

Firstsource Solutions Limited

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DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO REGULATION 14 OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA (SHARE BASED EMPLOYEE BENEFITS) REGULATIONS 2014 AS ON MARCH 31, 2023

Firstsource Solutions Employee stock option Scheme 2003 ('ESOS 2003'):

The Company grants share-based benefits to eligible employees with a view to attracting and retaining the best talent, encouraging employees to align individual performances with Company objectives, and promoting increased participation by them. With a view to provide an opportunity to the employees of the Company to share the growth of the Company and to create long term wealth, the Company has an Employee Stock Option Scheme (ESOS), viz., the Firstsource Solutions Employee Stock Option Scheme, 2003 (ESOS 2003). The Scheme is applicable to all eligible employees and Directors of the Company and its Subsidiary Companies. The Scheme is in compliance with Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Earlier, ESOS 2003 provided for its implementation through primary issuance of the Company's shares to the employees of the Company. However, with a view to ensure better efficacy and administration of the ESOS 2003, it was proposed that the ESOS 2003 can be dealt with and implemented through trust route. Accordingly, during the year, your Company implemented the ESOS 2003 through trust route i.e., Firstsource Employee Benefit Trust, to align the interests of its employees with the long-term interests of the Company by motivating the employees with incentives and reward opportunities under the ESOS 2003 and create a sense of ownership and participation amongst the employees in the sustained growth of the Company.

Note: Since the inception of ESOP Plan 2019, no grants were made under ESOP 2003.

Firstsource Solutions Limited Employee Stock Option Plan 2019 ("ESOP 2019 Plan"):

The Company has established the ESOP 2019 Plan, pursuant to approval of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on August 02, 2019, to allow our employees to acquire greater

proprietary stake in our success and growth, and to encourage our employees to continue their association with us. The ESOP 2019 Plan is in compliance with Securities and Exchange Board of India (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations, 2014 (SEBI (SBEB) Regulations), as amended.

As per the ESOP 2019 Plan, the Nomination and Remuneration Committee will issue stock options to the identified eligible employees/Director(s) of the Company and its Subsidiary Companies at an exercise price which will be the face value of the shares or any higher price which may be decided by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee considering the prevailing market conditions and the norms as prescribed by SEBI and other relevant regulatory authorities. Further, the stock options under the said plan would vest and be exercisable in tranches as determined by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee basis the power given to the Nomination and Remuneration Committee in line with the ESOP 2019 Plan.

The disclosures in pursuance of ESOP Regulations are as under:

A. Relevant disclosures in terms of the 'Guidance note on accounting for employee share-based payments' issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ("ICAI") or any other relevant accounting standards as prescribed from time to time.

The disclosures are provided in Note 26 of the Notes to Standalone Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2023.

B. Diluted EPS on issue of shares pursuant to all the schemes covered under the regulations in accordance with 'Accounting Standard 20 - Earnings Per Share' issued by ICAI or any other relevant accounting standards as prescribed from time to time.

₹ 3.54 (Standalone); ₹ 7.32 (Consolidated)

C. Details related Firstsource Solutions Employee Stock Option Scheme 2003 ("Scheme 2003") and Employee Stock Option Plan 2019 (ESOP 2019):

i. A description of each ESOS that existed at any time during the year, including the general terms and conditions of each ESOS, including:

	ESOS 2003	ESOP 2019 Plan
a) Date of shareholders' approval	This Firstsource Solutions Employee Stock Option Scheme 2003 was approved by the shareholders of Firstsource Solutions Limited, at their meeting held on September 03, 2003 and were further modified at the AGM held on August 14, 2007, November 22, 2011 and September 16, 2010.	Firstsource Solutions Limited Employee Stock Option Plan 2019 (ESOP 2019) was approved by the shareholders of Firstsource Solutions Limited, at their meeting held on August 2, 2019.
b) Total number of options approved under ESOS	103.29 Million (net of stock options cancelled, lapsed and forfeited)	34.55 Million

- c) Vesting requirements “Vesting Period” means the period of four years commencing from the date of Grant of Options to Eligible Employee, during which the vesting of the Options granted to Eligible Employee, in pursuance of ESOS 2003, takes place.

This unique plan is a combination of tenure and performance based ESOPs aligned to shareholder value creation which will deepen employee ownership in the Company.

A) Tenure based Structure (ESOP Structure)

Options in this structure will be granted to identified eligible employees, basis the below criteria:

1. Drives ownership of employees in company's fortunes for better engagement and retention;
2. Seen as part of the total compensation package, in line with competition/ market practice;
3. Quantum of grants is based on the performance and potential of the individual employee.

