

# 'We believe e-com can touch \$100 bn'

Walmart-owned e-commerce giant Flipkart has witnessed blockbuster festive season sales, though the firm was initially concerned about pulling off the event remotely because of the pandemic. In an interview with Peeyarada Abiraj, its Chief Executive Officer KALYAN KRISHNAMURTHY says the company has introduced many features, including launching in more languages, to drive sales across the country. Excerpts:

**How has this year's Big Billion Days (BBD) event performed compared to the past?**

Being an industry leader, the role that Flipkart plays is to expand the market. This includes getting as many customers to shop on e-commerce platforms as possible. The event has been very successful. Most of our customer metrics, including active customers, new customers, and reactivated customers have all grown over 50 per cent on a fairly meaningful basis. For BBD, we had started a construct, which eventually got copied by other players.

Affordability constructs, including partnering with financial institutions and offering consumers excellent credit products, was very well received. We also launched new languages. More customers were able to shop in their native languages. For the first time, Flipkart also launched a hyperlocal shopping construct called Flipkart Quick.

**Were you concerned because BBD was hosted remotely at such a large scale?**

Yes, I won't say it has been easy. We had the opportunity to request our colleagues to come together and work from our facilities, but the number one metric for all leaders at Flipkart is employee safety. We continued to work remotely and operated from home. Everyone worked Flipkart a lot of passion and enthusiasm, but for the festive season, everybody put their best foot forward. When something goes unplanned or there is a problem, that's when it gets a bit tricky as people are not able to meet.

But the culture at the company has been a combination of being audacious, ability to work under uncertain circumstances and having high levels of ownership. All of that came together and we were able to pull it off quite smoothly.

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(reported) through the research firm is not very different from Flipkart's initial market share and what it has commanded over the past three years. It has been going up and down a little bit, depending on the season, but that has been the case more or less.

**How has Covid-19 accelerated the shift to e-commerce?**

There was a shutdown of the non-essential economy for a couple of months. What we saw between June and August was that we were addressing pent-up demand. There was a little bit of an explosion at that time. That is over now. There are also people who are unable to go to malls and big department stores to buy. So there has been a little bit of a shift to e-commerce. We are seeing modern retail, including e-commerce, booming.

Earlier the estimates of what e-commerce can reach by 2024 was about \$60 billion to \$70 billion. It has really been revised upwards. We now believe it can actually touch about \$100 billion by 2024. This is a real shift in consumer preference and it is moving towards digital discovery. The pandemic has played a short-term role in this, but there is a realization among consumers, sellers, and brands about the value proposition that e-commerce can provide.

**What kind of growth is being driven by new consumers in tier-2, tier-3 towns and beyond?**

The philosophy of the company is to democratize e-commerce. Almost 100 per cent of innovations in the sector have come from Flipkart. These include voice-based commerce and local language commerce. Through our own and partner logistics network, Flipkart has delivered to about 23,000 pin codes, including the Indo-Pak border. Flipkart builds the widest selection across various price points using data and by partnering with sellers.

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## Q&A

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## You recently made

**investments in Arvind Fashions and Aditya Birla Fashion & Retail. How are your strategic investments shaping up? The starting point of deep partnership and investment discussion with Flipkart is that there has to be a very strong culture and value match. We partnered with companies who think long term, like 10 years, and the next quarter or year.**

We have strong relationships with these partners and operating in the right parts of all the communities they work with. In the case of Aditya Birla Fashion, we saw that from the beginning. We've known them for several years. We saw a very strong match in terms of culture, values and the way they conduct business. We noticed that the capabilities that the two businesses bring are very different and completely complementary to each other. We have over 4000 engineers who solve local technology problems. If you look at players like Aditya Birla Fashion or Arvind Fashions, they have created a range of strong and trusted brands and a huge network of stores. We believe there can be several ways

for these capabilities to come together and help each other to grow. We will look at more such partnerships with companies that are built on strong ethics, values and culture and have complementary capability skills.

We've done many partnerships, including investments. We bought Walmart India's wholesale business and invested in Shadowfox and Nithinjam. We'll continue to look for more. The philosophy of the company has been to grow through partnerships to make sure that the entire ecosystem is successful.

