



**Novartis India Limited**  
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Dear Member,

**Sub: Communication of final dividend and deduction of tax at source on Dividend**

We are pleased to inform you that, Board of Directors of your Company at its Meeting held on May 19, 2022, recommended payment of final dividend of Rs. 10 per equity share (Rupees Ten Only) Rs. 5 each (Rupees Five Only) (face value) for the year ended March 31, 2022. The final dividend will be paid to the members of the Company after declaration of dividend at the Annual General Meeting of the Company scheduled to be held on July 29, 2022.

The Register of Members and Share Transfer Books will remain closed from July 22, 2022 to July 29, 2022 (both days inclusive) for determining the eligibility of members for payment of final dividend. Payment of dividend, if approved at the Annual General Meeting, will be made to those members whose names will be on the Company's Register of Members as on the date of book closure and to those whose names will appear as Beneficial Owners as at the close of the business hours on July 21, 2022 as per the details to be furnished by the Depositories, viz. National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) for this purpose.

Pursuant to the General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 05, 2020 issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs, the dividend will be paid electronically in the Members bank accounts. The Company will keep on hold cheques/dividend warrants/demand drafts of the members who have not registered their bank details with the Company. The members holding shares in demat form are advised to keep the bank details updated with their depository participants. Member holding shares in certificate form and who have not updated their bank accounts details are requested to update bank details with the Company's Registrar and Transfer Agents after following the process available on link [https://linkintime.co.in/emailreg/email\\_register.html](https://linkintime.co.in/emailreg/email_register.html)

In accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961 ('the Act') as amended by and read with the provisions of the Finance Act, 2020, with effect from April 01, 2020, dividend declared and paid by the Company is taxable in the hands of its members and the Company is required to deduct tax at source (TDS) from dividend paid to the members at the applicable rates.

This communication summarizes the applicable TDS provisions in accordance with the provisions of the Act, for various categories, including Resident or Non-Resident members.



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**For Resident Members:**

1. No TDS shall be deducted in the case of resident individual members, if the amount of such dividend in aggregate paid or likely to be paid during the financial year 2022-23 does not exceed Rs. 5,000 per annum.
2. Where, the Permanent Account Number (PAN) of the resident individual member is available and valid,
  - a. TDS shall be deducted at the rate of 10% on the amount of dividend payable.
  - b. In cases where the resident individual member provides the duly signed Form 15G or Form 15H (as applicable) and provided that the eligibility conditions are being met, no TDS shall be deducted. The format of Form 15G and Form 15H are linked to **Enclosures 1 and 2** respectively below.
3. Where the PAN is either not available or is invalid, TDS shall be deducted at a rate of 20%.
4. Further, effective July 1, 2021, Finance Act, 2021 has inserted Section 206AB of the Act for non-filers of income-tax return providing, that where TDS is required to be deducted under Chapter XVIIIB (other than Sections 192, 192A, 194B, 194BB, 194LBC or 194N) on any sum or income or amount paid, or payable or credited, by a person to a specified person, the tax shall be deducted at the higher of the below rates:-
  - a. at twice the rate specified in the relevant provision of the Act; or
  - b. at twice the rate or rates in force; or
  - c. at the rate of 5%.

Further, sub section (2) of Section 206AB of the Act provides that if the specified person has not submitted the PAN and he has not filed the income tax return, the tax shall be deducted at the rate applicable as per section 206AB of the Act (as described above) or 20% whichever is higher.

The term 'specified person' is defined in sub section (3) of Section 206AB of the Act to mean a person who satisfies the following conditions:

- a. A person who has not filed the income tax return for the last previous year immediately prior to the previous year in which tax is required to be deducted, for which the time limit of filing of return of income under Section 139(1) of the Act has expired; and
- b. The aggregate of TDS and Tax Collected at Source ('TCS') in his case is Rs. 50,000 or more in the previous year.



