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SOUTHERN ONLINE SERVICES LIMITED

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# **Doard of Directors**

Compensation Committee

Chairman C.M.Ramesh Managing Director N.Satish Kumar Director - Finance K.Radha Krishna Director - Admn. B. Sreedhara Reddy Executive Director B.H.R.Balaji Director **Anand Swaroop** Director P. Niranjan Rao Director V. Durga Prasad Director K.Tejesh Kumar Director B. Suresh

Audit Committee Chair Person Chair Person P. Niranjan Rao V. Durga Prasad

Chair Person
Anand Swaroop
K.Tejesh Kumar

V. Durga Prasad
Sharehoders' / Investors'

Grievance Committee

Chair Person

V. Durga Prasad

Anand Swaroop

B.Suresh

Auditors

Ummareddy & Associates

Chartered Accountants

Jabbar Apartments, Begumpet,

Hyderabad - 16

Regd. Office 3A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Samrat Complex, Saifabad, Hyderabad-04.

Registrars

Sindhu Corporate Services Pvt Ltd
18A, (New No. 492),East Marredpally
Secunderabad - 26.

# **NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be he on Monday, the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2002 at 12.00 P.M. at Golden Triangle, Nanakram Guda, Lingampalry, Hyderabad to transact the following business:

### ORDINARY BUSINESS:

- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2002 and Audited Profit & Loss Account for the year ended on that date together with the Directors' Report and Auditors' Report thereon.
- 2. To appoint a Director in place of Mr.N. Satish Kumar, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 3. To appoint a Director in place of Mr.K. Radha Krishna, who retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-appointment.
- 4. To appoint M/s. Ummareddy & Associates, Chartered Accountants, Hyderabad as Auditors of the Company to hold office from the conclusion of this meeting till the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting at remuneration as may be fixed by the Board of Directors of the Company.

### SPECIAL BUSINESS:

- 5. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT Mr. **Anand Swarrop** be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation."
- 6. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT Mr. **P. Niranjan Rao** be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation."
- 7. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT Mr. V. Durga Prasad be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation."
- 8. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT Mr. K.Tejesh Kumar 'be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation."
- 9. To consider and if thought fit, to pass with or without modification(s), the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:
  - "RESOLVED THAT Mr. B.Suresh be and is hereby appointed as Director of the Company, liable to retire by rotation."

On behalf of the Board

Place: Hyderabad Date: 29.08.2002.

CM. Ramesh Chairman

### NOTES:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy instead of himself / herself and such proxy need not be a member of the company. Proxy forms to be valid shall be lodged with the company not less than 48 hours before the meeting.
- Explanatory Statement pursuant to Section 173(2) of the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of the special business is annexed hereto.
- 3. The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 27.09.2002 to 30.09.2002 (both days inclusive).
- 4. The Members are requested to intimate any change in their address quoting their Registered Folio.
- 5. The Members are requested to bring Annual Report to the Meeting and are also requested to send their queries, if any, on the adoption of accounts well in advance, so as to enable to place relevant records and information at the time of Annual General Meeting.
- 6. At the ensuing Annual General Meeting, Mr. N. Satish Kumar retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment. Pusuant to Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement, the particulars Mr.N.Satish Kumar are given below:

Mr. N.Satish Kumar has completed his MBA (Marketing) from the Institute of Management Education, Pune in 1996 and his PGDCA from Institute of Computer Sciences, Hyderabad in 1994 after graduation in English Literature from S.V.University in 1992.

Mr. Satish Kumar has about 8 years of experience in the Information Technology Industry. During 1996-97 Mr. Satish Kumar has undertaken the Computer Center maintenance of Roads & Buildings Department, Hyderabad. Subsequently, he was with Multi Channel Electronic Services, Pune as incharge (Hardware & Software Operations) for the Andhra Pradesh State, where his job responsibilities included hardware and software business development and installation including computer networks.

Mr. Satish Kumar is also a Director of M/s. Southern Biofe Biofuels Pvt. Ltd.

7. At the ensuing Annual General Meeting, Mr. K.Radha Krishna retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for reappointment. Pusuant to Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement, the particulars Mr. K.Radha Krishna are given below:

Mr. K. Radha Krishna graduated in Civil Engineering in the year 1990, from Nagarjuna University, Guntur. He has a total experience of 10 years out of which 4 years have been in the IT field. He started his career in the construction industry during which period he has been associated with several construction projects including for Hindustan Cables Ltd., Larsen & Toubro and Telecom department.

Prior to promoting SOL, Mr. Radha Krishna was engaged in the business of Software 8 Hardware Consultancy in association with Mr. Sreedhara Reddy in his individual name.

Presently Mr. Radha Krishna rendering his services to the Company in the capacity of Director Finance.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 173 (2) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 1956:

### Item No.5:

The Board of Directors of the Company ("the Board") at their meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2002, appointed Mr. Anand Swaroop as an Additional Director. Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956, he holds office only upto the date of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting. Due notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received from member proposing the appointment of Mr. Anand Swaroop as a Director of the Company whose period of office shall be liable to determination by retirement of Directors by rotation.

The particulars of Mr.Anabd Swaroop as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are given below.

Mr. Anand Swaroop, Aged 36 Years, is a Graduate in Mechanical Engineering from Osmania University, MBA & M.Phill in Econometrics from London School of Economics.

