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# Western Carriers (India) Limited

Our Company was incorporated as 'Western Carriers (India) Private Limited' in Kolkata, West Bengal as a private limited company under the Companies Act, 1956, pursuant to a certificate of incorporation dated March 23, 2011, issued by the Deputy Registrar of Companies, West Bengal. Subsequently, our Company was converted into a public limited company pursuant to a special resolution passed in the extraordinary general meeting of our Shareholders held on February 11, 2013 and consequently, the name of our Company was changed to its present name, 'Western Carriers (India) Limited', and a fresh certificate of incorporation dated February 28, 2013 was issued by the Registrar of Companies, West Bengal at Kolkata ("RoC") to our Company. Rajendra Sethia, the Promoter Selling Shareholder, transferred his business carried under the name and style 'Western Carriers' to our Company on a going concern basis with effect from July 1, 2013. For further details of the changes in the name and the registered office address of our Company, see 'History and Certain Corporate Matters' on page 195 of the red herring prospectus dated September 7, 2024 ("RHP").  
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## OUR PROMOTERS: RAJENDRA SETHIA AND KANISHKA SETHIA

INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING OF UP TO [●] EQUITY SHARES OF FACE VALUE OF ₹5 EACH ("EQUITY SHARES") OF WESTERN CARRIERS (INDIA) LIMITED (OUR "COMPANY" OR THE "ISSUER") FOR CASH AT A PRICE OF ₹[●] PER EQUITY SHARE (INCLUDING A PREMIUM OF ₹[●] PER EQUITY SHARE) (THE "OFFER PRICE") AGGREGATING UP TO ₹[●] MILLION (THE "OFFER") COMPRISING A FRESH ISSUE OF UP TO [●] EQUITY SHARES BY OUR COMPANY AGGREGATING UP TO ₹4,000 MILLION (THE "FRESH ISSUE") AND AN OFFER FOR SALE OF UP TO 5,400,000 EQUITY SHARES AGGREGATING UP TO ₹[●] MILLION (THE "OFFER FOR SALE") BY RAJENDRA SETHIA (THE "PROMOTER SELLING SHAREHOLDER" AND SUCH EQUITY SHARES OFFERED BY THE PROMOTER SELLING SHAREHOLDER, THE "OFFERED SHARES"). THE OFFER SHALL CONSTITUTE [●]% OF THE POST-OFFER PAID-UP EQUITY SHARE CAPITAL OF OUR COMPANY.

### DETAILS OF THE OFFER FOR SALE

| NAME OF SELLING SHAREHOLDER | TYPE                         | NUMBER OF EQUITY SHARES OFFERED / AMOUNT<br>(IN ₹ MILLION)                            | WEIGHTED AVERAGE COST OF ACQUISITION<br>PER EQUITY SHARES (IN ₹ ) <sup>(1)</sup> |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Rajendra Sethia             | Promoter Selling Shareholder | Up to 5,400,000 Equity Shares of face value of ₹5 each aggregating up to ₹[●] million | 5.00                                                                             |

<sup>(1)</sup> As certified by Abhijit Dutt & Associates, Chartered Accountants, Firm Registration Number: 315049E, pursuant to a certificate dated September 7, 2024

Western Carriers (India) Limited is a private, multi-modal, rail focused, 4PL (Fourth Party Logistics) asset-light logistics company in India

The Offer is being made through the Book Building Process in accordance with Regulation 6(1) of the SEBI ICDR Regulations  
QIB Portion: Not more than 50% of the Offer | Non-Institutional Portion: Not less than 15% of the Offer | Retail Portion: Not less than 35% of the Offer

PRICE BAND: ₹163 TO ₹172 PER EQUITY SHARE OF FACE VALUE OF ₹5 EACH.

THE FLOOR PRICE AND THE CAP PRICE ARE 32.60 TIMES AND 34.40 TIMES THE FACE VALUE OF THE EQUITY SHARES, RESPECTIVELY.  
THE PRICE TO EARNINGS RATIO BASED ON DILUTED EPS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2024 FOR THE COMPANY AT THE HIGHER END OF THE PRICE BAND IS AS HIGH AS 16.85 TIMES AND AT THE LOWER END OF THE PRICE BAND IS 15.96 TIMES.