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5. In order to help the Company to comply with the relevant provisions of the Act, the following resident non-individual members are requested to provide a self-declaration as listed below:

- i. **Insurance companies:** A declaration that they are beneficial owners of shares held
- ii. **Mutual Funds:** A declaration that they are governed by the provisions of section 10(23D) of the Act along with copy of registration documents (self-attested)
- iii. **Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) established in India:** A declaration that its income is exempt under section 10(23FBA) of the Act and they are established as Category I or Category II AIF under the SEBI Regulations along with copy of registration documents (self-attested)
- iv. **Other Non-Individual shareholders:** Who are exempted from TDS under provisions of Section 194 of the Act and who are covered u/s 196 of the Act are also not subject to withholding of any tax are required to submit an attested copy of the PAN along with the documentary evidence in relation to the same

**For Non-Resident Members:**

1. TDS shall be deducted/withheld at the rate of 20% (plus applicable surcharge and, health and education cess) on the amount of dividend payable.
2. Non-resident member may have an option to be governed by the provisions of the Double Tax Avoidance Treaty (DTAA) between India and the country of tax residence of the member, if such DTAA provisions are more beneficial to them. To avail the DTAA benefits, the non-resident member should furnish the following documents
  - a. Self-attested copy of Permanent Account Number (PAN) if allotted to you, by the Indian Income Tax Authorities. If PAN is not allotted to you, please provide your email address, contact number and address in the country of residence
  - b. Self-attested Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) issued by the competent authority or tax authority of the country of your residency, evidencing and certifying your tax residency status in the country of residency during the financial year 2021-22
  - c. Completed and duly signed Form 10F in the format linked to **Enclosure 3** below
  - d. Self-declaration in the format linked to **Enclosure 4** below, certifying that
    - i) You are and continue to remain a tax resident of the country of your residency during the financial year 2022-23;
    - ii) You are eligible to claim the beneficial DTAA rate for the purposes of tax withholding on dividend declared by the Company;
    - iii) You have no reason to believe that your claim for the benefits of the DTAA is impaired in any manner;



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- iv) You are the ultimate beneficial owner of your shareholding in the Company and dividend receivable from the Company; and
  - v) You do not have a taxable presence or a permanent establishment in India during the financial year 2022-23.
3. For Foreign Portfolio Investor's & Foreign Institutional Investors's
- a) Section 196D (1) in case of Foreign Portfolio Investor's and Foreign Institutional Investors - @ 20% plus applicable surcharge and cess.
  - b) Section 196D (1A) in case of specified fund referred to in clause (c) of the Explanation to clause(4D) of Section 10 of the Act - @ 10% plus applicable surcharge and cess.
4. The Company is not obligated to apply the beneficial DTAA rates at the time of tax deduction/withholding on dividend amounts. Application of beneficial DTAA Rate shall depend upon the completeness and satisfactory review by the Company, of the documents submitted by Non-Resident member.
5. For any non-resident member who has a Permanent establishment in India, the provisions of section 206 AB of the Act (covered above) will apply.

**For all Members:**

Members holding shares under multiple accounts under different status / category and single PAN, may note that, higher of the tax as applicable to the status in which shares held under a PAN will be considered on their entire holding in different accounts.

In view of the prevailing COVID 19 situation, only scanned copies of the aforementioned documents will be accepted by the Company as per the laid down process. The documents (duly completed and signed) are required to be submitted to the Registrars and Share Transfer Agents of the Company - Link Intime India Private Limited by uploading the documents on the link <https://linkintime.co.in/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html> on or before Sunday, July 17, 2022, 11:59 pm IST in order to enable the Company to determine and deduct appropriate TDS / withholding tax. Should you have any query or any difficulty in uploading the documents, you may please write to [novartisdivtax@linkintime.co.in](mailto:novartisdivtax@linkintime.co.in)



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On clicking the above link, the user will be prompted to select / share the following information to register their request.

1. Select the company (Dropdown)
2. Folio / DP-Client ID
3. PAN
4. Financial year (Dropdown)
5. Form selection
6. Document attachment – 1 (PAN)
7. Document attachment – 2 (Forms)
8. Document attachment – 3 (Any other supporting document)

No communication on the tax determination/ deduction shall be entertained post 12:00 am IST on Monday July 18, 2022. Any documents received through any other methods like email or hand delivery will not be considered to determine and deduct appropriate TDS / withholding tax.

Members may note that in case the tax on said dividend is deducted at a higher rate in absence of receipt, or insufficiency of the aforementioned details/documents from you, an option is available to you to file the return of income as per the Act and claim an appropriate refund, if eligible.

