |                               |
| [CIN: L22120MH2004PLC285453]          | Petitioner company No.4       |
|                                       | Transferor Company No.4       |
|                                       | Order delivered on 17.01.2024 |

| Coram:                    |   |                    |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Shri. Kishore Vemulapalli | : | Member (Judicial)  |
| Ms. Anu Jagmohan Singh    | : | Member (Technical) |

| Appearances:               |   |                                  |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| For the Applicants         | : | Mr. Shyam Kapadia, Counsel and   |
|                            |   | Mr Ahmed M Chunawala, i/b        |
|                            |   | Rajesh Shah & Co, Advocates.     |
| For the Regional Director: | : | Mr. Tushar Wagh, Regional Deputy |
|                            |   | Director, Western Region, Mumbai |

## <u>ORDER</u>

 Heard the Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies. The sanction of the Tribunal is sought under Sections 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Section 234 and other relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 in India and applicable laws in Mauritius and the rules framed thereunder for the Scheme of Amalgamation of Scrabble Entertainment Limited ("SEL" or "Transferor Company 1") and Plexigo Entertainment Private Limited ("PEPL" or "Transferor Company 2") and Zinglin Media Private Limited ("ZMPL" or "Transferor Company 3") and Scrabble Entertainment (Mauritius) Limited ("SEML" or "Transferor Company 4") with UFO Moviez India Limited ("UFO" or "Transferee Company") and their respective shareholders (the "Scheme")

- The Petitioner Companies have approved the said Scheme of Amalgamation by passing the Board Resolutions dated July 06, 2023 which are annexed to the respective Company Scheme Petitions.
- 3. The Petitioner Companies submit that since the registered office of Scrabble Entertainment (Mauritius) Limited (the Transferor Company 4) is situated in Mauritius, the Transferor Company 4 had preferred application for sanction of the Scheme before the Supreme Court of Mauritius under the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2001 of the Republic of Mauritius. The Supreme Court of Mauritius has vide its order dated October 30, 2023 sanctioned the Scheme.
- The Petitioner Companies states that the Petition have been filed in consonance with the Order passed in the Company Scheme Application No. 193 of 2023 of the Hon'ble Tribunal.
- 5. The Petitioner Companies further states that the Petitioner Companies have complied with all requirements as per directions of the National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench and they have filed necessary affidavits of compliance in the National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench.

- 6. The Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies states that the First Petitioner Company is engaged in providing Digital Cinema Initiative (DCI) technology-based end to end Digital Cinema Solutions and the Second Petitioner Company is engaged in the business of technology support services in relation to digital entertainment, Pay-Per View Movies and Live Events Streaming and OTT Discovery for Movies and web services, Video on-demand streaming Service, recommendation service and guide and the Third Petitioner Company is engaged in the business of technology support services in relation to digital entertainment & media and Transferor Company 4 is an is an investment holding company holding investment in Scrabble Entertainment DMCC which conducts digital cinema deployment business in middle east region and Fourth Petitioner Company is an advertising platform and is the first one, to enable cinema digitization with satellite technology in India. It is the end-to-end service provider for all DCI and non-DCI related cinema solutions.
- 7. The rationale for the proposed Scheme is as under:
  - i. The Transferor Companies are wholly owned subsidiaries (direct / step down) of the Transferee Company.

- ii. The Transferor Company 1 was primarily focused on deployment of DCI technology compliant Digital Cinema Systems in premium cinema screens across India including Hollywood studios. This enabled the Transferor Company 1 to receive payment of virtual print fees (VPF) under certain arrangements. The Transferor Company 1 has completed its contractual period of receiving VPF and some of these screens were transferred to the exhibitors as per the arrangement. The business operations of balance screens of the Transferor Company 1 are similar to the operations of the Transferee Company and the proposed merger will fetch synergetic benefits once the theater networks of the Transferor Company 1 and the Transferee Company are merged and consolidated under one roof.
- iii. The Transferor Company 2 and the Transferor Company 3 are not of a significant size and therefore consolidation with the Transferee Company will result into decrease in the administration costs associated with day-to-day operations. Further, merger of Transferor Company 4, being an investment holding company, would result into simplification of corporate structure.
- iv. The amalgamation of the Transferor Companies with the Transferee Company will lead to better business synergies, improved overall operational efficiencies and cost savings.