B) Performance based Structure (PSU Structure)

Option in this structure is granted to identified eligible employees – Functional and Business heads, basis the below criteria:

1. Attainment of options can range between 0% and 150% of tranche eligible for vesting for the respective performance measurement period. Each tranche is separate. Performance and vesting in one performance period has no bearing on performance and vesting in another performance period;
2. Subject to terms and conditions of the ESOP 2019 Plan, the performance-based component of the grant is measured basis the Performance targets as agreed annually by the Management.

The Options granted to any Eligible Employee shall vest in tranches within the Vesting Period in the manner as set forth herein below (the “Vesting Schedule”): The tranche period for ESOS 2003 is as below:

A) Tenure based Structure (ESOP Structure)	
Period within which options will vest unto the participant	% of Options which shall vest unto the Option Grantee
End of 12 months from the date of grant of options	25.0
End of 18 months from the date of grant of options	12.5
End of 24 months from the date of grant of options	12.5
B) Performance based Structure (PSU Structure)	
Period within which options will vest unto the participant	% of options that will vest
End of 12 months from the date of grant of options	25%
At the end of every quarter after year 1, till end of year 4 from date of grant	6.25%
B) Performance based Structure (PSU Structure)	
Period within which options will vest unto the participant	% of options that will vest
End of 12 months from the date of grant of options	25%
At the end of every year after year 1, till end of year 4 from date of grant	25%
End of 48 months from the date of grant of options	12.5

d) Exercise price or pricing formula	The 'Exercise price' or 'Pricing formula' for the purpose of the grant of Options shall be the 'market price' within the meaning set out in the SEBI (Share Based Employee Benefits) Regulations 2014 i.e., the latest available closing price, prior to the date when options are granted/ shares are issued, on that Stock Exchange where there is highest trading volume on the said date. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee has the power to change/ modify the exercise price or pricing formula and fix the exercise price at such discount to the market price of the equity shares as may be deemed appropriate provided that the grant/ exercise price shall not be below the face value of the shares and shall be in accordance with the applicable laws in this regard.	Exercise price which will be at the face value of the Shares or any higher price which may be decided by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee considering the prevailing market conditions and the norms as prescribed by SEBI and other relevant regulatory authorities.
e) Maximum term of options granted	The participants shall exercise the options within a period of ten years from the date of the grant of the options. If the Option Grantee's employment is terminated due to death, retirement (including pursuant to any early/ voluntary retirement scheme), permanent disability, involuntary termination not for cause), and/or upon a Change of Control of the Company, the vested Options, to the extent un-exercised by such Option Grantee, shall be exercised upon payment of Exercise Price in full by such Option Grantee within a period of 12 months from the termination of such Option Grantee's service, which period shall be deemed to be the Exercise Period.	Under both the above structures grants will be issued at face value of the shares or any higher price which may be decided by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and will have an exercise period up to maximum period of 3 years from Vesting as per the ESOP 2019 Plan and as determined by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.
f) Source of shares (primary, secondary or combination)	Secondary	Secondary
g) Variation in terms of options	There are no variations in terms of options in FY2022-23	Not Applicable

ii. Method used to account for ESOS: Intrinsic or fair value

The Company has calculated the employee compensation cost using the fair value method of accounting to account for the options granted under ESOS 2003 and ESOP 2019. Please refer Note no. 26 of Standalone Financial Statement.

iii. Where the company opts for expensing of the options using the intrinsic value of the options -

a) Difference between the employee compensation cost so computed and the employee compensation cost that shall have been recognized if it had used the fair value of the options	Please refer Note no. 26 of Standalone Financial Statement.
b) Impact of this difference on profits and on EPS of the Company	
Profit after Tax	₹ 2,483.42 Million
Earning per share (Basic and diluted)	₹ 3.65 – Basic ₹ 3.54 - Diluted

iv. Option movement during the year (For each ESOS):

Particulars	ESOS 2003	ESOP 2019 Plan
Number of options outstanding at the beginning of the period	2,296,700	23,441,255
Number of options granted during the year	-	3,326,500
Number of options forfeited / lapsed during the year	82,310	3,307,251
Number of options vested during the year		
Number of options exercised during the year	717,210	2,634,959
Number of shares arising as a result of exercise of options	717,210	2,634,959
Money realized by exercise of options (INR), if scheme is implemented directly by the Company	37,129,018	26,349,590
Loan repaid by the Trust during the year from exercise price received	NA	Nil
Number of options outstanding at the end of the year	1,497,180	20,812,287
Number of options exercisable at the end of the year	1,497,180	3,766,359

v. Weighted-average exercise prices and weighted-average fair values of options whose exercise price equals or exceeds or is less than the market price of the stock

- i) Weighted average exercise price – ₹ 18.94 per option.
- ii) Weighted average fair value as per the Black Scholes Model – Not Applicable

vi. Employee wise details (name of employee, designation, number of options granted during the year, exercise price) of options granted to –

No stock options were granted to any of the employees of the Company during the financial year 2022-23 under ESOS 2003.

