# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Members of ICICI Bank Limited

#### **Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Opinion

- 1. We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of ICICI Bank Limited (hereinafter referred to as the 'Bank' or 'Holding Company') and its subsidiaries (Holding Company and its subsidiaries together referred to as 'the Group'), and its associates, which comprise the Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024, the Consolidated Profit and Loss account, and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the year then ended, and notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (hereinafter referred to as 'the consolidated financial statements').
- 2. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, and based on consideration of the reports of the other auditors on separate financial statements and the other financial information of subsidiaries and associates, the aforesaid consolidated financial statements give the information required by the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 as well as the Companies Act, 2013 ('the Act'), and circulars and guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India ('RBI') from time to time ('RBI guidelines') in the manner so required for banking companies and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Accounting Standards prescribed under Section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Accounting Standards) Rules, 2021 and other and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the consolidated state of affairs of the Group and its associates as at 31 March 2024, and their consolidated profit, and their consolidated cash flows for the year then ended.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

3. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing ('SAs') specified under section 143(10) of the Act. Our responsibilities under those SAs are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group and its associates in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in India in terms of the Code of Ethics issued by Institute of Chartered Accountant of India ('ICAI'), and the relevant provisions of the Act and the rules thereunder and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained along with the consideration of audit reports of other auditors referred to in the 'Other Matters' paragraph below is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Key Audit Matters**

4. Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, and based on the consideration of the reports of the other auditors on separate financial statements and other financial information of the subsidiaries and associates, as referred to in paragraph 17 below, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current year. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

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5. We have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

#### **Key Audit Matter**

How the matter was addressed in our audit

#### Identification and provisioning of non-performing advances (NPA):

Total Loans and Advances (Net of Provision) as at 31 March 2024: ₹ 12,607,762,029 (in '000s) Provision for NPA as at 31 March 2024: ₹ 222,697,569 (in '000s) of which Total Loans and Advances (Net of Provision) as at 31 March 2024: ₹ 11,844,063,894 (in '000s)\* & Provision for NPA as at 31 March 2024: ₹ 219,358,846 (in '000s)\* relates to Bank.

(Refer Schedule 9, Schedule 17(14))

\* the amounts relating to the Bank are before consolidation adjustments including intercompany eliminations, if any.

The Reserve Bank of India's ("RBI") guidelines on Income recognition and asset classification & Provisioning ("IRAC") and other circulars and directives issued by the RBI from time to time, which prescribe the prudential norms for identification and classification of performing & non-performing assets ("NPA") and the minimum provision required for such assets. The Bank is required to have Board approved policy as per IRAC guidelines for NPA identification & classification of advances and provision thereon.

The provision on NPA is estimated based on ageing and classification of NPAs, recovery estimates, nature of loan product, value of security and other qualitative factors and is subject to the minimum provisioning norms specified by RBI and approved policy of the Bank in this regard.

The Bank is also required to apply its judgement to determine the identification and provision required against NPAs by applying quantitative as well as qualitative factors. The risk of identification of NPAs is affected by factors like stress and liquidity concerns in certain sectors.

Additionally, the Bank makes provisions on exposures that are not classified as NPA including advances to certain sectors and identified advances or group advances. These are classified as contingency provisions.

Since the identification of NPAs and provisioning for advances require significant level of estimation and given its significance to the overall audit including possible observation by RBI which could result into disclosure in the financial statements, we have ascertained identification and provisioning for NPAs as a key audit matter. Our audit procedures with respect to this matter included:

Tested the design and operating effectiveness of key controls over approval, recording, monitoring and recovery of loans, monitoring overdue / stressed accounts, identification of NPA, provision for NPA and valuation of security and collateral on a test check basis. Further obtained an understanding of the contingency provision carried by the Bank and verified the underlying assumptions used by the Bank for such estimate.

Tested application controls included test of automated controls, reports and system reconciliations.

Reviewed existence and effectiveness of monitoring mechanisms such as Internal Audit, Systems Audit, and Concurrent Audit as per the policies and procedures of the Bank;

Evaluated the governance process and review controls over calculations of provision of non-performing advances, basis of provisioning in accordance with the Board approved policy.

Selected a sample of borrowers based on quantitative and qualitative risk factors for their assessment of appropriate identification & classification as NPA including computation of overdue ageing to assess its correct classification and provision amount as per extant IRAC norms and the Bank policy.