Mr. Anand Swaroop has over 16 years of IT sector experience and has proven his abilities in various capacities. He has in depth knowledge of IT market, its potential and he is an excellent business strategist. He also has experience in Mergers and Acquisitions of Organisations

None of the other Directors, except Mr. Anand Swaroop, is concerned or interested in the resolution.

### Item No.6:

The Board at their meeting held on 14th August, 2002, appointed Mr.P.Niranjan Rao as an Additional Director. Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956, Mr.P.Niranjan Rao holds office only upto the date of the 4th Annual General Meeting. Due notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received from member proposing the appointment of Mr.Niranjan Rao as a Director of the Company whose period of office shall be liable to determination by retirement of Directors by rotation.

The particulars of Mr.Nianjan Rao as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are given below.

Mr.Niranjan Rao holds a Bachelor's degree in Engineering. He hails basically from a business family. He executed several projects in his career. The Board is of the opinion that his appointment as director would be in the best interest of the Company.

Mr.Niranjan Rao does not hold any other directorship. The Board has no hesitation in commending his appointment.

None of the other Directors, except Mr.Niranjan Rao, is concerned or interested in the resolution.

### Item No.7:

The Board at their meeting held on 14th August, 2002, appointed Mr.V.Durga Prasad as an Additional Director, Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956, Mr. Durga Prasad holds office only upto the date of the 4th Annual General Meeting. Due notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received from member proposing the appointment of Mr.Durga Prasad as a Director of the Company whose period of office shall be liable to determination by retirement of Directors by rotation.

The particulars of Mr.Durga Prasad as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are given below.

Mr.Durga Prasad, aged 31 yrs, has completed his MBA, Marketing in Australia. He has vast knowledge of Sector. He has wide and varied experience in finance and business development operations. With his experience in Marketing field, he can contribute to develop the business of the Company.

Mr.Durga Prasad is also a director of M/s. Southern Biofe Biofuels Pvt. Ltd. Your Directors commend the resolution for your approval.

None of the other directors, except Mr.Durga Prasad, is concerned or interested in the resolution.

#### Item No.8:

The Board at their meeting held on 14th August, 2002, appointed Mr.K.Tejesh Kumar as an Additional Director. Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956, Mr.Tejesh holds office only upto the date of the 4th Annual General Meeting. Due notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received from member proposing the appointment of Mr.Tejesh as a Director of the Company whose period of office shall be liable to determination by retirement of Directors by rotation.

The particulars of Mr.Tejesh as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are given below.

Mr.Tejesh has completed his MBA from Andhra University. He executed several consulting and software development projects. Presently also executing some major projects of Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Mr.Tejesh is also director of Global IT Inc., Chicago, which achieved a 3 million turnover.

The Board is of the view that his appointment as Director will be in the best interest of the Company. The Board has no hesitation in commending his appointment.

None of the other Directors, except Mr. Tejesh, is concerned or interested in the resolution.

### Item No.9:

The Board at their meeting held on 14th August, 2002, appointed Mr.B.Suresh as an Additional Director. Pursuant to Section 260 of the Companies Act, 1956, Mr.Suresh holds office only upto the date of the 4th Annual General Meeting. Due notice under Section 257 of the Act has been received from member proposing the appointment of Mr.Suresh as a Director of the Company whose period of office shall be liable to determination by retirement of Directors by rotation.

The particulars of Mr.Suresh as required under Clause 49 of the Listing Agreement are given below.

Mr.Suresh is a graduate. He also completed PG Diploma in Computer Applications and has sound knowledge of IT sector. He is basically a business entrepreneur and being a partner of several other firms has strong command over administration and other related aspects.

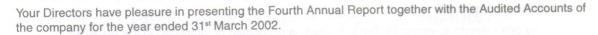
Your Directors commend the resolution for your approval. None of the other Directors, except Mr. Suresh, is concerned or interested in the resolution.

On behalf of the Board

Place: Hyderabad Date: 29.08.2002 C.M.Ramesh Chairman.

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**





#### **Financial Results**

The highlights of the financial performance are summarized below:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Particulars	Year Ended March 31, 2002	Year Ended March 31, 2001
Total Income	309.04	332.12
Operating Profit	92.43	139.09
Less: Depreciation	75.45	58.94
Less: Misc. Expenditure written off.	9.73	9.40
Net Profit carried forward to Balance Sheet	5.97	64.25

### **Review and Prospects**

Your Company has sustained profitable growth, year-on-year by leveraging its core competencies and anticipating market needs to harness the various emerging technological developments to their full potential.

The financial performance during 2001-02 has been impressive despite a tough economic and business environment. Your Company registered gross revenue of Rs. 309.04 Lakhs with a net profit of Rs. 5.97 Lakhs.

Your Company has been providing the following services:

- Dial up and Lease Line Services
- Colocation Server
- Dedicated Server
- ❖ Corporate e' Mail
- Web hosting /Designing
- FTP Services

# Software Development

Your Company has successfully completed a project for Idea Cellular. The project is for maintenance and enhancements. Maintenance includes maintaining integrity of the system and, taking the daily backups etc. Enhancements include incorporation of reports for subscription details (Individual, Business) and also adding the additional features like Service and Change requests. Apart from this your Company also developed Customer Support Module, DNS Management project and some web sites for the customers.

The Company developed a project for Auto Registration by which our dialup customers can now register their accounts online. This project includes a control panel and a dialer, which can be down loaded from our website or from CD's. With this control panel the client can create a new account, renew his existing account, change his password and/or check the status of his account.

