

NATIONAL COMMODITY & DERIVATIVES EXCHANGE LIMITED

Circular to all members of the Exchange					
Circular No.	: NCDEX/COMPLIANCE-002/2024				
Date	: January 02, 2025				
Subject	: Clarifications to Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience Framework (CSCRF) for SEBI				
	Regulated Entities (REs)				

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide circular no. SEBI/HO/ ITD-1/ITD_CSC_EXT/P/CIR/2024/184 dated December 31, 2024, has issued a circular on "Clarifications to Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience Framework (CSCRF) for SEBI Regulated Entities (REs)".

A copy of the said circular issued by SEBI is attached as Annexure for information.

Members and their constituents are advised to take note of the same and ensure compliance.

For and on behalf of **National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange Limited**

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<u> परिपत्र / CIRCULAR</u>

SEBI/HO/ ITD-1/ITD_CSC_EXT/P/CIR/2024/184

December 31, 2024

पति To, सभी आनुकल्पिक निवेश निधियाँ (एआईफ) सभी निर्गमन बैंकर और स्व-प्रमाणित सिंडीकेट बैंक सभी समाशोधन निगम (क्लीयरिंग कारपोरेशन) सभी सामूहिक निवेश स्कीमें सभी क्रेडिट रेटिंग एजेंसियाँ सभी अभिरक्षक (कस्टोडियन) सभी डिबेंचर न्यासी (ट्रस्टी) सभी निक्षेपागार (डिपॉज़िटरी) सभी अभिहित निक्षेपागार सहभागी (डीडीपी) सभी निक्षेपागार सहभागी (डिपॉज़िटरी All पार्टिसिपेंट) [निक्षेपागारों (डिपॉज़िटरी) के जरिए। सभी निवेश सलाहकार / अनुसंधान विश्लेषक सभी केवाईसी रजिस्टीकरण एजेंसियाँ सभी मर्चेंट बैंकर सभी म्यूचुअल फंड / असेट मैनेजमेंट All कंपनियाँ सभी पोर्टफोलियो प्रबंधक सभी निर्गम रजिस्टार और शेयर अंतरण अभिकर्ता (आरटीए) सभी स्टॉक दलाल (ब्रोकर) (एक्सचेंजों के

सभी स्टॉक एक्सचेंज

जरिए।

सभी जोखिम पूँजी निधियाँ

All Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs) All Bankers to an Issue (BTI) and Self-**Certified Syndicate Banks (SCSBs) All Clearing Corporations** All Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) All Credit Rating Agencies (CRAs) **All Custodians** All Debenture Trustees (DTs) **All Depositories** All Designated Depository Participants (DDPs) Depository **Participants** through **Depositories** All Investment Advisors (IAs) / Research Analysts (RAs) All KYC Registration Agencies (KRAs) All Merchant Bankers (MBs) Mutual Funds (MFs)/ Asset Management Companies (AMCs) **All Portfolio Managers** All Registrar to an Issue and Share **Transfer Agents (RTAs)** All Stock Brokers through Exchanges

All Stock Exchanges All Venture Capital Funds (VCFs) महोदय / महोदया,

Dear Sir / Madam,

विषय :	<u>सेबी से विनियमित (रेग्यूलेटेड)</u>	Subject:	<u>Clarificati</u>	<u>ons to</u>
	एंटिटियों के लिए साइबर		Cybersecurity	and Cyber
	सुरक्षा और साइबर हमलों से		<u>Resilience</u>	Framework
			(CSCRF) f	for SEBI
	निपटने की क्षमता के ढाँचे		Regulated Entities (REs)	
	<u>(सीएससीआरएफ) के संबंध</u>			
	में स्पष्टीकरण			

- 1. Recognising the need for robust cybersecurity measures and protection of data and IT infrastructure, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has issued 'Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience Framework (CSCRF) for SEBI Regulated Entities (REs)' vide circular SEBI/HO/ ITD-1/ITD_CSC_EXT/P/CIR/2024/113 dated August 20, 2024. This framework is a necessary evolution to the changing threat landscape and rapid technological advancements and designed to ensure that SEBI REs maintain robust cybersecurity posture, remain equipped with adequate cyber resiliency measures and can withstand, respond to, and recover from cyber threats effectively.
- 2. Upon receipt of various queries from REs seeking clarifications on the aforementioned circular, it has been decided to clarify as under:
 - 2.1. Regulatory forbearance:

With regard to the compliance requirements, which are effective from January 01, 2025 under the CSCRF, regulatory forbearance is provided till March 31, 2025. For any non-compliance during this period that comes to the notice of the regulator, no regulatory action shall be taken provided the REs are able to demonstrate meaningful steps taken / progress made in implementation of CSCRF. An opportunity shall be given to the REs to demonstrate the same before any regulatory action is considered by SEBI.

2.2. Extension of compliance dates for Regulated Entities (REs):

While the circular is effective from January 01, 2025, the date of compliance of CSCRF for following REs has been extended based on the feedback received on the rationalisation of categorisation of certain REs:

- a. <u>KYC Registration Agencies (KRAs)</u>: Compliance timeline is extended from January 01, 2025 to April 01, 2025.
- b. <u>Depository Participants (DPs)</u>: Compliance timeline is extended from January 01, 2025 to April 01, 2025.
- 2.3. Data Security Standard with regard to Data Localisation:

Based on the feedback received on the provisions of Data Localisation, a need is felt for further consultations. Accordingly, the guidelines and provisions with regard to Data Localisation [Data Security standard (PR.DS.S2)] has been kept in abeyance until further notification.

- 3. The provisions of this Circular shall come into force with immediate effect.
- 4. This circular is being issued in exercise of powers conferred under Section 11 (1) of the Securities and Exchange of India Act, 1992, to protect the interests of investors in securities and to promote the development of, and to regulate the securities market.
- 5. This circular is issued with the approval of Competent Authority.
- This circular is available on SEBI website at www.sebi.gov.in under the category "Legal" and drop "Circulars".

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