Performed other substantive procedures included and not limited to the following:

- Selected samples of performing loans and assessed independently as to whether those should be classified as NPA;
- For samples selected, reviewed the collateral valuations, financial statements and other qualitative information

| Key Audit Matter | How the matter was addressed in our audit  |
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|                  | Considered the accounts reported by the Bank<br>and other Banks as Special Mention Accounts<br>("SMA") in RBI's Central Repository of Information<br>on Large Credits (CRILC)/ Centralised Information<br>Management System (CIMS) to identify stress. |
|                  | For selected samples, assessed independently, the accounts that can potentially be classified as NPA.  |
|                  | Inquired with the credit and risk departments to<br>ascertain if there were indicators of stress or an<br>occurrence of an event of default in a particular<br>loan account or any product category which<br>needed to be considered as NPA.           |
|                  | Examined the accounts under watchlist report<br>provided by the risk department.   |
|                  | Discussed with the management of the Bank on<br>sectors where there is a perceived credit risk and<br>the steps taken to mitigate the risks to identified<br>sectors.  |
|                  | Selected and tested samples for accounts which<br>are restructured as per RBI Master Circular -<br>Prudential norms on Income Recognition, Asset<br>Classification and Provisioning pertaining to<br>Advances; and                                     |
|                  | Assessed appropriateness & the adequacy of<br>disclosures against the relevant accounting<br>standards and RBI requirements relating to NPAs.  |

#### **Evaluation of Litigations included in Contingent Liabilities**

As at 31 March 2024, the Group has reported 'Claims against the Group not acknowledged as debts' of ₹ 110,275,158 (in '000s) (31 March 2023 – ₹ 88,006,837 (in '000s)), of which the following relate to the Bank:

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| Particulars  |  | As at                | As at                 |
|  |  | 31 March 2024        | 31 March 2023         |
| Legal Cases  |  | 3,829,177            | 3,027,295             |
| Taxes  |  | 89,463,903           | 78,935,723            |
| Total Claims against Bank not acknowledged as Debt   |  | 93,293,080           | 81,963,018            |
| (Refer Schedule 12 and Schedule 17(11))  |  |                      |                       |
| The Bank has material open tax litigations including matters under dispute which involve significant | Our Audit procedures with respect to this matter included:   |                      |                       |
| judgement to determine the possible outcome of these disputes.                                       | Tested the design and operating effectiveness of the Bank's key controls over the estimation, monitoring |                      |                       |
| Significant management judgement is needed in determining whether an obligation exists and whether   | and disclosure of provisions and contingent liabilities<br>on test check basis.                          |                      | ontingent liabilities |

(Included under contingent liabilities) (in '000)

| Key Audit Matter   | How the matter was addressed in our audit  |
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| <ul> <li>a provision should be recognised as at the reporting date, in accordance with the accounting criteria set under Accounting Standard 29 - Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets (AS 29), or whether it needs to be disclosed as a contingent liability. Further, significant judgements are also involved in measuring such obligations, the most significant of which are:</li> <li>Assessment of Liability: Judgement is involved in determination of whether outflow in respect of identified material matters are probable and can be estimated reliably.</li> <li>Adequacy of provisions: The appropriateness of assumption and judgements used in estimation of significant provisions; and</li> <li>Adequacy of disclosures of provision for liabilities and charges, and contingent liabilities.</li> <li>The Bank's assessment is supported by the facts of matter, their own judgement, experience, and advises from legal and independent tax consultants wherever considered necessary.</li> <li>Since the assessment of these open litigations requires significant level of judgement in interpretation of law, we have included this as a key audit matter.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Our substantive audit procedures included and were not limited to the following:</li> <li>&gt; Obtained an understanding of Bank's process for determining tax liabilities, tax provisions and contingent liabilities pertaining to legal and taxation matters;</li> <li>&gt; Obtained a list of cases /matters in respect of which the litigations were outstanding as at reporting date:</li> <li>&gt; For significant legal matters, we obtained external confirmations and corroborated with management's documented conclusions on the assessment of outstanding litigations against the Bank;</li> <li>&gt; For significant taxation matters, we involved our tax specialists to gain an understanding of status of the litigations including understanding of various orders/ notices received by the Bank and management's grounds of appeals before the relevant appellate authorities.</li> <li>&gt; Evaluated the merit of the subject matter under consideration with reference to the grounds presented therein and available independent legal / tax advice;</li> <li>&gt; Inquired with appropriate level of the management including status update, expectation of outcomes with the basis, and the future course of action contemplated by the Bank;</li> <li>&gt; Reviewed minutes of meetings with Board, and Audit committee in this regard</li> <li>&gt; Agreed underlying tax balances to supporting documentation including correspondence with the Tax authorities; and</li> <li>&gt; Assessed the appropriateness &amp; adequacy of disclosures within the standalone financial statements in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and requirements of RBI in this regard.</li> </ul> |