BIDS CAN BE MADE FOR A MINIMUM OF 87 EQUITY SHARES AND IN MULTIPLES OF 87 EQUITY SHARES THEREAFTER.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Independent Directors of our Company, pursuant to their resolution dated September 9, 2024, the above provided price band is justified based on quantitative factors/ KPIs disclosed in the 'Basis for Offer Price' section on page 111 of the RHP vis-a-vis the weighted average cost of acquisition ("WACA") of primary and secondary transaction(s), as applicable, disclosed in 'Basis for Offer Price' section on page 111 of the RHP and provided below in the advertisement.

IN MAKING AN INVESTMENT DECISION AND PURCHASE IN THE OFFER, POTENTIAL INVESTORS MUST ONLY RELY ON THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE RHP AND THE TERMS OF THE OFFER, INCLUDING THE MERITS AND RISKS INVOLVED AND NOT RELY ON ANY OTHER EXTERNAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE OFFER AVAILABLE IN ANY MANNER.

In relation to Price Band, potential investors should only refer to the price band advertisement for the Offer and should not rely on any media articles/reports in relation to the valuation of our Company as these are not endorsed, published or confirmed either by our Company or by the BRLMs.

## RISKS TO INVESTORS

For details refer to section titled "Risk Factors" on page 28 of the RHP.

- Customer Concentration Risk:** We depend on a limited number of key customers for a majority of our revenues. In Fiscal 2024, our largest customer, top 5 customers, top 10 customers and top 20 customers contributed 16.47%, 57.07%, 71.97% and 80.78%, respectively, of our revenue from operations.
- Customer Industry Risk:** We depend primarily on customers in the metals and FMCG industries, which contributed to 53.26% and 19.46%, respectively, of our revenue from operations in Fiscal 2024.
- Management Risk:** Our Promoter, Chairman and Managing Director, Rajendra Sethia and our Promoter, Whole-time Director and Chief Executive Officer, Kanishka Sethia were directors of a listed company, Western Conglomerate Limited, whose shares were suspended from being traded on the Calcutta Stock Exchange during the term of their directorship in that company. Further, there have been instances of non-compliance with and certain delays in form filing under the provisions of the Companies Act.
- Vendor Dependence Risk:** For our rail container logistics services, we are dependent on an Indian rail container logistics provider, which is currently controlled by Government. Any change in ownership and management of the said entity may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition. For Fiscal 2024, Fiscal 2023 and Fiscal 2022, our payment to the said entity constituted 42.58%, 41.57% and 44.62%, respectively, of our Cash Operating Expenses.
- Financial Risk:** Delays or defaults in payment by our customers or the tightening of payment periods by third-party service providers could negatively affect our cash flows and we may experience significant working capital requirements. Our Working Capital Days were 96 days, 73 days and 58 days for as of March 31, 2024, March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2022, respectively.
- Operational Risk:** We depend on our network partners, third-party service providers and vendors/suppliers in certain aspects of our operations. For Fiscal 2024, Fiscal 2023 and Fiscal 2022, payments made to the network partners, third-party service providers, vendors and suppliers, as a percentage of our Cash Operating Expenses were 94.05%, 93.31% and 94.55%, respectively.
- Business and Industry Risk:** We operate in the Indian logistics industry and may be adversely affected by certain factors affecting the growth of this industry. Additionally, our business is dependent on our ability to utilise the logistics infrastructure in an uninterrupted manner.
- Objects related Risk:** Objects of the Fresh Issue for which the funds are being raised have not been appraised by any bank or financial institution and any variation in the proposed utilization of Net Proceeds as disclosed in the Red Herring Prospectus would be subject to certain compliance requirements, including prior shareholders' approval.
- OFS related Risk:** Our Company will not receive any proceeds from the Offer for Sale. The Promoter Selling Shareholder shall be entitled to proceeds from the Offer for Sale.
- The average cost of acquisition of Equity Shares held by the Promoter Selling Shareholder is ₹ 5.00 per Equity Share, which may be lower than the Offer Price. The Floor Price and Cap

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Price are 32.60 times and 34.40 times the average cost of acquisition of Promoter Selling Shareholder, respectively.

11. Price/ Earning (P/E) ratio based on basic and diluted EPS for Financial Year 2024 is 15.96 and 16.85 times at the lower and upper end of the Price Band, respectively, as compared to the average industry peer group P/E ratio of 5.76 times.

