

The 2018 Executive & Board Remuneration Report



# A STUDY OF TRENDS IN BOARD COMPENSATION AND PAY STRUCTURE

The **2018 Executive and Board Remuneration Report** analyses compensation trends for Directors on the Boards of publicly listed companies in India.

It helps to:

- ✓ Identify trends in top-executive and Board-level pay
- ✓ Understand the composition of boards across India
- Establish benchmarks for compensation to Directors based on leading industry practices
- Compare compensation structures against others in the same sector or size band
- Evolve strategies for pay increases in line with wider market trends

The study looks at compensation for Executive Chairmen, CEOs/MDs, CFOs, Whole-time Directors, Company Secretaries and Non-Executive Directors (NEDs) in 248 publicly-listed companies, over a 5-year period, from 2012-13 to 2017-18.

The data and analysis are both current and relevant, and were collated from company annual reports that were made public in recent months.

The largest companies – measured by market-cap each year – were short-listed from each of the three groups, as classified by the Bombay Stock Exchange: BSE 100, Mid-cap, and Small-cap.

Detailed splits by sector, market cap, revenue and net-profit band, and combinations thereof, are also provided.



5 years of compensation trends



8 top Exec and NED positions covered



248 BSE-listed companies studied



8 sectors analysed



5 levels of Data Split: Sector, Revenue, Profit Ownership, Market cap



## **DEEP-DIVE INTO KEY AREAS**



Top Board executives in the private sector earn 15-45% of their income as variable pay; in the public sector the ratio is 8-13%.



In 60% of firms, Independent Directors make up half the Board; however, they constitute 2/3of the Board in less than 10% of companies.

# female representation at executive levels remains abysmally low.

#### **Other Highlights**

- At the median, Chairmen earn Rs 7.9 crores a year while CEOs take home Rs 5.5 crores annually.
- Board level salaries are highly correlated with company size.
- Multinational companies are not always the highest pay masters.

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FY18 saw the highest pay increase in the last 5 years; CEO pay rose by 25% while incomes of

FY15 FY16 FY17 FY18 FY13-18(CAGR)

**Changes To Pay** 

CFO

WTD

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Women account for 18-20% of NEDs, yet

CFOs and WTDs increased by  $\sim 15\%$ .

CMD/Executive CEO/MD

Chairman



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