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#### THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016 No. 31 of 2016

[28th May, 2016]

#### [AMENDED UPTO 12-08-2021]

An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to reorganisation and insolvency resolution of corporate persons, partnership firms and individuals in a time bound manner for maximisation of value of assets of such persons, to promote entrepreneurship, availability of credit and balance the interests of all the stakeholders including alteration in the order of priority of payment of Government dues and to establish an Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India, and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows: -

#### PART I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title, extent and commencement. -

- (1) This Code may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- (2) It extends to the whole of India.

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(3)It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint:

Provided that different dates may be appointed for different provisions of this Code and any reference in any such provision to the commencement of this Code shall be construed as a reference to the commencement of that provision.

#### 2. Application. -

The provisions of this Code shall apply to—

- (a) any company incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or under any previous company law;
- (b) any other company governed by any special Act for the time being in force, except in so far as the said provisions are inconsistent with the provisions of such special Act;
- (c) any Limited Liability Partnership incorporated under the Limited Liability

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Omitted by the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Adaptation of Central Laws) Order, 2020 No.SO1123(E) dated 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. Before omission, it stood as "Provided that Part III of this Code shall not extend to the state of Jammu and Kashmir."

Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009);

(d) such other body incorporated under any law for the time being in force, as the Central Government may, by notification, specify in this behalf; 1[\*\*\*]

- [2 (e) personal guarantors to corporate debtors;
- (f) partnership firms and proprietorship firms; and
- (g) individuals, other than persons referred to in clause (e).]

in relation to their insolvency, liquidation, voluntary liquidation or bankruptcy, as the case may be.

#### 3. Definitions. -

In this Code, unless the context otherwise requires, -

- (1) "Board" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established under sub-section (1) of section 188;
- (2) "bench" means a bench of the Adjudicating Authority;
- (3) "bye-laws" mean the bye-laws made by the insolvency professional agency under section 205;
- (4) "charge" means an interest or lien created on the property or assets of any person or any of its undertakings or both, as the case may be, as security and includes a mortgage;
- (5) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Board;
- (6) "claim" means -
  - (a) a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, fixed, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured;
  - (b)right to remedy for breach of contract under any law for the time being in force, if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, fixed, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured or unsecured;
- (7) "corporate person" means a company as defined in clause (20) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), a limited liability partnership, as defined in clause (n) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009), or any other person incorporated with limited liability under any law for the time being in force but shall not include any financial service provider;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The word "and" omitted by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 2(i) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 8 of 2018, sec. 2 (ii), for clause (e) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017). Clause (e), before substitution, stood as under: "(e) partnership firms and individuals,".

- (8) "corporate debtor" means a corporate person who owes a debt to any person;
- (9) "core services" means services rendered by an information utility for –
- (a) accepting electronic submission of financial information in such form and manner as may be specified;
  - (b) safe and accurate recording of financial information;
  - (c) authenticating and verifying the financial information submitted by a person;

and

- (d) providing access to information stored with the information utility to persons as may be specified;
- 10) "creditor" means any person to whom a debt is owed and includes a financial creditor, an operational creditor, a secured creditor, an unsecured creditor and a decree-holder;
- 11) "debt" means a liability or obligation in respect of a claim which is due from any person and includes a financial debt and operational debt;
- 12) "default" means non-payment of debt when whole or any part or instalment of the amount of debt has become due and payable and is not <sup>1</sup>[paid] by the debtor or the corporate debtor, as the case may be;
- 13) "financial information", in relation to a person, means one or more of the following categories of information, namely: -
  - (a) records of the debt of the person;
  - (b) records of liabilities when the person is solvent;
  - (c) records of assets of person over which security interest has been created;
  - (d) records, if any, of instances of default by the person against any debt;
  - (e) records of the balance sheet and cash-flow statements of the person; and
  - (f) such other information as may be specified.

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- 14)"financial institution" means-
  - (a) a scheduled bank;
  - (b) financial institution as defined in section 45-I of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934);
  - (c) public financial institution as defined in clause (72) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013); and
  - (d) such other institution as the Central Government may by notification specify

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 2 for the word 'repaid' (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

as a financial institution;

- (15) "financial product" means securities, contracts of insurance, deposits, credit arrangements including loans and advances by banks and financial institutions, retirement benefit plans, small savings instruments, foreign currency contracts other than contracts to exchange one currency (whether Indian or not) for another which are to be settled immediately, or any other instrument as may be prescribed;
  - (16) "financial service" includes any of the following services, namely: -
    - (a) accepting of deposits;
  - (b) safeguarding and administering assets consisting of financial products, belonging to another person, or agreeing to do so;
    - (c) effecting contracts of insurance;
  - (d) offering, managing or agreeing to manage assets consisting of financial products belonging to another person;
  - (e) rendering or agreeing, for consideration, to render advice on or soliciting for the purposes of—
    - (i) buying, selling, or subscribing to, a financial product;
    - (ii) availing a financial service; or
    - (iii) exercising any right associated with a financial product or financial service;
    - (f) establishing or operating an investment scheme;
    - (g) maintaining or transferring records of ownership of a financial product;
    - (h) underwriting the issuance or subscription of a financial product; or
    - (i) selling, providing, or issuing stored value or payment instruments or providing payment services;
- (17) "financial service provider" means a person engaged in the business of providing financial services in terms of authorisation issued or registration granted by a financial sector regulator;
- (18) "financial sector regulator" means an authority or body constituted under any law for the time being in force to regulate services or transactions of financial sector and includes the Reserve Bank of India, the Securities and Exchange Board of India, the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, the Pension Fund Regulatory Authority and such other regulatory authorities as may be notified by the Central Government;
- (19) "insolvency professional" means a person enrolled under section 206 with an insolvency professional agency as its member and registered with the Board as an insolvency

professional under section 207;

- (20) "insolvency professional agency" means any person registered with the Board under section 201 as an insolvency professional agency;
- (21) "information utility" means a person who is registered with the Board as an information utility under section 210;
- (22) "notification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette, and the terms "notified" and "notify" shall be construed accordingly;
  - (23) "person" includes -
    - (a) an individual;
    - (b) a Hindu Undivided Family;
    - (c) a company;
    - (d) a trust;
    - (e) a partnership;
    - (f) a limited liability partnership; and
    - (g)any other entity established under a statute, and includes a person resident outside India;
- (24) "person resident in India" shall have the meaning as assigned to such term in clause (v) of section 2 of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999);
- (25) "person resident outside India" means a person other than a person resident in India;
  - (26) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made by the Central Government;
- (27) "property" includes money, goods, actionable claims, land and every description of property situated in India or outside India and every description of interest including present or future or vested or contingent interest arising out of, or incidental to, property;
  - (28) "regulations" means the regulations made by the Board under this Code;
  - (29) "Schedule" means the Schedule annexed to this Code;
  - (30) "secured creditor" means a creditor in favour of whom security interest is created;
- (31) "security interest" means right, title or interest or a claim to property, created in favour of, or provided for a secured creditor by a transaction which secures payment or performance of an obligation and includes mortgage, charge, hypothecation, assignment and encumbrance or any other agreement or arrangement securing payment or performance of any obligation of any person:

Provided that security interest shall not include a performance guarantee;

- (32) "specified" means specified by regulations made by the Board under this Code and the term "specify" shall be construed accordingly;
- (33) "transaction" includes a agreement or arrangement in writing for the transfer of assets, or funds, goods or services, from or to the corporate debtor;
- (34) "transfer" includes sale, purchase, exchange, mortgage, pledge, gift, loan or any other form of transfer of right, title, possession or lien;
- (35) "transfer of property" means transfer of any property and includes a transfer of any interest in the property and creation of any charge upon such property;
- (36) "workman" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (s) of section 2 of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947(14 of 1947);
- (37) words and expressions used but not defined in this Code but defined in the Indian Contract Act, 1872(9 of 1872), the Indian Partnership Act, 1932 (9 of 1932), the Securities Contact (Regulation) Act, 1956 (42 of 1956), the Securities Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 (15 of 1992), the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 (51 of 1993), the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009) and the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in those Acts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 2 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

### PART II

# INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION FOR CORPORATE PERSONS

#### **PART II**

## INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION FOR CORPORATE PERSONS CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 4. Application of this Part. – Reg 1& 2

(1) This Part shall apply to matters relating to the insolvency and liquidation of corporate debtors where the minimum amount of the default is one lakh rupees:

Provided that the Central Government may, by notification, specify the minimum amount of default of higher value which shall not be more than one crore rupees.

<sup>1</sup>[Provided further that the Central Government may, by notification, specify such minimum amount of default of higher value, which shall not be more than one crore rupees, for matters relating to the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of corporate debtors under Chapter III-A.]

#### 5. Definitions. -

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, -

- (1) "Adjudicating Authority", for the purposes of this Part, means National Company Law Tribunal constituted under section 408 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- (2) "auditor" means a chartered accountant certified to practice as such by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India under section 6 of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 (XXXVIII of 1939);
  - <sup>1</sup>[(2A) "base resolution plan" means a resolution plan provided by the corporate debtor under clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 54A;]
  - (3) "Chapter" means a Chapter under this Part;
- (4) "constitutional document", in relation to a corporate person, includes articles of association, memorandum of association of a company and incorporation document of a Limited Liability Partnership;
  - (5) "corporate applicant" means -
    - (a) corporate debtor; or
  - (b) a member or partner of the corporate debtor who is authorised to make an application for the corporate insolvency resolution process <sup>2</sup>[or the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, as the case may be,] under the constitutional document of the corporate debtor; or
  - (c) an individual who is in charge of managing the operations and resources of the corporate debtor; or
  - (d) a person who has the control, and supervision over the financial affairs of the corporate debtor;
  - <sup>3</sup>[(5A) "corporate guarantor" means a corporate person who is the surety in a contract of guarantee to a corporate debtor;]
  - (6) "dispute" includes a suit or arbitration proceedings relating to-
    - (a) the existence of the amount of debt;
    - (b) the quality of goods or service; or
    - (c) the breach of a representation or warranty;
  - (7) "financial creditor" means any person to whom a financial debt is owed and includes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(i) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(ii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 3 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

a person to whom such debt has been legally assigned or transferred to;

- (8) "financial debt" means a debt along with interest, if any, which is disbursed against the consideration for the time value of money and includes—
  - (a) money borrowed against the payment of interest;
  - (b) any amount raised by acceptance under any acceptance credit facility or its dematerialised equivalent;
  - (c) any amount raised pursuant to any note purchase facility or the issue of bonds, notes, debentures, loan stock or any similar instrument;
  - (d)the amount of any liability in respect of any lease or hire purchase contract which is deemed as a finance or capital lease under the Indian Accounting Standards or such other accounting standards as may be prescribed;
  - (e) receivables sold or discounted other than any receivables sold on non-recourse basis;
  - (f) any amount raised under any other transaction, including any forward sale or purchase agreement, having the commercial effect of a borrowing;

<sup>1</sup>[Explanation. -For the purposes of this sub-clause, -

- (i) any amount raised from an allottee under a real estate project shall be deemed to be an amount having the commercial effect of a borrowing; and
- (ii) the expressions, "allottee" and "real estate project" shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in clauses (d) and (zn) of section 2 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 (16 of 2016);]
- (g) any derivative transaction entered into in connection with protection against or benefit from fluctuation in any rate or price and for calculating the value of any derivative transaction, only the market value of such transaction shall be taken into account;
- (h) any counter-indemnity obligation in respect of a guarantee, indemnity, bond, documentary letter of credit or any other instrument issued by a bank or financial institution;
- (i) the amount of any liability in respect of any of the guarantee or indemnity for any of the items referred to in sub-clauses (a) to (h) of this clause;
- (9) "financial position", in relation to any person, means the financial information of a person as on a certain date;
- (10) "information memorandum" means a memorandum prepared by resolution

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 3 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

professional under sub-section (1) of section 29;

- (11) "initiation date" means the date on which a financial creditor, corporate applicant or operational creditor, as the case may be, makes an application to the Adjudicating Authority for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process <sup>1</sup>[or pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, as the case may be];
- (12) "insolvency commencement date" means the date of admission of an application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process by the Adjudicating Authority under sections 7, 9 or section 10, as the case may be:

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- (13) "insolvency resolution process costs" means
  - (a) the amount of any interim finance and the costs incurred in raising such finance;
  - (b) the fees payable to any person acting as a resolution professional;
- (c) any costs incurred by the resolution professional in running the business of the corporate debtor as a going concern;
- (d) any costs incurred at the expense of the Government to facilitate the insolvency resolution process; and
  - (e) any other costs as may be specified by the Board; Refer Reg 31-34
- (14) "insolvency resolution process period" means the period of one hundred and eighty days beginning from the insolvency commencement date and ending on one hundred and eightieth day;
- (15) "interim finance" means any financial debt raised by the resolution professional during the insolvency resolution process period <sup>3</sup>[or by the corporate debtor during the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period, as the case may be] <sup>4</sup>[and such other debt as may be notified];
- (16) "liquidation cost" means any cost incurred by the liquidator during the period of liquidation subject to such regulations, as may be specified by the Board;
- (17) "liquidation commencement date" means the date on which proceedings for liquidation commence in accordance with section 33 or section 59, as the case may be;
  - (18) "liquidator" means an insolvency professional appointed as a liquidator in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(iii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Omitted by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.2 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019). Before omission it stood as "Provided that where the interim resolution professional is not appointed in the order admitting application under section 7, 9 or 10, the insolvency commencement date shall be the date on which such interim resolution professional is appointed by the Adjudicating Authority"; which was Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 3 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(iv) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.2 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

accordance with the provisions of Chapter III or Chapter V of this Part, as the case may be;

- (19) "officer" for the purposes of <sup>1</sup>[Chapter VI and] Chapter VII of this Part, means an officer who is in default, as defined in clause (60) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), or a designated partner as defined in clause (j) of section 2 of the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009), as the case may be;
- (20) "operational creditor" means a person to whom an operational debt is owed and includes any person to whom such debt has been legally assigned or transferred;
- (21) "operational debt" means a claim in respect of the provision of goods or services including employment or a debt in respect of the 2[payment] of dues arising under any law for the time being in force and payable to the Central Government, any State Government or any local authority;
- (22) "personal guarantor" means an individual who is the surety in a contract of guarantee to a corporate debtor;
- (23) "personnel" includes the directors, managers, key managerial personnel, designated partners and employees, if any, of the corporated ebtor;
- <sup>3</sup>[(23A) "preliminary information memorandum" means a memorandum submitted by the corporate debtor under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 54G;
- (23B) "pre-packaged insolvency commencement date" means the date of admission of an application for initiating the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process by the Adjudicating Authority under clause (a) of sub-section (4) of section 54C;
  - (23C) "pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs" means—
    - (a) the amount of any interim finance and the costs incurred in raising such finance;
    - (b) the fees payable to any person acting as a resolution professional and any expenses incurred by him for conducting the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period, subject to sub-section (6) of section 54F;
    - (c) any costs incurred by the resolution professional in running the business of the corporate debtor as a going concern pursuant to an order under sub-section (2) of section 54J;
    - (d) any costs incurred at the expense of the Government to facilitate the pre- packaged insolvency resolution process; and
    - (e) any other costs as may be specified; Reg 6 of PPIRP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(v) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 3 for the word 'repayment' (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(vi) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

(23D) "pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period" means the period beginning from the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date and ending on the date on which an order under sub-section (1) of section 54L, or sub-section (1) of section 54N, or sub-section (2) of section 54-O, as the case may be, is passed by the Adjudicating Authority;

- (24) "related party", in relation to a corporate debtor, means-
- (a) a director or partner of the corporate debtor or a relative of a director or partner of the corporate debtor;
- (b) a key managerial personnel of the corporate debtor or a relative of a key managerial personnel of the corporate debtor;
- (c) a limited liability partnership or a partnership firm in which a director, partner, or manager of the corporate debtor or his relative is a partner;
- (d) a private company in which a director, partner or manager of the corporate debtor is a director and holds along with his relatives, more than two per cent. of its share capital;
- (e) a public company in which a director, partner or manager of the corporate debtor is a director and holds along with relatives, more than two per cent. of its paid- up share capital;
- (f) anybody corporate whose board of directors, managing director or manager, in the ordinary course of business, acts on the advice, directions or instructions of a director, partner or manager of the corporate debtor;
- (g) any limited liability partnership or a partnership firm whose partners or employees in the ordinary course of business, acts on the advice, directions or instructions of a director, partner or manager of the corporate debtor;
- (h) any person on whose advice, directions or instructions, a director, partner or manager of the corporate debtor is accustomed to act;
- (i) a body corporate which is a holding, subsidiary or an associate company of the corporate debtor, or a subsidiary of a holding company to which the corporate debtor is a subsidiary;
- (j) any person who controls more than twenty per cent. of voting rights in the corporate debtor on account of ownership or a voting agreement;
- (k) any person in whom the corporate debtor controls more than twenty per cent. of voting rights on account of ownership or a voting agreement;
- (1) any person who can control the composition of the board of directors or corresponding governing body of the corporate debtor;

- (i) participation in policy making processes of the corporate debtor; or
- (ii) having more than two directors in common between the corporate debtor and such person; or
- (iii) interchange of managerial personnel between the corporate debtor and such person; or
- (iv) provision of essential technical information to, or from, the corporate debtor;
- <sup>1</sup>[(24A) "related party", in relation to an individual, means-
- (a)a person who is a relative of the individual or a relative of the spouse of the individual;
- (b)a partner of a limited liability partnership, or a limited liability partnership or a partnership firm, in which the individual is a partner;
- (c)a person who is a trustee of a trust in which the beneficiary of the trust includes the individual, or the terms of the trust confers a power on the trustee which may be exercised for the benefit of the individual;
- (d)a private company in which the individual is a director and holds along with his relatives, more than two per cent. of its sharecapital;
- (e) a public company in which the individual is a director and holds along with relatives, more than two per cent. of its paid-up share capital;
- (f) a body corporate whose board of directors, managing director or manager, in the ordinary course of business, acts on the advice, directions or instructions of the individual;
- (g)a limited liability partnership or a partnership firm whose partners or employees in the ordinary course of business, act on the advice, directions or instructions of the individual;
- (h)a person on whose advice, directions or instructions, the individual is accustomed to act;
- (i) a company, where the individual or the individual along with its related party, own more than fifty per cent. of the share capital of the company or controls the appointment of the board of directors of the company.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this clause, -

- (a) "relative", with reference to any person, means anyone who is related to another, in the following manner, namely:-
  - (i) members of a Hindu Undivided Family,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 3 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (ii) husband,
- (iii) wife,
- (iv) father,
- (v) mother,
- (vi) son,
- (vii) daughter,
- (viii) son's daughter and son,
- (ix) daughter's daughter and son,
- (x) grandson's daughter and son,
- (xi) granddaughter's daughter and son,
- (xii) brother,
- (xiii) sister,
- (xiv) brother's son and daughter,
- (xv) sister's son and daughter,
- (xvi) father's father and mother,
- (xvii) mother's father and mother,
- (xviii) father's brother and sister,
- (xix) mother's brother and sister; and
- (b) wherever the relation is that of a son, daughter, sister or brother, their spouses shall also be included;]
- <sup>1</sup>[(25) "resolution applicant" means a person, who individually or jointly with any other person, submits a resolution plan to the resolution professional pursuant to the invitation made under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25 <sup>2</sup>[or pursuant to section 54K, as the case may be];
- (26) "resolution plan" means a plan proposed by <sup>3</sup>[resolution applicant] for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor as a going concern in accordance with Part II
- <sup>4</sup>[Explanation.- For removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that a resolution plan may include provisions for the restructuring of the corporate debtor, including by way of merger,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 8 of 2018, sec. 3(a), for clause (25) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017). Clause (25), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>(25) &</sup>quot;resolution applicant" means any person who submits a resolution plan to the resolution professional;'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(vii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subs. by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 3(b), for "any person" (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017).

amalgamation and demerger;]

- (27) "resolution professional", for the purposes of this Part, means an insolvency professional appointed to conduct the corporate insolvency resolution process <sup>1</sup>[or the pre- packaged insolvency resolution process, as the case may be,] and includes an interim- resolution professional; and
- (28) "voting share" means the share of the voting rights of a single financial creditor in the committee of creditors which is based on the proportion of the financial debt owed to such financial creditor in relation to the financial debt owed by the corporate debtor.

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

#### 6. Persons who may initiate corporate insolvency resolution process. -

Where any corporate debtor commits a default, a financial creditor, an operational creditor or the corporate debtor itself may initiate corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of such corporate debtor in the manner as provided under this Chapter.

#### 7. Initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process by financial creditor.

(1) A financial creditor either by itself or jointly with <sup>2</sup>[other financial creditors, or any other person on behalf of the financial creditor, as may be notified by the Central Government] may file an application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate debtor before the Adjudicating Authority when a default has occurred.

