

## CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a discussion of certain U.S. federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders (defined below) of acquiring, owning and disposing of Equity Shares, but it does not purport to be a comprehensive discussion of all tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular person's decision to acquire Equity Shares. This discussion applies only to a U.S. Holder that acquires Equity Shares in the Offer and that owns Equity Shares as capital assets for U.S. federal income tax purposes. This discussion is based on the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”), its legislative history, U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated under the Code, and administrative rulings and judicial interpretations thereof, in each case as in effect of the date of this Red Herring Prospectus. Except as expressly described herein, this discussion does not address the U.S. federal income tax consequences that may apply to U.S. Holders under the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of India for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income (the “**Treaty**”). All of the foregoing authorities are subject to change, which change could apply retroactively and could affect the tax consequences described below. No ruling will be sought from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the “**IRS**”) with respect to any statement or conclusion in this discussion, and there can be no assurance that the IRS will not challenge such statement or conclusion in the following discussion or, if challenged, that a court will uphold such statement or conclusion.

In addition, this discussion does not describe all of the tax consequences that may be relevant in light of a U.S. Holder's particular circumstances, including any U.S. state, local or non-U.S. tax law, the Medicare tax on net investment income, and any estate or gift tax laws, and it does not describe differing tax consequences applicable to U.S. Holders subject to special rules, such as:

- certain banks or financial institutions;
- regulated investment companies and real estate investment trusts;
- dealers or traders in securities that use a mark-to-market method of tax accounting;
- insurance companies;
- persons holding Equity Shares as part of a hedge, straddle, conversion transaction, constructive sale, wash sale, integrated transaction or similar transaction;
- persons liable for the alternative minimum tax;
- persons required for U.S. federal income tax purposes to accelerate the recognition of any item of gross income with respect to our Equity Shares as a result of such income being recognized on an applicable financial statement;
- persons whose functional currency for U.S. federal income tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar;
- entities or arrangements classified as partnerships or pass-through entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes or holders of equity interests therein;
- tax-exempt entities, “individual retirement accounts” or “Roth IRAs”;
- certain U.S. expatriates;
- persons that own, directly, indirectly or constructively, ten percent (10%) or more of the total voting power or value of all of our outstanding stock; or
- persons owning Equity Shares in connection with a trade or business conducted outside the United States.

U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors concerning the U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax consequences of acquiring, owning and disposing of Equity Shares in their particular circumstances.

For purposes of this discussion, a “U.S. Holder” is a person that, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is a beneficial owner of Equity Shares and is:

- an individual citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state therein or the District of Columbia;
- an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- a trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over its administration and one or more United States persons (as defined in the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or otherwise