

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE POLICY

In order to ensure that an active role is played in better Corporate Governance of the Listed Companies where investment of Mutual Fund Schemes is made and in compliance with SEBI guidelines, JM Financial Asset Management Ltd. (the “AMC”) shall adhere to the following policy guidelines.

1. This Policy is effective from April 1, 2021 in supersession of the existing practice and policies.
2. This Policy will be effective for all listed companies, wherein schemes of JM Financial Mutual Fund have invested.
3. The AMC shall endeavour to participate in voting process of the Companies on all Ordinary and Special resolutions in all AGMs / EGMs / Postal Ballots / Court / Tribunal Convened Meetings / meeting of Debentureholders which may affect the interest of its investors.
4. The voting may be done by Postal Ballot or by Physical Attendance by any of its authorized officials. Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 has provided shareholders with the facility to exercise their voting rights through electronic means. The AMC may also make use of the E-voting facilities provided by the companies to vote.
5. The Mutual Fund shall not give proxy to any broker or outsider for voting on its behalf.
6. The AMC will ensure personal attendance/ e-voting for voting. The AMC may authorize any of its officials (Any Director of the AMC or Trustee Company) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) / Chief Operating Officer (COO) , Chief Investment Officer (CIO), concerned Fund Manager , Compliance Officer, Heads of Operations or any other Officers of the rank of Manager and above, who is authorised) from Corporate Office/Branch Offices to attend the meeting in person and to vote as approved internally by the Competent Authority.
7. **Voting by Ballot:**
In other cases, the AMC shall endeavor to cast its votes on all resolutions if the facility of voting through postal ballots has been provided and subject to having received the communication in time.
8. The decision regarding the voting on the resolution, i.e. whether the Mutual Fund will vote for or against the resolution proposed by the Company/Issuer, will be taken by the Fund Manager in consultation with the CEO, Chairman of the AMC and CIO - Equity. In the absence of the CEO, Chairman of the AMC and CIO - Equity, the concerned Fund Manager shall keep them informed.

9. The actual exercise of the votes in the AGMs/EGMs/CCM/TCM of the investee companies or through postal ballot will cover the following matters and will be reported and displayed on our website in the SEBI prescribed format (Annexure A attached)

A. Ordinary Business :

- a. Adopting the Annual Accounts (P&L, Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement, Statement of Changes in Equity and other documents forming part of Annual Report, if any);
- b. Declaration of Annual or Interim or Final Dividend;
- c. Appointment of Director(s) liable to retire by rotation;
- d. Appointment or Re-appointment of Statutory Auditors.

B. Special Business:

- a. Corporate governance matters, including changes in the state of incorporation, merger and other corporate restructuring, and anti takeover provisions.
- b. Changes to capital structure, including increases and decreases of capital and preferred stock issuances.
- c. Stock option plans and other management compensation issues;
- d. Social and corporate responsibility issues.
- e. Appointment and Removal of Directors
- f. Any other issue that may affect the interest of the shareholders in general and interest of the unit-holders in particular etc.
- g. Related party transactions of the investee companies (excluding own group companies)

For this purpose, "Related Party Transactions" shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in clause (zc) of Sub Regulation (1) of Regulation (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

- h. In cases where any of the Special Business is relating to Merger/Demerger/ Hive Off/ Amalgamation/ Sale/ Acquisitions/ Preferential Allotment or Issue of FCCB/ECB/ Financial Restructuring or Reschedulement, Capital Reduction or any other Capital Restructuring, Closure or Sale of any plant etc. which is expected to impact the valuations of the investments

10. All the Mutual Fund schemes will have to compulsorily vote on all the resolutions set out above. However in case the Mutual Fund does not have any economic interest on the day of voting, it may be exempted from compulsorily casting its vote.
11. Whenever there is a change in Auditors, Independent Directors, Key Management personnel of the investee companies or restructuring, etc., the Mutual Fund shall be vigilant and may make more enquiries and seek valuation reports, latest shareholding pattern, etc., including asking the Company / Issuer to provide reasons for the same.