<sup>3</sup>[Provided that for the financial creditors, referred to in clauses (a) and (b) of subsection (6A) of section 21, an application for initiation corporate insolvency resolution process against the corporate debtor shall be filed jointly by not less than one hundred of such creditors in the same class or not less than ten per cent. of the total number of such creditors in the same class, whichever is less:

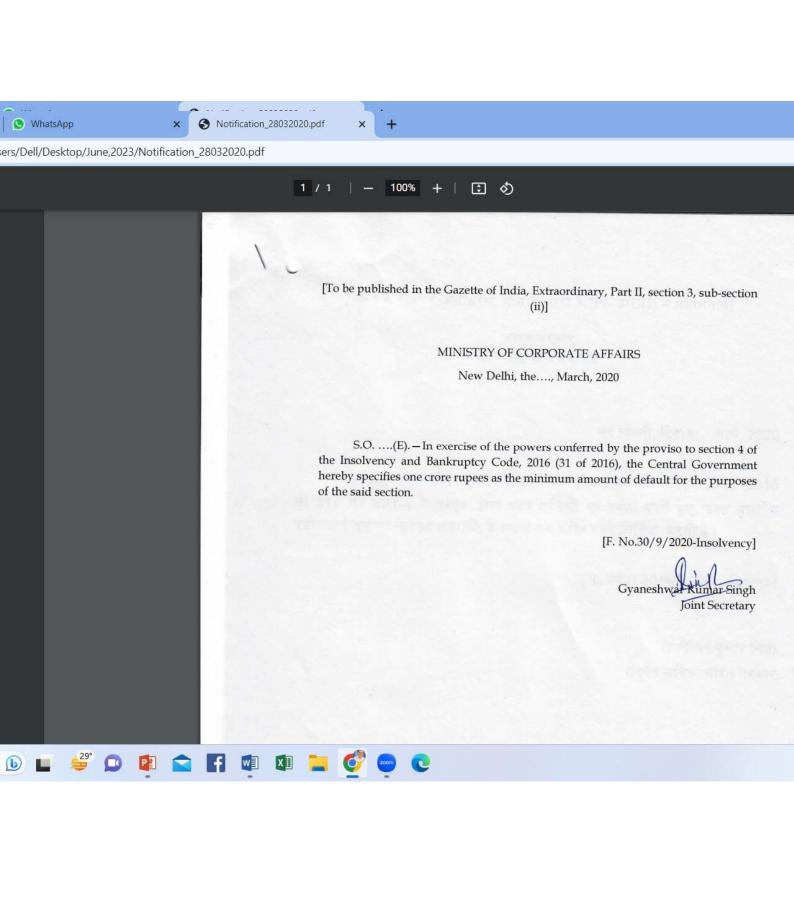
Provided further that for financial creditors who are allottees under a real estate project, an application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process against the corporate debtor shall be filed jointly by not less than one hundred of such allottees under the same real estate project or not less than ten per cent. of the total number of such allottees under the same real estate project, whichever is less:

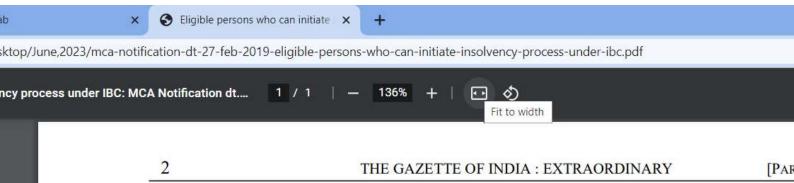
Provided also that where an application for initiating the corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate debtor has been filed by a financial creditor referred to in the first and second provisos and has not been admitted by the Adjudicating Authority before the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2020, such

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.3(viii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 4 for the words "other financial creditors" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.3 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).





#### MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

#### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 27th February, 2019

S.O. 1091(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 7 of and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Central Government hereby notifies following pe file an application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate de Adjudicating Authority, on behalf of the financial creditor: -

- (i) a guardian;
- (ii) an executor or administrator of an estate of a financial creditor;
- (iii) a trustee (including a debenture trustee); and
- a person duly authorised by the Board of Directors of a Company. (v)

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application shall be modified to comply with the requirements of the first or second proviso within thirty days of the commencement of the said Act, failing which the application shall be deemed to be withdrawn before its admission.]

Explanation. - For the purposes of this sub-section, a default includes a default in respect of a financial debt owed not only to the applicant financial creditor but to any other financial creditor of the corporate debtor.

- (2) The financial creditor shall make an application under sub-section (1) in such form and manner and accompanied with such fee as may be prescribed. Rule 4,8 and 10
  - (3) The financial creditor shall, along with the application furnish -
  - (a) record of the default recorded with the information utility or such other record or evidence of default as may be specified;
  - (b) the name of the resolution professional proposed to act as an interim resolution professional; and Rule 9
    - (c) any other information as may be specified by the Board.Reg 2A
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within fourteen days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (2), ascertain the existence of a default from the records of an information utility or on the basis of other evidence furnished by the financial creditor under sub-section (3):

<sup>1</sup>[Provided that if the Adjudicating Authority has not ascertained the existence of default and passed an order under sub-section (5) within such time, it shall record its reasons in writing for the same.]

- (5) Where the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that –
- (a)a default has occurred and the application under sub-section (2) is complete, and there is no disciplinary proceedings pending against the proposed resolution professional, it may, by order, admit such application; or
- (b) default has not occurred or the application under sub-section (2) is incomplete or any disciplinary proceeding is pending against the proposed resolution professional, it may, by order, reject such application:

Provided that the Adjudicating Authority shall, before rejecting the application under clause (b) of sub-section (5), give a notice to the applicant to rectify the defect in his application within seven days of receipt of such notice from the Adjudicating Authority.

(6) The corporate insolvency resolution process shall commence from the date of admission of the application under sub-section (5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.3 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

- (7) The Adjudicating Authority shall communicate-
- (a) the order under clause (a) of sub-section (5) to the financial creditor and the corporate debtor;
  - (b) the order under clause (b) of sub-section (5) to the financial creditor,

within seven days of admission or rejection of such application, as the case may be.

#### 8. Insolvency resolution by operational creditor. -

- (1) An operational creditor may, on the occurrence of a default, deliver a demand notice of unpaid operational debt or copy of an invoice demanding payment of the amount involved in the default to the corporate debtor in such form and manner as may be prescribed. **Rule 5**
- (2) The corporate debtor shall, within a period of ten days of the receipt of the demand notice or copy of the invoice mentioned in sub-section (1) bring to the notice of the operational creditor -
  - (a) existence of a dispute, <sup>1</sup>[if any, or] record of the pendency of the suit or arbitration proceedings filed before the receipt of such notice or invoice in relation to such dispute;
    - (b) the 2[payment] of unpaid operational debt-
    - (i) by sending an attested copy of the record of electronic transfer of the unpaid amount from the bank account of the corporate debtor; or
    - (ii) by sending an attested copy of record that the operational creditor has encashed a cheque issued by the corporate debtor.

Explanation. – For the purposes of this section, a "demand notice" means a notice served by an operational creditor to the corporate debtor demanding <sup>3</sup>[payment] of the operational debt in respect of which the default has occurred.

#### 9. Application for initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process by operational creditor. -

(1) After the expiry of the period of ten days from the date of delivery of the notice or invoice demanding payment under sub-section (1) of section 8, if the operational creditor does not receive payment from the corporate debtor or notice of the dispute under sub-section (2) of section 8, the operational creditor may file an application before the Adjudicating Authority for initiating a corporate insolvency resolution process.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec.5 (a) (i) for the words "if any, and" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec.5 (a) (ii) for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec.5 (b) for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

(2) The application under sub-section (1) shall be filed in such form and manner and accompanied with such fee as may be prescribed. Rule 6,8,10

- (3) The operational creditor shall, along with the application furnish-
- (a) a copy of the invoice demanding payment or demand notice delivered by the operational creditor to the corporate debtor;
- (b) an affidavit to the effect that there is no notice given by the corporate debtor relating to a dispute of the unpaid operational debt;
- (c) a copy of the certificate from the financial institutions maintaining accounts of the operational creditor confirming that there is no payment of an unpaid operational debt [by the corporate debtor, if available;]
- <sup>2</sup>[(d) a copy of any record with information utility confirming that there is no payment of an unpaid operational debt by the corporate debtor, if available: and
- (e) any other proof confirming that there is no payment of an unpaid operational debt by the corporate debtor or such other information, as may be prescribed.]
- (4)An operational creditor initiating a corporate insolvency resolution process under this section, **may** propose a resolution professional to act as an interim resolution professional.**Rule 9**
- (5)The Adjudicating Authority shall, within fourteen days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (2), by an order-
  - (i) admit the application and communicate such decision to the operational creditor and the corporate debtor if, -
    - (a) the application made under sub-section (2) is complete;
    - (b) there is no <sup>3</sup>[payment] of the unpaid operational debt;
    - (c) the invoice or notice for payment to the corporate debtor has been delivered by the operational creditor;
    - (d) no notice of dispute has been received by the operational creditor or there is no record of dispute in the information utility; and
    - (e) there is no disciplinary proceeding pending against any resolution professional proposed under sub-section (4), if any.
    - (ii) reject the application and communicate such decision to the operational

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 6 (a) (i), for the words" by the corporate debtor; and" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 6 (a) (ii), for the words "such other information or as may be specified" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 6 (b) (A) for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

creditor and the corporate debtor, if-

- (a) the application made under sub-section (2) is incomplete;
- (b) there has been <sup>1</sup>[payment] of the unpaid operational debt;
- (c) the creditor has not delivered the invoice or notice for payment to the corporate debtor;
- (d) notice of dispute has been received by the operational creditor or there is a record of dispute in the information utility; or
- (e) any disciplinary proceeding is pending against any proposed resolution professional:

Provided that Adjudicating Authority, shall before rejecting an application under sub- clause (a) of clause (ii) give a notice to the applicant to rectify the defect in his application within seven days of the date of receipt of such notice from the adjudicating Authority.

(6) The corporate insolvency resolution process shall commence from the date of admission of the application under sub-section (5) of this section.

#### 10. Initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process by corporate applicant. -

- (1)Where a corporate debtor has committed a default, a corporate applicant thereof may file an application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process with the Adjudicating Authority.
- (2) The application under sub-section (1) shall be filed in such form, containing such particulars and in such manner and accompanied with such fee as may be prescribed. Rule7,8,10
  - <sup>2</sup>[(3) The corporate applicant shall, along with the application, furnish-
  - (a) the information relating to its books of account and such other documents for such period as may be specified;
  - (b) the information relating to the resolution professional proposed to be appointed as an interim resolution professional; and
  - (c) the special resolution passed by shareholders of the corporate debtor or the resolution passed by at least three-fourth of the total number of partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, approving filing of the application.] Rule 9
  - (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within a period of fourteen days of the receipt of

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 6 (b) (B) for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 7(a) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018), before substitution the sub clause 3, stood as under –

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3). The corporate applicant shall, along with the application furnished the information relating to — (a) its books of account and such other documents relating to such period as may be specified; and (b)the resolution professional proposed to be appointed as an interim resolution professional."

the application, by an order-

- (a) admit the application, if it is complete '[and no disciplinary proceeding is pending against the proposed resolution professional]; or
- (b) reject the application, if it is incomplete 2 or any disciplinary proceeding is pending against the proposed resolution professional]:

Provided that Adjudicating Authority shall, before rejecting an application, give a notice to the applicant to rectify the defects in his application within seven days from the date of receipt of such notice from the Adjudicating Authority.

(5) The corporate insolvency resolution process shall commence from the date of admission of the application under sub-section (4) of this section.

#### <sup>3</sup>[10A. Suspension of initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process.

Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 7, 9 and 10, no application for initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor shall be filed, for any default arising on or after 25th March, 2020 for a period of six months or such further period, not exceeding one year from such date, as may be notified in this behalf:

Provided that no application shall **ever** be filed for initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor for the said default occurring during the said period.

Explanation. - For the removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any default committed under the said sections before 25th March, 2020.]

#### 11. Persons not entitled to make application. -

The following persons shall not be entitled to make an application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process under this Chapter, namely: 
(a)a corporate debtor undergoing a corporate insolvency resolution process <sup>4</sup>[or a pre-packaged insolvency resolution process]; or

<sup>5</sup>[(aa) a financial creditor or an operational creditor of a corporate debtor undergoing a pre-packaged insolvency resolution process; or];

(b)a corporate debtor having completed corporate insolvency resolution process twelve months preceding the date of making of the application; or

<sup>6</sup>[(ba) a corporate debtor in respect of whom a resolution plan has been approved

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<sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 7(b) (i) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 7(b) (ii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 17 of 2020, sec. 2 (w.e.f. 05-06-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.4(i) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021,sec.4(ii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.4(iii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

under Chapter III-A, twelve months preceding the date of making of the application; or]

(c)a corporate debtor or a financial creditor who has violated any of the terms of resolution plan which was approved twelve months before the date of making of an application under this Chapter; or

(d) a corporate debtor in respect of whom a liquidation order has been made.

Explanation [1]. - For the purposes of this section, a corporate debtor includes a corporate applicant in respect of such corporate debtor.

<sup>2</sup>[Explanation II.- For the purposes of this section, it is hereby clarified that nothing in this section shall prevent a corporate debtor referred to in clauses (a) to (d) from initiating corporate insolvency resolution process against another corporate debtor.]

#### <sup>3</sup>[11A. Disposal of applications under section 54C and under section 7 or section 9 or section 10.

- (1)Where an application filed under section 54C is pending, the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order to admit or reject such application, before considering any application filed under section 7 or section 9 or section 10 during the pendency of such application under section 54C, in respect of the same corporate debtor.
- (2)Where an application under section 54C is filed within fourteen days of filing of any application under section 7 or section 9 or section 10, which is pending, in respect of the same corporate debtor, then, notwithstanding anything contained in sections 7, 9 and 10, the Adjudicating Authority shall first dispose of the application under section 54C.
- (3)Where an application under section 54C is filed after fourteen days of the filing of any application under section 7 or section 9 or section 10, in respect of the same corporate debtor, the Adjudicating Authority shall first dispose of the application under section 7, section 9 or section 10.
- (4) The provisions of this section shall not apply where an application under section 7 or section 9 or section 10 is filed and pending as on the date of the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2021.]

#### 12. Time-limit for completion of insolvency resolution process. -

(1)Subject to sub-section (2), the corporate insolvency resolution process shall be completed within a period of one hundred and eighty days from the date of admission of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.4 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.4 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 5 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

the application to initiate such process.

- (2) The resolution professional shall file an application to the Adjudicating Authority to extend the period of the corporate insolvency resolution process beyond one hundred and eighty days, if instructed to do so by a resolution passed at a meeting of the committee of creditors by a vote of 'sixty-six' per cent. of the voting shares.
- (3)On receipt of an application under sub-section (2), if the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the subject matter of the case is such that corporate insolvency resolution process cannot be completed within one hundred and eighty days, it may by order extend the duration of such process beyond one hundred and eighty days by such further period as it thinks fit, but not exceeding ninety days:

Provided that any extension of the period of corporate insolvency resolution process under this section shall not be granted more than once:

<sup>2</sup>[Provided further that the corporate insolvency resolution process shall **mandatorily** be completed within a period of three hundred and thirty days from the insolvency commencement date, including any extension of the period of corporate insolvency resolution process granted under this section and the time taken in legal proceedings in relation to such resolution process of the corporate debtor:

Provided also that where the insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor is pending and has not been completed within the period referred to in the second proviso, such resolution process shall be completed within a period of ninety days from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2019.]

#### <sup>3</sup>[12A. Withdrawal of application admitted under section 7, 9 or 10. – Reg 30A

The Adjudicating Authority may allow the withdrawal of application admitted under section 7 or section 9 or section 10, on an application made by the applicant with the approval of ninety per cent. voting share of the committee of creditors, in such manner as may be specified.]

#### 13. Declaration of moratorium and public announcement. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority, after admission of the application under section 7 or section 9 or section 10, shall, by an order -
  - (a) declare a moratorium for the purposes referred to in section 14;
- (b) cause a public announcement of the initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process and call for the submission of claims under section 15; and
  - (c) appoint an interim resolution professional in the manner as laid down in section

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 8 for the words, "seventy-five" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 4 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 9 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

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(2) The public announcement referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (1) shall be made immediately after the appointment of the interim resolution professional.

#### 14. Moratorium. -

- (1) Subject to provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3), on the insolvency commencement date, the Adjudicating Authority shall by order declare moratorium for prohibiting all of the following, namely: -
- (a) the institution of suits or continuation of pending suits or proceedings against the corporate debtor including execution of any judgement, decree or order in any court of law, tribunal, arbitration panel or other authority;
- (b) transferring, encumbering, alienating or disposing off by the corporate debtor any of its assets or any legal right or beneficial interest therein:
- (c) any action to foreclose, recover or enforce any security interest created by the corporate debtor in respect of its property including any action under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002);
- (d) the recovery of any property by an owner or lessor where such property is occupied by or in the possession of the corporate debtor.

<sup>1</sup>[Explanation.-For the purposes of this sub-section, it is hereby clarified that notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, a licence, permit, registration, quota, concession, clearance or a similar grant or right given by the Central Government, State Government, local authority, sectoral regulator or any other authority constituted under any other law for the time being in force, shall not be suspended or terminated on the grounds of insolvency, subject to the condition that there is no default in payment of current dues arising for the use or continuation of the license, permit, registration, quota, concession, clearances or a similar grant or right during the moratorium period;]

(2)The supply of essential goods or services to the corporate debtor as may be specified shall not be terminated or suspended or interrupted during moratorium period. Reg 32 of CIRP and Reg 4 of PPIRP

<sup>2</sup>[(2A) Where the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, considers the supply of goods or services critical to protect and preserve the value of the corporate debtor and manage the operations of such corporate debtor as a going concern, then the supply of such goods or services shall not be terminated, suspended or interrupted during the period of moratorium, except where such corporate debtor has not paid dues arising from such supply during the moratorium period or in such circumstances

<sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.5 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.5 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

as may be specified.]

- <sup>1</sup>[(3) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall not apply to —
- <sup>2</sup>[(a) such transactions, agreements or other arrangement as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator or any other authority;]
  - (b) a surety in a contract of guarantee to a corporate debtor.]
- (4) The order of moratorium shall have effect from the date of such order till the completion of the corporate insolvency resolution process:

Provided that where at any time during the corporate insolvency resolution process period, if the Adjudicating Authority approves the resolution plan under sub-section (1) of section 31 or passes an order for liquidation of corporate debtor under section 33, the moratorium shall cease to have effect from the date of such approval or liquidation order, as the case may be.

#### 15. Public announcement of corporate insolvency resolution process. -Reg 6

- (1)The public announcement of the corporate insolvency resolution process under the order referred to in section 13 shall contain the following information, namely:
  - (a) name and address of the corporate debtor under the corporate insolvency resolution process;
  - (b) name of the authority with which the corporate debtor is incorporated or registered;
    - (c) the last date for submission of <sup>3</sup>[claims, as may be specified];
  - (d) details of the interim resolution professional who shall be vested with the management of the corporate debtor and be responsible for receiving claims;
    - (e) penalties for false or misleading claims; and
  - (f) the date on which the corporate insolvency resolution process shall close, which shall be the one hundred and eightieth day from the date of the admission of the application under sections 7, 9 or section 10, as the case may be.
- (2)The public announcement under this section shall be made in such manner asmay be specified.

ot ified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial regulator,". <sup>3</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 11 for the word "claims" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 10 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). Before its substitution, it stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall not apply to such transaction as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sectorregulator."

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Subs. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.5 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019). Before substitution, it stood as "su ch t ran sact ion as may be not substitution".

#### 16. Appointment and tenure of interim resolution professional. -Reg 3

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority shall appoint an interim resolution professional 1 [on the insolvency commencement date].
- (2)Where the application for corporate insolvency resolution process is made by a financial creditor or the corporate debtor, as the case may be, the resolution professional, as proposed respectively in the application under section 7 or section 10, shall be appointed as the interim resolution professional, if no disciplinary proceedings are pending against him.
- (3)Where the application for corporate insolvency resolution process is made by an operational creditor and-
  - (a) no proposal for an interim resolution professional is made, the Adjudicating Authority shall make a reference to the Board for the recommendation of an insolvency professional who may act as an interim resolution professional;
  - (b) a proposal for an interim resolution professional is made under sub-section (4) of section 9, the resolution professional as proposed, shall be appointed as the interim resolution professional, if no disciplinary proceedings are pending against him.
- (4) The Board shall, within ten days of the receipt of a reference from the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (3), recommend the name of an insolvency professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.
- (5) The term of the interim resolution professional 2[shall continue till the date of appointment of the resolution professional under section 22].

#### 17. Management of affairs of corporate debtor by interim resolution professional. Reg 4

- (1) From the date of appointment of the interim resolution professional, -
- (a) the management of the affairs of the corporate debtor shall vest in the interim resolution professional;
- **(b) the powers of the board** of directors or the partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall stand suspended and be exercised by the interim resolution professional;
- (c) the officers and managers of the corporate debtor shall report to the interim resolution professional and provide access to such documents and records of the corporate debtor as may be required by the interim resolution professional;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.6 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019). Before substitution, it stood as "within fourteen days from the insolvency commencement date".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No.26 of 2018, sec. 12, for the words "shall not exceed thirty days from date of his appointment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (d) the financial institutions maintaining accounts of the corporate debtor shall act on the instructions of the interim resolution professional in relation to such accounts and furnish all information relating to the corporate debtor available with them to the interim resolution professional.
- (2) The interim resolution professional vested with the management of the corporate debtor, shall-
  - (a) act and execute in the name and on behalf of the corporate debtor all deeds, receipts, and other documents, if any;
  - (b) take such actions, in the manner and subject to such restrictions, as may be specified by the Board;
  - (c) have the authority to access the electronic records of corporate debtor from information utility having financial information of the corporate debtor;
  - (d) have the authority to access the books of account, records and other relevant documents of corporate debtor available with government authorities, statutory auditors, accountants and such other persons as <sup>1</sup>[may be specified; and]
  - (e) [be responsible for complying with the requirements under any law for the time being in force on behalf of the corporate debtor.]

