

### Code of Conduct for the Members of the Board of Directors

### 1. Overview of The Code of Conduct

**1.1.** The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Golden Son Limited has adopted the following Code of Conduct (the "Code") for directors of the Company.

This Code of Conduct for the Chairperson, other Board members and Managing Director (hereinafter referred to as "the Code") has been framed and adopted by Golden Son Limited (GSL)) (hereinafter referred to as "the Company or GSL") in compliance with the requirements of the Condition 1 (7) of Corporate Governance Code Notification no.BSEC/CMRRCD/2006-158/207/Admin/80 Dated: 3 June 2018 of Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission.

This Code is intended to provide guidance to the Chairperson, other Board members and Managing Director to manage the affairs of the Company in an ethical manner. The Company confirms its desire to demonstrably lead and promote good ethical behavior and corporate governance and the purpose of this code is to recognize and emphasize upon the ethical behavior and to develop a culture of honesty and accountability.

No code or policy can anticipate every situation that may arise. Accordingly, this Code is intended to serve as a source of guiding principles for directors. Directors are encouraged to bring questions about particular circumstances that may implicate one or more of the provisions of this Code to the attention of the Chairman who may consult with inside or outside legal counsel as appropriate.

## 1.2. Applicability

This Code shall be applicable and binding on the Chairperson, other Board members and Managing Director of the Company. The Chairperson, other Board members and Managing Director shall continue to comply with other applicable / to be applicable policies, rules, and procedures of the Company.

#### 1.3. Publication

Pursuant to Condition 01 (7)(b) of Corporate Governance Code Notification no. BSEC/CMRRCD/2006-158/207/Admin/80, Dated: 3 June 2018 of Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission, this Code of Conduct and any amendments thereto shall be published/posted on the website of the Company.

### 1.4. Definitions & Interpretation

Unless repugnant to the meaning or context thereof, the following expressions, wherever used in this Code, shall have the meaning assigned to them below:

- "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Directors" shall mean directors on the Board.
- "Company" shall mean Golden Son Limited.



### 02. Directors' Responsibilities

The Board's responsibilities include a duty of care and duty of loyalty. A director's duty of care refers to the responsibility to exercise appropriate diligence in overseeing the functions of management of the Company, making decisions and taking other actions. In meeting the duty of care, directors are expected to:

- ✓ Attend and participate in board and committee meetings: Personal participation is essential. Directors may not vote or participate by proxy.
- ✓ Remain properly informed about the company's business and affairs: Directors should devote appropriate time to review and study the board matters.
- ✓ Rely on others: Directors may rely on board committees, management, employees, and professional advisors.
- ✓ Make inquiries: Directors should make inquiries about potential problems that come to their attention and follow up until they are reasonably satisfied that management is addressing them appropriately.

A director's duty of loyalty refers to the responsibility to act in good faith and in the Company's best interests, not the interests of the director, a family member or an organization with which the director is affiliated. Directors should not use their positions for personal gain.

### 03. Conflict of Interest:

Directors must avoid any conflicts of interest between the director and the Company. Any situation that involves, or may reasonably be expected to involve, a conflict of interest with the Company, should be disclosed promptly to the Chairman of the Board.

This Code does not attempt to describe all possible conflicts of interest which could develop. Some of the more common conflicts from which directors must refrain, however, are set out below.

- ✓ Relationship of Company with third-parties: Directors may not engage in any conduct or activities that are inconsistent with the Company's best interests or that disrupt or impair the Company's relationship with any person or entity with which the Company has or proposes to enter into a business or contractual relationship.
- ✓ Compensation from non-Company sources: Directors may not accept compensation (in any form) for services performed for the Company from any source other than the Company.
- ✓ Gifts: Directors and members of their families shall not accept gifts from persons or entities who deal with the Company in those cases where any such gift is being made in order to influence the directors' actions as a member of the Board.



✓ Personal use of Company assets: Directors may not use Company assets, labor or information for personal use and gains unless approved by the Board.

## **04.** Corporate Opportunities:

## **Directors are prohibited from:**

- ✓ taking for themselves personally opportunities related to the Company's business;
- ✓ using the Company's property, information, or position for personal gain; or
- ✓ competing with the Company for business opportunities, provided, however, if the Company's disinterested directors determine that the Company will not pursue an opportunity that relates to the Company's business, a director may do so.

### **05.** Confidentiality:

Directors should maintain the confidentiality of information entrusted to them by the Company and any other confidential information about the Company that come to their knowledge from whatever source, in their capacity as a director, except when disclosure is authorized or legally mandated. For purposes of this Code, "confidential information" includes all non-public information relating to the Company.

## 06. Compliance with laws, rules and regulations & fair dealing:

- Directors shall comply and oversee compliance by employees, officers and other directors, with laws, rules and regulations applicable to the Company, including insider trading laws.
- II. Directors shall oversee fair dealing by employees and officers with the Company's customers, suppliers, competitors and employees.
- III. Directors should take all reasonable steps to ensure that necessary disclosures are being regularly made as part of their responsibility.

### 07. Encouraging the reporting to any illegal or unethical behavior:

- I. Directors should promote ethical behavior and take steps to ensure that the Company:
- II. encourages employees to talk to supervisors, managers and other appropriate personnel when in doubt about the best course of action in a particular situation;
- III. encourages employees to report violations of laws, rules, regulations or the Company's Employee Handbook/Employee Code of Conduct to appropriate personnel; and
- IV. informs employees that the Company will not allow retaliation for reports made in good faith.



## **08.** Compliance Procedures & Waivers:

Directors shall communicate any violation of this Code that may come to their notice promptly to the Board. Violations will be investigated by the Board or by a person or persons designated by the Board and appropriate action will be taken in the event of any violation as suggested/recommended.

Any waivers of this Code may only be granted by the Board after disclosure of all material facts by the director seeking the waiver. Waivers will only be granted in exigent circumstances.

#### 9. Amendment to The Code of Conduct

The provisions of this Code can be amended/ modified by the Board of Directors, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC), from time to time and all such amendments/ modifications shall take effect from the date stated therein.

The Chairperson, other Board members and Managing Director shall be duly informed of such amendments and modifications.