### Company's Tie-ups

ur Company continues to maintain its technical-edge over competition with strategic tie-ups with IT leaders to lead the leaders. Your Company continues to secure new and repeat orders from Multinationals, Government Departments, and other organisations for internet services thus reflecting the trust and faith reposed by customers in your Company.

Your Company has been serving the corporate customers through Wireless Technology and also providing Internet Service through Cable Technology for both individual and corporate segments.

### **International Gateway**

Your Company presently provides Internet services as a licensed ISP via our own Internet Satellite Earth Station and also has a redundancy through Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd (VSNL).

### **Organisational Changes**

Pursuant to Article 48 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. N. Satish Kumar, Director and Mr. K. Radha Krishna, Director are liable to retire by rotation at the ensuing Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offered themselves for re-appointment.

Your Directors appointed Mr. Anand Swaroop, Mr. P. Niranjan Rao, Mr. V. Durga Prasad Mr. K.Tejesh Kumar and Mr. B.Suresh as Additional Directors effective 14th August, 2002. These appointments require the approval of the members at the ensuing Annual General Meeting.

### **Directors' Responsibility Statement**

As required under Section 217 (2AA), which was introduced by the Companies (Amendment) Act, 2000 your Directors confirm that:

- In the preparation of the annual accounts, the applicable accounting standards have been followed.
- ii) The Directors have selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company as on 31st March 2002 and of the profit or loss of the company for the year ended 31st March 2002.
- The Directors have taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of this Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- iv) The Directors have prepared the annual accounts on a going concern basis.

### **Auditors**

M/s Ummareddy & Associates, Chartered Accountants, the Statutory Auditors of the Company retire at the conclusion of the ensuing Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offered themselves for reappointment.

### **Corporate Governance**

Your Company complied with the provisions of Corporate Governance during this financial year, 2002-03 separate report on Corporate Governance on its compliance is attached as Annexure to this Report.

## **Fixed Deposits**

The Company has not invited/accepted any fixed deposits from the public in terms of Section 58A of the Companies Act, 1956.

### Personnel

None of the employees is covered under Section 217 (2A) of the Companies Act, 1956, read with the Companies (Particulars of Employees) Rules, 1975.

# Information as per Section 217 (1) (e) of the Companies Act, 1956

Your Company has no activity relating to conservation of energy or technology absorption. During the year 2001 - 02, there are no foreign exchange earnings. However there was foreign exchange outflow of Rs. 46.16 Lakhs towards bandwidth and technical know-how charges.

### Acknowledgement

The Directors thank the Company's customers, bankers, Central & State Governments and shareholders for consistent support to the Company. The Directors also sincerely acknowledge the significant contributions made by all the employees for their dedicated services to the Company.

On behalf of the Board

Place: Hyderabad Date: 29.08.2002. C.M. Ramesh Chairman

# REPORT ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE



# Company's Philosophy

Southern Online Services Ltd believe that good Corporate Governance is essential to achieve long term corporate goals and to enhance stakeholders' value. In this pursuit, your Company's philosophy on Corporate Governance is guided by a strong emphasis on transparency, accountability and integrity.

# 2. Board Composition

The Board has a fair representation of the executive & non-executive directors. Of the ten directors on the Board, five are Promoter Directors and the others are Independent Directors.

Name	Designation	No. of I Held	Meetings Attended	Attendance at the last AGM	No. of other Directorships / Committes
C.M. Ramesh	Chairman	9	6	Yes	3
N. Satish Kumar	Managing Director	9	8	Yes	1
K. Radha Krishna	Director Finance	9	7	Yes	Nil
B. Sreedhar Reddy	Admn. Director	9	5	Yes	Nil
B.H.R. Balaji	Executive Director	9	6	Yes	Nil
Anand Swaroop	Director	- 1	-	No	Nil
P. Niranjan Rao	Director	-	# (	No	Nil
V. Durga Prasad	Director	390	90 %	No	1
K.Tejesh Kumar	Director	-		No	
B.Suresh	Director	iminā Dara	arcyelsii Toro	No	Nil

Dates on which the Board Meetings held: May 24, 2001, May 28, 2001, June 27, 2001, July 06, 2001, July 30, 2001, September 28, 2001, October 29, 2001, January 25, 2002 and March 2, 2002.

### 3. Audit Committee

To adhere to the good Corporate Governance, an Audit Committee has been constituted with consisting of only Independent Directors. The composition of the Audit Committee is as under:

Mr. Anand Swaroop, Chairperson

Mr. P. Niranjan Rao, Director

Mr. V. Durga Prasad, Director

The functions of Audit Committee include:

- To review financial statements and pre-publication of announcements before submission to the Board.
- To review the Company's financial and risk management policies.
- To review internal control system and internal audit function.
- To hold periodical discussions with statutory auditors on the scope and content of the audit

### 4. Compensation Committee

The Committee has been constituted to evaluate compensation and benefits for Executive Directors. The composition of the Committee is as under:

Mr. Anand Swaroop, Chairperson

Mr. K.Tejesh Kumar, Director

Mr. V. Durga Prasad, Director

### **Details of Remuneration to Directors**

Total	22,00,320
Others	16,96,320
PF Contribution	54,000
Basic Salary	4,50,000
Particulars	Rs.

### 5. Investor Grievance Committee

The Board constituted an Investors' Grievance Committee. The Committee consists of Three Independent Directors. The Committee meets at frequent intervals to consider Share Transfers, Dematerialization of Shares, Shareholders' Complaints etc.