**You said Flipkart can bring in huge benefits for Indian farmers. Any new developments on that? What is the status of your application to enter the food retail business?**

We are committed to leveraging technology to bring benefits to the agriculture ecosystem. We are working to re-apply for the food recall license taking the government's feedback on the issue. We are very hopeful that we will actually be able to get the required approvals.

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Vidyut Bhawan - HYDERABAD - 500 002  
T.N.O.-e/15/CED/SEG/EA/ZA/1KTP5-VAV/Fire Tender/2020-21  
Project & M Stages - Procurement of Fire Pump with Automatic Laydown chassis (Model: 18/24 HP, 3 Phase, 400V, 50 Hz, 300 rpm, 1000 mm diameter), Fire water tank, fire tank etc., maintenance of tools & trailers for KTP5 & VAV Stages, Palencia, Bhadrachalam Dist. Value of Job: Rs. 30,00,000/- Schduled Open & Closing Date: 16.10.2020 at 17:00 Hrs & 07.11.2020 at 11:00 Hrs.  
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**NOTICE**  
Pursuant to Clause 29 (1) (a) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 to consider and take on record the unaudited financial results of the company for the quarter I period ended 30/09/2020. The Board Meeting Notice is available on the Stock Exchange Websites [www.tsxindia.com](http://www.tsxindia.com), [www.cmlindia.com](http://www.cmlindia.com) and on the Company website [www.dredging-india.com](http://www.dredging-india.com).  
Filing Date: 28/10/2020  
DILIP KUMAR DASGUPTA  
Chairman & Managing Director  
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**NOTICE**  
Pursuant to Regulation 47 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company will be held on Wednesday, 4th November, 2020 in inter-alia, consider and approve the Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2020.

This information is also available under the 'News and Events' section of the Company's website [www.chinimill.com](http://www.chinimill.com) and corporate announcements section of [neelamchini.com](http://neelamchini.com).

For Balrampur Chini Mills Limited  
Place: Kolkata  
Date: 27 October, 2020  
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

**JHS SVENDGAARD LABORATORIES LIMITED**  
CIN: L17413HP2004PLC037558  
Regd. Office: Tidbury Road, New Kent Road, Bengaluru - 560 082  
**NOTICE**  
Pursuant to Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015, NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, the 27th day of November, 2020, inter-alia, to consider and approve the un-audited stand-alone and consolidated financial results for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2020.  
By order of the Board For JHS Svendgaard Laboratories Limited  
S. R. Narayanan  
Managing Director  
Company Secretary  
Place: Bangalore  
Date: 27/10/2020  
Note : The said information along with relevant details may also be accessed on the Company's website at [www.svendgaard.com](http://www.svendgaard.com) and on the websites of Stock Exchanges i.e. [MSEB.mseindia.com](http://MSEB.mseindia.com) and [BSE.bseindia.com](http://BSE.bseindia.com).

**Jyothylabs**  
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(Formerly known as Jyothy Laboratories Limited)  
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**Notice**  
Pursuant to Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 and other relevant provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of Jyothy Labs Limited (Formerly known as Jyothy Laboratories Limited) is scheduled to be held through video conferencing on Wednesday, November 4, 2020, inter-alia, to consider and approve the Unaudited Financial Results of the Company on Standalone and Consolidated basis for the quarter and half year ended September 30, 2020, with limited review thereon by the Statutory Auditors of the Company.

The aforesaid information can also be accessed on the website of the Company i.e. [www.jyothylabs.com](http://www.jyothylabs.com) and the website of the Stock Exchanges i.e. [BSE.bseindia.com](http://BSE.bseindia.com) and [NSE.nseindia.com](http://NSE.nseindia.com).

**Fryzby Lab Limited**  
(Formerly known as Jyothy Laboratories Limited)  
CIN: L24249HR1992PLC126851  
Place: Mumbai  
Shreyas Trivedi  
Date : October 27, 2020  
Head - Legal & Company Secretary

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For Balrampur Chini Mills Limited  
Place: Kolkata  
Date: 27 October, 2020  
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

## FRANKLIN TEMPLETON

Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund  
Indiabulls Finance Center, Tower 2, 12th and 13th Floor, Senapati Bapat Marg,  
Elphinstone Road (West), Mumbai 400013

## NOTICE

Investors may note that pursuant to Regulation 59A of Securities and Exchange Board of India (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996, a soft copy of half-yearly statement of portfolio of the schemes of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund as on September 30, 2020 had been uploaded on Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund's website ([www.franklintempletonindia.com](http://www.franklintempletonindia.com)) and on the website of AMFI ([www.amfiindia.com](http://www.amfiindia.com)) on October 9, 2020.

