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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **June 23, 2021**

**HILLENBRAND, INC.**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Indiana**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-33794**  
(Commission File Number)

**26-1342272**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One Batesville Boulevard**  
**Batesville, Indiana**  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

**47006**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(812) 934-7500**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<b>Title of each class:</b>	<b>Trading Symbol(s)</b>	<b>Name of each exchange on which registered:</b>
Common Stock, without par value	HI	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by the check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On June 23, 2021, the Board of Directors of Hillenbrand, Inc. (the “Company”), on the recommendation of the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee (the “NCG Committee”), elected Inderpreet Sawhney to the Company’s Board of Directors as an independent director. Ms. Sawhney will serve an initial term that will expire at the Company’s next annual meeting of shareholders in February 2022, when she will be up for election for another term. Prior to her election, the Board of Directors expanded its size from 10 to 11 directors. The resulting vacancy has been filled with Ms. Sawhney’s election.

Ms. Sawhney was also appointed to the Board’s Audit and NCG Committees.

The Company’s press release announcing the appointment of Ms. Sawhney is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

Ms. Sawhney will be entitled to receive compensation for her service on the Board consistent with the Company’s compensation program for non-employee directors, as described under the heading “Compensation of Directors” in the Company’s proxy statement for its 2021 annual meeting of shareholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 29, 2020.

There are no transactions and no proposed transactions between Ms. Sawhney (or any member of her immediate family) and the Company (or any of its subsidiaries), and there is no arrangement or understanding between Ms. Sawhney and any other person or entity pursuant to which Ms. Sawhney was appointed as a director of the Company.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
<u>99.1</u> 104	<u>Press Release, dated June 24, 2021</u> Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded in the Inline XBRL document).

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 24, 2021

HILLENBRAND, INC.

By: /s/ Nicholas R. Farrell  
Name: Nicholas R. Farrell  
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer

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## Hillenbrand Elects Inderpreet Sawhney to Board of Directors

**BATESVILLE, Ind., June 24, 2021** - /PRNewswire/ - Hillenbrand, Inc. (the “Company”) (NYSE: HI) announced today that Inderpreet Sawhney, Group General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer of Infosys Ltd. (NYSE: INFY), a global leader in next-generation digital services, has been elected to the Company’s Board of Directors as an independent director. Prior to her election, the Board expanded its size from 10 to 11 directors. The resulting vacancy has been filled with Ms. Sawhney’s election.



Inderpreet Sawhney

“We are pleased to welcome to the Board Inderpreet Sawhney, whose expertise will be integral to Hillenbrand’s growth and ongoing transformation journey,” said Joe Loughrey, Hillenbrand Board Chairperson. “Inderpreet brings a wealth of senior management experience from a career spanning over 25 years, including in her current position at Infosys, where she leads the legal function and oversees ethics and compliance for the company’s over 250,000 employees spread across 46 countries. Her extensive global experience and deep skill set, including in the areas of technology and digital transformation, will be a tremendous asset to the Board and to Hillenbrand. We look forward to Inderpreet’s many contributions and guidance as we continue to execute our profitable growth strategy and deliver shareholder value.”

Prior to joining Infosys in 2017, Ms. Sawhney served six years as Senior Vice President and General Counsel at Wipro Limited, a large global IT service company based in India, and 14 years in private legal practice in California. She earned a B.A. and LL.B degree from Delhi University and an LL.M from Queen’s University, Kingston, Canada.

Ms. Sawhney serves on the National Advisory Council of the South Asian Bar Association of North America and was an Honoree at the 2017 Transformative Leadership Awards, recognizing General Counsel who have demonstrated commitment to advancing women in law.

“It is an honor to join the Board, especially at this stage of Hillenbrand’s transformation. I look forward to supporting the Company’s vision and continued growth, especially through innovation and technology, and its commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion,” said Sawhney.

Ms. Sawhney will serve on the Board’s Audit and Nominating/Corporate Governance Committees.

### About Hillenbrand

Hillenbrand ([www.Hillenbrand.com](http://www.Hillenbrand.com)) is a global diversified industrial company with businesses that serve a wide variety of industries around the world. We pursue profitable growth and robust cash generation to drive increased value for our shareholders. Hillenbrand's portfolio includes industrial businesses such as Coperion, Milacron Injection Molding & Extrusion, and Mold-Masters, in addition to Batesville, a recognized leader in the death care industry in North America. Hillenbrand is publicly traded on the NYSE under “HI.”

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