#### 18. Duties of interim resolution professional. -Reg 7 to 15

The interim resolution professional shall perform the following duties, namely: -

- (a) collect all information relating to the assets, finances and operations of the corporate debtor for determining the financial position of the corporate debtor, including information relating to -
  - (i) business operations for the previous two years;
  - (ii) financial and operational payments for the previous two years;
  - (iii) list of assets and liabilities as on the initiation date; and
  - (iv) such other matters as may be specified;
- (b) receive and collate all the claims submitted by creditors to him, pursuant to the public announcement made under sections 13 and 15;
  - (c) constitute a committee of creditors;
- (d) monitor the assets of the corporate debtor and manage its operations until a resolution professional is appointed by the committee of creditors;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 13 (i), for the words "may be specified" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 13 (ii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (e) file information collected with the information utility, if necessary; and
- (f) take control and custody of any asset over which the corporate debtor has ownership rights as recorded in the balance sheet of the corporate debtor, or with information utility or the depository of securities or any other registry that records the ownership of assets including
  - (i) assets over which the corporate debtor has ownership rights which may be located in a foreign country;
    - (ii) assets that may or may not be in possession of the corporate debtor;
    - (iii) tangible assets, whether movable or immovable;
    - (iv) intangible assets including intellectual property;
  - (v) securities including shares held in any subsidiary of the corporate debtor, financial instruments, insurance policies;
    - (vi) assets subject to the determination of ownership by a court or authority;
  - (g) to perform such other duties as may be specified by the Board.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this '[section], the term "assets" shall not include the following, namely: -

- (a) assets owned by a third party in possession of the corporate debtor held under trust or under contractual arrangements including bailment;
  - (b) assets of any Indian or foreign subsidiary of the corporate debtor; and
- (c) such other assets as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

#### 19. Personnel to extend co-operation to interim resolution professional. -

- (1) The personnel of the corporate debtor, its promoters or any other person associated with the management of the corporate debtor shall extend all assistance and cooperation to the interim resolution professional as may be required by him in managing the affairs of the corporate debtor.
- (2) Where any personnel of the corporate debtor, its promoter or any other person required to assist or cooperate with the interim resolution professional does not assist or cooperate, the interim resolution professional may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for necessary directions.
- (3) The Adjudicating Authority, on receiving an application under sub-section (2), shall by an order, direct such personnel or other person to comply with the instructions of the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 14, for the words "sub-section" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

resolution professional and to cooperate with him in collection of information and management of the corporate debtor.

#### 20. Management of operations of corporate debtor as going concern. -

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall make every endeavour to protect and preserve the value of the property of the corporate debtor and manage the operations of the corporate debtor as a going concern.
- (2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), the interim resolution professional shall have the authority-
  - (a) to appoint accountants, legal or other professionals as may be necessary;
  - (b) to enter into contracts on behalf of the corporate debtor or to amend or modify the contracts or transactions which were entered into before the commencement of corporate insolvency resolution process;
  - (c) to raise interim finance provided that no security interest shall be created over any encumbered property of the corporate debtor without the prior consent of the creditors whose debt is secured over such encumbered property:

Provided that no prior consent of the creditor shall be required where the value of such property is not less than the amount equivalent to twice the amount of the debt.

- (d) to issue instructions to personnel of the corporate debtor as may be necessary for keeping the corporate debtor as a going concern; and
- (e) to take all such actions as are necessary to keep the corporate debtor as a going concern.

#### 21. Committee of creditors. - 4 A and 4 B,16,16A,16B

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall after collation of all claims received against the corporate debtor and determination of the financial position of the corporate debtor, constitute a committee of creditors.
- (2) The committee of creditors shall comprise all financial creditors of the corporate debtor:

Provided that a <sup>1</sup>[financial creditor or the authorised representative of the financial creditor referred to in sub-section (6) or sub-section (6A) or sub-section (5) of section 24, if it is a related party of the corporate debtor,] shall not have any right of representation, participation or voting in a meeting of the committee of creditors:

<sup>2</sup>[Provided further that the first proviso shall not apply to a financial creditor, regulated by

'Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 15 (i) (a), for the words "related party to whom a corporate debtor owes a financial debt" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 15 (i) (b) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

a financial sector regulator, if it is a related party of the corporate debtor solely on account of conversion or substitution of debt into equity shares or instruments convertible into equity shares <sup>1</sup>[or completion of such transactions as may be prescribed], prior to the insolvency commencement date.]

(3)<sup>2</sup>[Subject to sub-sections (6) and (6A), where] the corporate debtor owes financial debts to two or more financial creditors as part of a consortium or agreement, each such financial creditor shall be part of the committee of creditors and their voting share shall be determined on the basis of the financial debts owed to them.

- (4) Where any person is a financial creditor as well as an operational creditor, -
- (a) such person shall be a financial creditor to the extent of the financial debt owed by the corporate debtor, and shall be included in the committee of creditors, with voting share proportionate to the extent of financial debts owed to such creditor;
- (b) such person shall be considered to be an operational creditor to the extent of the operational debt owed by the corporate debtor to such creditor.
- (5) Where an operational creditor has assigned or legally transferred any operational debt to a financial creditor, the assignee or transferee shall be considered as an operational creditor to the extent of such assignment or legal transfer.
- (6) Where the terms of the financial debt extended as part of a consortium arrangement or syndicated facility 3[\*\*\*] provide for a single trustee or agent to act for all financial creditors, each financial creditor may-
  - (a) authorise the trustee or agent to act on his behalf in the committee of creditors to the extent of his voting share;
    - (b) represent himself in the committee of creditors to the extent of his voting share;
  - (c) appoint an insolvency professional (other than the resolution professional) at his own cost to represent himself in the committee of creditors to the extent of his voting share; or
  - (d) exercise his right to vote to the extent of his voting share with one or more financial creditors jointly or severally.

#### 4 (6A) Where a financial debt—

(a) is in the form of securities or deposits and the terms of the financial debt provide for appointment of a trustee or agent to act as authorised representative for all the financial creditors, such trustee or agent shall act on behalf of such

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 7 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 15 (ii), for the word "Where" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The words "or issued as securities" omitted by Act. No 26 of 2018, sec. 15 (iii) (w.e.f. 6.6.2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 15(iv) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

#### financial creditors;

- (b) is owed to a class of creditors exceeding the number as may be specified, other than the creditors covered under clause (a) or sub-section (6), the interim resolution professional shall make an application to the Adjudicating Authority along with the list of all financial creditors, containing the name of an insolvency professional, other than the interim resolution professional, to act as their authorised representative who shall be appointed by the Adjudicating Authority prior to the first meeting of the committee of creditors;
- (c) is represented by a guardian, executor or administrator, such person shall act as authorised representative on behalf of such financial creditors, and such authorised representative under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) shall attend the meetings of the committee of creditors, and vote on behalf of each financial creditor to the extent of his voting share.
  - (6B) The remuneration payable to the authorise d representative-
  - (i) under clauses (a) and (c) of sub-section (6A), if any, shall be as per the terms of the financial debt or the relevant documentation; and
  - (ii) under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) shall be as specified which shall be form part of the insolvency resolution process costs.]
  - 1(7) The Board may specify the manner of voting and the determining of the voting share in respect of financial debts covered under sub-sections (6) and (6A).
- (8) Save as otherwise provided in this Code, all decisions of the committee of creditors shall be taken by a vote of not less than fifty-one per cent. of voting share of the financial creditors:

Provided that where a corporate debtor does not have any financial creditors, the committee of creditors shall be constituted and shall comprise of such persons to exercise such functions in such manner as may be specified.]

(9) The committee of creditors shall have the right to require the resolution professional to furnish any financial information in relation to the corporate debtor at any time during the corporate insolvency resolution process.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 15 (v) (w.e.f. 6.6.2018), before substitution, the clauses (7) & (8) as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(7) The Board may specify the manner of determining the voting share in respect of financial debts issued as securities under sub-section (6).

<sup>(8)</sup> All decisions of the committee of creditors shall be taken by a vote of not less than seventy - five percent. of voting share of the financial creditors:"

(10) The resolution professional shall make available any financial information so required by the committee of creditors under sub-section (9) within a period of seven days of such requisition.

#### 22. Appointment of resolution professional. -Reg 17

- (1) The first meeting of the committee of creditors shall be held within seven days of the constitution of the committee of creditors.
- (2) The committee of creditors, may, in the first meeting, by a majority vote of not less than <sup>1</sup>[sixty-six] per cent. of the voting share of the financial creditors, either resolve to appoint the interim resolution professional as a resolution professional or to replace the interim resolution professional by another resolution professional.
  - (3) Where the committee of creditors resolves under sub-section (2)-
  - (a) to continue the interim resolution professional as resolution professional <sup>2</sup>[subject to a written consent from the interim resolution professional in the specified form], it shall communicate its decision to the interim resolution professional, the corporate debtor and the Adjudicating Authority; or
  - (b) to replace the interim resolution professional, it shall file an application before the Adjudicating Authority for the appointment of the proposed resolution professional 3[along with a written consent from the proposed resolution professional in the specified form].
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall forward the name of the resolution professional proposed under clause (b) of sub-section (3) to the Board for its confirmation and shall make such appointment after confirmation by the Board.
- (5)Where the Board does not confirm the name of the proposed resolution professional within ten days of the receipt of the name of the proposed resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall, by order, direct the interim resolution professional to continue to function as the resolution professional until such time as the Board confirms the appointment of the proposed resolution professional.

#### 23. Resolution professional to conduct corporate insolvency resolution process. -

(1) Subject to section 27, the resolution professional shall conduct the entire corporate insolvency resolution process and manage the operations of the corporate debtor during the corporate insolvency resolution process period:

<sup>4</sup>[Provided that the resolution professional shall continue to manage the operations of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 16 (a) for the words "seventy-five" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 16 (b) (i) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 16 (b) (ii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subs. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 8 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019). Before substitution, it stood as "Provided that the

the corporate debtor after the expiry of the corporate insolvency resolution process period, until an order approving the resolution plan under subsection (1) of section 31 or appointing a liquidator under section 34 is passed by the Adjudicating Authority.]

- (2)The resolution professional shall exercise powers and perform duties as are vested or conferred on the interim resolution professional under this Chapter.
- (3)In case of any appointment of a resolution professional under sub-sections (4) of section 22, the interim resolution professional shall provide all the information, documents and records pertaining to the corporate debtor in his possession and knowledge to the resolution professional.

#### 24. Meeting of committee of creditors. -Reg 18-26

The members of the committee of creditors may meet in person or by such electronic means as may be specified.

- (1) All meetings of the committee of creditors shall be conducted by the resolution professional.
- (2) The resolution professional shall give notice of each meeting of the committee of creditors to-
  - (a) members of <sup>1</sup>[committee of creditors, including the authorised representatives referred to in sub-sections (6) and (6A) of section 21 and sub-section (5)];
  - (b) members of the suspended Board of Directors or the partners of the corporate persons, as the case may be;
  - (c) operational creditors or their representatives if the amount of their aggregate dues is not less than ten per cent. of the debt.
- (3) The directors, partners and one representative of operational creditors, as referred to in sub-section (3), may attend the meetings of committee of creditors, but shall not have any right to vote in such meetings:

Provided that the absence of any such director, partner or representative of operational creditors, as the case may be, shall not invalidate proceedings of such meeting.

(5) [Subject to sub-sections (6), (6A) and (6B) of section 21, any creditor] who is a member of the committee of creditors may appoint an insolvency professional other than the resolution professional to represent such creditor in a meeting of the committee of creditors:

manage the operations of the corporate debtor after the expiry of the corporate insolvency resolution process period until an order is passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 31.", which was Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 17 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 18(i) for the words "Committee of creditors" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 18 (ii) for the words "Any creditor" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

Provided that the fees payable to such insolvency professional representing any individual creditor will be borne by such creditor.

- (6)Each creditor shall vote in accordance with the voting share assigned to him based on the financial debts owed to such creditor.
- (7)The resolution professional shall determine the voting share to be assigned to each creditor in the manner specified by the Board.
- (8)The meetings of the committee of creditors shall be conducted in such manner as may be specified.

#### 25. Duties of resolution professional. -Reg 36A,27-30,

- (1)It shall be the duty of the resolution professional to preserve and protect the assets of the corporate debtor, including the continued business operations of the corporate debtor.
- (2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), the resolution professional shall undertake the following actions, namely: -
  - (a) take immediate custody and control of all the assets of the corporate debtor, including the business records of the corporate debtor;
  - (b) represent and act on behalf of the corporate debtor with third parties, exercise rights for the benefit of the corporate debtor in judicial, quasi-judicial or arbitration proceedings;
  - (c) raise interim finances subject to the approval of the committee of creditors under section 28;
  - (d) appoint accountants, legal or other professionals in the manner as specified by Board;
    - (e) maintain an updated list of claims;
    - (f) convene and attend all meetings of the committee of creditors;
    - (g) prepare the information memorandum in accordance with section 29;
  - <sup>1</sup>[(h) invite prospective resolution applicants, who fulfil such criteria as may be laid down by him with the approval of committee of creditors, having regard to the complexity and scale of operations of the business of the corporate debtor and such other conditions as may be specified by the Board, to submit a resolution plan or plans.]
    - (i) present all resolution plans at the meetings of the committee of creditors;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 4, for clause (h) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017). Clause (h), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(h) invite prospective lenders, investors, and any other persons to put forward resolution plans;".

- (j) file application for avoidance of transactions in accordance with Chapter III, if any; and
- (k) such other actions as may be specified by the Board.

#### <sup>1</sup>[25A. Rights and duties of authorised representative of financial creditors. –

- (1) The authorised representative under sub-section (6) or sub-section (6A) of section 21 or sub-section (5) of section 24 shall have the right to participate and vote in meetings of the committee of creditors on behalf of the financial creditor he represents in accordance with the prior voting instructions of such creditors obtained through physical or electronic means.
- (2)It shall be the duty of the authorised representative to circulate the agenda and minutes of the meeting of the committee of creditors to the financial creditor he represents.
- (3)The authorised representative shall not act against the interest of the financial creditor he represents and shall always act in accordance with their prior instructions:

Provided that if the authorised representative represents several financial creditors, then he shall cast his vote in respect of each financial creditor in accordance with instructions received from each financial creditor, to the extent of his voting share:

Provided further that if any financial creditor does not give prior instructions through physical or electronic means, the authorised representative shall abstain from voting on behalf of such creditor.

<sup>2</sup>[(3A) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in sub-section (3), the authorised representative under sub-section (6A) of section 21 shall cast his vote on behalf of all the financial creditors he represents in accordance with the decision taken by a vote of more than fifty per cent. of the voting share of the financial creditors he represents, who have cast their vote:

Provided that for a vote to be cast in respect of an application under section 12A, the authorised representative shall cast his vote in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (3).]

(4)The authorised representative shall file with the committee of creditors any instructions received by way of physical or electronic means, from the financial creditor he represents, for voting in accordance therewith, to ensure that the appropriate voting instructions of the financial creditor he represents is correctly recorded by the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be.

Explanation .- For the purposes of this section, the "electronic means" shall be such as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 19 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 5 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019).

may be specified.]

#### 26. Application for avoidance of transactions not to affect proceedings. -

The filing of an avoidance application under clause (j) of sub-section (2) of section 25 by the resolution professional shall not affect the proceedings of the corporate insolvency resolution process.

#### 27. Replacement of resolution professional by committee of creditors. -

- (1) Where, at any time during the corporate insolvency resolution process, the committee of creditors is of the opinion that a resolution professional appointed under section 22 is required to be replaced, it may replace him with another resolution professional in the manner provided under this section.
- <sup>1</sup>[(2) The committee of creditors may, at a meeting, by a vote of sixty-six per cent of voting shares, resolve to replace the resolution professional **appointed under section 22** with another resolution professional, subject to a written consent from the proposed resolution professional in the specified form.]
- (3)The committee of creditors shall forward the name of the insolvency professional proposed by them to the Adjudicating Authority.
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall forward the name of the proposed resolution professional to the Board for its confirmation and a resolution professional shall be appointed in the same manner as laid down in section 16.
- (5)Where any disciplinary proceedings are pending against the proposed resolution professional under sub-section (3), the resolution professional appointed under section 22 shall continue till the appointment of another resolution professional under this section.

#### 28. Approval of committee of creditors for certain actions. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, the resolution professional, during the corporate insolvency resolution process, shall not take any of the following actions without the **prior approval** of the committee of creditors namely: -
  - (a) raise any interim finance in excess of the amount as may be decided by the committee of creditors in their meeting;
    - (b) create any security interest over the assets of the corporate debtor;

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 20 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). Clause (2), before substitution stood as under:

"(2) The committee of creditors may, at a meeting, by a vote of seventy-five per cent. of voting shares, propose to replace the resolution professional appointed under section 22 with another resolution professional."

- (c) change the capital structure of the corporate debtor, including by way of issuance of additional securities, creating a new class of securities or buying back or redemption of issued securities in case the corporate debtor is a company;
  - (d) record any change in the ownership interest of the corporate debtor;
- (e) give instructions to financial institutions maintaining accounts of the corporate debtor for a debit transaction from any such accounts in excess of the amount as may be decided by the committee of creditors in their meeting;
  - (f) undertake any related party transaction;
  - (g) amend any constitutional documents of the corporate debtor;
  - (h) delegate its authority to any other person;
  - (i) dispose of or permit the disposal of shares of any shareholder of the corporate debtor or their nominees to third parties;
  - (j) make any change in the management of the corporate debtor or its subsidiary;
- (k) transfer rights or financial debts or operational debts under material contracts otherwise than in the ordinary course of business;
- (1) make changes in the appointment or terms of contract of such personnel as specified by the committee of creditors; or
- (m) make changes in the appointment or terms of contract of statutory auditors or internal auditors of the corporate debtor.
- (2) The resolution professional shall convene a meeting of the committee of creditors and seek the vote of the creditors prior to taking any of the actions under sub-section (1).
- (3)No action under sub-section (1) shall be approved by the committee of creditors unless approved by a vote of '[sixty-six] per cent. of the voting shares.
- (4)Where any action under sub-section (1) is taken by the resolution professional without seeking the approval of the committee of creditors in the manner as required in this section, such action shall be void.
- (5) The committee of creditors may report the actions of the resolution professional under sub-section (4) to **the Board** for taking necessary actions against him under this Code.

#### 29. Preparation of information memorandum.-Reg 36

(1)The resolution professional shall prepare an information memorandum in such form and manner containing such relevant information as may be specified by the Board for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 21, for the words "seventy-five" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

formulating a resolution plan.

- (2) The resolution professional shall provide to the resolution applicant access to all relevant information in physical and electronic form, provided such resolution applicant undertakes-
  - (a) to comply with provisions of law for the time being in force relating to confidentiality and insider trading;
  - (b) to protect any intellectual property of the corporate debtor it may have access to; and
  - (c) not to share relevant information with third parties unless clauses (a) and (b) of this sub-section are complied with.

Explanation. – For the purposes of this section, "relevant information" means the information required by the resolution applicant to make the resolution plan for the corporate debtor, which shall include the financial position of the corporate debtor, all information related to disputes by or against the corporate debtor and any other matter pertaining to the corporate debtor as may be specified.

#### <sup>1</sup>[29A. Persons not eligible to be resolution applicant. -

A person shall not be eligible to submit a resolution plan, if such person, or any other person acting jointly or in concert with such person—

- (a) is an undischarged insolvent;
- (b) is a wilful defaulter in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (10 of 1949);
- (C) [at the time of submission of the resolution plan has an account,] or an account of a corporate debtor under the management or control of such person or of whom such person is a promoter, classified as non-performing asset in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India issued under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (10 of 1949) [or the guidelines of a financial sector regulator issued under any other law for the time being in force,] and at least a period of one year has lapsed from the date of such classification till the date of commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor:

Provided that the person shall be eligible to submit a resolution plan if such person makes payment of all overdue amounts with interest thereon and charges relating to non- performing asset accounts before submission of resolution plan:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 5 (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 22(i) (A), for the words "has an account" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 22(i) (B) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>1</sup>[Provided further that nothing in this clause shall apply to a resolution applicant where such applicant is a financial entity and is not a related party to the corporate debtor.

Explanation I.- For the purposes of this proviso, the expression "related party" shall not include a financial entity, regulated by a financial sector regulator, if it is a financial creditor of the corporate debtor and is a related party of the corporate debtor solely on account of conversion or substitution of debt intoequity shares or instruments convertible into equity shares <sup>2</sup>[or completion of such transactions as may be prescribed], prior to the insolvency commencement date.