- v. The amalgamation will also result in reduction in legal and regulatory compliances that are currently carried out by multiple entities.
- vi. The proposed amalgamation will reduce number of legal entities.
- vii. The proposed amalgamation will reduce managerial overlaps, which are necessarily involved in running multiple entities.
- 8. The Regional Director has filed his Report dated December 18, 2023 inter-alia making the following observations in paragraphs 2 (a) to (k) which are reproduced hereunder along with responses/compliances of the Petitioner Companies:

| Para | Observation by the Regional<br>Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Undertaking of the<br>Petitioner<br>Company/Rejoinder |
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| 2(a) | That on examination of the report<br>of the Registrar of Companies,<br>Mumbai dated 29.11.2023<br>(Annexed as Annexure A-1) for<br>Petitioner Transferor Companies<br>No. 1,2,3 & 5 falls within the<br>jurisdiction of ROC, Mumbai.<br>Further Petitioner Transferor<br>company No. 4 namely Scrabble |                                                       |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Entertainment (Mauritius) Limited   |                              |
| (NA) is incorporated under the      |                              |
| provisions of Companies Act, 2001   |                              |
| of the Republic of Mauritius. It is |                              |
| submitted that no complaint and     |                              |
| /or representation regarding the    |                              |
| proposed scheme of Amalgamation     |                              |
| has been received against the       |                              |
| Petitioner Companies No. 1,2,3 &    |                              |
| 5. Further, the Petitioner          |                              |
| Companies has filed Financial       |                              |
| Statements up to 31.03.2023.        |                              |
|                                     |                              |
| The ROC has further submitted       |                              |
| that in his report dated 29.11.2023 |                              |
| which are as under                  |                              |
| i. That the ROC Mumbai in its       | So far as the observation in |
| report dated 29.11.2023 has also    | paragraph 2(a)(i) of the     |
| stated that No Inquiry,             | Report of the Regional       |
| Inspection, Investigations,         | Director is concerned, the   |
| Prosecutions and complaint          | Petitioner Companies         |
| under CA, 2013 have been            |                              |
| pending against the Petitioner      |                              |
| Companies.                          |                              |
| As per the provisions of Section    |                              |

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230(3)(i) of the Companies Act, 2013, where the transferor companies 1,2 & 3 are dissolved, the fee, if any, paid by the transferor companies its on authorized capital shall be set-off against any fees payable by the Transferee company on its authorized capital subsequent to amalgamation. the Therefore, remaining fee, if any after settingoff the fees already paid by the transferor companies on its authorized capital, must be paid by the transferee company on the increased authorized capital subsequent to the amalgamation.

So far as the observation in paragraph 2 (a)(ii) of the Report of the Regional Director is concerned, the Transferee Company undertakes to comply with of provisions Section 232(3)(i) of the Companies Act, 2013. The fees (if any) payable by the Transferee Company on clubbing of authorised share capital of the Transferor Company 1, Transferor Company 2 and Transferor Company 3 shall be set off against the fees paid already by the Transferor Company 1. Transferor Company 2 and Transferor Company 3 for their authorized share capital in accordance with the provisions of Section 232(3)(i) of the Companies Act, 2013.

|      | ii. Interest of the creditors should be protected.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | So far as the observation in<br>paragraph 2 (a)(iii)(3) of the<br>Report of the Regional<br>Director is concerned, the<br>Petitioner Companies                                                                                   |
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|      | <ul> <li>iii. May be decided on its merits.</li> <li>Hence, the Petitioner Companies shall undertake to submit detailed reply against observations mentioned above.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                          | submit that the Scheme is<br>not prejudicial to the<br>interests of the shareholders<br>and creditors and interests of<br>the creditors will be<br>protected and there is no<br>compromise or arrangement<br>with the creditors. |
| 2(b) | Transferee Company should<br>undertake to comply with the<br>provisions of section 232(3)(i) of<br>the Companies Act, 2013 through<br>appropriate affirmation in respect<br>of fees payable by Transferee<br>Company for increase of share<br>capital on account of merger of<br>transfer of companies. | paragraph 2(b) of the Report<br>of the Regional Director is<br>concerned, the Transferee<br>Company undertakes to<br>comply with the provisions<br>of section 232(3)(i) of the                                                   |

