Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF)

Introduction

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 124 and 125 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, as amended from time to time, the Investor Education and Protection Fund ("IEPF") has been established by the Central Government for promotion of investor awareness and protection of the interests of investors.

Under the aforesaid provisions, any dividend remaining unpaid or unclaimed for a period of seven consecutive years from the date of its transfer to the Unpaid Dividend Account is required to be transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund ("IEPF"). Correspondingly, all shares in respect of which dividend has not been claimed for seven consecutive years or more are also liable to be transferred to the demat account of the IEPF Authority.

Shareholders are advised to claim their unpaid dividend(s) from the Company before the due date of transfer to the IEPF in order to avoid transfer of the corresponding shares.

IEPF Nodal Officer

Pursuant to Rule 7(2A) of the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, the Company has appointed the following officer as the Nodal Officer for the purpose of coordination with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority and for assisting shareholders in matters relating to refund of shares and unclaimed dividend transferred to the IEPF.

Particulars	**Details**
Name	**Mr. Bibin Cheriyan**
Designation	**Company Secretary & Compliance Officer / IEPF Nodal Officer**
Company	**Malankara Plantations Limited**
Registered Office	**Malankara Buildings, Kodimatha, Kottayam – 686039, Kerala**
Mobile	**+91 97464 00572**
Email	**cs@malankaraplantations.co.in**

Procedure for Claiming Refund from IEPF

Shareholders whose dividend and/or shares have been transferred to the Investor Education and Protection Fund may claim the same by making an application to the IEPF Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016.

The claimant shall:

1. File **Form IEPF-5** online through the IEPF Authority portal.
2. Print the duly filled Form IEPF-5 along with the acknowledgement generated after online submission.
3. Submit the signed copy of Form IEPF-5 together with all prescribed supporting documents to the Company's IEPF Nodal Officer or Registrar and Share Transfer Agent for verification.
4. Upon receipt of the claim documents, the Company shall verify the claim and submit the prescribed verification report to the IEPF Authority within the time stipulated under the Rules.
5. The IEPF Authority shall process the claim in accordance with the applicable provisions and, upon satisfaction, release the refund of shares and/or dividend to the claimant.

Shareholders are advised to keep their PAN, Aadhaar (where applicable), bank account details and demat account details updated while filing the claim.

Unclaimed Dividend Transferred to IEPF

In accordance with Section 124 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, the Company has transferred the eligible unclaimed dividend pertaining to the Financial Year **2017-18** to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) upon completion of the prescribed period of seven consecutive years.

The transfer of the corresponding equity shares relating to the aforesaid unclaimed dividend is presently under process in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules framed thereunder.

The details of the unclaimed dividend transferred to the IEPF are as under:

Financial Year	**Amount Transferred (₹)**
FY 2017-18	**₹ 2,36,872/-**

Notice of Shareholders Whose Shares Are Liable to be Transferred to IEPF

Pursuant to Section 124(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 6 of the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016, the Company is in the process of transferring the equity shares in respect of which dividend has remained unclaimed for seven consecutive years to the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF).

The statement containing the names of the concerned shareholders, Folio No./DP ID & Client ID, number of shares and other relevant particulars is available below.

Concerned shareholders are requested to contact the Company or its Registrar and Share Transfer Agent immediately if they wish to claim the unpaid dividend or seek any clarification before the proposed transfer is affected.

Downloads:

- List of Shareholders Whose Shares Are Liable to be Transferred to IEPF – FY 2017-18 (PDF/Excel)

Important Information for Shareholders

- Dividend remaining unclaimed for seven consecutive years is required to be transferred to the IEPF.
- Corresponding shares on which dividend has remained unclaimed for seven consecutive years are also liable to be transferred to the IEPF.
- Shareholders may claim the unpaid dividend before the due date to avoid transfer of the corresponding shares.
- Once transferred, the dividend and shares can be claimed only by making an application to the IEPF Authority in **Form IEPF-5**.
- Shareholders are requested to keep their KYC details, PAN, bank account particulars and demat account details updated with the Company/RTA to facilitate timely processing of their claims.

This format is comprehensive, professionally drafted, and suitable for publication on the company's website. It reflects the current status of your compliance—that the **dividend has been transferred** while the **share transfer is under process**—without making any inaccurate statements.