| Key Audit Matter  | How the matter was addressed in our audit   |  |  |
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| Information Technology ('IT') systems and controls impacting financial controls   |   |  |  |
| The Bank has a complex IT architecture to support<br>its day-to-day business operations. High volume of<br>transactions is processed and recorded on single or<br>multiple applications.<br>The reliability and security of IT systems plays a key<br>role in the business operations of the Bank. Since<br>large volume of transactions are processed daily, the<br>IT controls are required to ensure that applications<br>process data as expected and that changes are made<br>in an appropriate manner.<br>Appropriate IT general controls and application controls<br>are required to ensure that such IT systems are able to<br>process the data, as required, completely, accurately<br>and consistently for reliable financial reporting.<br>We have identified 'IT systems and controls' as key<br>audit matter because of the high level automation,<br>significant number of systems being used by the<br>management and the complexity of the IT architecture<br>and its impact on the financial reporting system. | Our Audit procedures with respect to this matter<br>included:<br>For testing the IT general controls, application<br>controls and IT dependent manual controls, we<br>involved IT specialists as part of the audit. The<br>team also assisted in testing the accuracy of the<br>information produced by the Bank's IT systems.<br>Obtained a comprehensive understanding of IT<br>applications landscape implemented at the Bank. It<br>was followed by process understanding, mapping of<br>applications to the same and understanding financial<br>risks posed by people-process and technology.<br>Key IT audit procedures includes testing design and<br>operating effectiveness of key controls operating over<br>user access management (which includes user access<br>provisioning, de-provisioning, access review, password<br>configuration review, segregation of duties and privilege<br>access), change management (which include change<br>release in production environment are compliant to the<br>defined procedures and segregation of environment is<br>ensured), program development (which include review<br>of data migration activity), computer operations (which<br>includes testing of key controls pertaining to, backup,<br>Batch processing (including interface testing), incident<br>management and data centre security). System<br>interface controls. This included testing that requests<br>for access to systems were appropriately logged,<br>reviewed, and authorized.<br>In addition to the above, the design and operating<br>effectiveness of certain automated controls, that were<br>considered as key internal system controls over financial<br>reporting were tested. Using various techniques such<br>as inquiry, review of documentation / record / reports,<br>observation, and re-performance. We also tested few<br>controls using negative testing technique.<br>Tested compensating controls and performed alternate<br>procedures, where necessary. In addition, understood<br>where relevant changes made to the IT landscape<br>during the audit period. |  |  |

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT** (Contd.)

The joint auditors of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited, vide their audit report dated 23 April 2024, have expressed an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. Based on consideration of their report, the following Key Audit Matter was included in the audit report.

| Key Audit Matter   | How the matter was addressed in our audit  |  |
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| Information Technology (IT) systems relating to financial reporting process relating to ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited  |  |  |
| The Company is highly dependent on its complex IT<br>infrastructure comprising hardware, software, multiple<br>applications, automated interfaces and controls in<br>systems for recording, storing and reporting of financial<br>transactions.<br>The Company's key financial accounting and reporting<br>processes such as premium income, commission,<br>benefits paid, investments amongst others are highly<br>dependent on IT systems including automated controls,<br>to process and record large volume of transactions on<br>daily basis as part of its operations, such that there<br>exists a risk that gaps in the IT control environment<br>could result in the financial accounting and reporting<br>records being materially misstated.<br>Due to the pervasive nature, complexity and importance<br>of the impact of the IT systems and related control<br>environment on the Company's financial statements,<br>we have identified testing of such IT systems and<br>related control environment as a key audit matter for<br>the current year audit. | <ul> <li>Involvement of IT specialists in assessment of the IT systems and controls with respect to financial statements, which included, but were not limited to the following:</li> <li>Obtained an understanding of the Company's General IT Control (GITC) over key financial accounting and reporting systems, and supporting control systems (referred to as in-scope systems);</li> <li>On the in-scope systems, tested the design and operating effectiveness of key IT general controls. This included evaluation of entity's controls to ensure segregation of duties and access rights are based on duly approved requests, access for exit cases being revoked in a timely manner and access of all users being re- certified during the period of audit, evaluation of password policies. Further, controls related to program change were evaluated to verify whether the changes were approved, tested in an environment that was segregated from production and moved to production by appropriate users;</li> <li>Evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness for the audit period over the in-scope systems around system interfaces, reconciliations and system processing relevant to the audit of premium income, commission expense, benefits paid and investments, for evaluating completeness and accuracy;</li> <li>Evaluated policies and strategies adopted by the Company in relation to security of key information infrastructure, data and client information management and monitoring;</li> <li>Where deficiencies, if any, were identified, tested compensating controls or performed alternative procedures; and</li> <li>Obtained written representations from management on whether IT general controls and automated IT controls are designed and were operating effectively during the year.</li> </ul> |  |

#### **Key Audit Matter**

How the matter was addressed in our audit

Valuation and Impairment determination of Investments relating to ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited 31 March 2024 : ₹ 2,897,360,953 (in '000s) (31 March 2023 : ₹ 2,482,204,207 (in '000s))\*

(Refer Schedule 8, Schedule 17(13))

\* the amounts relating to ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited are before consolidation adjustments including intercompany eliminations, if any.

The Company's investment portfolio consists of Policyholders investments (unit linked and non- linked) and Shareholders investments. Total investment portfolio represents around 99% of the Company's total assets as at 31 March 2024.

Investments are valued in accordance with the Board approved investment policy framed by the Company as per the provisions of the Insurance Act, the IRDA Financial Statements Regulations, IRDAI (Investment) Regulations, 2016 as the applicable orders/ directions/ circulars issued by IRDAI.

Investments in unit linked portfolio of ₹ 1,648,424,014 (in '000) are valued based on observable inputs as per their accounting policy and gains/losses are recognized in Revenue account. These unit linked portfolio investments do not represent higher risk of material misstatement however, are considered to be a key audit matter due to their materiality to the standalone financial statements.