Explanation II.— For the purposes of this clause, where a resolution applicant has an account, or an account of a corporate debtor under the management or control of such person or of whom such person is a promoter, classified as non-performing asset and such account was acquired pursuant to a prior resolution plan approved under this Code, then, the provisions of this clause shall not apply to such resolution applicant for a period of three years from the date of approval of such resolution plan by the Adjudicating Authority under this Code;]

<sup>3</sup>[(d) has been convicted for any offence punishable withimprisonment –

- (i) for two years or more under any Act specified under the Twelfth Schedule; or
- (ii) for seven years or more under any law for the time being in force:

Provided that this clause shall not apply to a person after the expiry of a period of two years from the date of his release from imprisonment:

Provided further that this clause shall not apply in relation to a connected person referred to in clause(iii) of Explanation II;

- (e) is disqualified to act as a director under the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013):
- <sup>4</sup>[Provided that this clause shall not apply in relation to a connected person referred to in clause (iii) of Explanation I;]
- (f) is prohibited by the Securities and Exchange Board of India from trading in securities or accessing the securities markets;
- (g) has been a promoter or in the management or control of a corporate debtor in which a preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction has taken place and in respect of which an order has been made by the Adjudicating Authority under this Code:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22(i) (C) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Ordinance No. Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 9 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subs by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (ii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). Clause (d) before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(d) has been convicted for any offence punishable with imprisonment for two years or more;"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (iii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

## THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016 THE TWELFTH SCHEDULE (See clause (D) of section 29A) Acts for the Purposes of Clause (D) of Section 29A

S.NO	ACTS
1	The Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1922 (22 of 1922);
2	The Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934);
3	The Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944);
4	The Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954);
5	The Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955);
6	The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 (42 of 1956);
7	The Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961);
8	The Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962);
9	The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (6 of 1974);
10	The Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974 (52 of 1974);
11	The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981);

S.NO	ACTS
12	The Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (1 of 1986);
13	The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986);
14	The Prohibition of Benami Property Transactions Act, 1988 (45 of 1988);
15	The Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (49 of 1988);
16	The Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 (15 of 1992);
17	The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999);
18	The Competition Act, 2002 (12 of 2003);
19	The Prevention of Money-laundering Act, 2002 (15 of 2003);
20	The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009);
21	The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (42 of 2010);
22	The Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or any previous company law;
23	The Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015 (22 of 2015);
24	The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
25	The Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017) and respective State Acts imposing State goods and services tax;
26	Such other Acts as may be notified by the Central Government.]

<sup>1</sup>[Provided that this clause shall not apply if a preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction has taken place prior to the acquisition of the corporate debtor by the resolution applicant pursuant to a resolution plan approved under this Code or pursuant to a scheme or plan approved by a financial sector regulator or a court, and such resolution applicant has not otherwise contributed to the preferential transaction, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent transaction;]

- (h) has executed <sup>2</sup>[a guarantee] in favour of a creditor in respect of a corporate debtor against which an application for insolvency resolution made by **such creditor has been admitted** under this Code <sup>3</sup>[and such guarantee has been invoked by the creditor and remains unpaid in full or part];
  - (i) 4[is] subject to any disability, corresponding to clauses (a) to (h), under any law in a jurisdiction outside India; or
  - (j) has a connected person not eligible under clauses (a) to (i).

Explanation<sup>5</sup>[I]. — For the purposes of this clause, the expression "connected person" means—

- (i) any person who is the promoter or in the management or control of the resolution applicant; or
- (ii) any person who shall be the promoter or in management or control of the business of the corporate debtor during the implementation of the resolution plan; or
- (iii) the holding company, subsidiary company, associate company or related party of a person referred to in clauses (i) and (ii):

<sup>6</sup>[Provided that nothing in clause (iii) of *Explanation* I shall apply to a resolution applicant where such applicant is a financial entity and is not a related party of the corporate debtor:

Provided further that the expression "related party" shall not include a financial entity, regulated by a financial sector regulator, if it is a financial creditor of the corporate debtor and is a related party of the corporate debtor solely on account of conversion or substitution of debt

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (iv) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (v) (A) for the words "an enforceable guarantee" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (v) (B) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (vi) for the words "has been" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Numbered as I by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 22(vii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (vii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). The proviso before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Provided that nothing in clause (iii) of this Explanation shall apply to-

<sup>(</sup>A) a scheduled bank; or

<sup>(</sup>B)an asset reconstruction company registered with the Reserve Bank of India under section 3 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002); or

<sup>(</sup>C) an Alternate Investment Fund registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India."

into equity shares or instruments convertible into equity shares '[or completion of such transactions as may be prescribed], prior to the insolvency commencement date;]

<sup>2</sup>[Explan atio n II— For the purposes of this section, "financial entity" shall mean the following entities which meet such criteria or conditions as the Central Government may, in consultation with the financial sector regulator, notify in this behalf, namely:—

- (a) a sc hedule d bank;
- (b) any entity regula ted by a foreignce ntral bank or a securitie smarket regula tor or other financial sector regulator of a jurisdiction ou tside India which jurisdiction is compliant with the Financial Action Task Force Standards and is a signatory to the International Organ isation of Securities Commissions Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding;
- (c) any in vestme nt ve hicle, registere d foreign in stitu tio nal inve stor, registered foreign p ortfolio in vestor or a foreign venture capita l inve stor, whe re the terms shall have the mean ing assigned to the min regulation 2 of the Foreign Exchange Mana gement (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Ou tside In dia) Regulation s, 2017 made under the Foreign Exchange Mana gement Act, 1999 (42 of 1999);
- (d) an a sset recon struction company register with the Reserve Bank of India under section 3 of the Securitisation and Recon struction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002);
- (e) an Alternate Inve stmen t Fun d registe red with Secu rities and Exc hange Board of India;
  - (f) such categories of persons as may be notified by the Central Government.

#### 30. Submission of resolution plan. -Reg 36B,37-38,33,34,39-40

- (1)A resolution applicant may submit a resolution plan <sup>3</sup>[along with an affidavit stating that he is eligible under section 29A] to the resolution professional prepared on the basis of the information memorandum.
- (2) The resolution professional shall examine each resolution plan received by him to confirm that each resolution plan -
  - (a) provides for the payment of insolvency resolution process costs in a manner specified by the Board in priority to the 4[payment] of other debts of the corporate debtor;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 9 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 22 (viii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 23(i) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subs. by Act No.26 of 2018, sec.23 (ii) (A) for the words "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>1</sup>[(b) provides for the payment of debts of operational creditors in such manner as may be specified by the Board which shall not be less than-

- (i) the amount to be paid to such creditors in the event of a liquidation of the corporate debtor under section 53; or
- (ii) the amount that would have been paid to such creditors, if the amount to be distributed under the resolution plan had been distributed in accordance with the order of priority in sub-section (1) of section 53,

whichever is higher, and provides for the payment of debts of financial creditors, who do not vote in favour of the resolution plan, in such manner as may be specified by the Board, which shall not be less than the amount to be paid to such creditors in accordance with sub-section (1) of section 53 in the event of a liquidation of the corporate debtor.

Explanation 1. — For removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that a distribution in accordance with the provisions of this clause shall be fair and equitable to such creditors.

Explanation 2.—For the purpose of this clause, it is hereby declared that on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Act, 2019, the provisions of this clause shall also apply to the corporate insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor-

- (i) where a resolution plan has not been approved or rejected by the Adjudicating Authority;
- (ii) where an appeal has been preferred under section 61 or section 62 or such an appeal is not time barred under any provision of law for the time being in force; or
- (iii) where a legal proceeding has been initiated in any court against the decision of the Adjudicating Authority in respect of a resolution plan;
  - (c) provides for the management of the affairs of the Corporate debtor after approval of the resolution plan;
    - (d) the implementation and supervision of the resolution plan;
    - (e) does not contravene any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force
    - (f) conforms to such other requirements as may be specified by the Board.

<sup>2</sup>[Explanation. —For the purposes of clause (e), if any approval of shareholders is required under the Companies Act, 2013(18 of 2013) or any other law for the time being in force for the implementation of actions under the resolution plan, such approval shall be deemed to have been given

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 6 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019), before substitution it stood as "provides for the payment of the debts of operational creditors in such manner as may be specified by the Board which shall not be less than the amount to be paid to the operational creditors in the event of a liquidation of the corporate debtor under section 53;"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. By Act No.26 of 2018, sec.23 (ii) (B) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

and it shall not be a contravention of that Act or law.]

- (3) The resolution professional shall present to the committee of creditors for its approval such resolution plans which confirm the conditions referred to in sub-section (2).
- <sup>1</sup>[(4) The committee of creditors may approve a resolution plan by a vote of **not less than** <sup>2</sup>[sixty-six] **per cent.** of voting share of the financial creditors, after considering its feasibility and viability, <sup>3</sup>[the manner of distribution proposed, which may take into account the order of priority amongst creditors as laid down in sub-section (1) of section 53, including the priority and value of the security interest of a secured creditor] and such other requirements as may be specified by the Board:

Provided that the committee of creditors shall not approve a resolution plan, submitted before the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ord. 7 of 2017), where the resolution applicant is ineligible under section 29A and may require the resolution professional to invite a fresh resolution plan where no other resolution plan is available with it:

Provided further that where the resolution applicant referred to in the first proviso is ineligible under clause (c) of section 29A, the resolution applicant shall be allowed by the committee of creditors such period, not exceeding thirty days, to make payment of overdue amounts in accordance with the proviso to clause (c) of section 29A:

Provided also that nothing in the second proviso shall be construed as extension of period for the purposes of the proviso to sub-section (3) of section 12, and the corporate insolvency resolution process shall be completed within the period specified in that sub-section]:

<sup>4</sup>[Provided also that the eligibility criteria in section 29A as amended by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018 shall apply to the resolution applicant who has not submitted resolution plan as on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018.]

(5) The resolution applicant may attend the meeting of the committee of creditors in which the resolution plan of the applicant is considered:

Provided that the resolution applicant shall not have a right to vote at the meeting of the committee of creditors unless such resolution applicant is also a financial creditor.

(6) The resolution professional shall submit the resolution plan as approved by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 6, for sub-section (4) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017). Sub-section (4), before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(4) The committee of creditors may approve a resolution plan by a vote of not less than seventy five per cent. of voting share of the financial creditors.".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act. No 26 of 2018, sec. 23 (iii) (a) for the words "seventy-five" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 6 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Act. No. 26 of 2018, sec. 23 (iii) (b) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

committee of creditors to the Adjudicating Authority.

#### 31. Approval of resolution plan. -Reg 39,40

(1) If the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the resolution plan as approved by the committee of creditors under subsection (4) of section 30 meets the requirements as referred to in sub-section (2) of section 30, it shall by order approve the resolution plan which shall be binding on the corporate debtor and its employees, members, creditors, <sup>1</sup>[including the Central Government, any State Government or any local authority to whom a debt in respect of the payment of dues arising under any law for the time being in force, such as authorities to whom statutory dues are owed,] guarantors and other stakeholders involved in the resolution plan.

<sup>2</sup>[Provided that the Adjudicating Authority shall, before passing an order for approval of resolution plan under this sub-section, satisfy that the resolution plan has provisions for its effective implementation.]

(2)Where the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the resolution plan does not confirm to the requirements referred to in subsection (1), it may, by an order, reject the resolution plan.

- (3) After the order of approval under sub-section (1), -
- (a) the moratorium order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 14 shall cease to have effect; and
- (b) the resolution professional shall forward all records relating to the conduct of the corporate insolvency resolution process and the resolution plan to the Board to be recorded on its database.

<sup>3</sup>[(4) The resolution applicant shall, pursuant to the resolution plan approved under sub-section (1), obtain the necessary approval required under any law for the time being in force within a period of one year from the date of approval of the resolution plan by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (1) or within such period as provided for in such law, whichever is later:

Provided that where the resolution plan contains a provision for combination, as referred to in section 5 of the Competition Act, 2002, the resolution applicant shall obtain the approval of the Competition Commission of India under that Act prior to the approval of such resolution plan by the committee of creditors.]

#### 32. Appeal. -

Any appeal from an order approving the resolution plan shall be in the manner and on the grounds laid down in sub-section (3) of section 61.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 7 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act. No. 26 of 2018, sec. 24 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act. No. 26 of 2018, sec. 24 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

#### <sup>1</sup>[32A. Liability for prior offences, etc.

(1)Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Code or any other law for the time being in force, the liability of a corporate debtor for an offence committed prior to the commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process shall cease, and the corporate debtor shall not be prosecuted for such an offence from the date the resolution plan has been approved by the Adjudicating Authority under section 31, if the resolution plan results in the change in the management or control of the corporate debtor to a person who was not-

- (a) a promoter or in the management or control of the corporate debtor or a related party of such a person; or
- (b) a person with regard to whom the relevant investigating authority has, on the basis of material in its possession, reason to believe that he had abetted or conspired for the commission of the offence, and has submitted or filed a report or a complaint to the relevant statutory authority or Court:

Provided that if a prosecution had been instituted during the corporate insolvency resolution process against such corporate debtor, it shall stand discharged from the date of approval of the resolution plan subject to requirements of this sub-section having fulfilled:

Provided further that every person who was a "designated partner" as defined in clause (j) of section 2 of the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 or an "officer who is in default", as defined in clause (60) of section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013, or was in any manner in-charge of, or responsible to the corporate debtor for the conduct of its business or associated with the corporate debtor in any manner and who was directly or indirectly involved in the commission of such offence as per the report submitted or complaint filed by the investigating authority, shall continue to be liable to be prosecuted and punished for such an offence committed by the corporate debtor notwithstanding that the corporate debtor's liability has ceased under this sub-section.

- (2) No action shall be taken against the property of the corporate debtor in relation to an offence committed prior to the commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor, where such property is covered under a resolution plan approved by the Adjudicating Authority under section 31, which results in the change in control of the corporate debtor to a person, or sale of liquidation assets under the provisions of Chapter III of Part II of this Code to a person, who was not –
- (i)a promoter or in the management or control of the corporate debtor or a related party of such a person; or
- (ii) a person with regard to whom the relevant investigating authority has, on the basis of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec.10 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

material in its possession, reason to believe that he had abetted or conspired for the commission of the offence, and has submitted or filed a report or a complaint to the relevant statutory authority or Court.

Explanation .- For the purposes of this sub-section, it is hereby clarified that,-

- (i)an action against the property of the corporate debtor in relation to an offence shall include the attachment, seizure, retention or confiscation of such property under such law as may be applicable to the corporate debtor;
- (ii)nothing in this sub-section shall be construed to bar an action against the property of any person, other than the corporate debtor or a person who has acquired such property through corporate insolvency resolution process or liquidation process under this Code and fulfils the requirements specified in this section, against whom such an action may be taken under such law as may be applicable.
- (3)Subject to the provisions contained in sub-sections (1) and (2), and notwithstanding the immunity given in this section, the corporate debtor and any person, who may be required to provide assistance under such law as may be applicable to such corporate debtor or person, shall extend all assistance and co-operation to any authority investigating an offence committed prior to the commencement of the corporate insolvency resolution process.

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR CORPORATE PERSONS) REGULATIONS, 2016

### INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR CORPORATE PERSONS) REGULATIONS, 2016<sup>1</sup>

[AMENDED UPTO 20.09.2022]

**IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG004**. - In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 5, 7, 9, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 29, 30, 196 and 208 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely-

#### **CHAPTER I**

#### **PRELIMINARY**

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st December, 2016.
- (3) These Regulations shall apply to the corporate insolvency resolution process.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - (a) "applicant" means the person(s) filing an application under sections 7, 9 or 10, as the case may be;
  - <sup>2</sup>[(aa) "class of creditors" means a class with at least ten financial creditors under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21 and the expression, "creditors in a class" shall be construed accordingly.]
  - (b) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
  - (c) "Code of Conduct" means the code of conduct for insolvency professionals as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
  - (d) "committee" means a committee of creditors established under section 21;

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm l} \mbox{Vide Notification No. IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG004, dated $30^{\rm th}$ November, $2016, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec. 4, vide No. 432, dated $30^{\rm th}$ November, $2016 (w.e.f. 01-12-2016).}$ 

 $<sup>^2</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated \ 3^{rd} \ July, 2018 \ (w.e.f. \ 04-07-2018).$ 

- (e) "corporate insolvency resolution process" means the insolvency resolution process for corporate persons under Chapter II of Part II of the Code;
- (f) 3[\*\*\*]
- (g) "electronic form" shall have the meaning assigned to it in the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000);
- (h) "electronic means" mean an authorized and secured computer programme which is capable of producing confirmation of sending communication to the participant entitled to receive such communication at the last electronic mail address provided by such participant and keeping record of such communication.
  - 4["(ha) "evaluation matrix" means such parameters to be applied and the manner of applying such parameters, as approved by the committee, for consideration of resolution plans for its approval;
    - (hb)"fair value" means the estimated realizable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if they were to be exchanged on the insolvency commencement date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where the parties had acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion.]
- "identification number" means the Limited Liability Partnership Identification Number or the Corporate Identity Number, as the case may be;
- (j) "insolvency professional entity" means an entity recognised as such under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
- (k) 5["liquidation value" means the estimated realizable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if the corporate debtor were to be liquidated on the insolvency commencement date.]
- "participant" means a person entitled to attend a meeting of the committee under section 24 or any other person authorised by the committee to attend the meeting;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG032, dated 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 05.10.2018). Prior to omission, clause (f) stood as under:-

<sup>&</sup>quot;dissenting financial creditor" means a financial creditor who voted against the resolution plan or abstained from voting for the resolution plan, approved by the committee;"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG024, dated 6th February, 2018 (w.e.f. 06-02-2018).

Substituted by Notification no. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG024, dated 6th February, 2018 (w.e.f. 06-02-2018). Clause (k), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;2(k) "liquidation value" means the amount determined in accordance with Regulation 35;"

- (m) "registered valuer" means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013(18 of 2013) and rules made thereunder;
- (n) "<sup>6</sup>[Schedule-I]" means the <sup>7</sup>[Schedule-I] to these Regulations;
- (o) "section" means section of the Code;
- (p) "video conferencing or other audio and visual means" means such audio and visual facility which enables the participants in a meeting to communicate concurrently with one another and to participate effectively in the meeting.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

#### <sup>8</sup>[2A. Record or evidence of default by financial creditor.

For the purposes of clause (a) of sub-section (3) of section 7 of the Code, the financial creditor may furnish any of the following record or evidence of default, namely:-

(a) certified copy of entries in the relevant account in the bankers' book as defined in clause (3) of section 2 of the Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 1891 (18 of 1891);

(b)an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, where the period of appeal against such order has expired.]

#### <sup>9</sup>[2B. Record or evidence of transaction, debt and default by operational creditor.

The operational creditor shall, alongwith application under section 9, furnish copies of relevant extracts of Form GSTR-1 and Form GSTR-3B filed under the provisions of the relevant laws relating to Goods and Services Tax and the copy of e-way bill wherever applicable:

Provided that provisions of this regulation shall not apply to those operational creditors who do not require registration and to those goods and services which are not covered under any law relating to Goods and Services Tax.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

 $<sup>^8</sup> Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG066, dated\ 13^{th}\ November,\ 2020\ (w.e.f.\ 13-11-2020).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

#### 2C. Submission of information along with application.

The financial creditor or operational creditor shall, while filing application under section 7 or 9, as the case may be, also furnish details of his/ its—

- (a) Permanent Account Number; and
- (b) Email-ID.]

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### **GENERAL**

#### 3. Eligibility for resolution professional.

(1) An insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as <sup>10</sup>[an interim resolution professional or a resolution professional, as the case may be,] for a corporate insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor if he, and all partners and directors of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, are independent of the corporate debtor.

Explanation-A person shall be considered independent of the corporate debtor, if he:

- (a) is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate debtor under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate debtor is a company;
- (b) is not a related party of the corporate debtor; or
- (c) is not an employee or proprietor or a partner:
  - of a firm of auditors or <sup>11</sup>[secretarial auditors] in practice or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or
  - of a legal or a consulting firm, that has or had any transaction with the corporate debtor amounting to <sup>12</sup>[five per cent] or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

in the last three financial years.

<sup>11</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f.01-04-2018). Regulation 3 (1) (c) (i), before substitution, stood as under:

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;a resolution professional".

<sup>&</sup>quot;(i) of a firm of auditors or company secretaries in practice or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or".

12 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3rd July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before

<sup>&</sup>quot;Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3" July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-0/-2018). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;ten per cent"

- <sup>13</sup>[(1A) Where the committee decides to appoint the interim resolution professional as resolution professional or replace the interim resolution professional under section 22 or replace the resolution professional under section 27, it shall obtain the written consent of the proposed resolution professional in Form AA of the <sup>14</sup>[Schedule-I].]
- (2) <sup>15</sup>[An interim resolution professional or a resolution professional, as the case may be,] shall make disclosures at the time of his appointment and thereafter in accordance with the Code of Conduct.
- <sup>16</sup>[(3) An interim resolution professional or a resolution professional, who is a director or a partner of an insolvency professional entity, shall not continue as the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, in a corporate insolvency resolution process, if the insolvency professional entity or any other partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any other stakeholder in that corporate insolvency resolution process.]

#### 4. Access to books.

- (1) Without prejudice to section 17(2)(d), the <sup>17</sup>[interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be,]may access the books of account, records and other relevant documents and information, to the extent relevant for discharging his duties under the Code, of the corporate debtor held with-
  - (a) depositories of securities;
  - (b) professional advisors of the corporate debtor;
  - (c) information utilities;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

 $<sup>^{15}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;a resolution professional".

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Regulation 3 (3), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) A resolution professional, who is a director or a partner of an insolvency professional entity, shall not continue as a resolution professional in a corporate insolvency resolution process if the insolvency professional entity or any other partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any of the other stakeholders in the same corporate insolvency resolution process."

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;interim resolution professional".

- (d) other registries that records the ownership of assets;
- (e) members, promoters, partners, board of directors and joint venture partners of the corporate debtor; and
- (f) contractual counterparties of the corporate debtor.
- 18[(2) The personnel of the corporate debtor, its promoters or any other person associated with the management of the corporate debtor shall provide the information within such time and in such format as sought by the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be.
- (3) The creditor shall provide to the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, the information in respect of assets and liabilities of the corporate debtor from the last valuation report, stock statement, receivables statement, inspection reports of properties, audit report, stock audit report, title search report, technical officers report, bank account statement and such other information which shall assist the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional in preparing the information memorandum, getting valuation determined and in conducting the corporate insolvency resolution process.]