[Click here](#) for Enclosure 1

[Click here](#) for Enclosure 2

[Click here](#) for Enclosure 3

[Click here](#) for Enclosure 4

**Disclaimer:** *This Communication is not to be treated as an advice from the Company or its affiliates or Link Intime India Private Limited. Members should obtain the tax advice related to their tax matters from a tax professional.*

Yours Sincerely,

**For Novartis India Limited**

Sd/-

**Nikhil Malpani**

**Company Secretary and Compliance Officer**

*Encl: As above*

# INCOME-TAX RULES, 1962

## FORM NO. 15G

[See section 197A(1), 197A(1A) and rule 29C]

### Declaration under section 197A(1) and section 197A(1A) to be made by an individual or a person (not being a company or firm) claiming certain incomes without deduction of tax

#### PART I

1. Name of Assessee (Declarant)		2. PAN of the Assessee <sup>1</sup>		
3. Status <sup>2</sup>	4. Previous year(P.Y.) <sup>3</sup> (for which declaration is being made)		5. Residential Status <sup>4</sup>	
6. Flat/Door/Block No.	7. Name of Premises	8. Road/Street/Lane	9. Area/Locality	
10. Town/City/District	11. State	12. PIN	13. Email	
14. Telephone No. (with STD Code) and Mobile No.	15 (a) Whether assessed to tax under the Income-tax Act, 1961 <sup>5</sup> :		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	(b) If yes, latest assessment year for which assessed			
16. Estimated income for which this declaration is made		17. Estimated total income of the P.Y. in which income mentioned in column 16 to be included <sup>6</sup>		
18. Details of Form No. 15G other than this form filed during the previous year, if any <sup>7</sup>				
Total No. of Form No. 15G filed		Aggregate amount of income for which Form No.15G filed		
19. Details of income for which the declaration is filed				
Sl. No.	Identification number of relevant investment/ account, etc. <sup>8</sup>	Nature of income	Section under which tax is deductible	Amount of income

.....  
*Signature of the Declarant*<sup>9</sup>

#### **Declaration/Verification**<sup>10</sup>

\*I/We..... do hereby declare that to the best of \*my/our knowledge and belief what is stated above is correct, complete and is truly stated. \*I/We declare that the incomes referred to in this form are not includible in the total income of any other person under sections 60 to 64 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. \*I/We further declare that the tax \*on my/our estimated total income including \*income/incomes referred to in column 16 \*and aggregate amount of \*income/incomes referred to in column 18 computed in accordance with the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961, for the previous year ending on ..... relevant to the assessment year ..... will be *nil*. \*I/We also declare that \*my/our \*income/incomes referred to in column 16 \*and the aggregate amount of \*income/incomes referred to in column 18 for the previous year ending on ..... relevant to the assessment year ..... will not exceed the maximum amount which is not chargeable to income-tax.

Place: .....

Date: .....

.....  
*Signature of the Declarant*<sup>9</sup>

1. Substituted by IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules 2015, w.e.f. **1-10-2015**. Earlier Form No. 15G was inserted by the IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1982, w.e.f. 21-6-1982 and later on amended by the IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1989, w.r.e.f. 1-4-1988, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 1990, w.e.f. 20-11-1990 and IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 2002, w.e.f. 21-6-2002 and substituted by the IT (Eighth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 9-6-2003 and IT (Second Amdt.) Rules, 2013, w.e.f. 19-2-2013.

**PART II**

**[To be filled by the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I]**

1. Name of the person responsible for paying		2. Unique Identification No. <sup>11</sup>	
3. PAN of the person responsible for paying	4. Complete Address		5. TAN of the person responsible for paying
6. Email	7. Telephone No. (with STD Code) and Mobile No.		8. Amount of income paid <sup>12</sup>
9. Date on which Declaration is received (DD/MM/YYYY)		10. Date on which the income has been paid/credited (DD/MM/YYYY)	

Place: .....

Date: .....

.....

*Signature of the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I*

\*Delete whichever is not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>As per provisions of section 206AA(2), the declaration under section 197A(1) or 197A(1A) shall be invalid if the declarant fails to furnish his valid Permanent Account Number (PAN).

<sup>2</sup>Declaration can be furnished by an individual under section 197A(1) and a person (other than a company or a firm) under section 197A(1A).