Mr. Harsha Vardhan Reddy. R, Asst. Company Secretary is the Compliance Officer. There are no pending Share Transfers/Complaints as on date of this report.

# 6. Details of the last three Annual General Meetings:

ting	Particulars	Date	Venue Venue	
	1st AGM	30-09-1999	3A, 3rd Floor, Samrat Complex, Office Block, Saifabad, Hyderabad - 500 004.	
	2nd AGM	29-11-2000	Chirmaan Fort, 1-8-333 & 334, A- Wane, Begumpet, Opp. Police Lines, Secunderabad - 500 003.	
	3rd AGM	27.09.2001	Golden Triangle, Nanakaram Guda, Lingampally, Hyderabad.	

### 7. Disclosures

There are no materially significant related party transactions, material in nature, with its Promoters, the Directors or the Management, their subsidiaries or relatives etc. having potential conflict with the interests of the Company at large.

No penalties have been imposed on the Company by the Stock Exchanges where the Company's shares are listed or SEBI or any statutory authority. on any matter.

### 8. Means of Communication

The quarterly, half yearly un-audited / audited financial results of the Company are normally published in Business Standards (English) and Andhra Bhoomi (Vernacular News paper). These financial statements, press releases are also posted on the Company's website, at www.sol.net.in

# 9. General Shareholder Information:

 Date, Time and Venue of the 4th Annual : 30.09.2002, 12.00 pm General Meeting Golden Triangle, Nanakram Guda,

Lingampally, Hyderabad

2. Financial Calender : 1st April to 31st March

3. Book Closure Date : 27.09.2002 to 30.09.2002 (both days inclusive)

4. Listing on Stock Exchanges : The Hyderabad Stock Exchange Ltd
The Bangalore Stock Exchange Ltd

5. Registered office : Flat No. A3, 3rd Floor, Office

Block, Samrat Complex Saifabad, Hyderabad-500 004.

6. Registrar and Share Transfer Agent : Sindhu Corporate Services Pvt. Ltd, 18A, (new no.492), East Marredpally,

Secunderabad - 500 026

# 7. Pattern of Shareholding as on 31.03.2002

Description	No. of Shares held	% to Total Paid-up Capital
Directors & Relatives	17,77,390	33.16
Resident Indians	28,98,459	54.07
NRIs	3,83,400	7.15
FIIs/OCB	10,000	0.19
Financial Institutions and		
Banks		
Domestic Companies	2,91,051	5.43
Total	53,60,300	100.00

8. Distribution of Shareholding as on 31-03-2002

Range (Rs)	No. of Shareholders	% of Total Shareholders	No. of Shares	% of Total Shareholding
Upto 5000	2, 665	81.85	5,13,957	9.59
5001 - 10000	167	5.13	1,48,935	2.78
10001 - 20000	118	3.62	1,92,210	3.59
20001 - 30000	106	3.26	2,75,614	5.14
30001 - 40000	40	1.23	1,42,600	2.66
40001 - 50000	43	1.32	2,07004	3.86
50001 - 100000	62	1.90	4,82,965	9.01
More than 100000	55	1.69	33,97,015	63.37
Total	3,256	100.00	53,60,300	100.00

# 9. Demateriallisation of Shares and Liquidity

The Company's Stock is under compulsory demat category in all stock exchanges where it is listed. The International Securities Identification Number (ISIN) allotted to the scrip is INE 371B01015. Investors are therefore advised to open a demat account with a Depository participant of their choice to trade in dematerialized form. Over 64 % of the Company's shares are now held in electronic form. The list of depository participants is available with the National Deopsitory Limited (NSDL) at www.nsdl.co.in.

# **AUDITORS' REPORT**



The Members of Southern Online Services Limited

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of M/s SOUTHERN ONLINE SERVICES LTD, HYDERABAD, as at 31st March, 2002 and the Profit & Loss Account annexed thereof for the year ended on the date and report that:

- 1. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit;
- In our opinion, proper books of accounts as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as
  it appears from our examination of such books;
- 3. The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account submitted to us;
- 4. In our opinion, the Profit & Loss Account and the Balance Sheet comply with the accounting standards referred to in Sub-section (3c) of Section 211 of the Companies Act, 1956;
- 5. On the basis of written representations received from all the Directors as on 31.3.2002, and taken on record by the Board of Directors, we report that none of the Directors is disqualified as on 31.3.2002 for being appointed as Director in terms of Clause (g) of Sub-section (1) of Section 274 of the Companies Act, 1956;
- 6. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanation given to us, the accounts give the information required by the Companies Act, 1956, in the manner so required and give a true and fair view;
  - a) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Company as on 31st March, 2002;

#### AND

- b) In the case of the Profit and Loss Account, of the Profit for the year ended on that date.
- As required by the Manufacturing and other Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 1988, issued by the Company Law Board in terms of Section 227 (4A) of the Companies Act, 1956, and on the basis of such checks of books and records of the Company as we considered appropriate and according to the information and explanations given to us during the course of audit, we further state on the matters specified in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the said order that:
- 7.1 The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars including quantitative details and situation of fixed assets. The management at reasonable intervals has physically verified the fixed assets of the Company and no material discrepancies have been noticed on such verification.
- 7.2 None of the fixed assets has been revalued during the year.
- 7.3 The management at reasonable intervals in respect of the stock has conducted the physical verification. The procedure of physical verification of stock followed by the management is reasonable and adequate in relation to the size of the Company and the nature of its business.
- 7.4 No material discrepancies have been noticed on physical verification between physical stocks as compared to book records.
- 7.5 On the basis of our examination of stock records we are of the opinion that the valuation of stocks is fair and proper in accordance with normally accepted accounting principles and is on the same basis as in the proceeding year.