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|      |                                   | capital of the Transferor     |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|      |                                   | Company 1, Transferor         |
|      |                                   |                               |
|      |                                   | Company 2 and Transferor      |
|      |                                   | Company 3 shall be set off    |
|      |                                   | against the fees already paid |
|      |                                   | by the Transferor Company     |
|      |                                   | 1, Transferor Company 2       |
|      |                                   | and Transferor Company 3      |
|      |                                   | for their authorised share    |
|      |                                   | capital in accordance with    |
|      |                                   | the provisions of Section     |
|      |                                   | 232(3)(i) of the Companies    |
|      |                                   | Act, 2013.                    |
|      |                                   | 1100, 2010.                   |
| 2(c) | In compliance of Accounting       | So far as the observation in  |
|      | Standard-14 or IND-AS 103, as     | paragraph 2(c) of the Report  |
|      | may be applicable, the transferee | of the Regional Director is   |
|      | company shall pass such           | concerned, the Transferee     |
|      | accounting entries which are      |                               |
|      | necessary in connection with the  |                               |
|      | scheme to comply with other       | -                             |
|      | 1 5                               | Ũ                             |
|      | applicable Accounting Standards   | treatment, the Transferee     |
|      | including AS-5 or IND AS-8 etc.   | Company shall pass such       |
|      |                                   | accounting entries as may be  |
|      |                                   | necessary in connection with  |
|      |                                   | the Scheme to comply with     |

| 2(d) | The Hon'ble Tribunal may kindly<br>direct the Petitioner Companies to<br>file an affidavit to the extent that<br>the Scheme enclosed to the<br>Company Application and<br>Company Petition are one and<br>same and there is no discrepancy,<br>or no change is made.                                                                                                               | paragraph 2(d) of the Report  |
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| 2(e) | The Petitioner Companies under<br>provisions of section 230(5) of the<br>Companies Act 2013 have to serve<br>notices to concerned authorities<br>which are likely to be affected by<br>the Amalgamation or arrangement.<br>Further, the approval of the scheme<br>by the Hon'ble Tribunal may not<br>deter such authorities to deal with<br>any of the issues arising after giving | paragraph 2 (e) of the Report |

|      | effect to the scheme. The decision   | directed by the Uan'hla        |
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|      |                                      | directed by the Hon'ble        |
|      | of such authorities shall be binding |                                |
|      | on the petitioner companies          | be affected by the Scheme.     |
|      | concerned                            | Further, the Transferee        |
|      |                                      | Company submits that the       |
|      |                                      | approval of the Scheme by      |
|      |                                      | the Hon'ble Tribunal would     |
|      |                                      | not deter such authorities to  |
|      |                                      | deal with any of the issues    |
|      |                                      | arising after giving effect to |
|      |                                      | the Scheme and the decision    |
|      |                                      | of such authorities would be   |
|      |                                      | binding on the Petitioner      |
|      |                                      | Companies in accordance        |
|      |                                      | with law.                      |
|      |                                      |                                |
| 2(f) | As per Definition of the Scheme,     | So far as the observation in   |
|      |                                      | paragraph 2(f) of the Report   |
|      |                                      | of the Regional Director is    |
|      | "Appointed Date" for the purpose     | concerned, the Transferee      |
|      | of this Scheme (as defied            | Company submits that the       |
|      | hereinafter) and the Income-tax      | Scheme complies with the       |
|      | Act, 1961 means April 1, 2023 or     | requirements as clarified      |
|      | such other date as may be mutually   | vide circular no. F.           |
|      | agreed to by the Board of Directors  | No.7/12/2019/CL-1 dated        |
|      | of the Transferor Companies and      | 21.08.2019 issued by the       |
|      | or the transferer companies and      |                                |

