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(Circulars/ Notifications released during the month of January 2017)

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I. RBI

S.NO.	CIRCULAR/ NOTIFICATION NO.	PARTICULARS	SHORT SUMMARY
1.	Notification No.FEMA.377/20 16-RB dated 10.01.2017	Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (Fifteenth Amendment) Regulations, 2016	RBI has amended the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India), Regulation by inserting a new clause/regulation in respect of Issue of Convertible Notes by startup companies. Notification
2.	Notification No.FEMA.383/20 17-RB dated 10.01.2017	Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (Amendment) Regulations, 2017	RBI has amended Schedule 1 of the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) Regulations, 2000, to include Foreign Direct Investment in Infrastructure Company in the Securities Market upto 49% under the automatic route, subject to conditions specified. Notification
3.	RBI/2016- 17/216 dated 25.01.2017	Prohibition on Indian Party from making direct investment in countries identified by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) as "Non Co-operative countries and territories"	RBI has notified restrictions in respect of Overseas Direct Investment in an overseas entity located in the countries identified by the FATF as "non-co-operative countries and territories". Notification

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II. <u>SEBI</u>

S.NO.	CIRCULAR/	PARTICULARS	SHORT SUMMARY
	NOTIFICATION NO.		
1.	IMD/HO/FPIC/C IR/P/ 2017/ 001 dated 02.01.2017	Credit of proceeds due to write off of securities held by Foreign Portfolio Investors/deemed Foreign Portfolio Investors.	Pursuant to notification of SEBI (Investor Protection and Education Fund) Regulations, 2009, SEBI has established its own Investor Protection and Education Fund. In view of the above, SEBI has notified that proceeds will be credited to the said Fund in the following situations Disinvestment- securities which the custodian is unable to deliver or where in respect of securities received subsequent to write off, the claimant cannot be ascertained Corporate Benefits-received in the form of cash viz. dividend in respect of securities written off (proceeds to be credited within 7 days)
2.	IMD/HO/FPIC/C IR/P/ 2017/ 003 dated 04.01.2017	Guidelines for participation/functioning of Eligible Foreign Investors (EFIs) and FPIs in International Financial Services Centre (IFSC)	Pursuant to announcement made in the Union Budget 2015-16 on Gujarat International Finance TecCity (GIFT), SEBI is in the process of laying down requisite regulatory framework for facilitating and regulating financial services relating to securities market in an International Financial Services Centre (IFSC). In consultation with the stakeholders on the proposed regulatory framework, SEBI has now issued guideline for the participation of Eligible Foreign Investors and FPI's in the said International Financial Service Centre. Circular
3.	SEBI/HO/CFD/C MD/CIR/P/201 7/004 dated 05.01.2017	Guidance Note on Board Evaluation	With the objective of providing clarity, SEBI having studied the practices of Board evaluation prevalent among listed entities in India and abroad has issued a Guidance Note elaborating on various aspects of

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			the subject.
			<u>Circular</u>
	SEBI/HO/MRD/	Exclusively listed companies of De-recognized/Non-	SEBI vide circular dated October 10, 2016 had provided a period of three months to the Exclusively listed companies (ELCs) on the Dissemination Board (DB) to submit an action plan to list or to provide exit to shareholders to the designated stock exchanges.
	DSA/CIR/P/201	· .	Based on representations received, this time period
4.	7/5 dated	operational/exited Stock	has been extended upto March 31,2017
	05.01.2017	Exchanges placed in the	
		Dissemination Board	Circular
			Previous Circular Reference
			<u>Circular</u>
5.	SEBI/HO/MRD/ DP/CIR/P/2017		SEBI in consultation with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has directed the stock exchanges to formulate a comprehensive policy document for
		Fair and transparent access to	providing stock market related data to the market
	/08 dated	data feeds of the stock exchanges	participants in a fair and transparent manner.
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S.NO	CIRCULAR/ NOTIFICATION NO.	PARTICULARS	SHORT SUMMARY
1.	G.S.R. 250(E) dated: 25.01.2017 Effective date: 30.01.2017	Amendment in Companies (Incorporation) Amendment Rules, 2017	Ministry has notified that the Certificate of Incorporation shall be issued by the Registrar in Form No. INC-11 and the Certificate of Incorporation shall mention the Permanent Account Number of the company along with its CIN Notification

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Disclaimer:

This is not a complete listing of all circulars/notifications issued during the month.

Instead it is only a listing of some of the circulars/notifications that we considered important.

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