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To, Name Address

# **Ref: LETTER OF APPOINTMENT FOR NON-EXECUTIVE INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR**

It is our pleasure to have you as a Non-Executive Independent Director on the Board of Syngene International Limited (Syngene). This letter sets out the terms and conditions covering your appointment as Non-Executive Independent Director on the Board of the Company.

### **TERM OF OFFICE**

In accordance with the provision of the Companies Act, 2013 and other applicable laws, your appointment as a Non-executive Independent Director of Syngene has been approved by the Board on XXXX for a period of XX years effective from XX till XXXX, subject to shareholders' approval at the ensuing General Meeting. You shall not be liable to retire by rotation as per the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

Your appointment is also subject to the maximum permissible Directorships that one can hold as per the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015 (hereinafter referred to as the Listing Regulations).

Your terms of appointment should be construed as defined under the Companies Act, 2013 and as per Listing Regulations.

# **COMMITTEES**

You may be inducted on one or more Board Committees, as may be decided by the Board of Directors.

Your appointment to such Committee(s) will be subject to applicable regulations and Committee charter.



#### **EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD**

- to the Board's discussions and to help in providing the Board with effective leadership in relation to the Company's strategy, performance, and risk management as well as ensuring high standards of financial probity and corporate governance. The Board meets at-least four times in a year. Meetings of the Committees like Audit Committee, Risk Management Committee, Nomination and Remuneration Committee, Stakeholders' Relationship Committee and Corporate Social Responsibility Committee meetings are convened ordinarily four times in a year or as may be decided from time to time. You will be expected to attend the meetings of the Board and Board Committee on which you are appointed and Shareholders meetings and to devote such time to your duties, as appropriate for you to discharge your duties effectively. Ordinarily, all meetings are held in Bangalore.
- **Disclosure of Interest:** You should give us required disclosure as prescribed under the statute. The Company Secretary will co-ordinate with you for getting such disclosures from time to time. Further, furnish us the annual declaration that you meet the criteria of Independence as per Companies Act, 2013. Please also update promptly whenever there is change in circumstance which may affect your status of Independence.
- Confidentiality: You must apply the highest standard of confidentiality and not disclose to any person or Company, whether during the course of Appointment or at any time after termination, any confidential information concerning the Company and any group Companies with which you come into contact by virtue of your position.

# ROLE, RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES ALONG WITH ACCOMPANYING LIABILITIES

As a Non-Executive Independent Director of the Company you shall act in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company.

The fiduciary duties of Executive and Non-Executive directors are as under:

- Act in good faith in order to promote the objects of the company for the benefit of its
  members as a whole, and in the best interests of the company, its employees, the
  shareholders, the community and for the protection of environment.
- Exercise duties with due and reasonable care, skill and diligence and exercise independent judgment.
- Not involve in a situation where there is a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interest of the company.
- Not achieve or attempt to achieve any undue gain or advantage either to himself or to your relatives, partners, or associates
- Not to assign your office as Director.



In addition to the above, the role of the Non-Executive Independent Director has the following key elements:

**Strategy:** You will constructively contribute in the development of the Company strategy.

**Performance:** You should scrutinize the performance of management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitor the reporting of performance;

**Risk:** You should satisfy yourself that financial information is accurate and that financial controls and systems of risk management are robust and defensible.

**People:** You should determine appropriate levels of remuneration of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management and have a prime role in appointing and where necessary recommend removal of executive directors, key managerial personnel and senior management;

If as a Director of the Company you contravene any provisions of the Companies Act, you shall be punishable with fine under the statue and may also exposed to Civil Action, Criminal Action or Class Action Suit by the Shareholders.

# **FEES AND REMUNERATION**

You shall be paid remuneration by way of Commission as approved by the Board from time to time. You will also be paid sitting fees which will be linked to your presence at the Board and Committee meetings and also on the basis of your position in various Committee of the Board, whether as the Chairman or a Member of the Committee(s). However, such remuneration by way of Commission shall be within the limits of the Companies Act, 2013. The proposed remuneration is as under:

Particulars	Maximum Annual Commission in USD	
	Chairperson	Member
Non-Executive Chairperson, if any	100,000	NA
Independent and Non-Executive Board Member	NA	50,000
Audit Committee	24,000	16,000
Nomination & Remuneration Committee	12,000	8,000
Corporate Social Responsibility Committee	12,000	8,000
Risk Management Committee Members	12,000	8,000
Science and Technology Committee	12,000	8,000
Stakeholders Relationship and ESG Committee	12,000	8,000

Sitting fee will be paid on the basis of USD 1000 per meeting of the Board/Committee and this
will be adjusted against the overall amount of the Board fee, as indicated in the table above,
assuming quarterly meetings of Board and individual Committees. In case of additional meetings
other than quarterly meetings, only the sitting fee of USD 1,000 will be paid for each such
additional meeting;



- Pro-rata commission (ie. 25% each quarter) will be paid for the first three quarters after
  adjusting quarterly sitting fees. Commission for the 4th quarter will be paid once the annual
  accounts are approved to ensure compliance with the guideline of commission for all nonexecutive directors being up to 1% of the PBT for the relevant year.
- Travel expenses will be reimbursed on actual basis.

### REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

In addition to fees and remuneration described above, the Company shall reimburse you the traveling, hotel, out of pocket and other incidental expenses incurred by you in performance of your roles and duties.

# **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS (D&O) INSURANCE**

Biocon Group has Directors and Officers (D&O) Insurance policy which intend to cover personal liability claim made against the directors while serving on the Board of the Biocon Group Companies.

### **CODE OF ETHICS AND BUSINESS CONDUCT**

The Company has formulated and adopted a "Code of Ethics and Business Conduct" for all the Board members, senior officers and employees. The Code of Conduct is also posted on the Company's website. You shall annually affirm, in writing, the compliance with the code.

### TRAINING SESSIONS

The Company shall from time to time provide you with suitable training sessions to familiarize with the company, including briefing from the management, nature of the industry in which the company operates, business model of the company, etc.

### **EVALUATION OF BOARD**

As a Non-Executive Independent Director, you should strive to hold and attend at least one meeting of the Independent directors in a year, without the presence of Non-Independent Directors and member of the management team with the sole objective of:

- review the performance of Non-Independent Directors and the Board as a whole;
- review the performance of the Chairperson of the company, taking into account the views of executive directors and non-executive directors;
- assess the quality, quantity and timeliness of flow of information between the company management and the Board that is necessary for the Board to effectively and reasonably perform their duties.

Further each Non-Executive Independent Director appointment or re-appointment is subject to yearly evaluation process adopted by the Board.



### RESIGNATION

You may resign any time from the position of Non-Executive Independent Director by a written notice. It is desirable that you inform Chairman in advance of your intention to resign or not to seek re-appointment which will help Syngene to fill the vacancy.

### **JURISDICTION AND GOVERNING LAW**

This agreement is governed by and will be interpreted in accordance with Indian law and your engagement shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Indian Courts.

If you are willing to accept these terms of appointment relating to your appointment as a Non- Executive Independent Director of Syngene, kindly confirm your acceptance of these terms by signing and returning to us the enclosed copy of this letter.

Yours Sincerely, For and on behalf of Syngene International Limited

Chairman