| the Transferee Company or such      | Ministry of Corporate         |
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| other date as may be fixed          | Affairs by clearly specifying |
| approved by the NCLT (as defined    | the Appointed Date (i.e.      |
| hereinafter) or any other           | April 1, 2023) in the Scheme  |
| Appropriate Authority. Upon the     | and accordingly, the          |
| Scheme coming into effect, it shall | requirements of the said      |
| operate with effect from the        | circular have already been    |
| appointment date.                   | complied with.                |
| "Effective Date" means the date on  |                               |
| which a certified or authenticated  |                               |
| copy of the Order of the National   |                               |
| Company Law Tribunal under          |                               |
| Section 230-232 read with 234 of    |                               |
| the Act sanctioning this Scheme is  |                               |
| filed with the respective Registrar |                               |
| of Companies of the Transferor      |                               |
| Companies and the Transferee        |                               |
| Company in Maharashtra. All the     |                               |
| references in this Scheme to the    |                               |
| words "coming into effect of this   |                               |
| Scheme" or "effectiveness of this   |                               |
| Scheme" or "scheme taking effect"   |                               |
| shall mean the Effective Date;      |                               |
|                                     |                               |
| "Record Date" for the purpose of    |                               |

| this Scheme shall mean the                                           |  |
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| Effective Date or any other later                                    |  |
| date to be fixed by the Board of                                     |  |
| Directors of the Transferee                                          |  |
| Company for the purpose of                                           |  |
| determining the members of the                                       |  |
| Transferor Companies to whom                                         |  |
| shares will be allotted pursuant to                                  |  |
| this Scheme.                                                         |  |
| In this regard, it is submitted that                                 |  |
| In this regard, it is submitted that                                 |  |
| Section 232 (6) of the Companies<br>Act, 2013 states that the scheme |  |
| under this section shall clearly                                     |  |
| indicate an appointed date from                                      |  |
| which it shall be effective and the                                  |  |
| scheme shall be deemed to be                                         |  |
| effective from such date and not at                                  |  |
| a date subsequent to the appointed                                   |  |
| date. However, this aspect may be                                    |  |
| decided by the Hon'ble Tribunal                                      |  |
| taking into account its inherent                                     |  |
| powers.                                                              |  |
|                                                                      |  |
| It is submitted that the Petitioners                                 |  |
| may be asked to comply with the                                      |  |

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| 2(   | requirements as clarified vide<br>circular no. F. No. 7/12/2019/CL-<br>I dated 21.08.2019 issued by the<br>Ministry of Corporate Affairs. | So far as the charmation in  |
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| 2(g) | Petitioner Companies shall<br>undertake to comply with the<br>directions of Income tax<br>department and the GST<br>Department, if any.   |                              |
| 2(h) | Petitioner Companies shall<br>undertake to comply with the<br>directions of the concerned sectoral<br>Regulatory, if so required.         | of the Regional Director is  |
| 2(i) | Petitioner Companies has foreign                                                                                                          | So far as the observation in |

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shareholders; hence Petitioner paragraph 2(i) of the Report Companies shall undertake of the Regional Director is to comply with rules, regulations, concerned, the Transferee guidelines of FEMA, FERA and Company submits that it has RBI. Further the company may foreign shareholders place before approval of RBI for since Scheme provides for cross border merger in the matter of amalgamation of wholly Transferor subsidiaries 4th company in owned compliance with Section 234(2) of whereunder there discharge of consideration to the Act. any shareholders, there are compliances no Transferee Company required to comply with. The Petitioner Companies undertake to comply with other applicable the guidelines under Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, as applicable and to the extent required. So far as the observation in relation to the prior approval of RBI for border merger cross concerned, the Transferee

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| Company submits that the      |
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| Transferee Company states     |
| that as per the provisions of |
| section 234(2) of the         |
| Companies Act, 2013 read      |
| with Rule 25A of the          |
| Companies (Compromises,       |
| Arrangements and              |
| Amalgamation) Rules, 2016,    |
| a foreign company may,        |
| with the prior approval of    |
| the Reserve Bank of India,    |
| amalgamate with an Indian     |
| company. In this regard,      |
| Reserve Bank of India has     |
| framed Foreign Exchange       |
| Management (Cross Border      |
| Merger) Regulations, 2018.    |
| As per Regulation 9 of the    |
| said regulations issued by    |
| Reserve Bank of India, any    |
| transaction on account of a   |
| cross border merger           |
| undertaken in accordance      |
| with the Foreign Exchange     |