#### <sup>19</sup>[4A. Choice of authorised representative

- On an examination of books of account and other relevant records of the corporate debtor, the interim resolution professional shall ascertain class(s) of creditors, if any.
- (2) For representation of creditors in a class ascertained under sub-regulation (1) in the committee, the interim resolution professional shall identify three insolvency professionals who are-
  - (a) not his relatives or related parties;
  - <sup>20</sup>[(aa) having their addresses, as registered with the Board, in the State or Union Territory, as the case may be, which has the highest number of creditors in the class as per their addresses in the records of the corporate debtor:

Provided that where such State or Union Territory does not have adequate number of insolvency professionals, the insolvency professionals having addresses in a nearby State or Union Territory, as the case may be, shall be considered;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

 $<sup>^{19}</sup> In serted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated \ 3^{rd} \ July, \ 2018 \ (w.e.f. \ 04-07-2018).$ 

 $<sup>^{20}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG064, dated \ 7^{rd} \ August, 2020 \ (w.e.f. \ 07-08-2020).$ 

- (b) eligible to be <sup>21</sup>[resolution professional] under regulation 3;and
- (c) willing to act as authorised representative of creditors in the class.
- (3) The interim resolution professional shall obtain the consent of each insolvency professional identified under sub-regulation (2) to act as the authorised representative of creditors in the class in Form AB of the <sup>22</sup>[Schedule-I].]

#### <sup>23</sup>[4B. Disclosure of change in name and address of corporate debtor.

Where a corporate debtor has changed its name or registered office address during the period of two years preceding the insolvency commencement date, the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, shall disclose all the former name(s) and registered office address(es) so changed along with the current name and registered office address in every communication, record, proceeding or any other document.]

#### <sup>24</sup>[4C. Process e-mail.

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall open an email account and use it for all correspondences with stakeholders and in the event of his replacement by a resolution professional, shall handover the credentials of the email to him.
- (2) The resolution professional shall, in case of his replacement with another resolution professional or a liquidator, hand over the credentials of the email to the other resolution professional or the liquidator, as the case may be.]

#### 5. Extortionate credit transaction.

A transaction shall be considered extortionate under section 50(2) where the terms:

- require the corporate debtor to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided;
   or
- (2) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

 $<sup>^{21}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;insolvency professionals".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Inserted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022)

#### **CHAPTER III**

#### **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### 6. Public announcement.

(1) An insolvency professional shall make a public announcement immediately on his appointment as an interim resolution professional.

Explanation: 'Immediately' means not later than three days from the date of his appointment.

- (2) The public announcement referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall:
  - (a) be in Form A of the 25 [Schedule-I];
  - (b) be published-
    - in one English and one regional language newspaper with wide circulation at the location of the registered office and principal office, if any, of the corporate debtor and any other location where in the opinion of the interim resolution professional, the corporate debtor conducts material business operations;
    - (ii) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor; and
    - (iii) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose,

<sup>26</sup>[(ba) state where claim forms can be downloaded or obtained from, as the case may be;

(bb) offer choice of three insolvency professionals identified under regulation 4A to act as the authorised representative of creditors in each class; and]

- (c) provide the last date for submission of proofs of claim, which shall be fourteen days from the date of appointment of the interim resolution professional.
- (3) The applicant shall bear the expenses of the public announcement which may be reimbursed by the committee to the extent it ratifies them.

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

 $<sup>^{26}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated \ 3^{rd} \ July, \ 2018 \ (w.e.f. \ 04-07-2018).$ 

#### 27[\*\*\*]

#### <sup>28</sup>[6A. Communication to creditors.

The interim resolution professional shall send a communication along with a copy of public announcement made under regulation 6, to all the creditors as per the last available books of accounts of the corporate debtor through post or electronic means wherever the information for communication is available.

Provided that where it is not possible to send a communication to creditors, the public announcement made under regulation 6 shall be deemed to be the communicated to such creditors.]

#### **CHAPTER IV**

#### PROOF OF CLAIMS

#### 7. Claims by operational creditors.

(1) A person claiming to be an operational creditor, other than workman or employee of the corporate debtor, shall <sup>29</sup>[submit claim with proof] to the interim resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in Form B of the <sup>30</sup>[Schedule-I]:

*Provided* that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim before the constitution of the committee.

- (2) The existence of debt due to the operational creditor under this Regulation may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents, including -
    - (i) a contract for the supply of goods and services with corporate debtor;
    - an invoice demanding payment for the goods and services supplied to the corporate debtor;

 $<sup>^{27}</sup>Omitted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031,\ dated\ 3^{rd}\ July,\ 2018\ (w.e.f.\ 04-07-2018).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Inserted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022)

 $<sup>^{29}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;submit proof of claim".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022)Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

- (iii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any; or
- (iv) financial accounts.
- 31[(v) copies of relevant extracts of Form GSTR-1 and Form GSTR-3B filed under the provisions of the relevant laws relating to Goods and Services Tax and the copy of e-way bill wherever applicable:

Provided that provisions of this sub-clause shall not apply to those creditors who do not require registration and to those goods and services which are not covered under any law relating to Goods and Services Tax.]

#### 8. Claims by financial creditors.

(1) A person claiming to be a <sup>32</sup>[financial creditor, other than a financial creditor belonging to a class of creditors, shall submit claim with proof] to the interim resolution professional in electronic form in Form C of the <sup>33</sup>[Schedule-I]:

*Provided* that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim before the constitution of the committee.

- (2) The existence of debt due to the financial creditor may be proved on the basis of -
  - (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents, including -
    - (i) a financial contract supported by financial statements as evidence of the debt;
    - a record evidencing that the amounts committed by the financial creditor to the corporate debtor under a facility has been drawn by the corporate debtor;
    - (iii) financial statements showing that the debt has not been <sup>34</sup>[paid]; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

 $<sup>^{32}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;financial creditor of the corporate debtor shall submit proof of claim".

 $<sup>^{33}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $^{13}$ th September, 2022 (w.e.f.  $^{13}$ -09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

 $<sup>^{34}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as - "repaid".

an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any.

#### <sup>35</sup>[8A. Claims by creditors in a class.

- (1) A person claiming to be a creditor in a class shall submit claim with proof to the interim resolution professional in electronic form in Form CA of the <sup>36</sup>[Schedule-I]
- (2) The existence of debt due to a creditor in a class may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents, including any-
    - (i) agreement for sale;
    - (ii) letter of allotment;
    - (iii) receipt of payment made; or
    - (iv) such other document, evidencing existence of debt.
- (3) A creditor in a class may indicate its choice of an insolvency professional, from amongst the three choices provided by the interim resolution professional in the public announcement, to act as its authorised representative.]

#### 9. Claims by workmen and employees.

(1) A person claiming to be a workman or an employee of the corporate debtor shall submit <sup>37</sup>[claim with proof] to the interim resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in Form D of the 38 [Schedule-I]:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018).

<sup>36</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;proof of claim".

38 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

Provided that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim, on his own or if required by the interim resolution professional, before the constitution of the committee.

- (2) Where there are dues to numerous workmen or employees of the corporate debtor, an authorised representative may submit one <sup>39</sup>[claim with proof] for all such dues on their behalf in Form E of the 40 [Schedule-I].
- The existence of dues to workmen or employees may be proved by them, individually or (3) collectively on the basis of -
  - (a) records available with an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents, including -
    - (i) a proof of employment such as contract of employment for the period for which such workman or employee is claiming dues;
    - (ii) evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid dues and any documentary or other proof that payment has not been made; or
    - an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a dues, if any.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;proof of claim".

40 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

#### <sup>41</sup>[9A. Claims by other creditors.

- (1) A person claiming to be a creditor, other than those covered under <sup>42</sup>[regulation 7, 8, 8A or 9], shall submit <sup>43</sup>[its claim with proof] to the interim resolution professional or resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in Form F of the 44 [Schedule-I].
- (2) The existence of the claim of the creditor referred to in sub-section (1) may be proved on the basis of-
- (a) the records available in an information utility, if any, or
  - (b)other relevant documents sufficient to establish the claim, including any or all of the
  - documentary evidence demanding satisfaction of the claim;
  - (ii) bank statements of the creditor showing non-satisfaction of claim;
  - an order of court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon non-satisfaction of claim, if (iii) any.]

#### 10. Substantiation of claims.

The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a creditor for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

#### 11. Cost of proof.

A creditor shall bear the cost of proving the debt due to such creditor.

#### 12. Submission of proof of claims.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/ REG013, dated 16th August, 2017, (w.e.f. 16-8-2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;regulation 7, 8 or 9".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;proof of claim".

4 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

- (1) Subject to sub-regulation (2), a creditor shall submit <sup>45</sup>[claim with proof] on or before the last date mentioned in the public announcement.
- 46[(2) A creditor, who fails to submit claim with proof within the time stipulated in the public announcement, may submit the claim with proof to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, on or before the ninetieth day of the insolvency commencement date.]
- (3) Where the creditor in sub-regulation (2) is  ${}^{47}$ [a financial creditor under regulation 8], it shall be included in the committee from the date of admission of such claim:

Provided that such inclusion shall not affect the validity of any decision taken by the committee prior to such inclusion.

#### <sup>48</sup>[12A. Updation of claim.

A creditor shall update its claim as and when the claim is satisfied, partly or fully, from any source in any manner, after the insolvency commencement date.]

#### 13. Verification of claims.

- (1) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall verify every claim, as on the insolvency commencement date, within seven days from the last date of the receipt of the claims, and thereupon maintain a list of creditors containing names of creditors along with the amount claimed by them, the amount of their claims admitted and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims, and update it.
- (2) The list of creditors shall be
  - (a) available for inspection by the persons who submitted proofs of claim;
  - (b) available for inspection by members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate debtor <sup>49</sup>[or their authorised representatives];

 $<sup>^{45}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;proof of claim"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Sub regulation (2) of regulation 12, before substitution stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;A creditor, who failed to submit proof of claim within the time stipulated in the public announcement, may submit such proof to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, till the approval of a resolution plan by the committee."

 $<sup>^{47}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before substitution the words stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;a financial creditor".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup>Insetfelby/Notification/No. IBBH720212226NPREG0795, dated 154Margh26924 (west. 1450932694)).

(c) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;

<sup>50</sup>[(ca) filed on the electronic platform of the Board for dissemination on its website:

Provided that this clause shall apply to every corporate insolvency resolution process ongoing and commencing on or after the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations, 2020;

- (d) filed with the Adjudicating Authority; and
- (e) presented at the first meeting of the committee.

#### 14. Determination of amount of claim.

- (1) Where the amount claimed by a creditor is not precise due to any contingency or other reason, the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim based on the information available with him.
- (2) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall revise the amounts of claims admitted, including the estimates of claims made under subregulation (1), as soon as may be practicable, when he comes across additional information warranting such revision.

#### 15. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the insolvency commencement date.

Explanation - "official exchange rate" is the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

#### **CHAPTER V**

#### **COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS**

#### 16. Committee with only operational creditors.

- (1) Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or where all financial creditors are related parties of the corporate debtor, the committee shall be set up in accordance with this Regulation.
- (2) The committee formed under this Regulation shall consist of members as under -

<sup>50</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG066, dated 13th November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

- (a) eighteen largest operational creditors by value:
  - *Provided* that if the number of operational creditors is less than eighteen, the committee shall include all such operational creditors;
- (b) one representative elected by all workmen other than those workmen included under sub-clause (a); and
- (c) one representative elected by all employees other than those employees included under sub-clause (a).
- (3) A member of the committee formed under this Regulation shall have voting rights in proportion of the debt due to such creditor or debt represented by such representative, as the case may be, to the total debt.

Explanation – For the purposes of this sub-regulation, 'total debt' is the sum of-

- (a) the amount of debt due to the creditors listed in sub-regulation 2(a);
- (b) the amount of the aggregate debt due to workmen under sub-regulation 2(b); and
- (c) the amount of the aggregate debt due to employees under sub-regulation 2(c).
- (4) A committee formed under this Regulation and its members shall have the same rights, powers, duties and obligations as a committee comprising financial creditors and its members, as the case may be.

#### <sup>51</sup>[16A. Authorised representative.

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall select the insolvency professional, who is the choice of the highest number of financial creditors in the class in Form CA received under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 12, to act as the authorised representative of the creditors of the respective class:
  - Provided that the choice for an insolvency professional to act as authorised representative in Form CA received under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 12 shall not be considered.
- (2) The interim resolution professional shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for appointment of the authorised representatives selected under sub-regulation (1) within two days of the verification of claims received under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 12.
- (3) Any delay in appointment of the authorised representative for any class of creditors shall not affect the validity of any decision taken by the committee.

 $<sup>^{51}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBL/2018-19/\ GN/\ REG031, dated \ 3^{rd}\ July, \ 2018 \ (w.e.f.\ 04.07.2018).$ 

- (4) The interim resolution professional shall provide the list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative appointed by the Adjudicating Authority.
- (5) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall provide an updated list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative as and when the list is updated.
  - Clarification: The authorised representative shall have no role in receipt or verification of claims of creditors of the class he represents.
- (6) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall provide electronic means of communication between the authorised representative and the creditors in the class
- (7) The voting share of a creditor in a class shall be in proportion to the financial debt which includes an interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum unless a different rate has been agreed to between the parties.
- (8) The authorised representative of creditors in a class shall be entitled to receive fee for every meeting of the committee attended by him in the following manner, namely: -

Number of creditors in the class	Fee per meeting of the committee (Rs.)	
10-100	15,000	
101-1000	20,000	
More than 1000	25,000	

<sup>52</sup>[(9) The authorised representative shall circulate the agenda to creditors in a class, and may seek their preliminary views on any item in the agenda to enable him to effectively participate in the meeting of the committee:

Provided that creditors shall have a time window of at least twelve hours to submit their preliminary views, and the said window opens at least twenty-four hours after the authorised representative seeks preliminary views:

Provided further that such preliminary views shall not be considered as voting instructions by the creditors.]

## 16B. Committee with only creditors in a class.

Where the corporate debtor has only creditors in a class and no other financial creditor eligible to join the committee, the committee shall consist of only the authorised representative(s).]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG064, dated 7th August, 2020 (w.e.f. 07-08-2020). Before substitution it stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(9) The authorised representative shall circulate the agenda to creditors in a class and announce the voting window at least twenty-four hours before the window opens for voting instructions and keep the voting window open for at least twelve hours."

## 17. <sup>53</sup>[Constitution of committee.

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall file a report certifying constitution of the committee to the Adjudicating Authority within two days of the verification of claims received under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 12.
- <sup>54</sup>[(1A) The committee and members of the committee shall discharge functions and exercise powers under the Code and these regulations in respect of corporate insolvency resolution process in compliance with the guidelines as may be issued by the Board.]
- (2) The interim resolution professional shall hold the first meeting of the committee within seven days of filing the report under this regulation.
- (3) Where the appointment of resolution professional is delayed, the interim resolution professional shall perform the functions of the resolution professional from the fortieth day of the insolvency commencement date till a resolution professional is appointed under section 22.]

#### **CHAPTER VI**

## **MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE**

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## 18. Meetings of the committee.

- A resolution professional may convene a meeting of the committee as and when he considers necessary.
- (2) A resolution professional may convene a meeting, if he considers it necessary, on a request received from members of the committee and shall convene a meeting if the same is made by members of the committee representing at least thirty three per cent of the voting rights.

substitution, it stood as: -

(1)The interim resolution professional shall file a report certifying constitution of the committee to the Adjudicating Authority on or before the expiry of thirty days from the date of his appointment.

(2) The interim resolution professional shall convene the first meeting of the committee within seven days of filing the report under this Regulation.".

 $<sup>^{53}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{rd}$ July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). regulation 17, before substitution stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;17. First meeting of the committee.

Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG078, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).
 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG080, dated 9th February, 2022 (w.e.f. 09-02-2022). Before

<sup>&</sup>quot;18. Meetings of the committee A resolution professional may convene a meeting of the committee as and when he considers necessary, and shall convene a meeting if a request to that effect is made by members of the committee representing thirty three per cent of the voting rights."

<sup>56</sup>[Explanation: For the purposes of sub-regulation (2) it is clarified that meeting (s) may be convened under this sub-regulation till the resolution plan is approved under sub-section (1) of section 31 or order for liquidation is passed under section 33 and decide on matters which do not affect the resolution plan submitted before the Adjudicating Authority.]

- (3) A resolution professional may place a proposal received from members of the committee in a meeting, if he considers it necessary and shall place the proposal if the same is made by members of the committee representing at least thirty three per cent of the voting rights.]
- 19. <sup>57</sup>[(1) Subject to this Regulation, a meeting of the committee shall be called by giving not less than five days' notice in writing to every participant, at the address it has provided to <sup>58</sup>[the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be,] and such notice may be sent by hand delivery, or by post but in any event, be served on every participant by electronic means in accordance with Regulation 20.

(2) The committee may reduce the notice period from five days to such other period of not less than twenty-four hours, as it deems fit:

Provided that the committee may reduce the period to such other period of not less than forty-eight hours if there is any authorised representative.]

#### 20. Service of notice by electronic means.

- (1) A notice by electronic means may be sent to the participants through e-mail as a text or as an attachment to e-mail or as a notification providing electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator for accessing such notice.
- (2) The subject line in e-mail shall state the name of the corporate debtor, the place, if any, the time and the date on which the meeting is scheduled.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Inserted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022)

 $<sup>^{57}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). regulation 19, before substitution stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;19. Notice for meetings of the committee.

<sup>(1)</sup> Subject to this Regulation, a meeting of the committee shall be called by giving not less than seven days' notice in writing to every participant, at the address it has provided to the resolution professional and such notice may be sent by hand delivery, or by post but in any event, be served on every participant by electronic means in accordance with Regulation 20.

<sup>(2)</sup> The committee may reduce the notice period from seven days to such other period of not less than twenty four hours, as it deems fit."

 $<sup>^{58}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, the words stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;the resolution professional"

- (3) If notice is sent in the form of a non-editable attachment to an e-mail, such attachment shall be in the Portable Document Format or in a non-editable format together with a 'link or instructions' for recipient for downloading relevant version of the software.
- (4) When notice or notifications of availability of notice are sent by an e-mail, the resolution professional shall ensure that it uses a system which produces confirmation of the total number of recipients e-mailed and a record of each recipient to whom the notice has been sent and copy of such record and any notices of any failed transmissions and subsequent re-sending shall be retained as "proof of sending".
- (5) The obligation of the resolution professional shall be satisfied when he transmits the e-mail and he shall not be held responsible for a failure in transmission beyond its control.
- (6) The notice made available on the electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator shall be readable, and the recipient should be able to obtain and retain copies and the resolution professional shall give the complete Uniform Resource Locator or address of the website and full details of how to access the document or information.
- (7) If a participant, other than a member of the committee, fails to provide or update the relevant e-mail address to the resolution professional, the non-receipt of such notice by such participant of any meeting shall not invalidate the decisions taken at such meeting.

## 21. Contents of the notice for meeting.

- (1) The notice shall inform the participants of the venue, the time and date of the meeting and of the option available to them to participate through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, and shall also provide all the necessary information to enable participation through video conferencing or other audio and visual means.
- (2) The notice of the meeting shall provide that a participant may attend and vote in the meeting either in person or through an authorised representative:

*Provided* that such participant shall inform the resolution professional, in advance of the meeting, of the identity of the authorised representative who will attend and vote at the meeting on its behalf.

## <sup>59</sup>[(3) The notice of the meeting shall contain the following-

<sup>59</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG032 dated 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 05.10.2018). Subregulation (3), prior to the substitution, stood as under:-

- "(3) The notice of the meeting shall-
- (a) contain an agenda of the meeting with the following-
  - (i) a list of the matters to be discussed at the meeting;
  - (ii) a list of the issues to be voted abon at the meeting; and

- (i) a list of the matters to be discussed at the meeting;
- (ii) a list of the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and
- (iii)copies of all documents relevant to the matters to be discussed and the issues to be voted upon at the meeting.]

## (4) The notice of the meeting shall-

- (a) state the process and manner for voting by electronic means and the time schedule, including the time period during which the votes may be cast:
- (b) provide the login ID and the details of a facility for generating password and for keeping security and casting of vote in a secure manner; and
- (c) provide contact details of the person who will address the queries connected with the electronic voting.

#### 22. Quorum at the meeting.

(1) A meeting of the committee shall be quorate if members of the committee representing at least thirty three percent of the voting rights are present either in person or by video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

*Provided* that the committee may modify the percentage of voting rights required for quorum in respect of any future meetings of the committee.

- (2) Where a meeting of the committee could not be held for want of quorum, unless the committee has previously decided otherwise, the meeting shall automatically stand adjourned at the same time and place on the next day.
- (3) In the event a meeting of the committee is adjourned in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the adjourned meeting shall be quorate with the members of the committee attending the meeting.

## 23. Participation through video conferencing.

(1) The notice convening the meetings of the committee shall provide the participants an option to attend the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means in accordance with this Regulation.

<sup>(</sup>iii) copies of all documents relevant to the matters to be discussed and the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and

<sup>(</sup>b) state that a vote of the members of the committee shall not be taken at the meeting unless all members are present at such meeting."