Investments in non-linked and shareholders portfolio of ₹ 1,248,936,939 (in '000) are valued as per their accounting policy, based on which:

- the unrealized gains/ losses arising due to changes in fair value of listed equity shares and mutual fund units are recorded in the "Fair Value Change Account" in the Balance Sheet; and
- debt securities and unlisted equity shares are valued at historical cost.

Further, investments in the non-linked and shareholders portfolio are assessed for impairment as per the Company's investment policy which involves significant management judgement. There is increased economic stress on account of external factors, which may impact the valuation of these investments.

Accordingly, valuation of investments (including impairment assessment) was considered to be one of the areas which required significant auditor attention and was one of the matter of most significance in the standalone financial statements. Audit procedures for this area included but were not limited to the following:

- Obtained an understanding of the Company's process and controls over the valuation of investments. The understanding was obtained by performance of walkthroughs, which included inspection of documents produced by the Company and discussion with those involved in the pertinent process;
- Evaluated and tested the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of key controls over the valuation process, including the Company's assessment and approval of assumptions used for the valuation including key authorisation and data input controls thereof;
- Obtained independent external confirmations for investments as at balance sheet date from the Custodians and Depository Participants appointed by the Company to confirm the units of securities for the purpose of valuation re-computation;
- On a test check basis, recomputed valuation of different class of investments to assess appropriateness of valuation methodologies with reference to IRDAI Investment Regulations along with the Company's Board approved valuation policy;
- Examined movement and appropriateness of accounting in Fair Value Change account for specific investments. Further, in case of revaluation done for investment properties, examined the underlying valuation report for valuation for testing the reasonableness and also recomputed the movement in "Revaluation reserve".
- Ensured the appropriateness and reasonableness of methodology, assumptions and judgements used by management with reference to the valuation and impairment of investments as per the Company's Board approved valuation and impairment policy. Obtained third party valuation price reports as per the Company's policy as relevant and understood such methodology to conclude on the reasonableness.
- Obtained written representations from management on compliance of valuation of investments with the regulations and adequacy of impairment recorded for the year.

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT** (Contd.)

The joint auditors of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited, vide their audit report dated 17 April 2024, have expressed an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. Based on consideration of their report, the following Key Audit Matter was included in the audit report.

| Key Audit Matter  | How the matter was addressed in our audit   |  |  |  |
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| Information Technology Systems and Controls (IT Controls) related to financial reporting relating to ICICI<br>Lombard General Insurance Company Limited   |   |  |  |  |
| Information Technology Systems and Controls (IT Con<br>Lombard General Insurance Company Limited<br>The Company is highly dependent on its complex IT<br>architecture comprising hardware, software, multiple<br>applications, automated interfaces and controls in<br>systems for recording, storing and reporting financial<br>transactions.<br>A number of independent and inter- dependent IT<br>systems are used by the Company for processing<br>and recording the large volume of transactions on<br>daily basis as part of its operations, which impacts<br>key financial accounting and reporting items such as<br>premium income, claims, commission expenses and<br>investments amongst others.<br>There exists a risk that, gaps in the IT control<br>environment could result in the financial accounting<br>and reporting records being materially misstated.<br>The controls implemented by the Company in its<br>IT environment determine the integrity, accuracy,<br>completeness, and the validity of the data that is<br>processed by the applications and is ultimately used<br>for financial reporting. These controls contribute to<br>mitigating risk of potential misstatements caused by<br>fraud or errors.<br>Our audit approach relies on automated controls and<br>therefore, procedures are designed to test. Controls over |   |  |  |  |
| IT systems, segregation of duties, interface and system<br>application controls over key financial accounting and<br>reporting systems.<br>Due to, complexity and pervasive impact of the<br>IT system and related control environment on the   | compensating controls and/or performed additional<br>substantive audit procedures as required to mitigate<br>any risk of material misstatement with respect to<br>related financial statement line item.  |  |  |  |
| Company's financial statements, identified testing of<br>such IT systems and related control environment as a<br>key audit matter for the current year audit.   | Evaluated the design and tested the operating<br>effectiveness of critical and key automated<br>controls within various business processes around<br>the software systems. This included testing the<br>integrity of system interfaces, report logic for<br>system generated reports relevant to the audit<br>of premium Income, commission expense, claims<br>and Investments, for evaluating completeness and |  |  |  |

accuracy.