12. Weighted Average Return on Net Worth for Financial Years ended 2024, 2023 and 2022 is 21.53%.

13. The weighted average cost of acquisition for all Equity Shares acquired in three years, 18 months and one year preceding the date of the Red Herring Prospectus is as set out below:

| Period           | Weighted average cost of acquisition (WACA)^ | Upper end of the price band is 'X' times the WACA | Lower end of the price band is 'X' times the WACA | Weighted average cost of acquisition (WACA)^ |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|                  | (₹)                                          |                                                   |                                                   | (₹)                                          |
| Last three years | Nil                                          | NA                                                | NA                                                | NA                                           |
| Last 18 months   | Nil                                          | NA                                                | NA                                                | NA                                           |
| Last one year    | Nil                                          | NA                                                | NA                                                | NA                                           |

^As certified by Abhijit Dutt & Associates, Chartered Accountants, Firm Registration Number: 315049E, by way of a certificate dated September 7, 2024.

14. **Market Risk:** Set forth below are details of our Cap Price to earnings ratio and market capitalisation (based on the Cap Price) to revenue from operations multiple, for the periods indicated.

| Year/ Period | Earnings ratio |             | Market capitalisation to revenue from operations multiple |             |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
|              | Cap Price      | Floor Price | Cap Price                                                 | Floor Price |
| Fiscal 2024  | 16.85          | 15.96       | 1.04                                                      | 0.99        |
| Fiscal 2023  | 18.92          | 17.93       | 1.07                                                      | 1.02        |
| Fiscal 2022  | 22.14          | 20.98       | 1.19                                                      | 1.13        |

15. The 2 book running lead managers associated with the Offer ("BRLMs") have handled 59 public offers in the past three financial years, out of which 13 offers have closed below the offer price on the listing date.

| Name of the BRLM                        | Total Public Issues | Issues closed below the offer price on listing date |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| JM Financial Limited*                   | 32                  | 9                                                   |
| Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited* | 18                  | 3                                                   |
| Common Issues handled by the BRLMs      | 9                   | 1                                                   |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>59</b>           | <b>13</b>                                           |

\* Issues handled where there were no common BRLMs.

BID/OFFER PERIOD

ANCHOR INVESTOR BIDDING DATE : THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024\*

BID/OFFER OPENS ON : FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

BID/OFFER CLOSES ON : WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 #

\* Our Company, in consultation with the Book Running Lead Managers, may consider participation by Anchor Investors in accordance with the SEBI/ICDR Regulations. The Anchor Investor Bid/Offer Period shall be one Working Day prior to the Bid/Offer Opening Date.

# UPI mandate end time and date shall be at 5.00 p.m. on the Bid/Offer Closing Date.

BASIS FOR OFFER PRICE

The Price Band and the Offer Price will be determined by our Company, in consultation with the Book Running Lead Managers, on the basis of an assessment of the market demand for the Equity Shares offered through the Book Building Process and the quantitative and qualitative factors as described below and is justified in view of these parameters. The face value of the Equity Shares is ₹5 each and the Floor Price is 32.60 times the face value and the Cap Price is 34.40 times the face value.

Investors should also refer to "Risk Factors", "Our Business", "Restated Consolidated Financial Information" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" on pages 28, 163, 237 and 299 of the RHP, respectively, to have an informed view before making an investment decision.

**Qualitative Factors** : Some of the qualitative factors which form the basis for computing the Offer Price are : • Experience in delivering customised, end-to-end services and executing complex and customised projects; • Comprehensive and integrated multi-modal, end-to-end logistics solutions; • Strong customer relationships with a diverse customer base; • Strategically positioned to capitalise on a fast-growing logistics market in India; and • Scaled, asset-light business model with successful track record of delivering growth and profitability and experience of our Promoters and our Company. For further details, see "Our Business-Competitive Strengths" on page 166 of the RHP.

**Quantitative Factors**: Some of the information presented below relating to our Company is derived from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information. For details, see "Restated Consolidated Financial Information" on page 237 of the RHP.

Pursuant to a resolution passed by our Board on March 30, 2023 and a resolution passed by our Shareholders on March 31, 2023, the issued, subscribed and paid-up capital of our Company was sub-divided from 39,349,700 equity shares of face value of ₹10 each to 78,699,400 equity shares of face value of ₹5 each. The impact of above sub-division is retrospectively considered for the computation of earnings per equity share and NAV value in accordance with the requirement of Ind AS 33.