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| Management (Cross Border      |
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| Merger) Regulations, 2018     |
|                               |
| shall be deemed to have       |
| prior approval of Reserve     |
| Bank as required under Rule   |
| 25A of the Companies          |
| (Compromises,                 |
| Arrangements and              |
| Amalgamation) Rules, 2016.    |
| Further, as per the said      |
| regulation, a certificate to  |
| that effect is required to be |
| furnished along with the      |
| application made to the       |
| National Company Law          |
| Tribunal. The Petitioner      |
| Company submits that it has   |
| complied with and             |
| undertakes to comply with     |
| the provisions of the         |
| regulations contained in      |
| Foreign Exchange              |
| Management (Cross Border      |
| Merger) Regulations, 2018.    |
| Further Mr. Rajesh Mishra,    |
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| Executive Director & Group     |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| CEO and Ms. Kavita             |  |  |  |
| Thadeshwar, Company            |  |  |  |
| Secretary of the Transferee    |  |  |  |
| Company have provided a        |  |  |  |
| certificate to ensure          |  |  |  |
| compliance with the Foreign    |  |  |  |
| Exchange Management            |  |  |  |
| (Cross Border Merger)          |  |  |  |
| Regulations, 2018 along        |  |  |  |
| with the Company Scheme        |  |  |  |
| Application – Exhibit I. A     |  |  |  |
| copy this certificate has been |  |  |  |
| annexed and marked as          |  |  |  |
| Annexure "A" to Affidavit      |  |  |  |
| in Rejoinder. Accordingly,     |  |  |  |
| approval of Reserve Bank of    |  |  |  |
| India is deemed to have been   |  |  |  |
| received to the Scheme. A      |  |  |  |
| copy of Foreign Exchange       |  |  |  |
| Management (Cross Border       |  |  |  |
| Merger) Regulations, 2018      |  |  |  |
| has been annexed and           |  |  |  |
| marked as Annexure "B" to      |  |  |  |
| Affidavit in Rejoinder.        |  |  |  |

| 2(j) | Its is observed that the 4th<br>Transferor Company is Registered<br>under the provisions of Companies<br>Act, 2001 of the Republic of<br>Mauritius in view of the same<br>similar approval for the said<br>Amalgamation need to be obtained<br>by the forth transferor company<br>from the appropriate authorities<br>before giving effect to the scheme. | of the Regional Director is<br>concerned, The Transferee<br>Company submits that since<br>the registered office of<br>Scrabble Entertainment<br>(Mauritius) Limited (the |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2(k) | The Petitioner Company states that<br>the Transferee Company shall be in                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | So far as the observation in paragraph 2(k) of the Report                                                                                                                |

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compliance with provisions of the Regional Director is of Section 2(1B) of the Income Tax concerned, the Transferee Act, 1961. In this regard, the Company submits that the petitioner company shall ensure Petitioner Companies shall compliance of all the provisions of ensure compliance of all the Income Tax Act provisions of Income Tax and Rules thereunder. Act, 1961 including section 2 (1B) and the rules framed thereunder.

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he observations made by the Regional Director have been explained by the Petitioner Companies in Para 10 above. Mr. Tushar Wagh Deputy Regional Director of Western Region, Mumbai appeared and submits that above explanations and clarifications given by the Petitioner Companies in rejoinder are satisfactory and they have no further objection to the Scheme.

10. The Official Liquidator has filed his report dated November 28, 2023 inter-alia making the following observations in paragraphs 6 and 7 which are reproduced hereunder along with responses/compliances of the Petitioner Companies:

