

# Central Depository Services (India) Limited

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The Manager, Listing Compliance Department, National Stock Exchange of India Ltd, Exchange Plaza, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400051

Sub: Appointment of Smt. Preeti Saran as Woman Director in the category of Public Interest Director

Re: Disclosure under Regulation 30 of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

Dear Madam/ Sir,

We hereby inform you that the Securities and Exchange Board of India has nominated Smt. Preeti Saran (DIN: 08606546) as Woman Director in the category of Public Interest Director on the Governing Board of CDSL for a period of three years from November 29, 2019 to November 28, 2022.

The Board of directors by way of Circular Resolution on November 29, 2019 appointed Smt. Preeti Saran as Woman Director in the category of Public Interest Director for a period of three years from November 29, 2019 to November 28, 2022 and shall not be liable to retire by rotation.

Profile of Smt. Preeti Saran is attached herewith as Annexure 1.

This is for your information and record.

Yours faithfully,

For Central Depository Services (India) Limited

Amita Paunikar

VP- Legal & Company Secretary



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## **Curriculum Vitae**

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Education : B.A. (Honours) English, Ladi Shri Ram

College, Delhi University

M.A. (English), Lady Shri Ram College,

Delhi University.

## **Professional Experience**

Mrs. Preeti Saran joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1982, and has spent a career spanning 36 years as a professional diplomat, serving overseas as well as in India. Her overseas assignments include the Indian Embassies in Russia, Bangladesh, Egypt and Geneva.

Between 2008 to 2013, she served as India's Consul General in Toronto, Canada, after which she was appointed as India's Ambassador to Vietnam between 2013 to 2016.

At the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi, Mrs. Saran has served in diverse positions, including in the Indian Council of Cultural Relations and in the North America and East Asia Divisions. She was Joint Secretary (Director General) of the SAARC Division between 2005 to 2007 and later Joint Secretary (Director General) of the Northern Division handling relations with Nepal and Bhutan.

In February 2016, Mrs. Saran was appointed as Secretary (East), in the Ministry of External Affairs, where she served till her superannuation in September 2018. In this capacity, she was responsible for policy formulation of India's relations with countries in East Asia, South East Asia, Canada and Latin America. Her focus was on economic, trade and political relations with these regions.

Her other responsibilities included supervision of the work of Divisions dealing with External Publicity, Counter Terrorism, ASEAN, Mekong-Ganga Cooperation, BIMSTEC, SAARC, Parliament and Coordination, and Hindi and Sanskrit.

#### **International experience**

Mrs. Saran has been a senior member of Indian delegations to several bilateral and multilateral events, including at the Summit Level. Most recently, she represented India as Sherpa/SOM leader at the BRICS Summit (Xiamen, September 2017), BIMSTEC Summit, ASEAN-India Annual Summits, East Asia Summit, ASEAN Regional Forum and the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation mechanism. She played an active role in the organization of major multilateral/international events such as the BRICS-BIMSTEC Outreach Summit in Goa in 2016: ASEAN-India Commemorative Summit in Delhi in 2017; 11th World Hindi Conference in Mauritius in 2018 and the 9th and 10th editions of the ASEAN-India Delhi Dialogue in 2017 and 2018.

During her assignment in Geneva between 2002 to 2005, Mrs. Saran was extensively dealing with UN Organisations/specialized agencies such as the WIPO, UNCTAD, South Centre and all international economic matters on behalf of the Permanent Mission of India.

# **Current positions held**

In December 2018, Mrs. Saran was elected unopposed as a Member of the Geneva-based United Nations' Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for a four-year term from 2019-2022. The Committee is a Treaty body under the UN that is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the international Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights by Member States of the UN.

In October 2019, Mrs. Saran was nominated as a member of the Governing Council of the Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi.

# Other details

Mrs. Saran is fluent in English, Hindi and Bengali, and has good knowledge of Russian.

Her interests include education, sustainable development and economic issues, communication strategies and gender issues.

Mrs. Saran is married and has two sons.

#### October 2019