Some of the quantitative factors which may form the basis for calculating the Offer Price are as follows:

1. Basic and Diluted Earnings per Share ("EPS") as per the Restated Consolidated Financial Information:

| Period                  | Basic EPS (₹) | Diluted EPS (₹) | Weight |
|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|
| Fiscal 2024             | 10.21         | 10.21           | 3      |
| Fiscal 2023             | 9.09          | 9.09            | 2      |
| Fiscal 2022             | 7.77          | 7.77            | 1      |
| <b>Weighted Average</b> | <b>9.43</b>   | <b>9.43</b>     |        |

- Notes:
- Basic and Diluted EPS (₹) refers to restated profit/(loss) for the year attributable to the owners of the company divided by the weighted average number of Equity Shares at the end of the year.
  - Basic EPS and Diluted EPS calculations are in accordance with Indian Accounting Standard 33- Earnings per Share (notified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (as amended)).
  - Weighted average = Aggregate of year-wise weighted EPS divided by the aggregate of weights, i.e., (EPS x weight) for each year divided by the total of weights.
  - The face value of each Equity Share is ₹5.
  - Pursuant to a resolution passed by our Board on March 30, 2023, and a resolution passed by our Shareholders on March 31, 2023, the issued, subscribed and paid-up capital of our Company was sub-divided from 39,349,700 equity shares of face value of ₹10 each to 78,699,400 Equity Shares of face value of ₹5 each. The impact of above sub-division is retrospectively considered for the computation of earnings per equity share in accordance with the requirement of Ind AS 33.
  - The above statement should be read with significant accounting policies and notes on Restated Consolidated Financial Information as appearing in "Restated Consolidated Financial Information" on page 237 of the RHP.
2. Price/Earnings ("P/E") Ratio in relation to Price Band of ₹163 to ₹172 per Equity Share::

| Particulars                                                    | P/E ratio at the lower end of the Price Band | P/E ratio at the higher end of the Price Band |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                                                | (number of times)                            | (number of times)                             |
| Based on basic EPS for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024 | 15.96                                        | 16.85                                         |
| Based on diluted EPS for the year ended March 31, 2024         | 15.96                                        | 16.85                                         |

Note: Information in relation to price/earnings ratio shall be updated in the Prospectus after finalisation of the Offer Price.

3. Industry Peer Group Price/Earnings ratio  
Based on the peer group information\* (excluding our Company) given below in this section:

| Particulars | P/E ratio* |
|-------------|------------|
| Highest     | 47.73      |
| Lowest      | (62.93)    |
| Average     | 5.76       |

\*Source: Based on peer set provided below.

- The industry highest and lowest has been considered from the industry peer set provided later in this section under "Comparison with listed industry peers". The average/industry composite has been calculated as the arithmetic average P/E of the industry peer set disclosed in this section. For further details, see "Comparison with listed industry peers" on page 114 of the RHP.
- P/E ratio for the peer are computed based on closing market price as on September 4, 2024 at BSE, divided by Diluted EPS (on a consolidated basis) based on the annual report of the company for Fiscal 2024.

4. Return on Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company ("RoNW"), as derived from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information

| Period                  | RoNW (%)     | Weight |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Fiscal 2024             | 20.17        | 3      |
| Fiscal 2023             | 22.46        | 2      |
| Fiscal 2022             | 23.73        | 1      |
| <b>Weighted Average</b> | <b>21.53</b> |        |

Notes:

(1) Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company means the aggregate value of the paid-up share capital and all reserves created out of the profits and securities premium account and debit or credit balance of profit and loss account, after deducting the aggregate value of the accumulated losses, deferred expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure not written off, as per the restated and audited statement of assets and liabilities, but does not include reserves created out of revaluation of

- assets, capital reserve, write-back of depreciation and amalgamation, in accordance with the SEBI/ICDR Regulations as of March 31, 2024, March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2022. See "Other Financial Information" on page 287 of the RHP. Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company is a non-GAAP measure (see "Other Financial Information" on page 287 of the RHP for the reconciliation of Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company calculated from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information).
- (2) Return on Net Worth attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company (%) is calculated as profit for the year attributable to our equity shareholders divided by our Net Worth. Return on Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company is a non-GAAP measure (see "Other Financial Information" on page 287 of the RHP for the reconciliation of Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company calculated from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information).
- (3) Weighted Average = Aggregate of year-wise weighted RoNW divided by the aggregate of weights, i.e., (RoNW x Weight) for each year/total of weights.