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| Para | Observation by the Official Liquidator | Undertaking of the Petitioner<br>Company/Rejoinder       |  |  |  |  |
|------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 6    | With reference to clause No.           | So far as the observation in                             |  |  |  |  |
|      | 25.1 of the scheme it is stated        | paragraph 6 of the Report of the                         |  |  |  |  |
|      | that such clauses overrides the        | Official Liquidator is concerned,                        |  |  |  |  |
|      | provision of Companies Act,            | the Transferee Company states                            |  |  |  |  |
|      | 2013 namely Section 232(3)(i)          | that Clause 25.1 of the Scheme                           |  |  |  |  |
|      | which inter-alia provides that,        | provides for increase in the                             |  |  |  |  |
|      | 'if a company is dissolved the         | authorized share capital of the                          |  |  |  |  |
|      | fee paid by such company on            | -                                                        |  |  |  |  |
|      | its Authorised Capital shall be        | authorized share capital of the<br>Transferor Company 1, |  |  |  |  |
|      | set off against any fees payable       |                                                          |  |  |  |  |
|      | by the transferee company on           | Transferor Company 2 and                                 |  |  |  |  |
|      | its Authorised Capital.                | Transferor Company 3 without                             |  |  |  |  |
|      | Accordingly, clause No. 25.1           | any further payment of stamp                             |  |  |  |  |
|      | may be modified.                       | duty and / or fees on such                               |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | increase to the extent such stamp                        |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | duty and / or fees already paid by                       |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | the Transferor Company 1,                                |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | Transferor Company 2 and                                 |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | Transferor Company 3 on their                            |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | respective authorized share                              |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | capital. Accordingly, clause 25.1                        |  |  |  |  |
|      |                                        | of the Scheme does not override                          |  |  |  |  |

|   |                                  | the provisions of section 232(3)(i) |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|   |                                  | of the Companies Act, 2013.         |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | -                                   |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | Further, the Transferee Company     |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | undertakes to comply with           |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | provisions of Section 232(3)(i) of  |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | the Companies Act, 2013. The        |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | fees (if any) payable by the        |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | Transferee Company on clubbing      |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | of authorized share capital of the  |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | Transferor Company 1,               |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | Transferor Company 2 and            |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | Transferor Company 3 shall be       |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | set off against the fees already    |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | paid by them for their authorized   |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | share capital in accordance with    |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | the provisions of Section 232(3)(i) |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | of the Companies Act, 2013.         |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | 1 ,                                 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | As per the Financial Statement   | The observation in paragraph 7 of   |  |  |  |  |
|   | of Plexigo Entertainment         | the Report of the Official          |  |  |  |  |
|   | Private Limited (Transferor      | Liquidator pertains to the          |  |  |  |  |
|   | Company 2) and Zinglin           | preparation of financial            |  |  |  |  |
|   | Media Private Limited            | statements for FY 23 of             |  |  |  |  |
|   | (Transferor Company 3) as at     | Transferor Company 2 and            |  |  |  |  |
|   | 31.03.2023 the Total Liabilities | Transferor Company 3 on a going     |  |  |  |  |
|   |                                  | concern basis despite having a      |  |  |  |  |
| L |                                  |                                     |  |  |  |  |

| Total Assets and thus the                                                                                                                                     | negative net worth. In relation to                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| company is with Negative Net                                                                                                                                  | this, it is submitted that:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Worth, the Financial<br>Statements has been prepared<br>on going concern basis.<br>Hon'ble Tribunal may require<br>the company to explain in this<br>respect. | a. In note 2.1 of the audited<br>financial statements of the<br>Transferor Company 2 for FY 23,<br>it was disclosed that for FY 23,<br>the Transferor Company 2 had<br>incurred a loss of Rs.64.06 lakhs<br>and had accumulated losses of<br>Rs.183.12 lakhs. Accordingly, the<br>net-worth of the Transferor<br>Company 2 was fully eroded. The<br>Holding Company i.e. Transferee<br>Company committed to provide<br>continued financial and operating<br>support to the Transferor<br>Company 2, to enable it to<br>operate as a going concern. For<br>this, the Transferee Company had<br>already provided a financial<br>support of Rs.225 lakhs by way of<br>preference share capital as on the<br>date of balance-sheet and<br>accordingly, financial statements<br>of Transferor Company 2 for FY |

| 23 were prepared on a going        |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| concern basis.                     |  |  |  |
| b. Similarly, in note 2.1 of the   |  |  |  |
| audited financial statements of    |  |  |  |
| the Transferor Company 3 for FY    |  |  |  |
| 23, it was disclosed that for FY   |  |  |  |
| 23, the Transferor Company 3       |  |  |  |
| had incurred a loss of Rs.175.87   |  |  |  |
| lakhs and had accumulated losses   |  |  |  |
| of Rs.494.86 lakhs. Accordingly    |  |  |  |
| the net-worth of the Transferor    |  |  |  |
| Company 3 was fully eroded. The    |  |  |  |
| Holding Company i.e. Transferee    |  |  |  |
| Company committed to provide       |  |  |  |
| continued financial and operating  |  |  |  |
| support to the Transferor          |  |  |  |
| Company 3, to enable it to         |  |  |  |
| operate as a going concern. For    |  |  |  |
| this, the Transferee Company had   |  |  |  |
| already provided a financial       |  |  |  |
| support of Rs.359.91 lakhs by      |  |  |  |
| way of preference share capital as |  |  |  |
| on the date of balance-sheet and   |  |  |  |
| accordingly, financial statements  |  |  |  |
| of Transferor Company 3 for FY     |  |  |  |