| Key Audit Matter   | How the matter was addressed in our audit   |
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|  | Reviewed the Information System Audit Reports<br>and Key audit findings of Internal Audit to assess<br>the impact of observations and management's<br>response if any on financial reporting.   |
|  | Obtained written representations from management<br>on whether IT general controls and automated IT<br>controls are designed and were operating effectively<br>during the year.   |
| Investments of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Con   | ıpany Limited   |
| The Company's investment portfolio consists<br>of Policyholders investments and Shareholders<br>investments. Total Investment portfolio represents 77%<br>of the assets as at 31 March 2024 which are valued in<br>accordance with accounting policy framed as per the<br>extant regulatory guidelines.<br>The valuation of all investments is as per the investment<br>policy framed by the Company as per the requirements<br>contained in with IRDAI (Investment) Regulations,<br>2016, and the IRDA Preparation of Financial Statement<br>Regulations. The valuation methodology specified in<br>these aforesaid regulations is applied by the Company<br>for each class of investment which includes various<br>measurement techniques such as amortised cost, fair<br>value etc.<br>The Company has a policy framework for Valuation and<br>impairment of Investments. The Company performs an<br>impairment review of its investments at each balance<br>sheet date and recognizes impairment charge when<br>the investments meet the trigger/s for impairment<br>provision as per the criteria set out in the investment<br>policy of the Company. Such assessment of impairment<br>involves significant management judgment.<br>The valuation of these investments was considered one<br>of the matters of material significance in the financial<br>statements due to the materiality of the total value of<br>investments to the financial statements and thereby<br>identified as a key audit matter for current year audit. | <ul> <li>Audit procedures on Investments included the following:</li> <li>Understood Company's process and controls to ensure proper investments valuation and impairment process.</li> <li>Tested the design, implementation, management oversight and operating effectiveness of key controls over the valuation process of investments including impairment.</li> <li>Obtained independent external confirmations for investments as at balance sheet date from the Custodians and Depository Participants appointed by the Company to confirm the units of securities for the purpose of valuation re-computation.</li> <li>On a test check basis, recomputed valuation of different class of Investments to assess appropriateness of the valuation methodologies with reference to IRDAI Investment policy.</li> <li>Examined movement and appropriateness of accounting in Fair Value Change account for specific investments.</li> <li>Reviewed the Company's impairment charge on investments outstanding at the year end.</li> <li>Examined the rating downgrades by credit rating agencies and assessed the adequacy of impairments to various investments.</li> <li>Evaluated appropriateness and reasonableness of methodology, assumptions and judgements used by management with reference to the Company's investment valuation and impairment assessment as per policy.</li> </ul> |
|  | Obtained written representations from management<br>on compliance of valuation of investments with the<br>regulations and adequacy of impairment recorded<br>for the year.  |

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#### Information Other than the Consolidated Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

6. The Holding Company's Board of Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Annual Report is expected to be made available to us after that date of this auditor's report.

Our opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the Consolidated Financial Statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

When we read the Annual Report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and take appropriate action as applicable under the relevant laws and regulations.

## Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

- 7. The Holding Company's Board of Directors are responsible for the matters stated in section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation and presentation of these consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position, consolidated financial performance and consolidated cash flows of the Group including its associates in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including the Accounting Standards specified under section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Accounting Standard) Rules, 2021, provisions of Section 29 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and circulars and guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India ('RBI') from time to time ('RBI guidelines'). The respective Board of Directors of the Holding Company and the subsidiary companies included in the Group and of its associate companies are responsible for maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the RBI guidelines for safeguarding of the assets of the Group and of its associates and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, which have been used for the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements by the Management and Directors of the Bank, as aforesaid.
- 8. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the respective Board of Directors of the companies included in the Group and of its associates are responsible for assessing the ability of the respective companies included in the Group and of its associates to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the respective Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the companies included in the Group and its associates or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.
- 9. The respective Board of Directors of the companies included in the Group and of its associates are also responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of the subsidiary companies included in the Group and of its associates.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

- 10. Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.
- 11. As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:
  - Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to
    fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is
    sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement
    resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional
    omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
  - Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Bank has adequate internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of such controls;
  - Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Management;
  - Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Group and its associates to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and its associates to cease to continue as a going concern;
  - Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation;
  - Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities within the Group and its associates to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the audit of the financial statements of such entities included in the consolidated financial statements of which we are the independent auditors. For the other entities included in the consolidated financial statements, which have been audited by other auditors, such other auditors remain responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the audited by other auditors. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.
- 12. We communicate with those charged with governance of the Bank and such other entities included in the consolidated financial statements of which we are the independent auditors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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- 13. We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.
- 14. From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current year and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### **Other Matters**