<sup>3</sup>The financial year to which the income pertains.

<sup>4</sup>Please mention the residential status as per the provisions of section 6 of the Income-tax Act, 1961.

<sup>5</sup>Please mention "Yes" if assessed to tax under the provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961 for any of the assessment year out of six assessment years preceding the year in which the declaration is filed.

<sup>6</sup>Please mention the amount of estimated total income of the previous year for which the declaration is filed including the amount of income for which this declaration is made.

<sup>7</sup>In case any declaration(s) in Form No. 15G is filed before filing this declaration during the previous year, mention the total number of such Form No. 15G filed along with the aggregate amount of income for which said declaration(s) have been filed.

<sup>8</sup>Mention the distinctive number of shares, account number of term deposit, recurring deposit, National Savings Schemes, life insurance policy number, employee code, etc.

<sup>9</sup>Indicate the capacity in which the declaration is furnished on behalf of a HUF, AOP, etc.

<sup>10</sup>Before signing the declaration/verification, the declarant should satisfy himself that the information furnished in this form is true, correct and complete in all respects. Any person making a false statement in the declaration shall be liable to prosecution under section 277 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 and on conviction be punishable-

(i) in a case where tax sought to be evaded exceeds twenty-five lakh rupees, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than six months but which may extend to seven years and with fine;

(ii) in any other case, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than three months but which may extend to two years and with fine.

<sup>11</sup>The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I shall allot a unique identification number to all the Form No. 15G received by him during a quarter of the financial year and report this reference number along with the particulars prescribed in

rule 31A(4)(vii) of the Income-tax Rules, 1962 in the TDS statement furnished for the same quarter. In case the person has also received Form No.15H during the same quarter, please allot separate series of serial number for Form No.15G and Form No.15H.

<sup>12</sup>The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 16 of Part I shall not accept the declaration where the amount of income of the nature referred to in sub-section (1) or sub-section (1A) of section 197A or the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid or likely to be credited or paid during the previous year in which such income is to be included exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to tax. For deciding the eligibility, he is required to verify income or the aggregate amount of incomes, as the case may be, reported by the declarant in columns 16 and 18.



**<sup>1</sup>FORM NO. 15H**

[See section 197A(1C) and rule 29C]

**Declaration under section 197A(1C) to be made by an individual who is of the age of sixty years or more claiming certain incomes without deduction of tax.****PART I**

1. Name of Assessee (Declarant)		2. Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number of the Assessee <sup>1</sup>		3. Date of Birth <sup>2</sup> (DD/MM/YYYY)	
4. Previous year(P.Y.) <sup>3</sup> (for which declaration is being made)		5. Flat/Door/Block No.		6. Name of Premises	
7. Road/Street/Lane		8. Area/Locality		9. Town/City/District	
				10. State	
11. PIN	12. Email		13. Telephone No. (with STD Code) and Mobile No.		
14 (a) Whether assessed to tax <sup>4</sup> :				Yes	No
(b) If yes, latest assessment year for which assessed					
15. Estimated income for which this declaration is made					
16. Estimated total income of the P.Y. in which income mentioned in column 15 to be included <sup>5</sup>					
17. Details of Form No.15H other than this form filed for the previous year, if any <sup>6</sup>					
Total No. of Form No.15H filed		Aggregate amount of income for which Form No.15H filed			
18. Details of income for which the declaration is filed					
Sl. No.	Identification number of relevant investment/account, etc. <sup>7</sup>	Nature of income	Section under which tax is deductible	Amount of income	

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*Signature of the Declarant*

1. Substituted by the IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 2015, w.e.f. **1-10-2015**. Earlier Form No. 15H was amended by the IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1982, w.e.f. 21-6-1982, IT (Fifth Amdt.) Rules, 1989, w.r.e.f. 1-4-1988, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 1990, w.e.f. 20-11-1990, IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 1992, w.e.f. 1-6-1992, IT (Seventh Amdt.) Rules, 1995, w.e.f. 1-7-1995, IT (Thirty-second Amdt.) Rules, 1999, w.e.f. 19-11-1999, IT (Twelfth Amdt.) Rules, 2002, w.e.f. 21-6-2002, IT (Eighth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 9-6-2003, IT (Fourteenth Amdt.) Rules, 2003, w.e.f. 1-8-2003 and IT (Second Amdt.) Rules, 2013, w.e.f. 19-2-2013.