- (2) The resolution professional shall make necessary arrangements to ensure uninterrupted and clear video or audio and visual connection.
- (3) The resolution professional shall take due and reasonable care-
  - to safeguard the integrity of the meeting by ensuring sufficient security and identification procedures;
  - (b) to ensure availability of proper video conferencing or other audio and visual equipment or facilities for providing transmission of the communications for effective participation of the participants at the meeting;
  - (c) to record proceedings and prepare the minutes of the meeting;
  - to store for safekeeping and marking the physical recording(s) or other electronic recording mechanism as part of the records of the corporate debtor;
  - to ensure that no person other than the intended participants attends or has access to the proceedings of the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means; and
  - (f) to ensure that participants attending the meeting through audio and visual means are able to hear and see, if applicable, the other participants clearly during the course of the meeting:

*Provided* that the persons, who are differently abled, may make request to the resolution professional to allow a person to accompany him at the meeting.

(4) Where a meeting is conducted through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, the scheduled venue of the meeting as set forth in the notice convening the meeting, which shall be in India, shall be deemed to be the place of the said meeting and all recordings of the proceedings at the meeting shall be deemed to be made at such place.

## 24. Conduct of meeting.

- (1) The resolution professional shall act as the chairperson of the meeting of the committee.
- (2) At the commencement of a meeting, the resolution professional shall take a roll call when every participant attending through video conferencing or other audio and visual means shall state, for the record, the following,-
  - (a) his name;
  - (b) whether he is attending in the capacity of a member of the committee or any other participant;

- (c) whether he is representing a member or group of members;
- (d) the location from where he is participating;
- (e) that he has received the agenda and all the relevant material for the meeting; and
- (f) that no one other than him is attending or has access to the proceedings of the meeting at the location of that person.
- (3) After the roll call, the resolution professional shall inform the participants of the names of all persons who are present for the meeting and confirm if the required quorum is complete.
- (4) The resolution professional shall ensure that the required quorum is present throughout the meeting.
- (5) From the commencement of the meeting till its conclusion, no person other than the participants and any other person whose presence is required by the resolution professional shall be allowed access to the place where meeting is held or to the video conferencing or other audio and visual facility, without the permission of the resolution professional.
- (6) The resolution professional shall ensure that minutes are made in relation to each meeting of the committee and such minutes shall disclose the particulars of the participants who attended the meeting in person, through video conferencing, or other audio and visual means.
- (7) The resolution professional shall circulate the minutes of the meeting to all participants by electronic means within forty eight hours of the said meeting.

#### **CHAPTER VII VOTING BY THE COMMITTEE**

#### 25. Voting by the committee.

- (1) The actions listed in section 28(1) shall be considered in meetings of the committee.
- (2) Any action other than those listed in section 28(1)requiring approval of the committee may be considered in meetings of the committee.
- (3) <sup>60</sup>[The resolution professional shall take a vote of the members of the committee present in the meeting, on any item listed for voting after discussion on the same.]

<sup>60</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Sub – regulation 3, before substitution stood as-

- (4) At the conclusion of a vote at the meeting, the resolution professional shall announce the decision taken on items along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision, or abstained from voting.
- <sup>61</sup> I(5) The resolution professional shall-

(a)circulate the minutes of the meeting by electronic means to all members of the committee and the authorised representative, if any, within forty-eight hours of the conclusion of the meeting; and

(b)seek a vote of the members who did not vote at the meeting on the matters listed for voting, by electronic voting system in accordance with regulation 26 where the voting shall be kept open for at least twenty-four hours from the circulation of the minutes.

(6) The authorised representative shall circulate the minutes of the meeting received under sub-regulation (5) to creditors in a class and announce the voting window at least twentyfour hours before the window opens for voting instructions and keep the voting window open for at least twelve hours.]

#### <sup>62</sup>[25A.Voting by Authorised Representative.

The authorised representative shall cast his vote in respect of each financial creditor or on behalf of all financial creditors he represents in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3) or sub-section (3A) of section 25A, as the case may be.]

## 26. Voting through electronic means.

(1) The resolution professional shall provide each member of the committee the means to exercise its vote by either electronic means or through electronic voting system in accordance with the provisions of this Regulation.

Explanation- For the purposes of these Regulations-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) Where all members are present in a meeting, the resolution professional shall take a vote of the members of the committee on any item listed for voting after discussion on the same.".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-19/REG032, dated 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 05.10.2018). Prior to the substitution, sub- regulation (5) stood as under:-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(5) The resolution professional shall-

<sup>(</sup>a) circulate the minutes of the meeting by electronic means to all members of the committee within fortyeight hours of the conclusion of the meeting; and

<sup>(</sup>b) seek a vote of the members who did not vote at the meeting on the matters listed for voting, by electronic voting system in accordance with regulation 26 where the voting shall be kept open for twenty-four hours from the circulation of the minutes, for."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated 27th November, 2019 (w.e.f. 28.11.2019).

- (a) the expressions "voting by electronic means" or "electronic voting system" means a "secured system" based process of display of electronic ballots, recording of votes of the members of the committee and the number of votes polled in favour or against, such that the voting exercised by way of electronic means gets registered and counted in an electronic registry in a centralized server with adequate cyber security;
- (b) the expression "secured system" means computer hardware, software, and procedure that -
  - (i) are reasonably secure from unauthorized access and misuse;
  - (ii) provide a reasonable level of reliability and correct operation;
  - (iii) are reasonably suited to perform the intended functions; and
  - (iv) adhere to generally accepted security procedures.

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- (3) At the end of the voting period, the voting portal shall forthwith be blocked.
- (4) At the conclusion of a vote held under this Regulation, the resolution professional shall announce and make a written record of the summary of the decision taken on a relevant agenda item along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision, or abstained from voting.
- (5) The resolution professional shall circulate a copy of the record made under sub-regulation (4) to all participants by electronic means within twenty four hours of the conclusion of the voting.

## **CHAPTER VIII**

## **CONDUCT OF CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS**

 $<sup>^{63}</sup>$ Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated  $27^{th}$  November, 2019 (w.e.f. 28.11.2019). Prior to omission, it stood as under:-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1A) The authorised representative shall exercise the votes either by electronic means or through electronic voting system as per the voting instructions received by him from the creditors in the class pursuant to sub-regulation (6) of regulation 25."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup>Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Sub – regulation (2) of regulation 26, before omission stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(2) Once a vote on a resolution is cast by a member of the committee, such member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently."

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## 27. Appointment of Professionals.

- (1)The resolution professional shall, within seven days of his appointment but not later than forty-seventh day from the insolvency commencement date, appoint two registered valuers to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor in accordance with regulation 35.
- (2)The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, may appoint any professional, in addition to registered valuers under sub-regulation (1), to assist him in discharge of his duties in conduct of the corporate insolvency resolution process, if he is of the opinion that the services of such professional are required and such services are not available with the corporate debtor.
- (3)The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall appoint a professional under this regulation on an arm's length basis following an objective and transparent process:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed, namely: -

- (a) a relative of the resolution professional;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the period of five years preceding the insolvency commencement date;
- (d)a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.
- (4) The invoice for fee and other expenses incurred by a professional appointed under this regulation shall be raised in the name of the professional and be paid directly into the bank account of such professional.]

## 28. Transfer of debt due to creditors.

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as registered valuers, namely:

- (a) a relative of the resolution professional;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the insolvency commencement date; or
- (d) a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before substitution, Regulation 27 stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;27. Appointment of registered valuers. The resolution professional shall within seven days of his appointment, but not later than forty-seventh day from the insolvency commencement date, appoint two registered valuers to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor in accordance with regulation 35:

- (1) In the event a creditor assigns or transfers the debt due to such creditor to any other person during the insolvency resolution process period, both parties shall provide the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, the terms of such assignment or transfer and the identity of the assignee or transferee.
- (2) The resolution professional shall notify each participant and the Adjudicating Authority of any resultant change in the committee within two days of such change.

## 29. Sale of assets outside the ordinary course of business.

(1) The resolution professional may sell unencumbered asset(s) of the corporate debtor, other than in the ordinary course of business, if he is of the opinion that such a sale is necessary for a better realisation of value under the facts and circumstances of the case:

*Provided* that the book value of all assets sold during corporate insolvency resolution process period in aggregate under this sub-regulation shall not exceed ten percent of the total claims admitted by the interim resolution professional.

- (2) A sale of assets under this Regulation shall require the <sup>66</sup>[approval of the committee by a vote of sixty-six per cent of voting share of the members].
- (3) A bona fide purchaser of assets sold under this Regulation shall have a free and marketable title to such assets notwithstanding the terms of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor, shareholders' agreement, joint venture agreement or other document of a similar nature.

## 30. Assistance of local district administration.

The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for an order seeking the assistance of the local district administration in discharging his duties under the Code or these Regulations.

## <sup>67</sup>[30 A. Withdrawal of application.

 $<sup>^{66}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). The words before substitution stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;approval of the committee".

<sup>67</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;30A. Withdrawal of application.

<sup>(1)</sup> An application for withdrawal under section 12A shall be submitted to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, in Form FA of the Schedule before issue of invitation for expression of interest under regulation 36A.

<sup>(2)</sup> The application in sub-regulation (1) shall be accompanied by a bank guarantee towards estimated cost incurred for purposes of clauses (c) and (d) of regulation 3 I till the date of application.

- (1) An application for withdrawal under section 12A may be made to the Adjudicating Authority
  - (a) before the constitution of the committee, by the applicant through the interim resolution professional;
  - (b) after the constitution of the committee, by the applicant through the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be:

Provided that where the application is made under clause (b) after the issue of invitation for expression of interest under regulation 36A, the applicant shall state the reasons justifying withdrawal after issue of such invitation.

(2) The application under sub-regulation (1) shall be made in Form FA of the <sup>68</sup>[Schedule-I accompanied by a bank guarantee-

(a)towards estimated expenses incurred on or by the interim resolution professional for purposes of regulation 33, till the date of filing of the application under clause (a) of sub-regulation (1); or

(b)towards estimated expenses incurred for purposes of clauses (aa), (ab), (c) and (d) of regulation 31, till the date of filing of the application under clause (b) of sub-regulation (1).

- (3) Where an application for withdrawal is under clause (a) of sub-regulation (1), the interim resolution professional shall submit the application to the Adjudicating Authority on behalf of the applicant, within three days of its receipt.
- (4) Where an application for withdrawal is under clause (b) of sub-regulation (1), the committee shall consider the application, within seven days of its receipt.
- (5) Where the application referred to in sub-regulation (4) is approved by the committee with ninety percent voting share, the resolution professional shall submit such application along with the approval of the committee, to the Adjudicating Authority on behalf of the applicant, within three days of such approval.

<sup>(3)</sup>The committee shall consider the application made under sub-regulation (1) within seven days of its constitution or seven days of receipt of the application, whichever is later.

<sup>(4)</sup>Where the application is approved by the committee with ninety percent voting share, the resolution professional shall submit the application under sub-regulation (1) to the Adjudicating Authority on behalf of the applicant, within three days of such approval.

<sup>(5)</sup> The Adjudicating Authority may, by order, approve the application submitted under sub-regulation (4)."

68 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

- (6) The Adjudicating Authority may, by order, approve the application submitted under subregulation (3) or (5).
- (7) Where the application is approved under sub-regulation (6), the applicant shall deposit an amount, towards the actual expenses incurred for the purposes referred to in clause (a) or clause (b) of sub-regulation (2) till the date of approval by the Adjudicating Authority, as determined by the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, within three days of such approval, in the bank account of the corporate debtor, failing which the bank guarantee received under sub-regulation (2) shall be invoked, without prejudice to any other action permissible against the applicant under the Code.]

#### CHAPTER IX

#### **INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS COSTS**

#### 31. Insolvency resolution process costs.

"Insolvency resolution process costs" under Section 5(13)(e) shall mean-

- (a) amounts due to suppliers of essential goods and services under Regulation 32;
- <sup>69</sup>[(aa) fee payable to authorised representative under <sup>70</sup>[sub-regulation (8)] of regulation 16A;
  - (ab) out of pocket expenses of authorised representative for discharge of his functions under  $^{71}$ [section 25A];]
- (b) amounts due to a person whose rights are prejudicially affected on account of the moratorium imposed under section 14(1)(d);
- <sup>72</sup>[(ba) fee payable to the Board under regulation 31A;]
- expenses incurred on or by the interim resolution professional to the extent ratified under Regulation 33;
- (d) expenses incurred on or by the resolution professional fixed under Regulation 34; and

 $<sup>^{69}</sup>$ Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as: "sub-regulation (7)".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution, it stood as: "section 25".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG096, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01-10-2022).

 (e) other costs directly relating to the corporate insolvency resolution process and approved by the committee.

## <sup>73</sup>[31A. Regulatory Fee

(1) A regulatory fee calculated at the rate of 0.25 per cent of the realisable value to creditors under the resolution plan approved under section 31, shall be payable to the Board, where such realisable value is more than the liquidation value:

Provided that this sub-regulation shall be applicable where resolution plan is approved under section 31, on or after  $1^{\rm st}$  October 2022.

(2) A regulatory fee calculated at the rate of one per cent of the cost being booked in insolvency resolution process costs in respect of hiring any professional or other services by the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, for assistance in a corporate insolvency resolution process, shall be payable to the Board, in the manner as specified in clause (cb) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation (7) of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.]

## 32. Essential supplies.

The essential goods and services referred to in section 14(2) shall mean-

- (1) electricity;
- (2) water;
- (3) telecommunication services; and
- (4) information technology services,

to the extent these are not a direct input to the output produced or supplied by the corporate debtor.

*Illustration*-Water supplied to a corporate debtor will be essential supplies for drinking and sanitation purposes, and not for generation of hydro-electricity.

## 33. Costs of the interim resolution professional.

(1) The applicant shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the interim resolution professional.

<sup>73</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG096, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01-10-2022).

- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall fix expenses where the applicant has not fixed expenses under sub-regulation (1).
- (3) The applicant shall bear the expenses which shall be reimbursed by the committee to the extent it ratifies.
- (4) The amount of expenses ratified by the committee shall be treated as insolvency resolution process costs.

<sup>74</sup>[Explanation. - For the purposes of this regulation, "expenses" include the fee to be paid to the interim resolution professional, fee to be paid to insolvency professional entity, if any, and fee to be paid to professionals, if any, and other expenses to be incurred by the interim resolution professional.]

## 34. Resolution professional costs.

The committee shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the resolution professional and the expenses shall constitute insolvency resolution process costs.

<sup>75</sup>[Explanation. - For the purposes of this regulation, "expenses" include the fee to be paid to the resolution professional, fee to be paid to insolvency professional entity, if any, and fee to be paid to professionals, if any, and other expenses to be incurred by the resolution professional.

#### <sup>76</sup>[34 A. Disclosure of Costs.

The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall disclose item wise insolvency resolution process costs in such manner as may be required by the Board.]

## <sup>77</sup>[34B. Fee to be paid to interim resolution professional and resolution professional.

(1) The fee of interim resolution professional or resolution professional, under regulation 33 and 34, shall be decided by the applicant or committee in accordance with this regulation.

 $<sup>^{74}</sup>Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated  $27^{th}$  March, 2018 (w.e.f.01-04-2018). The explanation to Regulation 33, before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Explanation-For the purposes of this Regulation, "expenses" mean the fee to be paid to the interim resolution professional and other expenses, including the cost of engaging professional advisors, to be incurred by the interim resolution professional."

 $<sup>^{75}</sup>Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated  $27^{th}March,\,2018$  (w.e.f.01-04-2018). The explanation to Regulation 34, before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Explanation- For the purposes of this Regulation, "expenses" mean the fee to be paid to the resolution professional and other expenses, including the cost of engaging professional advisors, to be incurred by the resolution professional.".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 (w.e.f.01-04-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022)

(2) The fee of the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, appointed on or after 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022, shall not be less than the fee specified in clause 1 for the period specified in clause 2 of Schedule-II:

Provided that the applicant or the committee may decide to fix higher amount of fee for the reasons to be recorded, taking into consideration market factors such as size and scale of business operations of corporate debtor, business sector in which corporate debtor operates, level of operating economic activity of corporate debtor and complexity related to process.

- (3) After the expiry of period mentioned in clause 2 of Schedule-II, the fee of the interim resolution professional or resolution professional shall be as decided by the applicant or committee, as the case may be.
- (4) For the resolution plan approved by the committee on or after 1st October 2022, the committee may decide, in its discretion, to pay performance-linked incentive fee, not exceeding five crore rupees, in accordance with clause 3 and clause 4 of Schedule-II or may extend any other performance-linked incentive structure as it deems necessary.
- (5) The fee under this regulation may be paid from the funds, available with the corporate debtor, contributed by the applicant or members of the committee and/or raised by way of interim finance and shall be included in the insolvency resolution process cost.]

#### **CHAPTER X**

## RESOLUTION PLAN

## 35. 78[Fair value and Liquidation value.

<sup>78</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/ REG024, dated 6th February, 2018 (w.e.f. 06-02-2018). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 35 stood as under: -

## "35. Liquidation value.

Liquidation value is the estimated realizable value of the assets of the corporate debtor if the corporate debtor
were to be liquidated on the insolvency commencement date.

(2) Liquidation value shall be determined in the following manner:

- (a) the two registered valuers appointed under Regulation 27 shall submit to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, an estimate of the liquidation value computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the inventory and fixed assets of the corporate debtor;
- (b) if in the opinion of the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, the two estimates are significantly different, he may appoint another registered valuer who shall submit an estimate computed in the same manner; and
- (c) the average of the two closest estimates shall be considered the liquidation value.

  (3) After the receipt of resolution plans in accordance with the Code and these regulations, the resolution professional shall provide the liquidation value to every member of the committee in electronic form, on receiving an undertaking from the member to the effect that such member shall maintain confidentiality of

(1) Fair value and liquidation value shall be determined in the following manner:-

(a)the two registered valuers appointed under regulation 27 shall submit to the resolution professional an estimate of the fair value and of the liquidation value computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the inventory and fixed assets of the corporate debtor;

<sup>79</sup>[(b) if the two estimates of a value in an asset class are significantly different, or on receipt of a proposal to appoint a third registered valuer from the committee of creditors, the resolution professional may appoint a third registered valuer for an asset class for submitting an estimate of the value computed in the manner provided in clause (a).

Explanation.- For the purpose of clause (b),

(i) "asset class" means the definition provided under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017;

(ii) "significantly different" means a difference of twenty-five per cent. in liquidation value under an asset class and the same shall be calculated as (L1-L2)/L1, where,

L1= higher valuation of liquidation value

L2= lower valuation of liquidation value.]

- (c) the average of the two closest estimates of a value shall be considered the fair value or the liquidation value, as the case may be.
- (2) After the receipt of resolution plans in accordance with the Code and these regulations, the resolution professional shall provide the fair value and the liquidation value to every member of the committee in electronic form, on receiving an undertaking from the member to the effect that such member shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value and shall not use such values to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of section 29:

(3) The resolution professional and registered valuers shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value.".]

the liquidation value and shall not use such value to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of section 29.;

<sup>&</sup>quot;Subject to sub-regulation (3), the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall maintain confidentiality of the liquidation value."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to this substitution, it stood as under: "(b) if in the opinion of the resolution professional, the two estimates of a value are significantly different, he may appoint another registered valuer who shall submit an estimate of the value computed in the same manner; and"

#### 80 [35A. Preferential and other transactions.

- (1)On or before the seventy-fifth day of the insolvency commencement date, the resolution professional shall form an opinion whether the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transaction covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66.
- (2)Where the resolution professional is of the opinion that the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transactions covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66, he shall make a determination on or before the one hundred and fifteenth day of the insolvency commencement date <sup>81</sup>[\*\*\*].
- (3) 82[Where the resolution professional makes a determination under sub-regulation (2), he shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for appropriate relief on or before the one hundred and thirtieth day of the insolvency commencement date.]
- <sup>83</sup>[(3A) The resolution professional shall forward a copy of the application to the prospective resolution applicant to enable him to consider the same while submitting the resolution plan within the time initially stipulated.]
- 84[(4) The creditors shall provide to the resolution professional, relevant extract from the audits of the corporate debtor, conducted by the creditors such as stock audit, transaction audit, forensic audit, etc.]

### 36. Information memorandum.

 $<sup>^{80}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Regulation 35 A (which was inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG030, dated  $27^{\rm th}$  March, 2018 (w.e.f.01-04-2018)), before substitution stood as under -

<sup>&</sup>quot;35 A. Identification of Resolution Applicant.-

The resolution professional shall identify the prospective resolution applicants on or before the  $105^{th}$  day from the insolvency commencement date."

 $<sup>^{81}</sup>$  Omitted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021). Before omission the words stood as - "under intimation to the Board".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Sub-regulation (3) before substitution, stood as -Where the resolution professional makes a determination under sub-regulation (2), he shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for appropriate relief on or before the one hundred and thirty-fifth day of the insolvency commencement date.

<sup>83</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

 $<sup>^{84}\,</sup>Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated\ 14^{th}\,June, 2022\ (w.e.f.\ 14-06-2022).$ 

- (1) 85[(1) Subject to sub-regulation (4), the resolution professional shall submit the information memorandum in electronic form to each member of the committee 86[on or before the ninety-fifth day from the insolvency commencement date.]
- (2) 87[The information memorandum shall highlight the key selling propositions and contain all relevant information which serves as a comprehensive document conveying significant information about the corporate debtor including its operations, financial statements, to the prospective resolution applicant and shall contain the following details of the corporate debtor-] -
  - (a) <sup>88</sup>[assets and liabilities <sup>89</sup>[including contingent liabilities] with such description, as on the insolvency commencement date, as are generally necessary for ascertaining their values.