5. Net Asset Value ("NAV") per Equity Share as derived from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information

| As of                             | NAV (₹) |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| March 31, 2024                    | 50.62   |
| After the completion of the Offer |         |
| - At the Floor Price              | 77.33   |
| - At the Cap Price                | 78.31   |
| Offer Price <sup>(1)</sup>        | [•]     |

For further details see "Other Financial Information" on page 287 of the RHP.

Notes:

- Offer Price per Equity Share will be determined on conclusion of the book building process.
- NAV per equity share refers to total equity attributable to the equity shareholders as of the end of the Financial Year divided by the number of Equity Shares outstanding at the end of the year.
- Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company means the aggregate value of the paid-up share capital and all reserves created out of the profits and securities premium account and debit or credit balance of profit and loss account, after deducting the aggregate value of the accumulated losses, deferred expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure not written off, as per the restated and audited statement of assets and liabilities, but does not include reserves created out of revaluation of assets, capital reserve, write-back of depreciation and amalgamation, in accordance with the SEBI/ICDR Regulations as of March 31, 2024, March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2022.
- Pursuant to a resolution passed by our Board on March 30, 2023, and a resolution passed by our Shareholders on March 31, 2023, the issued, subscribed and paid-up capital of our Company was sub-divided from 39,349,700 equity shares of face value of ₹10 each to 78,699,400 Equity Shares of face value of ₹5 each. The impact of above sub-division is retrospectively considered for the computation of NAV in accordance with the requirements of Ind AS 33.

6. Comparison with listed peers

| Financial Year 2024                    | Consolidated / Standalone | Closing price on September 4, 2024 | Revenue from operations for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024 | Face value    | EPS <sup>(1)</sup> |         | NAV <sup>(2)</sup> (per share) | P/E <sup>(3)</sup> | RoNW <sup>(4)(5)</sup> | Net worth attributable to owners of the Company | Weighted average number of equity shares | Market Capitalisati on <sup>(6)</sup> /PAT |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                                        |                           |                                    |                                                                     |               | Basic              | Diluted |                                |                    |                        |                                                 |                                          |                                            |
|                                        |                           | (₹)                                | (₹ million)                                                         | (₹ per share) | (₹)                |         |                                |                    | (%)                    | (₹ million)                                     |                                          | (₹ million)                                |
| <b>Company*</b>                        | Consolidated              | [•] <sup>#</sup>                   | 16,857.69                                                           | 5             | 10.21              | 10.21   | 50.62                          | [•] <sup>#</sup>   | 20.17                  | 3,983.62                                        | 78,699,400                               | [•] <sup>#</sup>                           |
| Listed peers <sup>(1)</sup>            |                           |                                    |                                                                     |               |                    |         |                                |                    |                        |                                                 |                                          |                                            |
| Container Corporation of India Limited | Consolidated              | 965.05                             | 86,534.10                                                           | 5             | 20.22              | 20.22   | 193.87                         | 47.73              | 10.42                  | 118,123.40                                      | 609,294,348                              | 587,999.51                                 |
| Mahindra Logistics Limited             | Consolidated              | 478.25                             | 55,059.70                                                           | 10            | (7.60)             | (7.60)  | 69.99                          | (62.93)            | (10.33)                | 5,042.40                                        | 72,036,151                               | 34,458.08                                  |
| TCI Express Limited                    | Consolidated              | 1,113.20                           | 12,538.20                                                           | 2             | 34.36              | 34.27   | 183.57                         | 32.48              | 18.71                  | 7,039.90                                        | 38,342,485                               | 42,682.85                                  |

\*Financial information of the Company has been derived from the Restated Consolidated Financial Information as of and for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024.

#To be included in respect of our Company in the Prospectus based on the Offer Price.

Source: All the financial information for listed industry peers mentioned above is on a consolidated basis (unless otherwise available only on standalone basis) and is sourced from the annual reports / annual results as available for the respective company for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024 submitted to stock exchanges.

