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Apple's 'Wonderlust' event on September 12 has set the rumour mill buzzing, but the humble charger may steal the show for Indians

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It is tempting to dismiss 'Wonderlust', a play on the German-origin word, wanderlust, meaning a strong desire to travel, as an attempt to sound clever. Except, you cannot dismiss things that come from Apple Inc, the first company listed on stock exchanges to close a trading day with a market value above \$3 trillion.

So, when Apple sent an invitation to its annual September event and called it Wonderlust, the legions of Apple devotees went into a tizzy trying to glean what could come on the twelfth of this month. Apple event titles usually carry a meaning, but may or may not be directly related to the launches. It is still not clear why last year's September event, which launched the iPhone 14 line-up, was named 'Far Out' and the one in 2021 (iPhone 13 Pro), was called 'California Streaming'. It is easier to understand why the one in 2020, which launched the Watch Series 6, was named 'Time Flies'.

There is a strong buzz that Wonderlust is so named because it is going to present a new camera system for the iPhone 15 Pro Max. The 6x optical zoom camera system will allow users to zoom on distant objects, about twice what the iPhone 14 Pro can, and capture the frame with clarity. It is likely to click with those making travel plans.

The wonder does not stop there. The iPhone X, pronounced 'iPhone Ten,' which came in 2017, was a significant milestone in Apple's smartphone history. It featured a nearly bezel-less display, marking a departure from the traditional iPhone design with a physical home button that needed larger bezels.

The removal of the home button allowed for a larger screen in a device that was physically smaller than the iPhone 8 Plus. Besides, the iPhone X replaced the Touch ID fingerprint sensor with Face ID. These innovations had a profound impact on the smartphone industry and how Apple approached its product design and development.

To date, Apple has been building on the foundations of the iPhone X, with minor changes in design, such as the redesigned camera island on the iPhone 11 series, the flat frame in the iPhone 12 series, and a redesigned notch cut-out called Dynamic Island in the iPhone 14 Pro line. The upgrades have been incremental, largely in the camera and through newer iOS versions.

Wonderlust could change that (see: RUMOUR MILL). "The September event is mostly about the iPhone. I am expecting the same this year. This year's launch comes at a time when foldables are gaining popularity in the segment iPhone operates," says Faisal Kawoosa, chief analyst, Techarc. International Data Corporation expects

worldwide shipments of foldable phones, including flip and fold form factors, to reach 21.4 million units in 2023 — an increase of more than 50 per cent over 2022.

An updated IDC forecast projects foldable phone shipments to reach 48.1 million units in 2027 — a 3.5 per cent share of the market.

The market share figure may not sound too big, but, since foldable phones are expensive, it matters to Apple, given

the iPhone's play at the top end. "It will be interesting to see how Apple satisfies the inquisitive consumers about not going for foldables yet, as it does not have one.

This also means there must be something more in the iPhone this year than the normal upgrade, which has been the case for the past few years," says Kawoosa.

What can that "something more" be? Apple is expected to release four models in the iPhone 15 series: the iPhone 15, iPhone 15 Plus, iPhone 15 Pro, and iPhone 15 Pro Max. All of them could have a substantial upgrade over the current versions.

Most notably, though, they are expected to incorporate the USB

Type-C port for charging and data transfers. Apple has used its proprietary Lightning connector in iPhones since 2012. The transition follows the European Union's announcement last year mandating the USB-C as the standard for all electronic devices, in a bid to cut down on environmental waste and to save consumers from buying different chargers for different devices.

All mobile phones, tablets, and cameras sold in the EU must have a USB-C port by December 28, 2024. Laptops are part of the list, but the deadline for them is spring 2026.

Following the EU's move, India, too, announced the USB-C as the standard charging port for electronic products, setting March 2025 for the rule to kick in. The government is of the view that India should move to two types of standard charging devices, USB-C for smartphones and other portable devices, such as laptops and tablets, and another for feature phones, which have a bigger market share in the country.

Analysts believe the shift to USB-C will add to convenience for users since Apple already has the same port available on many of its products.

"A potential shift to USB-C will lead to enhanced user convenience, allowing iPhone enthusiasts to leverage a unified charging ecosystem across diverse devices, spanning from MacBooks to iPads," says Prabhu Ram, head, Industry Intelligence Group, CyberMedia Research.

