

### Norms for Issuance of Securities in Dematerialized form in case of Investor Service Requests

#### For the kind attention of holders of equity shares in physical form:

As per SEBI (LODR) Amendment Regulations, 2022, Notification dated 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022 read with Circular SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022, Listed Companies shall issue the securities in dematerialized form only and also issued operational guidelines for holders of equity shares in physical form.

Accordingly an application, in terms of this operational guidelines, by the shareholder shall be in the prescribed Form ISR-4, while making the following request:-

- a. Issue of duplicate securities certificate;
- b. Claim from Unclaimed Suspense Account;
- c. Renewal / Exchange of securities certificate;
- d. Endorsement;
- e. Sub-division / Splitting of securities certificate;
- f. Consolidation of securities certificates/folios;
- g. Transmission;
- h. Transposition;

The ISR-4 submitted by the shareholder shall be scrutinized and verified by the RTA/Company and subject to correctness of the information, "Letter of Confirmation" (LoC) will be issued. The shareholder shall submit the LoC with their respective Depository Participant to get the shares credited to his/her demat account within 120 days from the date of LoC. If the dematerialization is not been done within the said period, the shares would be transferred by the Company to "Unclaimed Suspense Account/Suspense Escrow Demat Account" of the Company.

The above said changes are effective from 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

The Circular referred and the Form ISR-4 are appended and may be downloaded for use.

For any clarification, please get in touch with Company / RTA:

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#### **CIRCULAR**

SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8

January 25, 2022

To

All registered Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents (RTAs)

**All Recognized Stock Exchanges** 

All Listed Companies through Recognized Stock Exchanges

**All Recognized Depositories** 

All Depository Participants (DPs) through Depositories

Dear Sir / Madam,

## Subject: <u>Issuance of Securities in dematerialized form in case of Investor Service</u> Requests

- As an on-going measure to enhance ease of dealing in securities markets by investors, it has been decided that listed companies shall henceforth issue the securities in dematerialized form only (vide Gazette Notification no. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2022/66 dated January 24, 2022) while processing the following service request.
  - i. Issue of duplicate securities certificate;
  - ii. Claim from Unclaimed Suspense Account;
  - iii. Renewal / Exchange of securities certificate;
  - iv. Endorsement;
  - v. Sub-division / Splitting of securities certificate;
  - vi. Consolidation of securities certificates/folios;
  - vii. Transmission:
  - viii. Transposition;



- 2. The securities holder/claimant shall submit duly filled up <u>Form ISR-4</u> (to be hosted on the website of the Issuer Companies and the RTAs) as per the format attached to this circular along with the documents / details specified therein. For item nos. iii to viii in paragraph 1 above, the RTA / Issuer Companies shall obtain the original securities certificate(s) for processing of service requests.
- 3. The RTA / Issuer Companies shall verify and process the service requests and thereafter issue a 'Letter of confirmation' in lieu of physical securities certificate(s), to the securities holder/claimant within 30 days of its receipt of such request after removing objections, if any.
  - a. The 'Letter of Confirmation' shall be valid for a period of 120 days from the date of its issuance, within which the securities holder/claimant shall make a request to the Depository Participant for dematerializing the said securities.
  - b. The RTA / Issuer Companies shall issue a reminder after the end of 45 days and 90 days from the date of issuance of Letter of Confirmation, informing the securities holder/claimant to submit the demat request as above, in case no such request has been received by the RTA / Issuer Company.
  - c. In case the securities holder/claimant fails to submit the demat request within the aforesaid period, RTA / Issuer Companies shall credit the securities to the Suspense Escrow Demat Account of the Company.
  - d. The operational guidelines are detailed in the **Annexure A** to this circular.
  - 4. The common norms stipulated in <a href="SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/655">SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/655</a>
    dated November 03, 2021 and <a href="SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/687">SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2021/687</a>
    dated December 14, 2021 shall be applicable for all service requests listed above.
  - 5. Stock Exchanges and Depositories are advised to:

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a) make necessary amendments the relevant bye-laws, rules and regulations, operational instructions, as the case may be, for the implementation of the above circular; and

b) bring the provisions of this circular to the notice of their constituents and also disseminate the same on the website.

6. This circular is being issued in exercise of powers conferred under Section 11 (1) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 to protect the interests of investors in securities and to promote the development of, and to regulate the securities market read with Regulation 101 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), 2015.

7. This circular is available on SEBI website at <a href="www.sebi.gov.in">www.sebi.gov.in</a> under the categories "Legal Framework -> Circulars".

8. The Circular shall come into force with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

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Annexure - A

(to circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 on Issuance of Securities in dematerialized form in case of Investor Service Requests)

# Operational guidelines for dematerialization of securities received for processing investor's service request

- 1. The operational guidelines for issuance of securities in dematerialized form in case of investor service requests are as under;
  - a. After verifying and processing the request, the RTA / Issuer Companies shall intimate the securities holder/claimant about its execution / issuance of new certificate as may be applicable, by way of issuing Letter of Confirmation ("letter") (Format at **Annexure B**) in lieu of Share certificate/s provided by such securities holder/claimant.
  - b. The letter shall, inter-alia, contain details of folio and demat account number (if available) of the securities holder/claimant.
  - c. The letter shall be sent by the RTA / Issuer Companies through Registered / Speed Post to the securities holder/claimant. Additionally, the RTA/Issuer Companies may send such letter through e-mail with e-sign and / or digital signature.
  - d. Within 120 days of issue of the letter, the securities holder/claimant shall submit the demat request, along with the original letter or a copy of the email with esign and / or digital signature, as the case may be, to the Depository Participant (DP).
  - e. The RTA / Issuer Companies shall issue a reminder after the end of 45 days and 90 days from the date of issuance of Letter of Confirmation, informing the securities holder/claimant to submit the demat request as above, in case no such request has been received by the RTA / Issuer Company.