Notes:

- Basic/Diluted EPS refers to the Basic/Diluted EPS sourced from the financial statements of the respective peer group companies for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2024.
- NAV per equity share refers to total equity attributable to the equity shareholders as of the end of the Financial Year divided by the number of Equity Shares outstanding at the end of the year.
- P/E ratio for the peer group has been computed based on the closing market price of equity shares on BSE as on September 4, 2024, divided by the Diluted EPS for Financial Year ended March 31, 2024.
- RoNW is calculated as profit after tax attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company divided by Net Worth attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company.
- Net Worth attributable to the owners of the Company means the aggregate value of the paid-up share capital and all reserves created out of the profits and securities premium account and debit or credit balance of profit and loss account, after deducting the aggregate value of the accumulated losses, deferred expenditure and miscellaneous expenditure not written off, as per the restated and audited statement of assets and liabilities, but does not include reserves created out of revaluation of assets, capital reserve, write-back of depreciation and amalgamation, in accordance with SEBI/ICDR Regulations as of March 31, 2024, March 31, 2023 and March 31, 2022. See also, "Other Financial Information" on page 287 of the RHP.

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100,000,000 Equity Shares having of ₹5 each and 15,000,000 Redeemable Non-Cumulative Preference Shares having face value of ₹10 each. The issued, subscribed and paid-up share capital of the Company is ₹393,497,000 comprising 78,699,400 equity shares of face value of ₹5 each. For details, please see the section entitled "Capital Structure" beginning on page 85 of the RHP.

**Names of signatories to the Memorandum of Association of our Company and the number of Equity Shares subscribed by them:** The names of the initial signatories of the Memorandum of Association of our Company are Rajendra Sethia, Kanishka Sethia and Sushila Sethia. For details of the share capital history and capital structure of our Company, please see the section entitled "Capital Structure" beginning on page 85 of the RHP.

**Listing:** The Equity Shares to be offered through the Red Herring Prospectus are proposed to be listed on the Stock Exchanges. Our Company has received an in-principle approval from each of the BSE and the NSE for the listing of the Equity Shares pursuant to their letters, each dated July 26, 2023. For the purposes of the Offer, NSE is the Designated Stock Exchange. A signed copy of the Red Herring Prospectus has been filed with the RoC in accordance with Section 32 of the Companies Act, 2013 and a signed copy of the Prospectus shall be delivered to the RoC in accordance with Section 26(4) of the Companies Act, 2013. For details of the material contracts and documents available for inspection from the date of the Red Herring Prospectus up to the Bid/Offer Closing Date, see "Material Contracts and Documents for Inspection" on page 410 of the RHP.

**Disclaimer Clause of the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"):** SEBI only gives its observations on the offer documents and this does not constitute approval of

either the Offer or the specified securities stated in the offer document. The investors are advised to refer to page 355 of the RHP for the full text of the disclaimer clause of SEBI.

**Disclaimer Clause of NSE (Designated Stock Exchange):** It is to be distinctly understood that the permission given by NSE should not in any way be deemed or construed that the Offer Document has been cleared or approved by NSE nor does it certify the correctness or completeness of any of the contents of the Offer Document. The investors are advised to refer to page 358 of the RHP for the full text of the disclaimer clause of NSE.

**Disclaimer Clause of BSE:** It is to be distinctly understood that the permission given by BSE should not in any way be deemed or construed that the Offer Document has been cleared or approved by BSE nor does it certify the correctness or completeness of any of the contents of the Offer Document. The investors are advised to refer to page 358 of the RHP for the full text of the disclaimer clause of BSE.

**General Risk:** Investment in equity and equity-related securities involve a degree of risk and investors should not invest any funds in the Offer unless they can afford to take the risk of losing their entire investment. Investors are advised to read the risk factors carefully before taking an investment decision in the Offer. For taking an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of our Company and the Offer, including the risks involved. The Equity Shares in the Offer have not been recommended or approved by the SEBI, nor does SEBI guarantee the accuracy or adequacy of the contents of the Red Herring Prospectus. Specific attention of the investors is invited to "Risk Factors" on page 28 of the RHP.

| BOOK RUNNING LEAD MANAGERS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | REGISTRAR TO THE OFFER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | COMPANY SECRETARY AND COMPLIANCE OFFICER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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**AVAILABILITY OF THE RHP:** Investors are advised to refer to the RHP and the section titled "Risk Factors" on page 28 of the RHP, before applying in the Offer. A copy of the RHP shall be available on website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e. BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, respectively, and on the website of the Company at www.western-carriers.com and is available on the websites of the BRLMs, i.e., JM Financial Limited and Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited at www.jmfml.com and https://investmentbank.kotak.com, respectively.

