

WEEKLY UPDATES ON COMPANY LAW, SEBI, RBI AND IBC

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Companies Act 2013 during the week

Rules -0; Circulars -0; Notifications-0; Orders-0; Important Notices -0

S. No	Date of	Rules/Circular/	Contents thereof	Gist thereof
	Issue	Notification/Order		
			NIL	

S. No	NEWS ON MCA
1	Adjudication Order in the matter of Shrinidhi Safe Vault Private Limited - Ahmedabad
	Shrinidhi Safe Vault Private Limited (hereinafter referred to as company), filed e-form MGT-14 for Alteration of Articles of Association by incorporating provisions
	such as Conversion of Loan into Equity Shares. However, the company has filed the e-form with a delay of 45 days. An Adjudication Notice vide No. ROC/GUI/04-
	128398/58C.454(2)/5586 dated 15.11 .2022 were issued to the company and its officers in default for violation of Section 117 (1,) of the Act. But no reply was
	received from Company or its Directors. Due to violation of section 117(1) of the Act, ROC Gujarat has levied penalty on the Company and its officers in default.



- ROC Patna has levied penalty on the Company and Officers in default of the following Companies for non-maintenance of Registered office under section 12(3)(a) of the Companies Act, 2013:
 - 1. M/S Chanpatia Farmer Producer Company and its Directors
 - 2. M/s Sukhasan Farmer Producer Company
 - 3. M/s Krishakutthaan Farmer Producer Company
 - **4.** M/s Nistro Enterprises Private Limited
- ROC Patna has imposed penalty on the following Companies and its Officers in default, for violation of Sections under the Companies Act, 2013 (CA 2013) as detailed out below:

Name of the Company	Violated Section of the CA 2013and details thereof
M/s.Holy Flower Cold Storage Private Limited	Section 137 of the CA 2013 for non-filing of financial statement since its incorporation.
M/s. Hotel Holy Crest Bodhgaya Private Limited	Section 92 of the CA 2013 - Non – filing of Annual Returns since its incorporation.
M/s. Holy Flower Cold Storage Private Limited	Section 92 of the CA 2013 - Non – filing of Annual Returns since its incorporation.
M/s. Hotel Holy Crest Bodhgaya Private Limited	Section 173 of CA 2013 – Failure to convene Board meeting
M/s Sonasuman Constech Engineers Private Limited	Section 143 – Non reporting of violations/ non- compliances made by the Company in Audit Report. The penalty was levied on the Auditors of the Company.



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SEBI during the week

Act -0; Report -0; Circulars-5; Master Circular-0; Notification -0; Regulation-0

S. No	Date of Issue	Rules/Circular/	Contents thereof	Gist thereof	
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		Order			
1	05/01/2023	Circular	Extension of timelines for entering and	SEBI has issued a Circular on Extension of timelines for entering and	
			verification of the details of the existing	verification of the details of the existing outstanding non-convertible	
			outstanding non-convertible securities in	securities in the 'Security and Covenant Monitoring' system hosted by	
			the 'Security and Covenant Monitoring'	Depositories	
			system hosted by Depositories	1. Issuers shall ensure that the details entered into the system on or	
			https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/ja	before January 31, 2023 and DTs shall verify the same by February	
			n-2023/extension-of-timelines-for-	28, 2023.	
			entering-and-verification-of-the-details-of-	2. DTs shall submit a fortnightly progress report of status of	
			the-existing-outstanding-non-convertible-	compliance regarding the details pertaining to existing	
			securities-in-the-security-and-covenant-	outstanding non-convertible securities being entered in the	