- The Company has not taken any loans or advances from the Companies, firms or any parties listed in the Register maintained under Section 301 of the Companies Act, 1956, (1 of 1956) and / or from the Companies under the same management within the meaning of Section 370 (1-B) of the Companie Act. 1956.
- The Company has not granted any loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms or other parties listed in the Register maintained under Section 301 of the Companies Act, 1956, or to companies 7.7 under the same management within the meaning of the Section 370 (1-B) of the Companies Act, 1956.
- 7.8 In our opinion there are adequate internal control procedures commensurate with the size of the Company and the nature of the business with regard to the purchase of plant and machinery, equipment and other assets and with regard to the services rendered.
- 7.9 The Company has not accepted any deposits from the public and consequently the provisions of Section 58-A of the Companies Act, 1956, and the Companies (Acceptance of Deposits) Rules, 1975 are not applicable.
- 7.10 The Company has Internal Audit system commensurate with its size and nature of its business.
- 7.11 According to the information and explanations given to us, maintenance of cost records has not been prescribed by the Central Government under Section 209 (1) (d) of the Companies Act, 1956, for any of the activities of the Company.
- 7.12 According to the information and explanations given to us the Company is in general regular in remitting the Provident Fund and Employees State Insurance amounts with appropriate authorities.
- 7.13 In our opinion and according to the information and explanations given to us, the transactions of purchases made in pursuance of contracts or arrangements entered in the register maintained under Section 301 of the Companies Act, 1956, and aggregating during the year to Rs. 50,000/- or more in respect of each party have been made at prices and terms which are reasonable, having regard to the prevailing market prices or the prices at which transactions for similar goods or materials have been made with other parties.
- 7.14 According to the information and explanations given to us and as per the records of the company examined by us, there are no undisputed amounts payable in respect of Income Tax, Wealth Tax, Sales Tax, Customs Duty and Excise Duty which have remained outstanding as at 31st March, 2002 for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.
- 7.15 According to the information and explanations given to us and as per the records of the Company examined by us, personal expenses of employees or Directors have not been charged to revenue account, other than those payable under contractual obligations in accordance with generally accepted business practice.
- 7.16 The Company is not a Sick Industrial Company within the meaning of the clause (O) of the Sub Section (1) of Section 3 of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985.
- 7.17 The Company has a reasonable system of allocating man-hours utilized to the relative jobs, commensurate with its size and nature of its business.
- 7.18 There is a reasonable system of authorization at proper levels, and an adequate system of internal control commensurate with the size of the Company and the nature of its business.

for UMMAREDDY & ASSOCIATES Chartered Accountants

A.KOTESWARA RAO

Place: Hyderabad. Date: 29.06.2002. Partner

# Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2002

escription			Schedule No.	As at 31.03.2002 (Rs.)	As at 31.03.2001 (Rs.)
. SOURCES	OF FUNDS :				
a. Share C	ers' Funds : Capital es and Surplus		1 2	53,603,000 11,093,248	53,603,000 10,496,284
<ol> <li>Loan Func</li> <li>a. Secured</li> <li>b. Unsecu</li> </ol>	Loans		3	10,258,038 840,000	7,966,208 1,205,295
TOT	824,00G: JA			75,794,285	73,270,787
1. Fixed Ass a. Gross			5	47,916,125 15,349,701	48,169,873 7,940,264
			6 7	32,566,424 40,813,179 2,405,908	40,229,609 30,470,808 2,781,975
	nt Assets ous Expenditure ent not written off or	adjusted)	8	38,407,272 4,820,590	27,688,833 5,352,345
TOTAL	196,964,00m. 496,284,00m.			75,794,285	73,270,787
Notes forming	part of Accounts		13		

AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE for UMMAREDDY & ASSOCIATES. Chartered Accountants

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

A. KOTESWARA RAO Partner

C.M.RAMESH Chairman

N.SATISH KUMAR Managing Director. K.RADHA KRISHNA. Finance Director.

Place: Hyderabad. Date: 29.06.2002.

# Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 2002.

Description 188 24	Schadule No.	Schedule No.	Year ended 31.03.2002 (Rs.)	Year ended 31.03.2001 (Rs.)
. INCOME nternet and related Services Sale of Computer Hardware Other Income			29,361,542 1,285,390 257,369 30,904,301	29,533,695 2,839,980 838,607 33,212,282
TOTAL :			824,006	2,035,816
Purchases Personnel Cost Operating & Administrative Expense Financial Expenses Marketing Expenses	es 	9 10 11 12	4,876,652 9,773,922 1,559,834 4,627,343	4,807,793 7,324,533 1,371,831 3,763,338
Sub Total Operating Profit Depreciation Miscellaneous expenditure written Prior Period Expenses	off		21,661,757 9,242,544 7,545,355 973,256 66,969	19,303,310 13,908,972 5,893,873 940,144
Profit Before Tax Provision for Tax			656,964 60,000	<b>7,074,955</b> 650,000
Profit After tax Add : Profit Brought forwarded			596,964 496,284	<b>6,424,955</b> 4,071,330
Profit available for Approportation Less: Transferred to General	Reserve		1,093,248	<b>10,496,284</b> 10,000,000
Profit Transferred to Balance Sh			1,093,248	496,284

AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE for UMMAREDDY & ASSOCIATES Chartered Accountants

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

A. KOTESWARA RAO Partner C.M.RAMESH Chairman N.SATISH KUMAR Managing Director. **K.RADHA KRISHNA.** Finance Director.

Place: Hyderabad. Date: 29.06.2002.

