30th January, 2020

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Dear Sir,

National Stock Exchange of India Limited Listing Department Exchange Plaza Bandra-Kurla Complex Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 051

Re: Press Release

VOLTAS

We are enclosing herewith for your information, copy of the Press Release titled 'Voltas Beko launches its first manufacturing facility in India', which is being released for publication.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, VOLTAS LIMITED

(Rajesh Bhatia) Deputy Company Secretary

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## Voltas Beko launches its first manufacturing facility in India

Situated in Sanand, Gujarat, the facility will have a production capacity of 2.5 million home appliances with an investment of USD 180 mn

**Sanand, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**: Voltbek Home Appliances Private Limited (Voltbek) - a JV between India's No. 1 AC Brand, Voltas and Europe's leading consumer durables player, Arcelik, today announced the opening of its first manufacturing facility in India. Spread over 60 acres in Sanand, an industrial hub near Ahmedabad, Gujarat, the factory will manufacture Home Appliances that include refrigerators and washing machines. Backed by an investment of \$180 million (INR 1000+ crores), Voltbek's Sanand factory is one of the first white goods appliances unit in the State of Gujarat that will create an OEM base for home appliances in the region, along with local employment opportunities.

This state-of-the-art manufacturing facility will leverage Arçelik's global expertise in manufacturing and product development and Voltas's strong brand presence, and country wide sales and distribution network. With this new facility the brand aims to **increase its product portfolio** and develop new innovative products specifically designed for Indian consumers. Voltas Beko will also produce **Direct Cool Refrigerators** which are ~ 80% of the refrigerator market by volume, and the facility will reach its annual production capacity of 2.5 million units by 2025. The factory will primarily cater to the needs of the Indian market, leveraging Voltas' brand and distribution strength. However going forward, we might also explore export opportunities.

Speaking on this occasion, **Mr. Noel Tata, Chairman, Voltas Limited** said, "We continue to see huge growth opportunities for consumer durables in the Indian market -- on its way to fast becoming a USD 5 trillion economy.

The Voltas 'Make in India' programme envisages backing our market leadership ambitions with world class manufacturing facilities in India. Voltbek Home Appliances Private Limited, the partnership between Beko a global leader and innovator in the white goods space, and Voltas, the market leader in consumer air conditioning in India, will now have this world class manufacturing facility to support our growth ambitions.

We aim to provide consumers in India with a unique and innovative range of products, harnessing the many global patents and product development capabilities of Beko, and by leveraging the brand and distribution strengths of Voltas."

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**Mr. Levent Çakıroğlu, CEO, Koç Holding** speaking at the ceremony said: "Today opens up a new chapter in our journey in India. This venture in India constitutes a strategic step within the framework of Koç Group's global vision. By establishing Voltbek, our main goal is to become a key player in India's rapidly growing white goods market. As Koç Group, through our production and marketing companies, we operate in 46 countries. 48 languages are spoken in our offices and we carry out transactions in 32 different currencies. With 23 manufacturing facilities across the world, Arçelik expands its global footprint with new investments. Our global brand Beko is one of the fastest growing players in Europe and recent investments in Thailand and India, have strengthened our presence in Asia-Pacific region. Tata and Koç Group have similar values which are; excellence, unity, integrity and ethics. With our shared values and this state-of-the-art facility with an estimated investment of 180 million dollars, I am confident that Voltbek will continue to flourish and be one of the leading players in the near term."

**Mr. Pradeep Bakshi, Managing Director & CEO, Voltas Limited** added, saying "Since its launch in 2018, Voltas Beko has established itself as one of the fastest growing consumer durables brands in the country and is expected to sell close to half a million units by the end of this fiscal year. The brand already has a significant footprint in the washing machine and refrigerator categories, in addition to being a leading player in dishwashers. With this new manufacturing facility in Sanand, we are confident of becoming a leading player in the home appliances segment in India by 2025."

**Mr. Hakan Bulgurlu, CEO, Arçelik** said: "India offers a huge potential and we are excited to be a part of the country's success story. Our goal is to become a leading player and achieve double digit market share in the Indian white goods market over the next decade. We believe that our new factory will help us deliver this ambitious goal and make a significant contribution to Indian economy. Beko is a leading global player in home appliances industry and with our global expertise and tailor-made innovations, we will continue to meet and exceed Indian customers' expectations."

As per industry reports, the Consumer Durables market in India is slated to grow at 10–12 percent per annum. During the last 10 years, the Indian Major Domestic Appliances market grew by nearly 9 percent, surpassing the overall 3 percent growth of the global white goods market. The brand is confident of its growth in the coming years due to infrastructural and macroeconomic developments taking place, and aims to capture a significant market share by 2025, thus becoming a leading player in consumer durables in the country. With the Sanand factory now operational, Voltas Beko aims to broaden its consumer reach by providing affordable, accessible and high-quality consumer durables.

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### **About Voltas Beko**

Voltbek Home Appliances Private Limited (Voltbek) is an equal partnership joint venture between India's leading Air Conditioner brand, Voltas Limited and Turkey's largest household appliances manufacturer, Arçelik . The brand 'Voltas.Beko' was launched in September 2018 and has in the past one year positioned itself as 'Partners of Everyday Happiness' and 'Tested by Real Moms' in India. Their portfolio of products includes Refrigerators, Washing Machines, Microwaves/Ovens, and Dishwashers. The brand offers its consumers with state-of-the-art innovative products and leverages Voltas' brand & distribution strength and Arçelik's global expertise in product development. Voltas Beko has been consistently increasing its footprint in the Indian home appliances segment and has currently over 2000+ consumer touchpoints. The manufacturing facility is situated in Sanand, Gujarat and will go on-stream in January 2020.

#### **About Voltas**

Voltas Limited is a premier air conditioning and engineering solutions provider and a Projects specialist. Founded in India in 1954, Voltas Limited is part of the Tata Group, and in addition to Air Conditioners, Air Coolers, Water Dispensers, Water Coolers, and Commercial Refrigeration products; Voltas offers engineering solutions for a wide spectrum of industries in areas such as heating, ventilation and air conditioning, refrigeration, electro-mechanical projects, electrification, textile machinery, mining and construction equipment, water management & treatment, cold chain solutions, building management systems, and indoor air quality. Voltas is among the top ten companies within the Tata group and is the undisputed market leader in room air conditioners in India It has also recently launched its range of Voltas Beko Home Appliances, through its new JV in India, in equal partnership with Arcelik of Turkey.

#### About Arcelik and Beko

With over 30,000 employees throughout the world, 12 brands (Arçelik, Beko, Grundig, Blomberg, ElektraBregenz, Arctic, Leisure, Flavel, Defy, Altus, Dawlance, Voltas Beko), sales and marketing offices in 34 countries, and 23 production facilities in 9 countries, Arçelik offers products and services in nearly 150 countries. As Europe's second largest white goods company according to market share ranking based on quantity, Arçelik reached a turnover of 26.9 billion Turkish Lira in 2018. With 70% of its profits coming from the international markets, Arçelik is the R&D leader in Turkey – holding more than 3,000 international patent applications to date with the efforts of 1,600 researchers in 15 R&D and Design Centers in Turkey and R&D Offices across five countries.

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