- 15. The joint statutory auditors of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited ('ICICI Life'), vide their audit report dated 23 April 2024 have expressed an unmodified opinion and have reported in the 'Other Matter' section that 'The actuarial valuation of liabilities for life policies in force and policies in respect of which premium has been discontinued but liability exists as at 31 March 2024 is the responsibility of the Company's Appointed Actuary (the "Appointed Actuary"). The actuarial valuation of these liabilities for life policies in force and for policies in respect of which premium has been discontinued but liability exists as at 31 March 2024 is the responsibility of the Company's Appointed Actuary (the "Appointed Actuary"). The actuarial valuation of these liabilities for life policies in force and for policies in respect of which premium has been discontinued but liability exists as at 31 March 2024 has been duly certified by the Appointed Actuary and in his opinion, the assumptions for such valuation are in accordance with the guidelines and norms issued by the IRDAI and the Institute of Actuary's certificate in this regard for forming their opinion on the valuation of liabilities for life policies in force and for policies in respect of which premium has been discontinued but liability exists in the standalone financial statements of the Company'. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter based on the opinion expressed by the joint statutory auditors of ICICI Life.
- 16. The joint statutory auditors of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited ('ICICI General'), vide their audit report dated 17 April 2024, have expressed an unmodified opinion and have reported in the 'Other Matter' section that, 'The actuarial valuation of liabilities in respect of Incurred But Not Reported ('IBNR'), Incurred But Not Enough Reported ('IBNER') and the Premium Deficiency Reserve ('PDR') is the responsibility of the Company's Appointed Actuary (the 'Appointed Actuary'). The actuarial valuation of these liabilities, that are estimated using statistical methods as at 31 March 2024 has been duly certified by the Appointed Actuary and in his opinion, the assumptions considered by him for such valuation are in accordance with the guidelines and norms issued by the IRDAI and the Institute of Actuaries of India in concurrence with IRDAI. The joint auditors have relied upon the Appointed Actuary's certificate in this regard for forming their opinion on the valuation of liabilities for outstanding claims reserves and the PDR contained exists in the financial statements of the Company'. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter based on the opinion expressed by the joint statutory auditors of ICICI General.
- 17. We did not audit the financial Statement of sixteen subsidiaries (including ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited from 29 February 2024 and I-Process Services (India) Private Limited from 20 March 2024), whose financial statements reflect total assets of ₹ 4,689,114,347 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) as at 31 March 2024, total revenue of ₹ 713,613,428 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments), total net profit after tax of ₹ 57,346,248 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) and total cash inflows (net) of ₹ 51,998,091 (in '000s) for the year ended 31 March 2024, which have been audited by their respective independent auditors. The consolidated financial statement includes the Group's share of net profit of ₹ 10,493,322 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) for year ended 31 March 2024 in respect of five associates (including ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited till 28 February 2024 and I-Process Services (India) Private Limited till 19 March 2024) whose financial statements have not been audited by us. These financial statements have been audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us by the management and our opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements, in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these subsidiaries and associates, and our report

in terms of section 143(3) of the Act, in so far as it relates to the aforesaid subsidiaries and associates, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. Further, of these subsidiaries, two subsidiaries are located outside India whose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in their respective country and which have been audited by their respective auditors under generally accepted auditing standards applicable in their respective countries. Our audit report in so far as it relates to the balances and affairs of such subsidiaries located outside India, is based on the report of other auditors. According to the information and explanations given to us by the management, the financial statements of these subsidiaries are not material to the Group. Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.

- 18. Further, one subsidiary company whose financial statement reflects total assets of ₹ 167,418 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) as at 31 March 2024 and total revenues of ₹ 8,842 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) and total net profit after tax of ₹ 7,601 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) for the year ended 31 March 2024 respectively and the total cash inflows (net) of ₹ 33 (in '000s) for the year ended 31 March 2024, as considered in the Statement has been audited by M S K A & Associates, one of the joint auditors of the Bank. Accordingly, the conclusion of KKC & Associates LLP (formerly Khimji Kunverji & Co LLP), the other joint auditor of the Bank, in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of this subsidiary, is based solely on the audit report issued by the joint auditors of the subsidiary company and the procedures performed as stated in paragraph 11 above. Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.
- 19. We did not audit the financial Statement of one subsidiary, whose financial statements reflect total assets of ₹ 361,001,808 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments), total revenue of ₹ 19,330,122 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments), total net profit after tax of ₹ 4,500,705 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) and total cash inflows (net) of ₹ (2,439,495) (in '000s) for the year ended 31 March 2024. Further, this subsidiary is located outside India whose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in their respective country. The Statement also includes the Group's share of net profit of ₹ 244,338 (in '000s) (before consolidation adjustments) for the year ended 31 March 2024 respectively in respect of three associates whose financial statements have not been audited. These financial statements / financial information are unaudited and have been furnished to us by the management and our opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements, in so far as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included in respect of these subsidiaries and associates and our report in terms of section 143(3) of the Act in so far as it relates to the aforesaid subsidiaries and associates, is based solely on such unaudited financial statements / financial information. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us by the Management, this financial statements / financial information are not material to the Group. Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.
- 20. Our opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements, and our report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements below, is not modified in respect of the above matters with respect to our reliance on the work done and the reports of the other auditors and the financial statements / financial information certified by the management.

#### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

- 21. The Consolidated Balance Sheet and the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of section 29 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and section 133 of the Act and the relevant rules issued thereunder.
- 22. In our opinion and according to the information and explanation given to us and based on reports of the statutory auditors of such subsidiary companies and associates companies incorporated in India which were not audited by us, the remuneration paid during the current year by the subsidiaries and associate companies incorporated in India to its directors is in accordance with the provisions of and the limits laid down under section 197 read with Schedule V of the Act. Further, for three associates, as referred to in paragraph 19 above, whose financial statements/information have not been audited, in absence of reporting of such entities with respect to compliance of

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the provisions of section 197 read with Schedule V of the Act during the year ended 31 March 2024, we are unable to comment on such compliance for the said entities as required to be reported by us under section 197(16) of the Act. Further, since the Holding Company is a banking company, as defined under Banking Regulation Act, 1949, the reporting under section 197(16) in relation to whether the remuneration paid by the Bank is in accordance with the provisions of section 197 of the Act and whether any excess remuneration has been paid in accordance with the aforesaid section, is not applicable.