Below are the details of stock options granted to the employees of the Company during the financial year 2022-23 under ESOP 2019 Plan.

Particulars	Name of Employee	Designation	Number of options granted during the year	Exercise Price per share
a) Senior Managerial Personnel	Mr. Venkatgiri Vandali	President -Healthcare and Lifesciences	250,000	10.00
	Mr. Sameer Ahluwalia	President & Global Head - BFSI	825,000	10.00
	Mr. Rajiv Malhotra	Business Unit Head - Europe	350,000	10.00
	Mr. Vilas Patil	Chief Digital Officer - BFSI	400,000	10.00
b)	Any other employee who receives a grant in any one year of option amounting to 5% or more of option granted during that year		NIL	
c)	Identified employees who were granted option, during any one year, equal to or exceeding 1% of the issued capital (excluding outstanding warrants and conversions) of the company at the time of grant.		NIL	

vii. A description of the method and significant assumptions used during the year estimate the fair value of options including the following information:

Particulars	
a)	The weighted average values:
	Share Price (₹) 109.45
	Exercise Price (₹) 18.94
	Expected volatility 0% to 75%
	Expected option life 2 – 7 years
	Expected dividend yield 0% to 4%
	Risk-free interest rate 6.50% to 9.06%
	Any other input to the model -
b)	The method used and the assumptions made to incorporate the effects of expected early exercise. Black Scholes Model of fair valuation
c)	How expected volatility was determined, including an explanation of the extent to which expected volatility was based on historical volatility. The expected volatility was determined based on historical volatility data. Volatility has been considered for periods, corresponding to the respective expected lives of the different vests prior to the grant date. Daily volatility of the Company's stock price on NSE over these years has been considered.
d)	Whether and how any other features of the option grant were incorporated into the measurement of fair value, such as a market condition. Not applicable
e)	Until all options granted in the three years prior to the IPO have been exercised or have lapsed, disclosures of the information specified above in respect of such options shall also be made. Not applicable

D. Details related to Trust (ESOP Plan 2019)**i. General information:**

Sr. No.	Particulars	Details
1.	Name of the Trust	Firstsource Employee Benefit Trust
2.	Details of the Trustee(s)	1. Mr. Deepak Kolambkar 2. Mr. Gopal Rathi
3.	Amount of loan disbursed by Company/ any company in the group, during the year.	(Net) ₹ 68,134,127 was disbursed by Company as loan.
4.	Amount of loan outstanding (Repayable to Company/any company in the group) as at the end of the year.	₹ 1,048,758,553
5.	Amount of loan, if any, taken from any other source for which company/ any company in the group has provided any security or Guarantee.	Not Applicable
6.	Any other contribution made to the Trust during the year.	Nil

ii. Brief details of transactions in shares by the Trust (For ESOP Plan 2019)

a)	Number of shares held at the beginning of the year.	17,011,351 Shares
b)	Number of shares acquired during the year through (i) primary issuance (ii) secondary acquisition, also as a percentage of paid up equity capital as at the end of the previous financial year, along with information on weighted average cost of acquisition per share.	1,930,000 Shares acquired through secondary market during the year under review i.e. 0.28 % of paid up equity capital of the Company. Weighted average cost of acquisition per share was ₹ 203.07.
c)	Number of shares transferred to the employees/ sold along with the purpose thereof	Nil
d)	Number of shares held at the end of the year	15,589,182 Shares

iii. In case of secondary acquisition of shares by the Trust (For ESOP Plan 2019)

Number of shares	As a percentage of paid-up equity capital as at the end of the year immediately preceding the year in which shareholders' approval was obtained
Held at the beginning of the year	17,011,351 Shares
Acquired during the year	1,930,000 Shares acquired through secondary market during the year under review
Sold during the year	Nil
Transferred to the employees during the year	3,352,169 Shares
Held at the end of the year	15,589,182 Shares