The buzz is that the USB-C will be incorporated across the entire iPhone 15 line-up, but Apple may adopt varying standards for different models. Apple analyst Ming-Chi Kuo posted on X (formerly Twitter) that the Pro models in the line-up

CEO Tim Cook, seen here at the opening of Apple's first store in India, has been trying to bring the company closer to the country. Embracing the USB-C charging port can go a long way in that direction

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will support at least USB 3.2 or Thunderbolt 3, and the standard models will support USB 2.0. This means the iPhone 15 Pro and iPhone 15 Pro Max will feature an enhanced version of USB-C with faster data transfer speeds compared to the USB-C port on the iPhone 15 and iPhone 15 Plus models.

Among other enhancements, Apple is expected to replace the current alert button with a versatile action button. Additionally, the Dynamic Island display is likely to become a standard feature across all models.

In terms of design, the Pro models in the iPhone 15 series could adopt a titanium frame instead of stainless steel. There is a possibility that the highest-tier model in the series would be named the iPhone 15 Ultra, rather than the iPhone 15 Pro Max.

Apple could extend the integration of the USB-C ports to AirPods.

As for the Watch Series, the 2023 iterations are reported to bring incremental improvements, featuring a new S9 processor for enhanced performance and power efficiency.

According to media reports, the Watch Series 9 might offer a band option with a magnetic buckle.

However, as anticipation builds up for the new launches at Wonderlust, it is the sales of the older iPhone models that are driving Apple's growth in India.

Data from CMR shows the iPhone 14 series constituted 46 per cent to its annual shipments in India since its launch in September 2022, with the older models claiming the remaining 54 per cent.

"All said, the growth momentum for Apple in India has historically been predominantly steered by the sales of older generation iPhones," says Prabhu Ram of CyberMedia Research.

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iPhone 15 and iPhone 15 Plus

- A16 chip
- Slimmer bezel
- Dynamic Island
- 48-mega pixel wide angle sensor and lens combo for the rear cameras
- USB-C physical charging connector port

iPhone 15 Pro, iPhone 15 Pro Max and/or iPhone 15 Ultra

- Perhaps a new naming convention
- Design could be more rounded at the edges

- Titanium body, instead of steel
- A periscope lens that can improve optical zoom
- A new multi-function 'action button' might replace the mute switch

Apple Watch Series 9, Apple Watch Ultra

- Changes might not be major
- The bulk of hardware updates relate to the Apple Watch X
- The S9 chip is believed to offer a lot more performance

- An updated Apple Watch Ultra, but not much other than the chip upgrade

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- iPhone 15, iPhone 15 Plus, iPhone 15 Pro, and iPhone 15 Pro Max — all with Dynamic Island, an updated 5G chip from Qualcomm, and most notably, a USB-C port instead of a Lightning port

- iPhone 15 Pro and iPhone 15 Pro Max will see additional feature updates

- Minor redesign with slimmer bezels and slight changes to the curves of the corners

- iPhone 15 Pro models will have a titanium frame rather than a stainless steel one
- Apple's first 3-nanometre chip, the A17, may be included in the iPhone 15 Pro and Pro Max
- 'Action button' instead of Mute switch
- iPhone 15 Pro Max expected to get periscope zoom lens that will allow for 5x or 6x optical zoom, up from 3x

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NOTICE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF 77TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE is hereby given that the 77th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of Sri Kannapiran Mills Limited will be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 11.00 a.m. through Video Conferencing (VC) or Other Audio-Visual Means (OAVM), in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, read with General Circular No.14/2020 dated 8th April 2020, General Circular No.17/2020 dated 13th April, 2020, General Circular No.20/2020 dated 5th May 2020, General Circular No.02/2021 dated 13th January, 2021, Circular No.2/2022 dated 05.05.2022 and General Circular No.10/2022 dated 28.12.2022 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs to transact the business provided in the Notice of 77th AGM of the Company (AGM Notice). Details and Instructions to attend, vote and view the proceedings of the 77th AGM is provided in the AGM Notice. The Register of Members and the Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 21st September 2023 to 27th September 2023 (both days inclusive).
The Company will be sending the 77th AGM Notice along with Annual Report electronically to those members who have registered their email IDs with the Company / Depository Participants and or the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent in compliance with MCA Circulars. Members holding equity shares in physical form who have not registered their email ID may get the same registered with Company / RTA. Members participating through the VC/OAVM facility shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013. Notice of the 77th AGM and Annual Report will be made available on the website of the Company i.e www.kannapiran.co.in
The Company is providing a facility of voting through electronic means i.e remote e-voting and evoting at the AGM to be held through VC/OAVM, to vote on the business set out in the AGM Notice. Detailed instructions for attending the meeting through VC/OAVM or casting vote by remote e-voting or e-voting at the AGM is provided in the AGM Notice. Members who have not registered their email ID can procure User ID and password by following the instructions provided in the AGM Notice.

