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CIN L99999GJ1987PLC022333

27 May 2023

To, **BSE Limited**

Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers, Dalal Street, Mumbai 400 001

Scrip Code: 524669

To,

National Stock Exchange of India Limited

Exchange Plaza, Bandra - Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai 400 051

Symbol: HESTERBIO

Respected Sir / Madam:

Subject: Annual Secretarial Compliance Report of the Company for the year ended 31

March 20223

Pursuant to Regulation 24A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 as amended time to time, we hereby submit the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report duly signed by Mr. Tapan Shah, Practicing Company Secretary, Ahmedabad dated 27 May 2023 for the year ended 31 March 2023. A copy of Annual Secretarial Compliance report enclosed herewith.

Kindly take note of the above and consider in your records.

Sincerely, For Hester Biosciences Limited

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Vinod Mali Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Enclosure: As above



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SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF HESTER BIOSCIENCES LIMITED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

To,

Board of Directors of

Hester Biosciences Limited

CIN: L99999GJ1987PLC022333

'Pushpak', 1st Floor, Panchvati Cross Road,

C.G. Road, Ahmedabad- 380006

I have been engaged by Hester Biosciences Limited (hereinafter referred to as 'the Company") bearing CIN: L99999GJ1987PLC022333 whose equity shares are listed on National Stock Exchange of India Limited (Symbol: HESTERBIO), BSE Limited (Security Code: 524669) to issue the Annual Secretarial Compliance Report in terms of Regulation 24 A of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015 as amended, read with SEBI's Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD1/27/2019 dated 8th February, 2019.

It is the responsibility of the management of the Company to maintain records, devise proper systems to ensure compliance with provisions of all applicable SEBI Regulations and Circulars/Guidelines issued thereunder from time to time and to ensure that the systems are adequate and are operating effectively.

My responsibility is to verify compliances by the Company with provisions of all applicable SEBI Regulations and Circulars/Guidelines issued thereunder from time to time and issue a report thereon. This report 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

My Certification was conducted in accordance with the Guidance Note on Annual Secretarial Compliance Report issued by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and in a manner which involved such examinations and verifications as considered necessary and adequate for the said purpose.

Annual Secretarial Compliance Report is enclosed.

TAPAN RAJNIKANT Signature: SHAH Digitally signed by TAPAN RAJNIKANT SHAH Date: 2023.05.27 14:47:12 +05'30'

Place: Ahmedabad

Date: 27/05/2023

Name of Company Secretary : **TAPAN SHAH** Membership No. : **FCS4476**

C P No.: **2839**

UDIN: **F004476E000398265**

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ANNUAL SECRETARIAL COMPLIANCE REPORT OF HESTER BIOSCIENCES LIMITED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

- I, Mr. Tapan Shah, Practicing Company Secretary have examined:
 - a) all the documents and records made available to methrough electronically by way of scan copy or soft copy through mail or otherwise and explanation provided by **Hester Biosciences Limited** ('the Company'),
 - b) the filings/ submissions made by the Company to the stock exchanges,
 - c) website of the Company,
 - d) other documents/ filing, as may be relevant, which has been relied upon to make this certification;

for the year ended 31 March, 2023 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 there under; and
- 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");

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

- Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended from time to time;
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements)
 Regulations, 2018:- N.A.
- c) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 2011, as amended from time to time;
- d) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Buyback of Securities) Regulations, 2018:- N.A.
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits and sweat equity) Regulations, 2021:- N.A.
- f) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non convertible Securities) Regulations, 2021:- N.A.
- g) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible and Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2013:- N.A.



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- Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations,
 2015, as amended from time to time;
- i) SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market)
 Regulations, 2003-N.A
- j) SEBI (Delisting of Equity Shares) (Amendment) Regulations, 2016 and 2021:- N.A.
- k) Securities and Exchange Board of India (Issue and Listing of Securitized Debt Instruments and Security Receipts) Regulations, 2008:- N.A.
- 1) SEBI (Depositories and Participants) Regulations, 2018, as amended from time to time;
- m) SEBI (Investor Protection and Education Fund) Regulation, 2009;
- n) SEBI (Issue of Sweat Equity) Regulations, 2002:- N.A.;

and based on the above information, I hereby report that, during the Period under review:

- (a) The Company has generally complied with all the material provisions of the above applicable Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder.
- (b) The Company has maintained proper records under the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued there under in so far as it appears from my examination of those records.
- (c) As per the undertaking and declaration given by the Management and concern person, no actions has been taken against the Company/its promoters/ directors/ material subsidiaries either by SEBI or by Stock Exchanges, under the aforesaid Acts/ Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder.
- (d) No Observations has been issued on the Company in the previous report and so compliance on the observation will not apply to the Company.
- (e) In terms of the NSE Circular Ref No.: NSE/CML/2023/30 dated 10th April,2023 and the BSE Circular No.: 20230410-41 dated 10th April,2023:

I hereby report that, during the Review Period the compliance status of the listed entity is appended as below:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Compliances Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/Remarks by PCS
1.	Secretarial Standard:		
	The Compliances of the listed entity are in accordance with the applicable Secretarial Standard (SS) issued by the institute of	Yes	



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	Company Secretaries India (ICSI), as notified		
	by the Central Government under section		
	118(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 and		
	mandatorily applicable.		
2.	Adoption and updation of the Policies:		
	• All applicable policies under SEBI		
	Regulations are adopted with the	Yes	
	approval of board of directors of the		
	listed entities		
	• All the policies are in conformity with	Yes	
	SEBI Regulations and have been		
	reviewed & updated, as per the		
	regulations/circulars/ guidelines issued		
	by SEBI		
3.	Maintenance and disclosures on Website:		
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	The Listed entity is maintaining a	Yes	
	functional website	103	-
	• Timely dissemination of the	Yes	
	documents/information under a separate	1 03	
	section on the website		
	 Web-links provided in annual corporate 	Yes	
	1	1 03	
	governance reports under regulation		
	27(2) are accurate and specific which		
	re-directs to the relevant		
	document(s)/section of the website		
4.	Disqualification of Director:		
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	None of the Director(s) of the Company is/are	Yes	
	disqualified under section 164 of the		
	Companies Act, 2013 as confirmed by the listed		
	entity.		
5.	Details related to Subsidiaries of listed		
	entities have been examined w.r.t.:		
	(a) Identification of material subsidiary	Yes	
	companies		
	(b) Disclosure requirement of material as	Yes	
	well as other subsidiaries		
6.	Preservation of Documents:		
	The listed entity is preserving and maintaining	Yes	
	records as prescribed under SEBI Regulations		
	and disposal of records as per Policy of		
	Preservation of Documents and Archival policy		
	prescribed under SEBI LODR Regulations,		
	2015.		



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7.	Performance Evaluation:		
	The listed entity has conducted performance	Yes	
	evaluation of the Board and independent	1 68	
	Directors during the financial year as prescribed		
	in the SEBI Regulations.		
8.	Related Party Transaction:		
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	(a) The listed entity has obtained prior	res	
	approval of Audit Committee for all		
	related party transactions; or		
	(b) The listed entity has provided detailed reasons alongwith confirmation	Yes	
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	whether the transactions were subsequently approved/ratified/rejected		
	by the Audit Committee, in case no		
	prior approval has been obtained.		
9.	Disclosure of events or information:		
	The listed entity has provided all the required	Yes	
	disclosure(s) under Regulation 30 alongwith		
	Schedule III of SEBI LODR Regulations, 2015		
10	within the time limits prescribed thereunder.		
10.	Prohibition of insider Trading:		
	The listed entity is in compliances with	Yes	
	Regulation 3(5) & 3(6) SEBI (Prohibition of		
	insider Trading) Regulations, 2015		
11.	Action taken by SEBI or stock Exchange(s),	No	No action taken by any
	if any:		Stock exchange or
	NT4:(-) 1 1 4-1		SEBI, during the
	No action(s) has been taken against the listed entity/ its promoters/ directors/ subsidiaries		financial year
	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.		
12.	Additional Non-compliances, if any:	No	No such Non
			compliance observed
	No additional non-compliance observed for any		by SEBI
	SEBI regulation/circular/guidance note etc.		



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Compliances related to resignation of statutory auditors from listed entities and their material subsidiaries as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019:

subsidiar	ies as pe	es as per SEBI Circular CIR/CFD/CMD1/114/2019 dated 18th October, 2019:							
Sr. No.		Particulars	Compliances Status (Yes/No/NA)	Observations/Remarks by PCS					
1.	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	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are 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	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are not applicable					
	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.	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are not applicable					
2.	Other	conditions relating to resignation of st							
	res	sporting of concerns by Auditor with spect to the listed entity/its material besidiary to the Audit Committee:	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are 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.							



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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, as the case may be, 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. 		
	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.	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are not applicable
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.	NA	No resignation of Auditor and so all points are not applicable



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(a) (**) The listed entity has complied with the provisions of the above Regulations and circulars/ guidelines issued thereunder, except in respect of matters specified below: **Not applicable**

Sr No	Compliance Requirement (Regulations/circulars/guidelines including	Reg u- latio n/ Circ ular No.	Deviatio ns	Actio n Take n by	Type of Actio n	Details of Violati on	Fine Amou nt	Observations/ Remark s of the Practici ng Compan y Secretar	Man- age- ment Re- spons e	Re- mar ks
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(b) The listed entity has taken the following actions to comply with the observations made in previous reports: **Not applicable**

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Signature:

Name of Company Secretary: TAPAN SHAH

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