				Business Support Solutions
			monitoring-system-hosted-by-	system by the issuers and verification of the same by DT, till the
			depositories_67045.html	extension of the timeline for compliance is in place.
				3. The progress report shall be submitted within five days of the end
				of the fortnight.
2	05/01/2023	Circular	Limited relaxation – dispatch of physical	Circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 11(1)
			copies of financial statements etc. –	of the SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 101 of the Listing Regulations:
			Regulation 58 of SEBI (Listing Obligations	
			and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations,	MCA vide Circular dated December 28, 2022 has, inter-alia, extended the
			2015	relaxations from dispatching of physical copies of financial statements due
			https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/ja	in the year 2023 (i.e. till September 30, 2023).
			n-2023/limited-relaxation-dispatch-of-	It has been decided to relax the requirements under Regulation 58 (1)(b)
			physical-copies-of-financial-statements-	of the Listing Regulations which prescribes that an entity with listed non-
			etc-regulation-58-of-sebi-listing-	convertible securities shall send a hard copy of statement containing the
			obligations-and-disclosure-requirements-	salient features of all the documents, as specified in Section 136 of
			regulations-2015_67033.html	Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder to those holders of non-
				convertible securities who have not registered their email address(es)
				either with the listed entity or with any depository.
				This Circular shall come into force with immediate effect. The Stock
				Exchanges are advised to bring the provisions of this circular to the notice
				of all entities with listed non-convertible securities and disseminate on
				their websites.
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3	05/01/2023	Circular	Relaxation from compliance with certain	• SEBI, vide circular dated May 12, 2020, had interalia relaxed the
			provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations	requirements specified in regulation 36(1)(b) of the SEBI (Listing
			and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations,	Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015
			2015	("LODR Regulations") relating to dispatching hard copy of financial
			https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/ja	statements, Board's report, Auditor's report etc., to those
			n-2023/relaxation-from-compliance-with-	shareholders who have not registered their email addresses. The
			certain-provisions-of-the-sebi-listing-	said relaxation was initially extended till December 31, 2021 and
			obligations-and-disclosure-requirements-	was subsequently extended upto December 31, 2022
			regulations-2015_67041.html	Based on representation from listed entities, the relaxation has
				been further extended till September 30, 2023.
				The Circular shall come into force with immediate effect.
4	06/01/2023	Circular	Management and advisory services by	SEBI in consultation with IFSCA and based on the requests received from
			AMCs to Foreign Portfolio Investors	AMCs, it has been that that, AMCs may also provide management and
				advisory services to FPIs operating from IFSC and regulated by IFSCA, not
			https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/ja	falling under the categories of FPIs subject to the following:
			n-2023/management-and-advisory-	Such FPI shall be allowed to invest in mutual fund schemes other
			services-by-amcs-to-foreign-portfolio-	than the schemes in the category of "thematic" as defined in SEBI
			investors_67064.html	Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2017/114 dated October 6,
				2017.
				For investment in equity and equity derivative securities listed on
				recognized stock exchanges in India, such FPI shall not take



				contra-position for a period of six months from the date of purchase or sale of such securities.
5	06/01/2023	Operational Circular	Operational Circular for Credit Rating Agencies	 This Operational Circular is a compilation of the existing circulars as on December 31st ,2022, with consequent changes. The provisions of the circular shall come into effect from February
			https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/ja n-2023/operational-circular-for-credit- rating-agencies_67080.html	01, 2023

S.No	NEWS ON SEBI
1	SEBI mulls standardized approach to valuation of the investment portfolio of alternative investment funds: Capital markets regulator Sebi proposed that
	alternative investment funds (AIFs)need to adopt a standardized methodology for the valuation of investment portfolios managed by them. It has been
	recommended that AIFs should be mandated to carry out a valuation of their investment portfolio as per the International Private Equity and Venture Capital
	Valuation (IPEV) Guidelines. Presently, AIF Regulations focus on disclosures to investors and do not prescribe any guidelines on the methodology to be
	adopted.





RBI during the week

Notifications - 1; Master Directions -0; Circulars -1; Press Release -1;

S. No	Date of Issue	Notifications/Master	Subject & Link	Gist thereof
		Directors/Master Circulars		
1	04/01/2023	Notification	Foreign Investment in India -	The following changes are being implemented with respect to the
			Rationalisation of reporting in Single	reporting of foreign investment in SMF on FIRMS portal:
			Master Form (SMF) on FIRMS Portal	The forms submitted on the portal will be auto-acknowledged.
			https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/Notifi	The AD banks shall verify the same within five working days based
			cationUser.aspx?ld=12433&Mode=0	on the uploaded documents, as specified.
				In cases of delayed reporting, the AD banks shall either advise the
				Late Submission Fee (LSF) to the applicants, which will be
				computed by the system or advise for compounding of
				contravention, as the case may be.
				For forms filed with a delay less than or equal to three years, the
				AD banks will approve the same, subject to payment of LSF.
				Once the LSF amount is realized, the concerned RO will update
				the status in the FIRMS portal and the updated status will be



					communicated to the applicant through a system generated e-
					mail, which can also be viewed in the FIRMS portal.
				•	The AD bank will approve the forms filed with a delay greater than
					three years, subject to compounding of contravention. The
					applicant may thereafter approach RBI with their application for
					compounding.
				•	The remarks of the AD Bank for rejection of forms, if any, will be
					communicated to the applicant through a system generated e-
					mail and the same can also be viewed in the FIRMS portal.
2	05/01/2023	Circular	Periodic Updation of KYC details of	•	The Reserve Bank has, from time to time, taken measures to
			Customer		rationalise the KYC related instructions taking into account the
			https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_Pr		available technological options for enhancing customers'
			essReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=54998		convenience within the framework prescribed under the
					Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) and rules
					framed thereunder.
				•	The banks are mandated to keep their records up-to-date and
					relevant by undertaking periodic reviews and updations, a fresh
					KYC process / documentation may have to be undertaken in
					certain cases including where the KYC documents available in
					bank records do not conform to present list of the Officially Valid
					Documents