12. The vote shall be cast at Mutual Fund Level. However, in case Fund Manager/(s) of any specific scheme has strong view against the views of Fund Manager/(s) of the other schemes, the voting at scheme level shall be allowed subject to recording of detailed rationale for the same.
13. The Fund Managers shall submit a declaration on quarterly basis to the Trustees that the votes cast by them have not been influenced by any factor other than the best interest of the unit holders.
14. Any Corporate Governance Issues requiring support from other shareholders may be discussed with them by the AMC officials.
15. A report shall be placed to the Investment Executive Committee (“IEC”) in its forthcoming meeting with the reasons / justifications for so voting.

The general policies and procedures stated above for exercising the voting rights in respect of shares held by the AMC, to be disclosed on the website of the Mutual Fund as well as in the Annual Report distributed to the unit holders from the financial year 2010-11 onwards.

On an annual basis, JMF AMC shall obtain Auditors certification on the voting reports being disclosed. Such auditor's certification will be submitted to trustees and also be disclosed in the relevant portion of the Mutual Funds' Annual Report & its website. The Board of AMC and Trustees of Mutual Funds shall review and ensure that JMF AMC has voted on the decisions that may affect the interest of investors and the rationale recorded for each of the voting decision is prudent and adequate. The confirmation of the same, along with any adverse comments made by auditors, will be reported to SEBI in the half yearly trustee reports.

Further, the Trustees in their Half Yearly Trustee Report to SEBI, based on the declaration at Point 13 above, shall confirm that the votes cast by the Fund Managers have not been influenced by any factor other than the best interest of the unit holders.

16. Investments in group companies of the AMC:

In case of investments in group companies of the AMC, the Mutual Fund, through the authorized personnel of the AMC, will attend all the general meetings in person. Further while reporting regarding the voting to the IEC, separate disclosures shall be ensured by the concerned personnel.

17. Abstain from voting:

In case of late receipt/ non receipt of notice/ postal ballot papers in time, it shall be deemed that the Mutual Fund has abstained from voting.

18. This Policy is a broad framework and only seeks to serve as a guide. However, the CEO, Chairman of the AMC and the CIO-Equity may take a call based on other supporting data and documents and proceed accordingly.
19. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Policy, as amended from time to time, the relevant Regulations for the time being in force shall have effect. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of the relevant Regulations for the time being in force and this Policy, the former shall prevail to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

In case of any change in this Policy due to amendment in the relevant Regulations, the Board of Directors will be kept informed of the changes. However, for any amendment in the Policy other than due to change(s) in the relevant Regulations, prior approval of the Board of Directors of the AMC and Trustee Company shall be obtained.

Annexure A

i. Revised format for disclosure of vote cast by Mutual Funds - during an individual quarter

| Details of Votes cast during the quarter ended __, of the Financial year __-__ | | | | | | | |
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| Meeting Date | Company Name | Type of meetings (AGM/EGM) | Proposal by Management or Shareholder | Proposal's description | Investee company's Management Recommendation | Vote (For/Against/Abstain) | Reason supporting the vote decision |
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ii. Revised format for disclosure of voting by Mutual Funds/AMCs during a financial year

| Details of Votes cast during the Financial year __-__ | | | | | | | | |
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| Quarter | Meeting Date | Company Name | Type of meetings (AGM/EGM) | Proposal by Management or Shareholder | Proposal's description | Investee company's Management Recommendation | Vote (For/Against/Abstain) | Reason supporting the vote decision |
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iii. Format of providing the summary of proxy votes cast by Mutual Funds/AMCs across all the investee companies

| Summary of Votes cast during the F.Y. ____-__ | | | | | |
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| F.Y. | Quarter | Total no. of resolutions | Break-up of Vote decision | | |
| | | | For | Against | Abstained |
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