By order of the Board
KG Balakrishnan
Chairman
DIN : 00002174

Place : Coimbatore
Date : 22.08.2023

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NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that 9th Annual General Meeting ('AGM') of **TAAL Enterprises Limited** (The Company') will be held on **Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 12.00 P.M. (IST) through Video Conference (VC) / Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM)** without physical presence of the members, in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read with General Circular No. 20/2020 & 02/2022 dt. May 5, 2020 & May 05, 2022, respectively and such other Circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ('MCA').
In compliance with the aforesaid MCA Circulars & SEBI Circulars dt May 12, 2020 & May 13, 2022, the requirement of dispatching physical copies of the Notice of AGM & Annual Report has been dispensed with & accordingly, the same is being served through electronic mode to Members whose e-mail IDs are registered with the Company. Members who have not registered their e-mail IDs are requested to register the same by following the instructions given below:
1. Members holding Shares in Physical form:
Members to write an e-mail to Link Intime India Private Limited, ("RTA") of the Company at pune@linkintime.co.in or to the Company at secretarial@taalent.co.in by mentioning folio number, e-mail ID and mobile number;
2. Members holding Shares in Dematerialized form:
Members to contact their Depository Participant/ Stock Broker for updation of email ID mobile number & other details.
The Annual Report & AGM Notice is available on the Company's website www.taalent.co.in and on Stock Exchange website www.bseindia.com and also on the website of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com.
The Company is providing e-voting facility in respect of businesses to be transacted at the AGM. The Company has availed services of NSDL for providing e-voting & VC facility for shareholders to participate in the AGM. For details on participating in the AGM via VC & e-voting, please refer to the instructions given in the AGM Notice. The e-voting facility shall commence on Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 9.00 A.M. IST & ends on Monday, September 25, 2023 at 5.00 P.M. IST. During this period, Members holding shares as on cut-off date i.e., September 19, 2023 may cast their vote. Members present in the AGM through VC & have not cast vote previously & are otherwise not barred from doing so, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting system of NSDL during the AGM.
Persons becoming Members of the Company after dispatch of AGM Notice, may write an e-mail to secretarial@taalent.co.in for obtaining login ID credentials for e-voting & VC.
In case of any queries, you may refer the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Shareholders and e-voting user manual for Shareholders available at the download section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or call on toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30 or send a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in

For **TAAL ENTERPRISES LIMITED**
Priya Chouksey
Company Secretary

Pune, September 02, 2023

**POST-OFFER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS OF
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This Post Offer Public Announcement ("Post Offer PA") is being issued by M/s. VC Corporate Advisors Private Limited ("Manager to the Delisting Offer"/ "Manager") for and on behalf of Mr. Prashant Kanoria ("Acquirer"/ "Company") in respect to the proposed acquisition and consequent voluntary delisting of the equity shares of the Company from the Calcutta Stock Exchange Limited ("CSE"/ "Stock Exchange") i.e., the only Stock Exchange where the equity shares of the Company are listed, pursuant to Regulation 17(4) and other applicable provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021 and subsequent amendments thereto ("Delisting Regulations") ("Delisting Offer").

This Post Offer PA should be read in conjunction with the Initial Public Announcement dated 04.01.2023 ("IPA"), the Detailed Public Announcement ("DPA") dated 12.08.2023 which was published on 14.08.2023 in Business Standard (English all editions), Business Standard (Hind all editions) and Arthik Lipi Kolkata edition ("Newspapers") and Letter of Offer ("LOF") dated 12.08.2023 including Bid Form, dispatched to the public shareholders on 18.08.2023. The capitalized terms used but not defined in this Post Offer PA shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the IPA, DPA and LOF.

The Acquirer had issued the IPA, DPA and the LOF seeking to acquire, in accordance with the Delisting Regulations and the terms and conditions set out therein and in the DPA and LOF, upto 20911 equity shares of face value of Rs. 10/- each representing 2.09% of the fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company that are presently held by public shareholders ("Offer Shares"). The public shareholders holding equity shares were invited to submit bids pursuant to the reverse book building process conducted through the stock exchange mechanism made available by the BSE Limited during the bid period (i.e., Friday, August 25, 2023 to Thursday, August 31, 2023) in accordance with the Delisting Regulations ("Reverse Book Building Process").