|  | 23             | were | prepared | on | going |  |
|--|----------------|------|----------|----|-------|--|
|  | concern basis. |      |          |    |       |  |

- 11. The observations made by the Official Liquidator have been satisfactorily explained by the Petitioner Companies in Para 12 above.
- 12. The Reserve Bank of India ("RBI") has also addressed letters dated November 03, 2023 and December 29, 2023 in response to notice served as per directions of Tribunal in Company Scheme Application and Company Scheme Petition respectively. The said letters require the Petitioner Companies to comply with the requirement of various laws, rules regulations and guidelines as prescribed by the RBI. It also states that it would not be possible for the RBI to vet individual cases. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner Companies, on instructions undertakes to comply with the laws, rules, regulations, and guidelines prescribed by the RBI as applicable. The said undertaking is accepted.
- 13. The Central Cinema Co-owners, the Unsecured Creditor of Scrabble Entertainment Limited ('Transferor Company 1') in Company Scheme Application No.193 of 2023 has come before Tribunal raising certain disputed claims against the Transferor Company 1 on November 16, 2023. The Central Cinema Co-owners has an outstanding debt of Rs.

1,50,000 out of total outstanding debt of the Transferor Company 1 amounting to Rs 9.62 crs as per its latest audited financial statements as on March 31, 2023. It was submitted that the Central Cinema Co-owners constitutes much less than 5% of the total outstanding debt of Transferor Company 1 as on March 31, 2023, and as such, in terms of proviso to Section 230(4) of the Companies Act, 2013, he does not have the requisite locus to object to the Scheme. According to the proviso any objection could be made by person having outstanding debt amounting to not less than 5% of total outstanding debt as per the latest audited financial statement. Further, the Net worth of the Transferee Company is significantly higher than that of Transferor Company 1, whose Central Cinema Co-owners claims to be creditors. Consequently, there is no compromise or arrangement with creditors, and no sacrifice is required from them. Therefore, since the Central Cinema Co-owners do not meet the mandatory minimum threshold prescribed by the Act to raise objections to a Scheme, the objection of the Central Cinema Co-owners is dismissed as not maintainable.

- 14. From the material on record, the Scheme appears to be fair and reasonable and is not violative of any provisions of law and is not contrary to public policy.
- 15. Since all the requisite statutory compliances have been fulfilled, Company Scheme Petition No. 284 of 2023 is made absolute in terms of clauses 45. (A) to (E) of the said Company Scheme Petition.
- The First Petitioner Company, Second Petitioner Company and Third Petitioner Company be dissolved without winding up.
- 17. In view of the above, the Scheme is hereby **Sanctioned** with the 'Appointed Date' as April 01, 2023.
- 18. Petitioners Companies are directed to file a copy of this Order along with a copy of the Scheme of Amalgamation with the concerned Registrar of Companies, electronically along with E-Form INC-28, within 30 days from the date of receipt of the Order from the Registry of this Tribunal.
- 19. The Petitioner Companies to lodge a copy of this Order and the Scheme duly authenticated by the Deputy Registrar, National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai Bench, with the concerned Superintendent of Stamps,

for the purpose of adjudication of stamp duty payable within 60 days from the date of receipt of the Order, if any.

- 20. All Authorities concerned to act on a copy of this Order along with Scheme duly authenticated by the Deputy Director or Assistant Registrar, National Company Law Tribunal, Mumbai.
- 21. Ordered Accordingly. C.P. (CAA)/284/MB/2023 is allowed and disposed of.

Sd/-

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Anu Jagmohan Singh Member (Technical) Suresh 17.01.2024. Kishore Vemulapalli Member (Judicial)