Explanation: 'Description' includes the details such as date of acquisition, cost of acquisition, remaining useful life, identification number, depreciation charged, book value, <sup>90</sup>[geographical coordinates of fixed assets] and any other relevant details.]

(b) the latest annual financial statements;

 $<sup>^{85}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Regulation 36 (1) before substitution, stood as -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) Subject to sub-regulation (4), the resolution professional shall submit the information memorandum in electronic form to-

<sup>(</sup>a) each member of the committee within two weeks of his appointment as resolution professional; and

<sup>(</sup>b) to each prospective resolution applicant latest by the date of invitation of resolution plan under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25of the Code

<sup>86</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). The words before substitution, stood as: "within two weeks of his appointment, but not later than fifty-fourth day from the insolvency commencement date, whichever is earlier".

 $<sup>^{87}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated  $16^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). The words before substitution, stood as: "The information memorandum shall contain the following details of the corporate debtor"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG024, dated 6<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2018 (w.e.f. 06.02.2018) for Regulation 36 (2) (a). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 36(2)(a) stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;36(2)(a) assets and liabilities, as on the insolvency commencement date, classified into appropriate categories for easy identification, with estimated values assigned to each category."

<sup>89</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>90</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

- (c) audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and provisional financial statements for the current financial year made up to a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of the application;
- (d) a list of creditors containing the names of creditors, the amounts claimed by them, the amount of their claims admitted and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims:
- (e) particulars of a debt due from or to the corporate debtor with respect to related parties;
- (f) details of guarantees that have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which of the guarantors is a related party;
- (g) the names and addresses of the members or partners holding at least one per cent stake in the corporate debtor along with the size of stake;
- (h) details of all material litigation and an ongoing investigation or proceeding initiated by Government and statutory authorities;
- (i) the number of workers and employees and liabilities of the corporate debtor towards them;
- (j) <sup>91</sup>[company overview including snapshot of business performance, key contracts, key investment highlights and other factors which bring out the value as a going concern over and above the assets of the corporate debtor such as brought forward losses in the income tax returns, input credit of GST, key employees, key customers, supply chain linkages, utility connections and other pre-existing facilities
- (k) Details of business evolution, industry overview and key growth drivers in case of a corporate debtor having book value of total assets exceeding one hundred crores rupees as per the last available financial statements]
- (I) other information, which the resolution professional deems relevant to the committee.
- (3) A member of the committee may request the resolution professional for further information of the nature described in this Regulation and the resolution professional shall provide such information to all members within reasonable time if such information has a bearing on the resolution plan.

<sup>91</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

#### <sup>92</sup>[(3A)The creditors shall provide to the resolution professional the latest financial statements and other relevant financial information of the corporate debtor available with them.]

(4) 93 [The resolution professional shall share the information memorandum after receiving an undertaking from a member of the committee <sup>94</sup>[\*\*\*] to the effect that such member or resolution applicant shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of section 29.]

#### 95[36A. Invitation for expression of interest.

92 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

93Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG024, dated 6th February, 2018 (w.e.f. 06-02-2018). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 36(4) stood as under:

"36(4) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall share the information memorandum after receiving an undertaking from a member of the committee or a potential resolution applicant to the effect that such member or resolution applicant shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under section 29(2)." 
<sup>94</sup>Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Before

omission the words stood as -

"or a prospective resolution applicant".

95 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3rd July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Regulation 36 A, before substitution stood as

"36A. Invitation of Resolution Plans

- The resolution professional shall issue an invitation, including evaluation matrix, to the prospective resolution applicants in accordance with clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25, to submit resolution plans at least thirty days before the last date of submission of resolution plans.
- Where the invitation does not contain the evaluation matrix, the resolution professional shall issue, with the approval of the committee, the evaluation matrix to the prospective resolution applicants at least fifteen days before the last date for submission of resolution plans.
- The resolution professional may modify the invitation, the evaluation matrix or both with the approval of the committee within the timelines given under sub-regulation (1) or sub-regulation (2), as the case may be.
- (4) The timelines specified under this regulation shall not apply to an ongoing corporate insolvency resolution process-
  - (a) where a period of less than thirty-seven days is left for submission of resolution plans under sub-
  - (b) where a period of less than eighteen days is left for submission of resolution plans under sub-regulation (2)
- (5) The resolution professional shall publish brief particulars of the invitation in Form G of the Schedule: (a) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor; and
  - (b) on the website, if any, designated by the Boarch or the purpose."

- (1) The resolution professional shall publish brief particulars of the invitation for expression of interest in Form G of the <sup>96</sup>[Schedule-I] at the earliest, <sup>97</sup>[not later than sixtieth day]from the insolvency commencement date, from interested and eligible prospective resolution applicants to submit resolution plans.
- (2) The resolution professional shall publish Form G-
  - in one English and one regional language newspaper with wide circulation at the location of the registered office and principal office, if any, of the corporate debtor and any other location where in the opinion of the resolution professional, the corporate debtor conducts material business operations;
  - (ii) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
  - (iii) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose; and
  - (iv) in any other manner as may be decided by the committee.
- (3) The Form G in the <sup>98</sup> [Schedule-I] shall -
  - (a) state where the detailed invitation for expression of interest can be downloaded or obtained from, as the case may be; and
  - (b) provide the last date for submission of expression of interest which shall not be less than fifteen days from the date of issue of detailed invitation.
- (4) The detailed invitation referred to in sub-regulation (3) shall-
  - (a) specify the criteria for prospective resolution applicants, as approved by the committee in accordance with clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
  - (b) state the ineligibility norms under section 29A to the extent applicable for prospective resolution applicants;
  - (c) provide such basic information about the corporate debtor as may be required by a prospective resolution applicant for expression of interest; and
  - (d) not require payment of any fee or any non-refundable deposit for submission of expression of interest.
- <sup>99</sup>[(4A) Any modification in the invitation for expression of interest may be made in the manner as the initial invitation for expression of interest was made: Provided that such modification shall not be made more than once.]

 $<sup>^{96}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). The words before substitution, stood as: "not later than seventy fifth day".

 $<sup>^{98}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as —"Schedule".

<sup>99</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG078, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

- (5) A prospective resolution applicant, who meet the requirements of the invitation for expression of interest, may submit expression of interest within the time specified in the invitation under clause (b) of sub-regulation (3).
- (6) The expression of interest received after the time specified in the invitation under clause (b) of sub-regulation (3) shall be rejected.
- (7) An expression of interest shall be unconditional and be accompanied by-
  - (a) an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant that it meets the criteria specified by the committee under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
  - (b) relevant records in evidence of meeting the criteria under clause (a);
  - (c) an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant that it does not suffer from any ineligibility under section 29A to the extent applicable;
  - (d) relevant information and records to enable an assessment of ineligibility under clause(c):
  - (e) an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant that it shall intimate the resolution professional forthwith if it becomes ineligible at any time during the corporate insolvency resolution process;
  - (f) an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant that every information and records provided in expression of interest is true and correct and discovery of any false information or record at any time will render the applicant ineligible to submit resolution plan, forfeit any refundable deposit, and attract penal action under the Code; and
  - (g) an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant to the effect that it shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of section 29.
- (8) The resolution professional shall conduct due diligence based on the material on record in order to satisfy that the prospective resolution applicant complies with-
  - (a) the provisions of clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
  - (b) the applicable provisions of section 29A, and
  - (c) other requirements, as specified in the invitation for expression of interest.
- (9) The resolution professional may seek any clarification or additional information or document from the prospective resolution applicant for conducting due diligence under subregulation (8).
  - (10) The resolution professional shall issue a provisional list of eligible prospective resolution applicants within ten days of the last date for submission of expression of interest to the committee and to all prospective resolution applicants who submitted the expression of interest.

- (11) Any objection to inclusion or exclusion of a prospective resolution applicant in the provisional list referred to in sub-regulation (10) maybe made with supporting documents within five days from the date of issue of the provisional list.
- (12) On considering the objections received under sub-regulation (11), the resolution professional shall issue the final list of prospective resolution applicants within ten days of the last date for receipt of objections, to the committee.]

### 100[36B. Request for resolution plans.

- (1) The resolution professional shall issue the information memorandum, evaluation matrix and a request for resolution plans, within five days of the date of issue of the provisional list under sub-regulation (10) of regulation 36A to -
  - (a) every prospective resolution applicant in the provisional list; and
  - (b) every prospective resolution applicant who has contested the decision of the resolution professional against its non-inclusion in the provisional list.
- (2) The request for resolution plans shall detail each step in the process, and the manner and purposes of interaction between the resolution professional and the prospective resolution applicant, along with corresponding timelines.
- (3) The request for resolution plans shall allow prospective resolution applicants a minimum of thirty days to submit the resolution plan(s).
- (4) The request for resolution plans shall not require any non-refundable deposit for submission of or along with resolution plan.
- 101[(4A) The request for resolution plans shall require the resolution applicant, in case its resolution plan is approved under sub-section (4) of section 30, to provide a performance security within the time specified therein and such performance security shall stand forfeited if the resolution applicant of such plan, after its approval by the Adjudicating Authority, fails to implement or contributes to the failure of implementation of that plan in accordance with the terms of the plan and its implementation schedule.

Explanation I.— For the purposes of this sub-regulation, "performance security" shall mean security of such nature, value, duration and source, as may be specified in the request for resolution plans with the approval of the committee, having regard to the nature of resolution plan and business of the corporate debtor.

 $<sup>^{100}</sup> Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated\ 3^{rd}\ July,\ 2018\ (w.e.f.\ 04-07-2018).$ 

 $<sup>^{101}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG040, \ dated \ 24^{th} \ January, \ 2019 \ (w.e.f. \ 24.01-2019).$ 

Explanation II. – A performance security may be specified in absolute terms such as guarantee from a bank for Rs. X for Y years or in relation to one or more variables such as the term of the resolution plan, amount payable to creditors under the resolution plan, etc.]

(5) Any modification in the request for resolution plan or the evaluation matrix issued under sub-regulation (1), shall be deemed to be a fresh issue and shall be subject to timeline under sub-regulation (3).

<sup>102</sup>[Provided that such modifications shall not be made more than once.]

(6) The resolution professional may, with the approval of the committee, extend the timeline for submission of resolution plans.

<sup>103</sup>[(6A) If the resolution professional, does not receive a resolution plan in response to the request under this regulation, he may, with the approval of the committee, issue request for resolution plan for sale of one or more of assets of the corporate debtor.

(7) The resolution professional may, with the approval of the committee, re-issue request for resolution plans, if the resolution plans received in response to an earlier request are not satisfactory, subject to the condition that the request is made to all prospective resolution applicants in the final list:

Provided that provisions of sub-regulation (3) shall not apply for submission of resolution plans under this sub-regulation.]

## $^{104} [36C.\, Strategy\, for\, marketing\, of\, assets\, of\, the\, corporate\, debtor.$

- (1) The resolution professional shall prepare a strategy for marketing of the assets of the corporate debtor in consultation with the committee, where the total assets as per the last available financial statements exceed one hundred crore rupees and may prepare such strategy in other cases.
- (2) Decision of implementing such strategy along with its cost shall be subject to the approval of the committee.
- (3) The member(s) of committee may also take measures for marketing of the assets of the corporate debtor.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG078, dated 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

<sup>103</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>104</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

# 37. 105 [Resolution plan.

A resolution plan shall provide for the measures, as may be necessary, for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor for maximization of value of its assets, including but not limited to the following: -

- (a) transfer of all or part of the assets of the corporate debtor to one or more persons;
- (b) sale of all or part of the assets whether subject to any security interest or not;

<sup>106</sup>[(ba) restructuring of the corporate debtor, by way of merger, amalgamation and demerger;]

- (c) the substantial acquisition of shares of the corporate debtor, or the merger or consolidation of the corporate debtor with one or more persons;
- <sup>107</sup>[(ca)cancellation or delisting of any shares of the corporate debtor, if applicable;]
- (d) satisfaction or modification of any security interest;
- (e) curing or waiving of any breach of the terms of any debt due from the corporate debtor;
- (f) reduction in the amount payable to the creditors;
- (g) extension of a maturity date or a change in interest rate or other terms of a debt due from the corporate debtor;

- transfer of all or part of the assets of the corporate debtor to one or more persons;
- (b) sale of all or part of the assets whether subject to any security interest or not;
- the substantial acquisition of shares of the corporate debtor, or the merger or consolidation of the (c) corporate debtor with one or more persons;
- (d) satisfaction or modification of any security interest:
- (e) curing or waiving of any breach of the terms of any debt due from the corporate debtor;
- (f) reduction in the amount payable to the creditors;
- extension of a maturity date or a change in interest rate or other terms of a debt due from the (g) corporate debtor;
- (h) amendment of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor;
- issuance of securities of the corporate debtor, for cash, property, securities, or in exchange for claims or interests, or other appropriate purpose; and
- (j) obtaining necessary approvals from the Central and State Governments and other authorities." <sup>106</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated 27th November, 2019 (w.e.f. 28.11.2019).

<sup>105</sup> Substituted Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG024, dated 6th February, 2018 (w.e.f. 06.02.2018). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 37, stood as under:-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(37) (1) A resolution plan may provide for the measures required for implementing it, including but not limited to the following-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>107</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04.07.2018).

- (h) amendment of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor;
- (i) issuance of securities of the corporate debtor, for cash, property, securities, or in exchange for claims or interests, or other appropriate purpose;
- (j) change in portfolio of goods or services produced or rendered by the corporate debtor;
- (k) change in technology used by the corporate debtor; and
- (1) obtaining necessary approvals from the Central and State Governments and other authorities.]
- 108[(m) sale of one or more assets of corporate debtor to one or more successful resolution applicants submitting resolution plans for such assets; and manner of dealing with remaining assets]

## 38. Mandatory contents of the resolution plan.

109[(1)The amount payable under a resolution plan -

- (a) to the operational creditors shall be paid in priority over financial creditors; and
- (b) to the financial creditors, who have a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21 and did not vote in favour of the resolution plan, shall be paid in priority over financial creditors who voted in favour of the plan.]
- <sup>110</sup>[(1A)A resolution plan shall include a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders, including financial creditors and operational creditors, of the corporate

debtor.]

<sup>111</sup>[(IB) A resolution plan shall include a statement giving details if the resolution applicant or any of its related parties has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of implementation of any other resolution plan approved by the Adjudicating Authority at any time in the past.]

(2) A resolution plan shall provide:

 $<sup>^{108}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated\,16^{th}\,September, 2022\,(w.e.f.\,\,16-09-2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>109</sup> Substitutedby Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 (w.e.f. 28.11.2019). Before substitution, sub-regulation (1) stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) The amount due to the operational creditors under a resolution plan shall be given priority in payment over financial creditors."

Infancial credions.

110 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/ REG018, dated 5th October, 2017 (w.e.f. 5-10-2017).

111 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/ GN/ REG040, dated 24th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 24-01-2019).

- (a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;
- (b) the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term;
- (c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.

<sup>112</sup>[(d) provides for the manner in which proceedings in respect of avoidance transactions, if any, under Chapter III or fraudulent or wrongful trading under Chapter VI of Part II of the Code, will be pursued after the approval of the resolution plan and the manner in which the proceeds, if any, from such proceedings shall be distributed:

Provided that this clause shall not apply to any resolution plan that has been submitted to the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (6) of section 30 on or before the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2022.]

113 (3) A resolution plan shall demonstrate that -

- (a) it addresses the cause of default;
- (b) it is feasible and viable;
- (c) it has provisions for its effective implementation;

113 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3rd July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Sub regulation (3) of Regulation 38 before substitution stood as -

"A resolution plan shall contain details of the resolution applicant and other connected persons to enable the committee to assess the credibility of such applicant and other connected persons to take a prudent decision while considering the resolution plan for its approval.

Explanation: For the purposes of this sub-regulation, -

- (i) details shall include the following in respect of the resolution applicant and other connected person, namely: (a) identity;
- (b) conviction for any offence, if any, during the preceding five years;
- (c) criminal proceedings pending, if any;
- (d) disqualification, if any, under Companies Act, 2013, to act as a director;
- (e) identification as a willful defaulter, if any, by any bank or financial institution or consortium thereof in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India;
- debarment, if any, from accessing to, or trading in, securities markets under any order or directions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India, and
- (g) transactions, if any, with the corporate debtor in the preceding two years.
- (ii) the expression 'connected persons' means-
  - (a) persons who are promoters or in the management or control of the resolution applicant;
  - (b) persons who will be promoters or in management or control of the business the corporate debtor during the implementation of the resolution plan;
  - (c) holding company, subsidiary company, associate company and related party of the persons

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>112</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG084, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

- (d) it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same; and
- (e) the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan.]

#### 39. Approval of resolution plan.

114[(1) A prospective resolution applicant in the final list may submit resolution plan or plans prepared in accordance with the Code and these regulations to the resolution professional electronically within the time given in the request for resolution plans under regulation 36B along

(a) an affidavit stating that it is eligible under section 29A to submit resolution plans; 115[\*\*\*]

(c)an undertaking by the prospective resolution applicant that every information and records provided in connection with or in the resolution plan is true and correct and discovery of false information and record at any time will render the applicant ineligible to continue in the corporate insolvency resolution process, forfeit any refundable deposit, and attract penal action under the Code.

116[(1A) The resolution professional may, if envisaged in the request for resolution plan-

- (a) allow modification of the resolution plan received under sub-regulation (1), but not more than once; or
- use a challenge mechanism to enable resolution applicants to improve their plans.
- (1B) The committee shall not consider any resolution plan-
  - (a) received after the time as specified by the committee under regulation 36B; or
  - (b) received from a person who does not appear in the final list of prospective resolution applicants; or
  - (c) does not comply with the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 30 and subregulation (1).].

<sup>117</sup>(2) [The resolution professional shall submit to the committee all resolution plans

<sup>114</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3rd July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Sub regulation (1) of regulation 39 before substituted stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) A resolution applicant shall submit resolution plan(s) prepared in accordance with the Code and these regulations to the resolution professional within the time given in the invitation made under clause (h) of subsection (2) of section 25."

<sup>115</sup>Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG032, dated 5th October, 2018 (w.e.f.05-10-2018). Clause (b), before omission, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(b) an undertaking that it will provide for additional funds to the extent required for the purposes under sub-

regulation (1) of regulation 38; and" <sup>116</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG078, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 39(1A) stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1A) A resolution plan which does not comply with the provisions of sub-regulation (1) shall be rejected."

<sup>117</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG019, dated 7th November, 2017 (w.e.f. 7-11-2017). Prior to this substitution. Regulation 39(2) stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;39<del>R2) Thatrosolutine pontessicuatesial consenteallises</del> olution plans that meet the requirements of the Code and these

which comply with the requirements of the Code and regulations made thereunder along with the details of following transactions, if any, observed, found or determined by him: -

- (a) preferential transactions under section 43;
- (b) undervalued transactions under section 45;
- (c) extortionate credit transactions under section 50; and
- (d) fraudulent transactions under section 66,

and the orders, if any, of the adjudicating authority in respect of such transactions.]

## 118 [(3) The committee shall-

- (a) evaluate the resolution plans received under sub-regulation (2) as per evaluation matrix;
- (b) record its deliberations on the feasibility and viability of each resolution plan; and
- (c) vote on all such resolution plans simultaneously.
- (3A) Where only one resolution plan is put to vote, it shall be considered approved if it receives requisite votes.
- (3B) Where two or more resolution plans are put to vote simultaneously, the resolution plan, which receives the highest votes, but not less than requisite votes, shall be considered as approved:

Provided that where two or more resolution plans receive equal votes, but not less than requisite votes, the committee shall approve any one of them, as per the tie-breaker formula announced before voting:

Provided further that where none of the resolution plans receives requisite votes, the committee shall again vote on the resolution plan that received the highest votes, subject to the timelines under the Code.

Illustration. - The committee is voting on two resolution plans, namely, A and B, simultaneously.

The voting outcome is as under: Voting % of votes in favour of			under:	Status of approval
				Status of approval
	outcome	Plan A	Plan B	
	1	55	60	No Plan is approved, as neither of the Plans
				received requisite votes. The committee shall vote
				again on Plan B, which received the higher votes,
				subject to the timelines under the Code.
	2	70	75	Plan B is approved, as it received higher votes,
				which is not less than requisite votes.
	3	75	75	The committee shall approve either Plan A or Plan
				B, as per the tie-breaker formula announced before
				voting.]

<sup>118</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG064, dated 7rd August, 2020 (w.e.f. 07-08-2020). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 39(3) stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) The committee shall evaluate the resolution plans received under sub-regulation (1) strictly as per the evaluation matrix to identify the best resolution plan and may approve it with such modifications as it deems fit:

Provided that the committee shall record its deliberations on the feasibility and viability of the resolution plans." 46

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<sup>120</sup>[(4) The resolution professional shall endeavour to submit the resolution plan approved by the committee to the Adjudicating Authority at least fifteen days before the maximum period for completion of corporate insolvency resolution process under section 12, along with a compliance certificate in <sup>121</sup>[Form H of the <sup>122</sup>[Schedule-I] and the evidence of receipt of performance security required under sub-regulation (4A) of regulation 36B.]]

(5) The resolution professional shall forthwith send a copy of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving or rejecting a resolution plan to the participants and the resolution applicant.

<sup>123</sup>[(5A) The resolution professional shall, within fifteen days of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving a resolution plan, intimate each claimant, the principle or formulae, as the case may be, for payment of debts under such resolution plan:

Provided that this sub-regulation shall apply to every corporate insolvency resolution process ongoing and commencing on or after the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations, 2020;]

(6) A provision in a resolution plan which would otherwise require the consent of the members or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, under the terms of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor, shareholders' agreement, joint venture agreement or other

(b) the resolution plan has been approved by the committee:

Provided that the timeline specified in this sub-regulation shall not apply to an ongoing corporate insolvency resolution process which has completed  $130^{\rm th}$  day from its commencement date."