				Business Support Solutions
				 Fresh KYC process can be done by visiting a bank branch, or remotely through a Video based Customer Identification
				Process (V-CIP) (wherever the same has been enabled by the
				banks)
3	05/01/2023	Press Release	Regulatory Sandbox (RS) – Fourth	The Reserve Bank had announced opening of the Fourth Cohort under
			Cohort on Prevention and Mitigation of	Regulatory Sandbox vide Press release dated June 06, 2022 for theme
			Financial Frauds – Test Phase	'Prevention and Mitigation of Financial Frauds'. The Reserve Bank
			https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_Pre	received nine applications of which six have been selected for the 'Test
			ssReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=54996	Phase'. The following entities, as per details below, shall commence
				testing of their products from February 2023.
				Bahwan Cybertek Private Limited
				2. Crediwatch Information Analytics Private Limited
				3. enStage Software Private Limited (Wibmo)
				4. HSBC in collaboration with enStage Software Private Limited
				(Wibmo)
				5. NapID Cybersec Private Limited
				6. Trusting Social Private Limited
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S. No	NEWS ON RBI
1	RBI to issue green bonds in two tranches of Rs 8,000 crore each
	The RBI will issue maiden Sovereign Green Bonds (SGrBs) in two tranches for an aggregate amount of Rs 16,000 crore, and proceeds will be utilized for funding public sector projects seeking to reduce carbon emissions. The first auction would be done on January 25 while the second on February 9, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
2	RBI's compliance audit of NBFCs will be challenging
	The Reserve Bank of India's decision to conduct compliance audits on the 9,500-odd registered non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) is a necessary move to ensure water-tight regulation of the sector. While the exercise may precipitate a shakeout, this may not be such a bad thing, as the proliferation of non-banking entities exposes both retail borrowers and the financial system to risks. The immediate provocation for this audit seems to be rising customer complaints about digital lending apps openly flouting RBI norms.
3	RBI to audit 9,500 NBFCs to check on levels of compliance
	The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is likely to engage the services of external auditors to audit majority of the 9,500-odd non-banking finance companies (NBFCs)
	to delve into their operations and check whether their registered office is at the place mentioned in their application for registration, among others. Failure
	of certain NBFCs due to idiosyncratic factors and several digital lenders violating extant regulations and guidelines on outsourcing and Fair Practices Code may
	be the trigger the aforementioned audit, according to industry sources.



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IBC during the week

Notifications -0; Master Directions -0; Circulars -0; Press Release -0;

S. No	Date of Issue	Notifications/	Subject & Link	Gist thereof	
		Master Directors/Master			
		Circulars			
NIL					

S. No	NEWS ON IBC
1	Absence of penalty guidelines leading to increased remanding back of cases by NCLAT to CCI
	In the last two months, the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) has remanded four matters back to the Competition Commission of
	India (CCI) to have a fresh look on the penalties, bringing to the fore the need for formulation of penalty guidelines by the competition watchdog.
	"Absence of guidelines has resulted in inconsistent and arbitrary rulings whereby CCI has levied penalties ranging from zero to maximum ten percent
	of the average revenue of the contravening parties".





Others during the week

NSE-0; BSE-0; DIPP-0; Finance Ministry-0; Others -0;

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GENERAL NEWS Centre may consider raising interest equalization subsidy for MSME exporters Import, Export, Trade for MSMEs: To reduce the stress on MSMEs as a result of the tightening RBI monetary policy, the center is examining increasing the interest subsidy benefit to small and medium exporters in the annual budget 2023-24. Currently, Indian exporters are going through a tough time owing to a slowdown in demand in key markets and the threat of a global recession. Since Exporters are facing the burden of high-interest rates and slowing international demand, and therefore, the Government is looking into the proposal of hiking the interest subsidy rates.





Update on Regulated Sector

S.No	Sector	Update	
NIL			





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