- 23. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, based on our audit and on the consideration of report of the other auditor on separate financial statements and the other financial information of the subsidiaries and associates we report, to the extent applicable, that:
  - a. We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit of the aforesaid consolidated financial statements.
  - b. In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law relating to preparation of the aforesaid consolidated financial statements have been kept so far as it appears from our examination of those books and the reports of the other auditors except the matters stated in the paragraph 23(h)(vi) below relating to the general insurance subsidiary on reporting under Rule 11(g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014.
  - c. The Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, and the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the relevant books of account maintained for the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements.
  - d. In our opinion, the aforesaid consolidated financial statements comply with the Accounting Standards specified under Section 133 of the Act read with relevant rules issued thereunder, to the extent they are not inconsistent with the guidelines prescribed by RBI.
  - e. The observation relating to the maintenance of accounts and other matters connected therewith relating to the general insurance subsidiary as stated in the paragraph 23(b) above on reporting under Section 143(3)(b) of the Act and paragraph 23(h)(vi) below on reporting under Rule 11(g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014.
  - f. On the basis of the written representations received from the directors of the Bank as on 31 March 2024 taken on record by the Board of Directors of the Bank and the reports of the statutory auditors of its subsidiary companies and associate companies incorporated in India, none of the directors of the Group companies and its associate companies incorporated in India are disqualified as on 31 March 2024 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164 (2) of the Act.
  - g. With respect to the adequacy of internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements of the Group and its associates and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate report in "Annexure A".
  - h. With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditor's) Rules, 2014 as amended, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us based on our audit and on the consideration of report of the other auditor on separate financial statements of such subsidiaries and associates as noted in the 'Other Matters' paragraph:
    - The consolidated financial statements disclose the impact of pending litigations as at 31 March 2024 on the consolidated financial position of the Group and its associates. (Refer Schedule 12, Schedule 17(11) and Schedule 18(6) to the consolidated financial statements)

- ii. Provision has been made in the consolidated financial statements as at 31 March 2024, as required under the applicable law or accounting standards, for material foreseeable losses, if any, on long-term contracts including derivative contracts – (Refer Schedule 17(11) and Schedule 18(6) to the consolidated financial statements), in respect of such items as it relates to the Group and its associates and the Group's share of net profit in respect of its associates.
- iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Bank and its subsidiary companies, associate companies incorporated in India.
- iv. (1) The respective Managements of the Bank, subsidiaries and its associates which are companies incorporated in India whose financial statements have been audited under the Act have represented to us, and the other auditors of such subsidiaries and associates respectively that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, as disclosed in schedule 18(16) to the consolidated financial statements, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Bank or any of such subsidiaries and associates to or in any other person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ('Intermediaries'), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Bank or any of such subsidiaries') or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries;
  - (2) The respective Managements of the Bank, its subsidiaries and associate which are companies incorporated in India whose financial statements have been audited under the Act have represented to us and the other auditors of such subsidiaries and associates respectively that, as disclosed in schedule 18(16) to the consolidated financial statements, to the best of their knowledge and belief, no funds (which are material either individually or in the aggregate) have been received by the Company or any of such subsidiaries and associates from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ('Funding Parties'), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Bank or any of such subsidiaries and associates shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ('Ultimate Beneficiaries') or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
  - (3) Based on the audit procedures, that which we have has been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, performed by us and those performed by the auditors of the subsidiaries and associates which are companies incorporated in India whose financial statements have been audited under the Act, nothing has come to our or other auditor's notice that has caused us or the other auditors to believe that the representations under sub-clause (1) and (2) of Rule 11 (e) contain any material misstatement.
- v. In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the dividend declared and / or paid during the year the Group and its associates is in compliance with Section 123 of the Act.
- vi. Based on our examination, which included test checks, and that performed by the respective auditors of the subsidiaries and associates which are companies incorporated in India whose financial statements have been audited under the Act, except for the instances mentioned below, the Bank, subsidiaries and associates have used an accounting software for maintaining its books of account which has a feature of recording audit trail (edit log) facility and the same has operated throughout the year for all relevant transactions recorded in the software. Further, during the course of our audit, we and respective auditors of the above referred subsidiaries and associates did not come across any instance of audit trail feature being tampered with.

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In respect of the general insurance subsidiary, the auditors have reported that they were not able to test the audit trail feature for one accounting software used for maintaining policy and claim records related to the insurance business demerged from Bharti Axa General Insurance Company Limited, since its usage was discontinued w.e.f. 31 October 2023 and another accounting software which is used for maintenance of commission and reinsurance records at the database level where the audit trail feature was enabled w.e.f. 15 March 2024.