TOTAL :

Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet

Description	As at 31.03.2002 (Rs.)	As at 31.03.2001 (Rs.)
Authorised: 60,00,000 Equity Shares of Rs.10/- each.	60,000,000	60,000,000
Issued, Subscribed & Paid-up: 53,60,300 Equity Shares of Rs.10/- each fully paid up	53,603,000	53,603,000
TOTAL :	53,603,000	53,603,000
2. Reserves & Surplus :		12
Profit & Loss A/c General Reserve	1,093,248 10,000,000	496,284 10,000,000
TOTAL :	11,093,248	10,496,284
3. Secured Loans: Term Loan from Central Bank Of India ,Koti, Hyderabad ( Secured by hypothication of EDP Equipment		
and equitable mortagage of Land & Building of Directors)	7,034,138	7,144,446
	0.000.000	821,762
Bank Overdraft from Central Bank of India, Koti, Hyderabad against Debtors	3,223,900	
	10,258,038	7,966,208
Koti, Hyderabad against Debtors		7,966,208
Koti, Hyderabad against Debtors  TOTAL:		7,966,208

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S. S	ASSETS		GROSS BLOCK	BLOCK		#6	DEPRECIATION	SIATION		NET BLOCK	LOCK
		As at 01-04-2001	Additions during the Year	Additions Deductions during the during the Year Year	Deductions As at during the 31-03-2002 Year	Upto 31-03-2001	For the Year	Deductions during the Year	Deductions Upto during the 31-03-2002 Year	As at 31-03-2002	As at 31-03-2001
	EDP Equipment	45,099,186	1,488,068	1,012,901	1,012,901 45,574,353	7,740,326	7,740,326 7,369,260	89,167	15,020,419	15,020,419 30,553,934	37,358,859
κi	Office Equipment	1,166,406	3,780		1,170,186	83,767	55,554		139,321	1,030,865	1,082,639
က်	Furniture & Fixtures	1,904,281		732,695	1,171,586	116,171	120,541	46,751	189,961	981,625	1,788,110
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	TOTAL :	48,169,873	1,491,848	1,745,596	47,916,125	7,940,264	7,545,355	135,918	15,349,701	32,566,424	40,229,608
	Previous Year	29,723,393 18,446,480	18,446,480	n vential against Debt	48,169,873	2,046,391	5,893,873	TARLANDER Taylonus	7,940,264	7,940,264 40,229,609	27,677,092

TOTAL :

6. 0	Current Assets, Loans & Adv	ances:		Form	ryan) se en die	lina i a com
<b>M.</b> (	Current Assets:					
a)	Sundry Debtors					
	( Unsecured considered Go	od)				
Deb	ots outstanding for a period					
	exceeding six months		26,515,525		14,775,804	
	Other Debts		7,798,713	34,314,238	4,683,516	19,459,320
)	Pre-paid Expenses		2,40	959,068		1,194,664
(b)	Tax Deducted at Source Cash and Bank Balances			58,771		170,498
	Cash on Hand		608,092		344,500	
	Balances with Scheduled	Banks				
	- on Current Accounts - Short Term Deposits		179,939 826,935	1,614,966	265,010 4,512,646	5,122,156
e)	Deposits Telephone Deposits		1,485,220		1,658,884	Their T
	Other Deposits		497,654	1,982,874	559,660	2,218,544
)	Stock of CD's		2	251,503		300,000
3.	Loans and Advances:					
a)	Advances for Capital Goods	S		914,322		1,410,987
0)	Advances to Staff			717,437		594,639

40,813,179

30,470,808

7. Current Liabilities & Provisions:				
Description		Year ended 31.03.2002 (Rs.)		Year ended 31.03.2001 (Rs.)
Sundry Creditors for Capital Goods		361,792		1,358,807
Sundry Creditors for Expenses		1,095,688		1,394,058
Outstanding Liabilities		9,48,428		29,110
TOTAL :		2,405,908		2,781,975
Miscellaneous Expenditure:     ( to the extent not written off or adjuste	ed)			
Preliminary Expenses     Less: Written Off During the year	136,414 45,472	90,942	181,886 45,472	136,414
b) Deferred Revenue Expenses. Add: Additions During the year	5,215,931 441,501		6,110,603	
Less: Written Off During the year	927,784	4,729,648	894,672	5,215,931
TOTAL :		4,820,590		5,352,345

