



Exide Industries Limited (EIL)

Tax Policy



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Exide recognizes the importance of a well-structured and robust tax policy to ensure compliance with applicable laws while optimizing the company's financial position. This corporate tax policy serves as a guiding framework for our tax-related activities, emphasizing transparency, ethical practices, and strategic tax planning.

The broad outlines of our Tax Policy can be enumerated as follows:

1. Compliance with Tax Laws

We commit to full compliance with all relevant tax laws and regulations governing our operations. Internal controls are in place to guarantee the accurate and timely filing of tax returns. Our tax compliance efforts are anchored in transparency, accountability, and adherence to the highest standards of financial reporting.

2. Tax planning and Strategy

At Exide, Tax planning is an integral part of our overall business strategy. We strive to develop and maintain a comprehensive tax strategy aligned with our business goals and evaluate tax planning opportunities while operating within the boundaries of compliance frameworks. Advice is sought from professional consultants where uncertainty exists to review the tax strategies contemplated to ensure that they are fully compliant with extant tax laws.

3. Accounting Policies

As a listed entity, we adhere to the Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) in formulating and implementing accounting policies. Transparent and accurate financial records are maintained, facilitating seamless tax reporting and ensuring compliance with regulatory standards. Accordingly, tax risks are reported correctly as per the accepted accounting and reporting principles and appropriate provisions for tax are made in our financial statements as we consider these as an important part of our obligations to stakeholders.

4. Tax Risk Management

Exide as an entity is averse to high tax risk transactions as it has a low tax appetite. Further the company conducts periodic tax risk assessments for identifying potential risks in business and for any identified tax risks, the management is updated and the tax team provides appropriate mitigation measures. The company engages with tax authorities regularly to explain the tax positions it has taken in the course of its business. In cases where matters cannot be settled by agreement with the tax authorities at the first level, the company engages experts to defend its position to resolve the disputes at the appellate stage.

5. Internal controls and processes

We have built systems, processes and controls to enable the company to fulfil its tax compliance obligations in a timely manner. Our processes include a compliance calendar to monitor these compliances and we leverage technology and avoid manual interventions wherever possible to meet the requirements of authorities who are also using advanced digital platforms for collection and analysis of taxpayer's data. Further

the company also focuses on training of tax team to keep them updated with respect to changes in tax laws and also encourages employees to stay informed about tax related matters relevant to their roles.

As a responsible corporate citizen, Exide considers tax as an important part of our ESG agenda and strives to comply with all tax laws both in letter and spirit. Keeping in mind the evolving tax regimes and rapidly changing environment the company also strives to review the tax policy at regular intervals to keep at par with the best practices prevalent in industry.

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