***Declaration/Verification***<sup>8</sup>

I ..... do hereby declare that I am resident in India within the meaning of section 6 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. I also hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief what is stated above is correct, complete and is truly stated and that the incomes referred to in this form are not includible in the total income of any other person under sections 60 to 64 of the Income-tax Act, 1961. I further declare that the tax on my estimated total income including \*income/incomes referred to in column 15 \*and aggregate amount of \*income/incomes referred to in column 17 computed in accordance with the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961, for the previous year ending on ..... relevant to the assessment year ..... will be *nil*.

*Place:* .....

.....

*Date:* .....

*Signature of the Declarant*

## PART II

[To be filled by the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I]

1. Name of the person responsible for paying		2. Unique Identification No. <sup>9</sup>	
3. Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number of the person responsible for paying	4. Complete Address		5. TAN of the person responsible for paying
6. Email	7. Telephone No. (with STD Code) and Mobile No.	8. Amount of income paid <sup>10</sup>	
9. Date on which Declaration is received (DD/MM/YYYY)		10. Date on which the income has been paid/credited (DD/MM/YYYY)	

Place: .....

.....

Date: .....

*Signature of the person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I*

\*Delete whichever is not applicable.

1. As per provisions of section 206AA(2), the declaration under section 197A(1C) shall be invalid if the declarant fails to furnish his valid Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number.
2. Declaration can be furnished by a resident individual who is of the age of 60 years or more at any time during the previous year.
3. The financial year to which the income pertains.
4. Please mention “Yes” if assessed to tax under the provisions of Income-tax Act, 1961 for any of the assessment year out of six assessment years preceding the year in which the declaration is filed.
5. Please mention the amount of estimated total income of the previous year for which the declaration is filed including the amount of income for which this declaration is made.
6. In case any declaration(s) in Form No. 15H is filed before filing this declaration during the previous year, mention the total number of such Form No. 15H filed along with the aggregate amount of income for which said declaration(s) have been filed.
7. Mention the distinctive number of shares, account number of term deposit, recurring deposit, National Savings Schemes, life insurance policy number, employee code, etc.
8. Before signing the declaration/verification, the declarant should satisfy himself that the information furnished in this form is true, correct and complete in all respects. Any person making a false statement in the declaration shall be liable to prosecution under section 277 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 and on conviction be punishable—

- (i) in a case where tax sought to be evaded exceeds twenty-five lakh rupees, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than six months but which may extend to seven years and with fine;
- (ii) in any other case, with rigorous imprisonment which shall not be less than three months but which may extend to two years and with fine.

9. The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I shall allot a unique identification number to all the Form No. 15H received by him during a quarter of the financial year and report this reference number along with the particulars prescribed in rule 31A(4)(vii) of the Income-tax Rules, 1962 in the TDS statement furnished for the same quarter. In case the person has also received Form No.15G during the same quarter, please allot separate series of serial number for Form No.15H and Form No.15G.

10. The person responsible for paying the income referred to in column 15 of Part I shall not accept the declaration where the amount of income of the nature referred to in section 197A(1C) or the aggregate of the amounts of such income credited or paid or likely to be credited or paid during the previous year in which such income is to be included exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to tax after allowing for deduction(s) under Chapter VI-A, if any, or set off of loss, if any, under the head “income from house property” for which the declarant is eligible. For deciding the eligibility, he is required to verify income or the aggregate amount of incomes, as the case may be, reported by the declarant in columns 15 and 17.

<sup>1</sup>**[Provided that such person shall accept the declaration in a case where income of the assessee, who is eligible for rebate of income-tax under section 87A, is higher than the income for which declaration can be accepted as per this note, but his tax liability shall be nil after taking into account the rebate available to him under the said section 87A.]**

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1. Inserted by Income-tax (4th Amendment) Rules, 2019, w.e.f. **22-5-2019**.