- f. In case of the securities which are required to be locked in, the RTA while approving / confirming the demat request, shall incorporate / intimate the Depository about the lock-in and its period.
- g. In case of non-receipt of demat request from the securities holder/claimant within 120 days of the date of Letter of Confirmation, the shares will be credited to Suspense Escrow Demat Account of the Company.
- h. The RTA shall retain the physical securities as per the existing procedure and deface the certificate with a stamp "Letter of Confirmation Issued" on the face / reverse of the certificate, subsequent to processing of service request mentioned in paragraph 1 of this circular.
- Depository Participant shall generate the demat request on the basis of Letter
  of Confirmation and forward the same to the Issuer Company / RTA for
  processing the demat request.
- j. The format of the Letter of Confirmation is given at Annexure- B.



Annexure - B

Date:

(to circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 on Issuance of Securities in dematerialized form in case of Investor Service Requests)

Name:

### RTA / ISSUER COMPANY NAME AND ADDRESS

Address:					
Dear Sir/Madam,					
LETTER OF CONFIRMATION					
Sub: Issuance of Securities in dematerialized form in case of Investor Service Requests					
Name of the Company:					
We refer to the request receive you that the request has been	red from you for issuance of securities in your name. We would like to inform approved as detailed below:				
Name of first holder & PAN Joint holder 1 & PAN Joint holder 2 & PAN					
Number of shares					
Folio Number					
Certificate numbers					
Distinctive numbers					
Lock-In	Yes or No. If yes, lock-in from/ till/ (DD/MM/YYYY)				
2022, has mandated that the	vide Gazette Notification no. SEBI/LAD-NRO/GN/2022/66 dated January 24, shares that are issued pursuant to investor service request shall henceforth v and hence the security certificates (wherever applicable) are retained at our				
shares using the Dematerializ this letter, sign it and present raise a Demat Request Numb	of this letter, please request your Depository Participant ( <b>DP</b> ) to demat these ration Request Form ( <b>DRF</b> ). Please fill the DRF with the details mentioned in this letter in original to your DP along with the DRF for enabling your DP to per ( <b>DRN</b> ). In case you do not have a demat account, kindly open one with can open Basic Service Demat Account at minimal / nil charges.				
you have to raise demat request of aforesaid 120 days will not be	es valid only for a period of 120 days from the date of its issue within which est with the DP as above. Any request for processing demat after the expiry be entertained and as per the operating guidelines issued by SEBI, the subject a Suspense Escrow Demat Account of the company.				
Thanking you,					
Yours faithfully,					
For ABCD Limited (RTA)					
Authorised Signatory					

### Form ISR-4

(see circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD\_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/8 dated January 25, 2022 on Issuance of Securities in dematerialized form in case of Investor Service Requests)

### **Request for issue of Duplicate Certificate and other Service Requests**

(for Securities - Shares / Debentures / Bonds, etc., held in physical form)

	Date://				
A. Mandatory Documents / details required for processing all service request:  I / We are submitting the following documents / details and undertake to request the Depository Participant to dematerialize my / our securities within 120 days from the date of issuance of Letter of Confirmation, received from the RTA/Issuer Company (tick ✓ as relevant, refer to the instructions):					
• Demat Account No. (If available):					
Provide Client Master List ( <b>CML</b> ) of your De	emat Account from the Depository Participant*				
<ul> <li>Provide the following details, if they are not already available with the RTA (see <u>SEBI</u> circular dated November 03, 2021 in this regard)</li> </ul>					
PAN	Specimen Signature				
Nomination / Declaration to Opt-out					
circular dated November 03, 2021. <b>B.</b> I / We request you for the following (tick ✓ relevant box)					
Issue of Duplicate certificate	Claim from Unclaimed Suspense				
Replacement / Renewal / Exchange of securities certificate					
Sub-division / Splitting of securities certificate	Consolidation of Folios				
Consolidation of Securities certificate	Transmission				
Transposition (Mention the new order of	f holders here)				
C. I / We are enclosing certificate(s) as detailed below**:					
Name of the Issuer Company	alled below .				
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Folio Number				
Name(s) of the security	1.			
holder(s) as per the	2.			
certificate(s)	3.			
Certificate numbers				
Distinctive numbers				
Number & Face value of				
securities				
** Wherever applicable / whichev	er details are available			
D. Document / details required	d for specific service request:			
I. Duplicate securities cer	·			
·				
II.	Suspense Account			
Securities claimed	(in numbers) (in words)			
III.	I / Exchange of securities certificate			
(that is defaced, mutila reverse is fully utilized)	ited, torn, decrepit, worn out or where the page on the			
IV. $\square$ Endorsement	☐ Endorsement			
V. Sub-division / Splitting of	☐ Sub-division / Splitting of securities certificate			
. $\square$ Consolidation of securities certificate/Folios				
. $\square$ Transmission				
II.   Transposition				
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Provide / attach original securities certificate(s) for request for item numbers III to VIII above.				
<b>Declaration</b> : All the above facts stated are true and correct to best of my / our knowledge and				

**Declaration**: All the above facts stated are true and correct to best of my / our knowledge and belief.

	Security Holder 1 / Claimant	Security Holder 2	Security Holder 3
Signature	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Name	<b>√</b>	<b>/</b>	V
Full address	✓		

PIN	<b>√</b>	

After processing the service request, the RTA shall issue a 'Letter of Confirmation' to the securities holder/claimant, which is valid only for 120 days. Using this 'Letter of Confirmation', the securities holder/claimant shall request the DP to dematerialize the securities, failing which the securities shall be credited to the Suspense Escrow Demat Account of the Company.