1. DISCOVERED PRICE AND EXIT PRICE

In terms of Regulation 20(2) and other applicable provisions of the Delisting Regulations, the Floor Price for the Delisting Offer was Rs. 291/- (Rupees Two Hundred and Ninety-One only) per equity share ("Exit Price"). As per Regulations 20(1) read with Schedule II of the Delisting Regulation, the Discovered Price (being the price at which the shareholding of the Acquirer, along with the other member of the Promoter Group, reaches 90% of the fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company pursuant to the Reverse Book Building Process in the manner specified in Schedule II of Delisting Regulations) could not be determined as there were no bids by the public shareholders during the bid period.

2. SUCCESS OF THE DELISTING OFFER

a) In terms of Regulation 21(a) of the Delisting Regulations, the Delisting Offer will be deemed to be successful only if the post offer shareholding of the Acquirer along with equity shares tendered by the public shareholders reaches 90% of the fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company. Since the Acquirer together with other Promoter / Promoter Group is already holding more than 90% of the fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company, the condition as stipulated under Regulation 21(a) of the Delisting Regulations has already been duly complied with.

b) As no equity shares were tendered during the bid period in the Delisting Offer, the Acquirer will not be able to acquire any equity share. The post Delisting Offer shareholding of the Acquirer together with other Promoter / Promoter Group of the Company should reach 90% of the fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company (i.e., 900000 equity shares) to make the delisting successful in terms of Regulation 21(a) of the Delisting Regulations. The condition is complied with as the Acquirer together with the other Promoter / Promoters Group already holds 979089 equity shares constituting 97.91% of fully paid-up equity share capital of the Company and hence Regulation 21(a) of the Delisting Regulations is duly complied with.

c) The Company had dispatched the Letter of Offer on 18.08.2023 to all the public shareholders as on the Specified Date i.e., 11.08.2023 through Registered Post/ Speed Post. The proof of dispatch of Letter of Offer has been provided by the Company.

d) After considering aforementioned point no. 2(a) and 2(b) it is considered that the Delisting Offer is thus deemed to be successful in terms of the Delisting Regulations.

e) As no public shareholder has tendered any equity share in the Reverse Book Building Process, the Acquirer is not required to make any payment to any public shareholder.



f) Subsequently, necessary steps shall be taken to delist the equity shares of the Company from the CSE. The date of delisting of equity shares shall be announced in the same newspapers in which the DPA and this Post Offer PA have appeared.

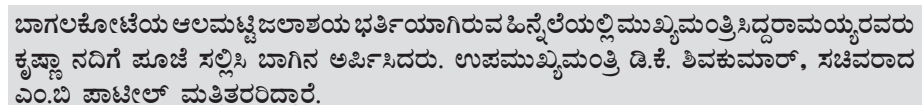
3. OUTSTANDING EQUITY SHARES AFTER DELISTING

In accordance with Regulation 26 of the Delisting Regulations, all public shareholders who did not or were not able to participate in the Reverse Book Building Process ("Residual Shareholders") will be able to offer their equity shares to the Acquirer at the Exit Price of Rs. 291/- (Rupees Two Hundred and Ninety-One only) per equity share during a period of one year starting from the date of delisting of the Equity Shares from the CSE ("Exit Window"). A separate Exit Offer Letter ("Exit Offer Letter") in this regard will be sent to such Residual Shareholders which will contain terms and conditions for participation in Exit Window.

4. All other terms and conditions set forth in the DPA and the LOF remain unchanged.

If the public shareholders have any query with regards to the Delisting Offer, they should consult the Manager to the Delisting Offer or the Registrar to the Delisting Offer (details appearing below):

MANAGER TO THE DELISTING OFFER:	REGISTRAR TO THE DELISTING OFFER:
 VC CORPORATE ADVISORS PRIVATE LIMITED CIN: U67120WB2005PTC106051 SEBI REGN No.: INM000011096 Validity of Registration: Permanent (Contact Person: Ms. Urvi Belani / Mr. Premjeet Singh) 31 Ganesh Chandra Avenue, 2nd Floor, Suite No. -2C, Kolkata-700 013 Tel. No.: 033-2225 3940; Email Id: mail@vccorporate.com Website: www.vccorporate.com	 ABS CONSULTANT PRIVATE LIMITED. CIN: U74140WB1991PTC053081 SEBI REGN No.: INF000001286 Validity of Registration: Permanent (Contact Person: Uttam Chand Sharma 4, B. B. D. Bag (East), Stephen House, R.No.99, 6th Floor, Kolkata-700001 Tel. No.: (033) 2230 1043 Email: absconsultant99@gmail.com ; Website: www.absconsultant.in
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