**FORM NO. 10F**

[See sub-rule (1) of rule 21AB]

**Information to be provided under sub-section (5) of section 90 or  
sub-section (5) of section 90A of the Income-tax Act, 1961**

I, ..... \*son/daughter of Shri..... in the capacity of ..... (designation) do provide the following information, relevant to the previous year..... \*in my case/in the case of..... for the purposes of sub-section (5) of \*section 90/section 90A:—

<i>Sl.No</i>	<i>Nature of information</i>	<i>:</i>	<i>Details #</i>
(i)	Status (individual, company, firm etc.) of the assessee	:	
(ii)	Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number of the assessee if allotted	:	
(iii)	Nationality (in the case of an individual) or Country or specified territory of incorporation or registration (in the case of others)	:	
(iv)	Assessee's tax identification number in the country or specified territory of residence and if there is no such number, then, a unique number on the basis of which the person is identified by the Government of the country or the specified territory of which the assessee claims to be a resident	:	
(v)	Period for which the residential status as mentioned in the certificate referred to in sub-section (4) of section 90 or sub-section (4) of section 90A is applicable	:	
(vi)	Address of the assessee in the country or territory outside India during the period for which the certificate, mentioned in (v) above, is applicable	:	

**2.** I have obtained a certificate referred to in sub-section (4) of section 90 or sub-section (4) of section 90A from the Government of ..... (name of country or specified territory outside India)

Signature: .....

Name: .....

Address: .....

Permanent Account Number or Aadhaar Number .....

### Verification

I ..... do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief what is stated above is correct, complete and is truly stated.

Verified today the ..... day of.....

.....  
Signature of the person providing the information

Place: .....

### Notes :

1. \*Delete whichever is not applicable.
2. #Write N.A. if the relevant information forms part of the certificate referred to in sub-section (4) of section 90 or sub-section (4) of section 90A.

**To be printed on the letterhead**

Date:

To,

**Novartis India Limited**

Inspire - BKC, Part of 601 and 701

Bandra Kurla Complex

Bandra East, Mumbai 400 051

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

**Re: Self declaration for Indian Financial Year (FY) 2021-22 with respect to availment of tax treaty benefits in relation to receipt of dividend income from Novartis India Limited.**

With reference to the captioned subject and in relation to the appropriate deduction of taxes on the dividend payable to me / us by Novartis India Ltd. ("the Company"), I / We hereby declare as under:

- I / We, <<**full name of the shareholder**>>, having Permanent Account Number (PAN) under the Indian Income tax Act, 1961 ('the Act') <<**mention PAN**>>, and holding <<**mention number of shares held**>> number of shares of the Company as on the record date. I / We am / are a tax resident of <<**country name**>>. A copy of the valid tax residency certificate for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021, is attached herewith.
- I / We am / are tax resident of the <<**country name**>> as defined under Article \_\_\_ of the tax treaty between India and \_\_\_\_\_ ('the applicable tax treaty'). I / We am / are eligible to be governed by the provisions of the applicable tax treaty and meet all the necessary conditions to avail the benefits under the applicable tax treaty.
- I / We do not have any Permanent Establishment ('PE') or fixed base in India as construed under relevant Articles of the applicable tax treaty read with the provisions laid down in Multilateral Instruments (MLI), wherever applicable, nor do we have any PE or business connection in India as construed under the relevant provisions of the Act.
- As required to claim the benefits of the lower tax rate under the applicable tax treaty in relation to the dividend income to be received by me / us from the Company, I / We specifically confirm that I / We am / are the beneficial owner of the above referred equity shares of the Company and the dividend income receivable from the Company in relation to the said shares.
- I / We further declare that I / we have the right to use and enjoy the dividend received / receivable from the above shares and such right is not constrained by any contractual and / or legal obligation to pass on such dividend to another person.
- I / We specifically confirm that my affairs / affairs of <<**full name of the shareholder**>> were arranged such that the main purpose or the principal purpose thereof was to obtain tax benefits available under the applicable tax treaty.
- Further, our claim for relief under the tax treaty is not restricted by application of Limitation of Benefit clause, if any, thereunder.

This declaration is valid for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.

I / We confirm that the above is true to the best of our knowledge and I / We shall be solely responsible for any adverse income-tax consideration that may arise in India on the dividend income to be received from the Company.

<< **Entity Name** >>

(Signature)

Place: ..... Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: ..... Designation: \_\_\_\_\_