# **Our Approach to Integrated Reporting**

#### **About the Report**

This second Integrated Report of Hindustan Zinc Limited (Hindustan Zinc) provides detailed disclosures on our strategy, governance and prospects, through which we have brought in greater transparency in sharing information on our material issues and strategic performance. It contains information and disclosures that are aimed at enabling investors to make an informed assessment of the Company's ability to create and deliver holistic value.

### **Reporting Scope and Boundary**

The information covered in the report is for the period of 1st April, 2020 - 31st March, 2021, and encompasses all key facets of Hindustan Zinc's primary operations, including the five mining locations, three smelting locations and one refinery. The key material aspects identified and discussed are relevant to the operations of the Company, as well as its value chain partners, customers, communities and other stakeholders. We have detailed the Company's performance trend over a five-year period, wherever relevant, to give investors a clear understanding about the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that are contributing to the value creation.

#### **Reporting Principles**

As in the previous year, this Integrated Report is guided by the <IR> framework of the International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC). Some data related to <IR> might be management estimates. Other statutory reports, including the Board's Report, Corporate Governance Report and Business Responsibility Report are as per the Companies Act, 2013; SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015; and the prescribed Secretarial Standards.

This Integrated Report should be read in conjunction with our Sustainability Review report, where we share more details on the key non-financial aspects of our business value. You may access the Sustainability Review report on our website www.hzlindia.com.

#### **Materiality & Materiality Matters**

We have applied the principles of materiality in assessing what information is of interest to our stakeholders and should be included in our Integrated Report. We have thus focused in this report on the issues, opportunities and challenges that have a material impact on our business, and our ability to deliver sustained value to our shareholders and key stakeholders. We consider

an issue to be material if it can substantively affect the organization's ability to create value over the short, medium and long term.

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The Company's material matters influence its strategic approach and priorities.

Material matters communicate Hindustan Zinc's long-term business strategies and goals, as well as its short-medium term business plans. We take inputs from all our business units and key stakeholders to identify the potential material matters, and accordingly rank the material issues in order of their relevance and potential impact. It is the Company's endeavor to ensure that its strategy remains relevant in the evolving operating environment.

#### **Board and Management Assurance**

The Board of Directors and the Company's Management acknowledge their responsibility to ensure the integrity of this report. They believe the report addresses all the key material issues and presents the integrated performance of Hindustan Zinc and its impact in a fair and accurate manner.

#### **Forward-looking Statements**

In this Integrated Report, we have disclosed information to enable investors and shareholders to comprehend our prospects and take informed investment decisions. This report and other statements - written and oral - that we periodically make, contain information that set out anticipated results based on the Management's plans and assumptions. We have tried, wherever possible, to identify such statements by using words such as 'anticipate', 'estimate', 'expects', 'projects', 'intends', 'plans', 'believes' and words of similar substance in connection with any discussion of future performance. We cannot guarantee that all projections will be realized, although we believe we have been prudent in our assumptions. The achievement of results is subject to risks, uncertainties and even inaccurate assumptions. Should any known or unknown risk or uncertainty materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove inaccurate, actual results could vary materially from those anticipated, estimated or projected. Readers should keep this in mind. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.