# Schedules forming part of the Profit and Loss Acount

Description	Year ended 31.03.2002 (Rs.)	Year ended 31.03.2001 (Rs.)
Salaries	4,750,556	4,642,957
Staff Welfare	126,095	164,836
TOTAL :	4,876,652	4,807,793
0. Operating & Administrative Expenses :	erfi di babikan en i sa 💮 i	-
AGM & Board Meeting Expenses	59,471	162,489
udit Fee	72,000	42,000
Electricity Charges	861,800	611,441
loppys and CDs	55,250	341,222
General Expenses	141,630	52,586
nsurance and all and assignment and agricultural	223,655	201,521
ease Line Rentals	5,688,587	2,430,837
lembership, Books & Periodicals	136,649	114,344
Office Maintenance	199,822	443,753
onsultancy Charges	240,000	168,250
rinting & Stationery	92,881	136,146
ostage & Telegrams	7,483	49,435
ent , Rates & Taxes	430,500	579,311
ecretarial Expenses	120,616	121,984
ecurity Service	101,177	75,626
taff Recruitment Expenses	-	27,951
elephone, Mobile & Pager Expenses	1,171,978	1,183,567
ravelling & Conveyance Expenses	170,424	582,070
TOTAL :	9,773,922	7,324,533
1. Financial Expenses :	The Logic And The Logical And	
nterest on Term Loan	1,139,692	973,446
nterest on Over Draft	318,357	313,487
ank Charges	101,785	84,898
period of 5 years.	1,559,834	1,371,831
2. Marketing Expenses :	and at the second	
Advertisement	157.010	000.010
Comissions & Discounts	157,910	828,010
Business Promotion	4,414,456	2,760,363
usiness Promotion	54,977	174,965
TOTAL :	4,627,343	3,763,338

# 13.SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

- 1. Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements:
- A. Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with generally accepted Accounting Principles and Provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 as applicable to the Company.
- B. Accounting Policies not specially referred to otherwise are consistent and in consonance with generally accepted Accounting Principles followed by the Company.

### 2. Revenue Reorganization:

- a) <u>Dial Up Services:</u> Internet Access are provided to the customers for a specified Number of Hours either based up on the advances received or billed to the customers, which is to be utilized within a specified period. The Company recognizes revenue based on the bills raised on customer at the time of facilitating the Internet access.
- b) <u>Leased Line Services:</u> Leased Line Services are provided to the customers for a specified period of time. The Company recognizes revenue in year of raising the Invoices on the customers.
- c) Web hosting and Co-location Services: These services are provided to the customers for a specified period of time. The company recognizes revenue in the year of raising invoices on the customers.
- d) <u>FTP Services:</u> These services are provided to the customers for a specified period of time. The Company recognizes revenue in the year of raising invoices on the customers.

### 3. Fixed Assets:

Fixed assets are stated at the cost of acquisition less accumulated depreciation, direct costs are capitalized until the assets are ready to put to use. These costs include installation cost, duties, taxes and other allocated expenses including finance cost relating to specified borrowing incurred during the construction period.

# Depreciation:

Depreciation on Fixed Assets has been provided on Straight Line Method as per the rates mentioned in Schedule XIV of the Companies Act, 1956.

# 5. Miscellaneous Expenditure:

- a) <u>Preliminary Expenses:</u> Expenditure (to the extent not written off or adjusted) incurred in connection with formation of the Company has been amortized over a period of 5 years.
- b) Public Issue Expenses: Expenditure incurred in connection with the Public Issue of Rs.1.34 Lakhs has been amortized over a period of 5 years.
- c) <u>Deferred Revenue Expenses:</u> Processing Fee incurred in connection with obtaining Gateway facilities has been amortized over a period of 10 years.
- d) <u>Technical Know How:</u> Expenditure incurred in connection with Technical know-how has been amortized over a period of 10 years.
- e) <u>Software Expenditure:</u> Expenditure incurred in connection with RBS billing software and data entry software has been amortized over a period of 10 years.

# 6. Contingent Liabilities:

Diability was provided for in respect of Contingent liability but only mentioned by way of notes on accounts.

#### II. NOTES ON ACCOUNTS:

- 1. Managerial Remuneration:
- A. Managerial Remuneration paid to the Chairman and Managing Director and whole time Directors.

	Rupees.	2000-2001 Rupees.
Salaries & Allowances	00 00 000	20,02,600

B. No computation of Profit U/s 350 of the Companies Act,1956 has been given since no commission was paid to Directors.

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### 2. Auditors Remuneration:

		2001-2002 Rupees	2000-2001 Rupees
	For Statutory Audit	20,000	20,000
	For Tax Audit For Other Services	16,000 4,000	16,000 4,000
		40,000	40,000
3.Contin	gent Liabilities not provided for:	2001-2002	000-2001
		Rupees	Rupees
	Counter Guarantee given to Barespect of guarantees issued Bankers in favour of the Preside India, acting through the Teleg	by the ent of	
	Authority.	20,00,000	20,00,000
		20,00,000	20,00,000

### 4. Current Liabilities and Provisions:

Current Liabilities include Rs.1,65,848/- due to Chairman (Previous year NIL ) and Rs.33,073/- to the other Directors (Previous year Rs.1, 08,160/-)

- 5. Preliminary Expenses includes Registration Charges for increasing the Authorised Share Capital.
- 6. Deferred Revenue Expenses includes Public Issue Expenses, Technical know how and Billing Software Expenditure.