The half-yearly statement of scheme portfolio had also been emailed to those unitholders, whose email addresses are registered with the Mutual Fund. Unitholders can submit a request for a physical\* or electronic copy of statement of scheme portfolio via following modes:

Tel: 1-800-425 4255 or 1-800-258-4255 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

E-mail: [service@franklintempleton.com](mailto:service@franklintempleton.com)

Written request (letter) at Franklin Templeton Branch Offices (Investor Service Centres)

\*Physical copy of statement shall be provided subject to ability to deliver due to the current pandemic.

For Franklin Templeton Asset Management (India) Pvt. Ltd.  
(Investment Manager of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund)

Sd/-  
Sanjay Sapre  
President

Date: October 27, 2020

Mutual Fund investments are subject to market risks, read all scheme related documents carefully.

## WEEK 1 OF FESTIVE SALES

E-tailers sell \$4.1 bn of goods, Flipkart wins Round 1: Report

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
New Delhi, 27 October

E-commerce firms reported a 75 per cent jump in sale goods to \$4.1 billion (329,000 crore) across platforms during the first week (October 15-21) of festive sales, research firm RedSeer said on Tuesday.

RedSeer, in its report, said the comparable number stood at \$2.7 billion last year. RedSeer's pre-festive sale had forecasted that platforms will clock \$1 billion worth of sales.

Smartphones led the sale accounting for 47 per cent of total festive sales, driven by new launches and affordable models with t1.5 cr of phones being sold every minute.

Over 55 per cent of them came from tier-II cities like Asansol, Ludhiana, Dhanbad, Raipur, among others — which proves a landmark achievement for e-commerce and points to the growing 'democratisation' and comfort with online shopping all over India, the report added.

Buyers prefer affordable price ranges this year for almost all product categories, instead of expensive items. The platform's popularity has increased manifold this year, with more people using brands and financing deals, coming on the back of a bleak, pandemic-affected year, according to the report.

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## BNP PARIBAS

### Public Notice

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that BNP Paribas Wealth Management India Private Limited has discontinued its portfolio management services effective 1st October 2020 and is in the process of surrendering its registration as 'Portfolio Manager' with Securities and Exchange Board of India.

For BNP Paribas Wealth Management India Pvt. Ltd.  
Alap Solanki  
COO  
Company Secretary  
Phone: 022 6196 4010

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL COMPANY LAW TRIBUNAL**  
DIVISION BENCH, CHENNAI  
EDBM NO. CAA\_2  
(Pursuant to Section 29(3) and rule 5 of)  
CA/22/CAA/2020  
Date: 27/10/2020  
Section 230 to 232 and other applicable  
Provisions of the Companies Act, 2013;  
And  
In the matter of Scheme of Arrangement  
between Seven Gocan India Private Limited and  
Seven Gocan Investors Private Limited and  
its shareholders and creditors and  
Seven Gocan India Limited, a company incorporated and registered under  
the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 and having its  
registered office at F-96 & F-97, SIPCOT Industrial Park, Inningattukottai, Chennai-600 062, Tamil Nadu, India.  
The Scheme of Arrangement between Seven Gocan India Private Limited and Seven Gocan Investors Private Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors (the "Scheme").  
In pursuance of the said order and as directed therein, further notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Secured Creditors of the Company will be convened for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, adopting, the Scheme of Arrangement between Seven Gocan India Private Limited and Seven Gocan Investors Private Limited and Seven Gocan India Limited and their respective shareholders and creditors (the "Scheme").  
The date of the meeting shall be 27th November 2020 at 10:00 AM at the registered office of the Company.  
The venue of the meeting shall be the office of the Company at F-96 & F-97, SIPCOT Industrial Park, Inningattukottai, Chennai-600 062, Tamil Nadu, India. Not later than 45 hours before the meeting.  
The Tribunal has appointed Mr. Arun Karkha, M.A., as the Chairman of the said Meeting. The above mentioned Scheme of Arrangement, if approved by the Meeting, will be subject to the subsequent approval of the Tribunal.

Place : Chennai  
Date : 28/10/2020

Mr Arun Karkha Mehta  
Chairman appointed for the Meeting

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