**Availability of the Abridged Prospectus:** A copy of the abridged prospectus shall be available on the website of the Company, the BRLMs and the Registrar to the Offer at www.western-carriers.com, www.jmfml.com and https://investmentbank.kotak.com, and www.linkintime.co.in, respectively.

**AVAILABILITY OF BID CUM APPLICATION FORMS:** Bid cum Application Forms can be obtained from the Registered Office of **Western Carriers (India) Limited**, Tel: +91 33 2485 8519; **BRLMs - JM Financial Limited**, Tel: +91 22 6630 3030/ +91 22 6630 3262; **Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited**, Tel: +91 22 4336 0000; **Syndicate Member: JM Financial Services Limited**, Tel: +91 22 6136 3400, **Kotak Securities Limited**, Tel: +91 22 6218 5470 and at the select locations of the Sub-syndicate Members (as given below), SCSBs, Registered Brokers, RTAs and CDPs participating in the Offer. ASBA Forms will also be available on the websites of BSE and NSE and the Designated Branches of SCSBs, the list of which is available at websites of the Stock Exchanges and SEBI.

**Sub-Syndicate Members:** Almondz Global Securities Ltd, Amrapali Capital & Finance Services Ltd, Anand Rathi Share & Stock Brokers Ltd, Asit C. Mehta Investment Intermediates Ltd, Axis Capital Limited, Bajaj Financial Securities Ltd, Centrum Broking Limited, Dalal & Broacha Stock Broking Private Limited, Edelweiss Broking Ltd, Eurekha Stock & Share Brokers Ltd, Globe Capital Markets Ltd, HDFC Securities Limited, ICICI Securities Limited, IDBI Capital Markets and Securities Ltd, IIFL Securities Ltd, IIFL Wealth Management Ltd, Jobanputra Fiscal Services Private Limited, Kantilal Chhaganlal Securities P. Ltd, KJMC Capital Market Services Limited, LKP Securities Limited, Mollai Oswal Financial Services Limited, Nuvama Wealth and Investment Limited (Edelweiss Broking Limited), Prabhudas Lilladher Pvt Ltd, Pravin Ratilal Share & Stock Brokers Limited, Religare Broking Ltd, RR Equity Brokers Private Limited, SBICap Securities Limited, Sharekhan Ltd, SMC Global Securities Ltd, Systemaix Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd, Tradebulls Securities Limited, YES Securities (India) Limited

**Escrow Collection Bank:** HDFC Bank Limited

**Public Offer Account Bank and Refund Bank:** Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

**Sponsor Banks:** Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited and HDFC Bank Limited

All capitalized terms used herein and not specifically defined shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the RHP.

Place: Kolkata  
Date: September 9, 2024

For **Western Carriers (India) Limited**  
On behalf of the Board of Directors  
Sd/-  
**Sapna Kochhar**  
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

**Western Carriers (India) Limited** is proposing, subject to receipt of requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, to undertake an initial public offering of its Equity Shares and has filed the RHP with RoC. The RHP is available on the website of the Company at www.western-carriers.com, the website of SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in, websites of the Stock Exchanges i.e., BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, respectively, and is available on the websites of the BRLMs, i.e., JM Financial Limited and Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Limited at www.jmfml.com and https://investmentbank.kotak.com, respectively. Any potential investors should note that investment in equity shares involves a high degree of risk and for details relating to such risk, please see the section entitled "Risk Factors" of the RHP. Potential investors should not rely on the DRHP for making any investment decision and instead should place reliance on the RHP.

This announcement does not constitute an offer of the Equity Shares for sale in any jurisdiction, including the United States, and the Equity Shares may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration under the US Securities Act of 1933 or an exemption from registration. Any public offering of the Equity Shares to be made in the United States will be made by means of a prospectus that may be obtained from the Company and that will contain detailed information about the Company and management, as well as financial statements. However, the Equity Shares are not being offered or sold in the United States.