- 7. In the opinion of Board of Directors the Sundry Debtors are expected to realize at 100%.
- 8. Balances appearing under different accounts of Debtors, Creditors, Loans and Advances are subject confirmation from the parties.
- 9. Previous year figures have been regrouped / reclassified / rearranged wherever necessary for be comparison with current year figures.
- Cash and Bank Balances include Rs. 8,26,935/- representing fixed deposits lodged with Banker margin money against guarantees issued by them ( Previous year Rs. 45,12,646/- )
- 11. The Company is engaged in the Business of providing Internet service and other related Services. rendering of such services is not capable of being expressed in any generic unit and hence it is possible to give the quantitative details of sales and information as required under paragraphs 3, and 4 D of Part II of Schedule VI to the Companies Act, 1956. In respect of Trading Division Quantitative details are as follows:

S.NO	DESCRIPTION	need and P	URCHASE	o s	SALE		LOSING TOCK
-		Qty	Value Rs.	Qty	Value Rs.	Qty	Va Rs
1.	Lease Line Modems	31	16,51,816	31	18,91,980	NIL	NI
2.	HTU-E1/N/AC	2	1,92,000	2	2,59,200	NIL	NI
3	HTU-E1/N/AC/V35	2	2,04,000	2	2,88,100	NIL	NI
4.	PRESTIGE 153 X ROUTER	000,04	34,000	1	4,00,700	NIL	NI

AS PER OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE for UMMAREDDY & ASSOCIATES.
Chartered Accountants

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

A. KOTESWARA RAO Partner C.M.RAMESH Chairman

N.SATISH KUMAR Managing Director. K.RADHA KRISH Finance Director.

Place: Hyderabad. Date: 29.06.2002.

	CASH FLOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2002	Year Ended 31.03.2002
E	CASH FLOW FROM OPERATIONS Profit as per Profit & Loss Account ADD : Adjustments for	596,964
	A. Depreciation  B. Preliminary Expenses Written off	7,545,355 973,256
	OPERATING PROFIT BEFORE WORKING CAPITAL CHANGES ADD / LESS : Adjustments for Working Capital	9,115,575
	A. Increase in Current Assets B. Decrease in Loan & Advances C. Decrease in Current Liabilities	(14,570,751) 721,190 (376,068)
	CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES - "A"	(13,849,561) <b>(5,110,054)</b>
11	CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES  A. Purchase of Fixed Assets  B. Sale of Fixed Assets  C. Preliminary Expenses Spent	(1,491,848) 1,609,678 (441,501)
	NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES - "B"	(323,671)
Ш	CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES  A. Proceeds of Shares Issue  B. Secured Loans taken.  C. Un Secured Loans repaid.	2,291,830
	NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES - "C"	(365,295)
	Net Increase in Cash or Cash Equivalents Opening Cash & Bank Balances	1,926,535 (3,507,190) 5,122,156
	ADD:Net increase in Cash & Cash Equivalents Closing Cash & Bank Balances as on 31.03.2002.	(3,507,190) 1,614,966

# For and onbehalf of the Board of Directors

Place : Hyderabad Date : 29.06.2002

C.M.RAMESH Chairman N.SATISH KUMAR Managing Director

K.RADHA KRISHNA Director Finance

## **Auditor's Certificate**

We have verified the above Cash Flow Statement of SOUTHERN ONLINE SERVICES LIMITED derived from Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2002, and found the same in accordance therewith, and also with the requirement of clause 32 of the Listing Agreement.

for Ummareddy & Associates Chartered Accountants

Place: Hyderabad.

Date: 29.06.2002

A.KOTESWARA RAO

Partner.

### Balance Sheet Abstract and Company's General Business Profile

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Registration Number	30463
State Code Number	01
Balance Sheet Date	31st March 2002

### II. Capital Raised During the Year (Amount in Rs Thousands)

Public Issue	NIL
Right Issue	NIL
Bonus issue	NIL
Private Placement	NII

### III. Position of Mobilization and Deployment of Funds (Amount in Rs Thousands)

Total Liabilities Total Assets	75794 75794
Sources of Funds	50000
Paid-up Capital Reserves & Surplus	53603
Secured Loans	11093 10258
Unsecured Loans	840
Application of Funds	
Net Fixed Assets	32566
Investments	NIL
Net Current Assets	38407
Miscellaneous Expenditure	4821
Accumulated Losses	NIL

### IV. Performance of Company (Amount in Rs Thousands)

30904
30247
657
597
0.11
NIL

### V. Generic Names of Three principal products/ services of Company (as per monetary terms)

Item Code No. (ITC Code)	NIL
Product Description	Internet Service Providers

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

C.M.RAMESH	N.SATISH KUMAR	K.RADHA KRISHNA	
Chairman	Managing Director	Finance Director	

Place : Hyderabad Date : 29.08.2002

# SOUTHERN ONLINE SERVICES LIMITED



3A, 3rd Floor, Samrat Complex.

Office Block, Saifabad, HYDERABAD - 500 004.

# **PROXY FORM**

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Folio No.:		
I/We	of	in the district
ofbeing a member/members of the above named company, hereb		
appoint Mr./Ms./Kumin the district ofa		
my/our proxy to attend and vote for me/us on my Company to be held on Monday the 30th Septemb Lingampally, Hyderabad. and at any adjournment	ber, 2002 at 12.00 pm at Golde	nual General Meeting of the en Triangle, Nanakramguda,
Signed thisday of	2002	
Address		Affix Rs.1/- Revenue Stamp
	eposited at Regd. Office not less a member.	
	or, Samrat Complex,	ED
	ad, HYDERABAD - 500 004.	
ATTE	NDANCE SLIP	
I hereby record my presence at the Fourth Annu September, 2002 at 12.00 pm at Golden Triangle	, Nanakramguda, Lingampally	, Hyderabad.
Full name of the Shareholder (in block letters)	Signature	
Folio No	No. of Shares held	
Full name of the proxy (in block letters) (To be filled if the Proxy attends instead of the member)	Signature	
Note: Shareholders attending the meeting in perslip and hand it over at the entrance of the meeting	rson or by proxy are rquested ng hall.	to complete the attendance