#### For M S K A & Associates Chartered Accountants ICAI Firm Registration No. 105047W

For KKC & Associates LLP Chartered Accountants (Formerly Khimji Kunverji & Co LLP) ICAI Firm Registration No.105146W/W100621

**Tushar Kurani** Partner Membership Number.: 118580 UDIN: 24118580BKFLYB7746

Place: Mumbai Date: 27 April 2024 Vinit Jain Partner Membership Number.: 145911 UDIN: 24145911BKFXMQ1407

Place: Mumbai Date: 27 April 2024

### Annexure A to the Independent Auditors' Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements Of ICICI Bank Limited for the year ended 31 March 2024

(Referred to in paragraph "23g" under 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section of our report of even date)

## Report on the Internal Financial Controls with reference to the aforesaid Consolidated Financial Statements under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act")

#### Opinion

- In conjunction with our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Bank as of and for the year ended 31 March 2024, we have audited the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements of ICICI Bank Limited ("the Holding Company") and its subsidiary companies and its associate companies, which are companies incorporated in India, as of that date.
- 2. In our opinion, and based on the consideration of the reports of the other auditors on internal financial controls with reference to the consolidated financial statements, to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Holding Company, its subsidiary companies and its associate companies, which are companies incorporated in India, have, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements and such internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements and such internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements at 31 March 2024, based on the internal control with reference to consolidated financial statements criteria established by the respective companies considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ("the ICAI").

#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for Internal Financial Controls

3. The respective Board of Directors of the Holding Company, its subsidiary companies and its associate companies, to whom reporting under clause (i) of sub-section 143 of the Act in respect of adequacy of the internal control with reference to financial statements is applicable, which are companies incorporated in India, are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls based on the internal control with reference to consolidated financial statements criteria established by the respective companies considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting ('the Guidance Note') issued by the ICAI. These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to the respective Bank's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Act.

## Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Internal Financial Controls with Reference to Consolidated Financial Statements

- 4. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements of the Holding Company, its subsidiary companies and its associate companies, which are companies incorporated in India, based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note issued by the ICAI and the Standards on Auditing prescribed under Section 143(10) of the Act, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements were established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.
- 5. Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements included obtaining an understanding of such internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.



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6. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained and the audit evidence obtained by the other auditors in terms of their reports referred to in the Other Matters paragraph below, is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements of the Holding Company, its subsidiary companies and its associate companies, which are companies incorporated in India.

#### Meaning of Internal Financial Controls with Reference to the Consolidated Financial Statements

7. A Bank's internal financial control with reference to the consolidated financial statements is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A Bank's internal financial control with reference to consolidated financial statements includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Bank; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Bank are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Bank; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the Bank's assets that could have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

## Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls with Reference to the Consolidated Financial Statements

8. Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial controls with reference to consolidated financial statements may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### **Other Matters**

- 9. The auditors of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited have reported, 'The actuarial valuation of liabilities for life policies in force and policies in respect of which premium has been discontinued but liability exists as at 31 March 2024 has been certified by the Appointed Actuary as per the IRDA Financial Statements Regulations, and has been relied upon by us, as mentioned in "Other Matters" of our audit report on the standalone financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. Accordingly, our opinion on the internal financial controls with reference to standalone financial statements does not include reporting on the design and operating effectiveness of the management's internal controls over the valuation and accuracy of the aforesaid actuarial valuation'.
- 10. The auditors of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited have reported, 'The actuarial valuation of liabilities in respect of Incurred But Not Reported (the "IBNR"), Incurred But Not Enough Reported (the "IBNER") and Premium Deficiency Reserve (the "PDR") is the responsibility of the Company's Appointed Actuary (the "Appointed Actuary"). The actuarial valuation of these liabilities, that are estimated using statistical methods as at 31 March 2024 has been duly certified by the Appointed Actuary and in his opinion, the assumptions considered by him for such valuation are in accordance with the guidelines and norms issued by the IRDAI and the Institute of Actuaries of India in concurrence with the IRDAI. The said actuarial valuations of liabilities for outstanding claims reserves and the PDR have been relied upon by us as mentioned in Other Matters paragraph in our Audit Report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. Accordingly, our opinion on the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements does not include reporting on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of the internal controls over the valuation and accuracy of the aforesaid actuarial liabilities'.

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11. Our aforesaid report under Section 143(3)(i) of the Act on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of the internal financial controls system with reference to the Consolidated Financial Statements in so far as it relates to twelve subsidiary companies and one associate company, which are companies incorporated in India, is based on the corresponding reports of the auditors of such subsidiaries and associates incorporated in India. Our opinion is not modified in respect of the matters with respect to our reliance on the work done by and on the reports of the other auditors.

For M S K A & Associates Chartered Accountants ICAI Firm Registration No. 105047W For KKC & Associates LLP Chartered Accountants (Formerly Khimji Kunverji & Co LLP) ICAI Firm Registration No.105146W/W100621

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