

CIRCULAR

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To,

<u>All listed entities</u> <u>All the recognized Stock Exchanges</u> <u>The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM)</u> <u>Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)</u> <u>Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)</u>

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Industry Standards on verification of market rumours

- In order to facilitate ease of doing business, the Industry Standards Forum ("ISF") comprising of representatives from three industry associations, viz. ASSOCHAM, CII and FICCI, under the aegis of the Stock Exchanges, on a pilot basis, has formulated industry standards, in consultation with SEBI, for effective implementation of the requirement to verify market rumours under Regulation 30(11) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("LODR Regulations"). The industry associations which are part of ISF (ASSOCHAM, FICCI, and CII) and the stock exchanges shall publish the industry standards note on their websites.
- 2. The listed entities shall follow the aforesaid industry standards to ensure compliance with Regulation 30(11) of LODR Regulations.
- 3. The requirement to verify market rumours under Regulation 30(11) of LODR Regulations shall be applicable to top 100 listed entities with effect from June 01, 2024 and to top 250 listed entities (i.e., next top 150) with effect from December 01, 2024 as specified by SEBI circular dated January 25, 2024 (link).
- 4. The Stock Exchanges are advised to bring the contents of this circular to the notice of their listed entities and ensure its compliance.
- 5. This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 11(1) and 11A of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 read with regulation 101 of LODR Regulations.



6. This circular is available on SEBI website at <u>www.sebi.gov.in</u> under the category: 'Legal \rightarrow Circulars'.

Yours faithfully,

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