 $<sup>^{119}</sup> Omitted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG032, dated 5th October, 2018 (w.e.f. 05-10-2018). Sub-Regulation (3A), before omission, stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3A) The committee shall, while approving the resolution plan under sub-section (4) of section (30), specify the amounts payable from resources under the resolution plan for the purposes under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 38."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>120</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). Subregulation (4) of Regulation 39 before substitution stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(4)The resolution professional shall submit the resolution plan approved by the committee to the Adjudicating Authority, at least fifteen days before the expiry of the maximum period permitted under section 12 for the completion of the corporate insolvency resolution process, with the certification that-

<sup>(</sup>a) the contents of the resolution plan meet all the requirements of the Code and the Regulations; and

 $<sup>^{121}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG040, dated 24th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 24-01-2019). Before substitution, it stood as-

<sup>&</sup>quot;Form H of the Schedule".

 $<sup>^{122}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>123</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG066<sub>77</sub>dated 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

- document of a similar nature, shall take effect notwithstanding that such consent has not been obtained.
- (7) No proceedings shall be initiated against the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, for any actions of the corporate debtor, prior to the insolvency commencement date.
- (8) A person in charge of the management or control of the business and operations of the corporate debtor after a resolution plan is approved by the Adjudicating Authority, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for an order seeking the assistance of the local district administration in implementing the terms of a resolution plan.
- 124[(9)A creditor, who is aggrieved by non-implementation of a resolution plan approved under sub-section (1) of section 31, may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for directions.]

#### 125[39A. Preservation of records.

- (1) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall preserve copies of all such records which are required to give a complete account of the corporate insolvency resolution process.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the obligations under sub-regulation (1), the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall preserve copies of records relating to or forming the basis of:-
  - (a) his appointment as interim resolution professional or resolution professional, including the terms of appointment;
  - (b) handing over / taking over of the assignment;
  - $(c) \ admission \ of \ corporate \ debtor \ into \ corporate \ insolvency \ resolution \ process;$
  - (d) public announcement;
  - (e) the constitution of committee and meetings of the committee;
  - (f) claims, verification of claims, and list of creditors;
  - (g) engagement of professionals, registered valuers, and insolvency professional entity, including work done, reports etc., submitted by them;
  - (h) information memorandum;
  - (i) all filings with the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority and their orders;
  - (j) invitation, consideration and approval of the resolution plan;
  - (k) statutory filings with Board and insolvency professional agencies;
  - (1)correspondence during the corporate insolvency resolution process;
  - (m)insolvency resolution process cost; and

<sup>124</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG040, dated 24th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 24-01-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>125</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG080, dated 9th February, 2022 (w.e.f. 09-02-2022). Before substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;39A. Preservation of records. The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall preserve a physical as well as an electronic copy of the records relating to corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor as per the record retention schedule as may be communicated by the Board in consultation with Insolvency Professional Agencies."

- (n) preferential, undervalued, extortionate credit transactions or fraudulent or wrongful trading.
- (3) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional shall preserve:
  - (a) electronic copy of all records (physical and electronic) for a minimum period of eight years;
  - (b) a physical copy of records for a minimum period of three years;

from the date of completion of the corporate insolvency resolution process or the conclusion of any proceeding relating to the corporate insolvency resolution process, before the Board, the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority or any Court, whichever is later.

(4)The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional shall preserve the records at a secure place and shall be obliged to produce records as may be required under the Code and the Regulations.

Explanation - The records referred to in this regulation includes records pertaining to the period of a corporate insolvency resolution process during which the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional acted as such, irrespective of the fact that he did not take up the assignment from its commencement or continue the assignment till its conclusion.]

## 126[39B.Meeting liquidation cost.

(1)While approving a resolution plan under sub-section (4) of section 30 or deciding to liquidate the corporate debtor under sub-section (2) of section 33, the committee may make a best estimate of the amount required to meet liquidation costs, in consultation with the resolution professional, in the event an order for liquidation is passed under section 33.

(2)The committee shall make a best estimate of the value of the liquid assets available to meet the liquidation costs, as estimated in sub-regulation (1).

(3)Where the estimated value of the liquid assets under sub-regulation (2) is less than the estimated liquidation costs under sub-regulation (1), the committee shall approve a plan providing for contribution for meeting the difference between the two.

(4)The resolution professional shall submit the plan approved under sub-regulation (3) to the Adjudicating Authority while filing the approval or decision of the committee under section 30 or 33, as the case may be.

**Explanation.-** For the purposes of this regulation, 'liquidation costs' shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (ea) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation (2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.

<sup>126</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.07.2019).

#### 127[39BA. Assessment of Compromise or Arrangement.

- (1) While deciding to liquidate the corporate debtor under section 33, the committee shall examine whether to explore compromise or arrangement as referred to under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 2B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulation, 2016 and the resolution professional shall submit the committee's recommendation to the Adjudicating Authority while filing application under section 33.
- (2) Where a recommendation has been made under sub-regulation (1), the resolution professional and the committee shall keep exploring the possibility of compromise or arrangement during the period the application to liquidate the corporate debtor is pending before the Adjudicating Authority.]

## 39C. Assessment of sale as a going concern.

(1)While approving a resolution plan under section 30 or deciding to liquidate the corporate debtor under section 33, the committee may recommend that the liquidator may first explore sale of the corporate debtor as a going concern under clause (e) of regulation 32 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 or sale of the business of the corporate debtor as a going concern under clause (f) thereof, if an order for liquidation is passed under section 33.

(2)Where the committee recommends sale as a going concern, it shall identify and group the assets and liabilities, which according to its commercial considerations, ought to be sold as a going concern under clause (e) or clause (f) of regulation 32 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.

(3)The resolution professional shall submit the recommendation of the committee under subregulations (1) and (2) to the Adjudicating Authority while filing the approval or decision of the committee under section 30 or 33, as the case may be.".

## 39D. Fee of the liquidator

While approving a resolution plan under section 30 or deciding to liquidate the corporate debtor under section 33, the committee may, in consultation with the resolution professional, fix the fee payable to the liquidator, if an order for liquidation is passed under section 33, for –

- (a) the period, if any, used for compromise or arrangement under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013;
- (b) the period, if any, used for sale under clauses (e) and (f) of regulation 32 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>127</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

## (c) the balance period of liquidation.]

## 40. Extension of the corporate insolvency resolution process period.

- (1) The committee may instruct the resolution professional to make an application to the Adjudicating Authority under section 12 to extend the insolvency resolution process period.
- (2) The resolution professional shall, on receiving an instruction from the committee under this Regulation, make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for such extension.

## <sup>128</sup>[40A.Model time-line for corporate insolvency resolution process.

The following Table presents a model timeline of corporate insolvency resolution process on the assumption that the interim resolution professional is appointed on the date of commencement of the process and the time available is hundred and eighty days:

<sup>129</sup> [Section/ Regulation	Description of Activity	Norm	Latest Timeline
Section 16(1)	Commencement of CIRP and appointment of IRP		Т
Regulation 6(1)	Public announcement inviting claims	Within 3 Days of Appointment of IRP	T+3
Section 15(1)(c)  / Regulations 6(2)(c) and 12 (1)	Submission of claims	For 14 Days from Appointment of IRP	T+14
Regulation 12(2)	Submission of claims	Up to 90 <sup>th</sup> day of commencement	T+90
Regulation 13(1)	Verification of claims received under regulation 12(1)	Within 7 days from the receipt of the claim	T+21
	Verification of claims received under regulation 12(2)		T+97
Section 21(6A) Application for appointment of AR (b) / Regulation 16A		Within 2 days from verification of claims received under	T+23
Regulation 17(1)	Report certifying constitution of CoC	regulation 12(1)	T+23

 $<sup>^{128}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated\,3^{rd}\,July,\,2018\,(w.e.f.\,04-07-2018).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>129</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

Section 22(1)/ Regulation 19(2)	1st meeting of the CoC	Within 7 days of filing of the report certifying constitution of the CoC, but with five days' notice.	T+30
Section 22(2)	Resolution to appoint RP by the CoC	In the first meeting of the CoC	T+30
Section 16(5)	Appointment of RP	On approval by the AA	
Regulation 17(3)	IRP performs the functions of RP till the RP is appointed.	If RP is not appointed by 40 <sup>th</sup> day of commencement	T+40
Regulation 27	Appointment of valuer	Within 7 days of appointment of RP, but not later than 47th day of commencement.	T+47
Section 12(A) / Regulation 30A	Submission of application for withdrawal of application admitted	Before issue of EoI	W
	CoC to dispose of the application	Within 7 days of its receipt or 7 days of constitution of CoC, whichever is later.	W+7
	Filing application of withdrawal, if approved by CoC with 90% majority voting, by RP to AA	Within 3 days of approval by CoC	W+10
Regulation 35A	RP to form an opinion on preferential and other transactions	Within 75 days of the commencement	T+75
	RP to make a determination on preferential and other transactions	Within 115 days of commencement	T+115
	RP to file applications to AA for appropriate relief	Within 130 days of commencement	T+130
Regulation 36	- · · ·	Within 95 days of commencement	T+95
Regulation 36A	Publish Form G Invitation of EoI	Within 60 days of commencement	T+60
	Submission of EoI	At least 15 days from issue of EoI (Assume 15 days)	T+75
	Provisional List of RAs by RP	Within 10 days from the last day of receipt of EoI	T+85
	Submission of objections to provisional list	For 5 days from the date of provisional list	T+90

	Final List of RAs by RP	Within 10 days of the	T+100
		receipt of objections	
Regulation 36B	Issue of RFRP, including Evaluation	Within 5 days of the	T+105
	Matrix and IM	issue of the	
		provisional list	
	Receipt of Resolution Plans	At least 30 days from	T+135
		issue of RFRP	
		(Assume 30 days)	
Regulation	Submission of CoC approved	As soon as approved	T+165
39(4)	Resolution Plan to AA	by the CoC	
Section 31(1)	Approval of resolution plan by AA		T+180]

AA: Adjudicating Authority; AR: Authorised Representative; CIRP: Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process; CoC: Committee of Creditors; EoI: Expression of Interest; IM: Information Memorandum; IRP: Interim Resolution Professional; RA: Resolution Applicant; RP: Resolution Professional; RFRP: Request for Resolution Plan.]

# $^{\rm 130} \mbox{[40B Filing of Forms.}$

(1) The insolvency professional, interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, shall file the Forms, along with the enclosures thereto, on an electronic platform of the Board, as per the timelines stipulated against each Form, in the table below: -

Table

Period covered and scope	To be filed by	Timeline
(2)	(3)	(4)
1 1 1		Within three days of signing of Form-2 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016 or Form-AA of the Regulations, as the case may be.
From Commencement of CIRP till Issue of Public Announcement: This includes details of IRP, CD, and the Applicant; admission of	IRP	Within seven days of making the Public
	Pre-Assignment: This includes consent to accept assignment as IRP / RP, the details of IP and the Applicant, the details of the person which will undergo the process, terms of consent, terms of engagement, etc.  From Commencement of CIRP till Issue of Public Announcement: This includes details	(2) (3)  Pre-Assignment: This includes consent to accept assignment as IRP / RP, the details of IP and the Applicant, the details of the person which will undergo the process, terms of consent, terms of engagement, etc.  From Commencement of CIRP till Issue of Public Announcement: This includes details

 $<sup>^{130}\,</sup>Inserted by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated\,27^{th}\,November, 2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,28.11.2019).$ 

	application by AA; public announcement; details of suggested Authorised Representatives; non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD; etc.		Announcement under section 13.
CIRP 2	From Public Announcement till confirmation / replacement of IRP: This includes details of Authorised Representative selected by IRPs for a class of creditors; taking over management of the CD; receipt and verification of claims; constitution of CoC, first meeting of CoC; confirmation / replacement of IRP; applications seeking cooperation of management (if any); expenses incurred on or by IRP; relationship of IRP with the CD, Financial Creditors and Professionals; support services taken from IPE; noncompliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD; etc.	IRP	Within seven days of confirmation/replacement of IRP under section 22.
CIRP 3	From Appointment of RP till issue of IM to Members of CoC: This includes details of RP; details of registered valuers; handing over of records of CD by IRP to RP; taking over management of the CD; applications seeking co-operation of management (if any); details in IM; non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD; etc.	RP	Within seven days of issue of IM to members of CoC under regulation 36.
CIRP 4	From Issue of IM till issue of RFRP: This includes expression of interest; RFRP and modification thereof; evaluation matrix and modification thereof; non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD; etc.	RP	Within seven days of the issue of RFRP under regulation 36B.
CIRP 5	From Issue of RFRP till completion of CIRP: This includes updated list of claimants; updated CoC; details of the resolution applicants; details of resolution plans received; details of approval or rejection of resolution	RP	Within seven days of the approval or rejection of the resolution plan under section 31 or issue of liquidation order under

	plans by CoC; application filed with AA for		section 33, as the case may
	approval of resolution plan; details of		be, by the AA.
	resolution plan approved by the AA; initiation		
	of liquidation, if applicable; expenses incurred		
	on or by RP; appointment of professionals and		
	the terms of appointment; relationship of the		
	RP with the CD, Financial Creditors, and		
	Professionals; support services taken from		
	IPE; non-compliances with the provisions of		
	the Code and other laws applicable to the CD;		
	etc.		
CIDD		IDD	W:41:
CIRP 6	Event Specific: This includes:	IRP	Within seven days of the
	a. Filing of application in respect of	or	occurrence of the relevant
	preferential transaction, undervalued	RP,	event.
	transaction, fraudulent transaction, and extortionate transaction:	as	
	b. Raising interim finance;	the	
	c. Commencement of insolvency resolution	case	
	process of guarantors of the CD;	may	
	d. Extension of period of CIRP and exclusion	be.	
	of time;		
	e. Premature closure of CIRP (appeal,		
	settlement, withdrawal, etc.);		
	f. Request for liquidation before completion		
	of CIRP; and		
	g. Non implementation of resolution plan, as		
	approved by the AA.		

<sup>131</sup>[(1A) Where any activity stated in column (2) of table below is not complete by the date specified therein, the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, shall file Form CIRP 7 within three days of the said date, and continue to file Form CIRP 7, every 30 days, until the said activity remains incomplete-:

SI.	Activity requiring filing of Form CIRP 7, if not completed by the specified date		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Public announcement is not made by T+3 <sup>rd</sup> day	Date	X+30 <sup>th</sup> day,
2	Appointment of RP is not made by T+30th day	specified in	X+60 <sup>th</sup> day,

 $<sup>^{131}</sup> Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG070, dated\ 15^{th} March, 2021\ (w.e.f.\ \ 15-03-2021).$ 

3	Information memorandum is not issued within 51 days from the date of public announcement	X+90 <sup>th</sup> os on,		
4	RFRP is not issued within 51 days from the date of issue of information memorandum	activity complete	ed.	is
5	CIRP is not completed by T+180 <sup>th</sup> day			

T = Insolvency commencement date, and

**Provided** that subsequent filing of Form CIRP 7 shall not be made until thirty days have lapsed from the filing of an earlier Form CIRP 7.

**Clarification:** Only one Form CIRP 7 shall be filed at any time whether one or more activity is not complete by the specified date.

#### Illustration

(a)If public announcement is not made by  $T+3^{rd}$  day, Form CIRP 7 shall be filed by  $T+6^{th}$  day. Thereafter, if public announcement is made on  $T+16^{th}$  day, no further Form CIRP 7 will be filed. However, if public announcement is not made till  $T+33^{rd}$  day, Form CIRP 7 shall be filed on  $T+36^{th}$  day.

(b)If public announcement is not made by  $T+3^{rd}$  day, Form CIRP 7 shall be filed by  $T+6^{th}$  day. Thereafter, if public announcement is made on  $T+16^{th}$  day, no further Form CIRP 7 will be filed. However, if RP is not appointed by  $T+30^{th}$  day, though Form CIRP 7 becomes due by  $T+33^{rd}$  day, it shall be filed on  $30^{th}$  day from the filing of first Form CIRP 7, that is, on  $T+36^{th}$  day.

(c)If public announcement is not made by T+3<sup>rd</sup> day, Form CIRP 7 shall be filed by T+6<sup>th</sup> day. Thereafter, if either public announcement is not made till T+33<sup>rd</sup> day or RP is not appointed by T+30<sup>th</sup> day, Form CIRP 7 shall be filed on T+36<sup>th</sup> day.]

<sup>132</sup>[(1B) The resolution professional shall file Form CIRP 8 intimating details of his opinion and determination under regulation 35A, on or before the one hundred and fortieth day of the insolvency commencement date:

Provided that the filing of Form CIRP 8 shall not become due unless a period of thirty days has elapsed from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2021.]

(2)The Board shall make available the Forms on the electronic platform and may modify them from time to time.

(3)The insolvency professional or interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, shall ensure that the Forms and its enclosures filed under this regulation are accurate and complete.

X = Date of filing of Form CIRP 7 for the first time under column (3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>132</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021).

<sup>133</sup>[(4)The filing of a Form under this regulation after due date of submission, whether by correction, updation or otherwise, shall be accompanied by a fee of five hundred rupees per Form for each calendar month of delay after 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020.

Example: A Form is required to be filed by 30th October, 2020. It shall be filed along with a fee as

under:

under.	
If filed on	Fee (in Rupees)
29th October, 2020	0
30 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020	0
31st October, 2020	500
Any day in November, 2020	1000
Any day in December, 2020	1500"

(5)The insolvency professional or interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, shall be liable to any action which the Board may take as deemed fit under the Code or any regulation made thereunder, including refusal to issue or renew Authorisation for Assignment, for-

- (i) failure to file a form along with requisite information and records;
- (ii) inaccurate or incomplete information or records filed in or along with a form;
- (iii) delay in filing the form.]

## <sup>134</sup>[40C. Special provision relating to time-line.

Notwithstanding the time-lines contained in these regulations, but subject to the provisions in the Code, the period of lockdown imposed by the Central Government in the wake of Covid-19 outbreak shall not be counted for the purposes of the time-line for any activity that could not be completed due to such lockdown, in relation to a corporate insolvency resolution process.]

Example: A Form is required to be filed by 29th April, 2020. It shall be filed along with fee as under:

If filed on	Fee (in Rupees)
28th April, 2020	0
29th April, 2020	0
30 <sup>th</sup> April, 2020	500
Any day in May, 2020	1000
Any day in June, 2020	1500"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>134</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG059 dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 29.03.2020)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>133</sup>Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG056 dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 (w.e.f. 25.03.2020). Before substitution, it stood as "(4) The filing of a Form under this regulation after due date of submission, whether by correction, updation or otherwise, shall be accompanied by a fee of five hundred rupees per Form for each calendar month of delay after 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.

#### 135 [40D. Decision for liquidation.

(1)The committee while considering the liquidation of the corporate debtor may consider factors including but not limited to non-operational status for preceding three years, goods produced or service offered or technology employed being obsolete, absence of any assets, lack of any intangible assets or factors which bring value as a going concern over and above the physical assets like brand value, intellectual property, accumulated losses, depreciation, investments that are yet to mature.

(2)Such consideration may be recorded and submitted in the application for liquidation submitted by the resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority.]

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(Under Regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CREDITORS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>135</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

 $<sup>^{136}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated\,13^{th}September,\,2022\,(w.e.f.\,13-09-2022)$ Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

 $<sup>^{137}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG031, dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  July, 2018 (w.e.f. 04-07-2018). 58

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS	
1.	Name of corporate debtor	
2.	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor	
3.	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated / registered	
4.	Corporate Identity No. / Limited Liability Identification No. of corporate debtor	
5.	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor	
6.	Insolvency commencement date in respect of corporate debtor	
7.	Estimated date of closure of insolvency resolution process	
8.	Name and registration number of the insolvency professional acting as interim resolution professional	
9.	Address and e-mail of the interim resolution professional, as registered with the Board	
10.	Address and e-mail to be used for correspondence with the interim resolution professional	
11.	Last date for submission of claims	
12.	Classes of creditors, if any, under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21, ascertained by the interim resolution professional	Name the class(es)
13.	Names of Insolvency Professionals identified to act as Authorised	1.
	Representative of creditors in a class (Three names for each class)	2. 3.
14.	(a) Relevant Forms and	Web link:
	(b) Details of authorized representatives are available at:	Physical Address:

Notice is hereby given that the National Company Law Tribunal has ordered the commencement of a corporate insolvency resolution process of the [name of the corporate debtor] on [insolvency commencement date].

The creditors of [name of the corporate debtor], are hereby called upon to submit their claims with proof on or before [insert the date falling fourteen days from the appointment of the interim resolution professional] to the interim resolution professional at the address mentioned against entry No. 10.

The financial creditors shall submit their claims with proof by electronic means only. All other creditors may submit the claims with proof in person, by post or by electronic means.

A financial creditor belonging to a class, as listed against the entry No. 12, shall indicate its choice of authorised representative from among the three insolvency professionals listed against entry No.13 to act as authorised representative of the class [specify class] in Form CA.

#### Submission of false or misleading proofs of claim shall attract penalties.

Name and Signature of Interim Resolution Professional : Date and Place : :

#### FORM AA

# WRITTEN CONSENT TO ACT AS RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

(Under Regulation 3(1A) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

 $[Registration\ number\ of\ the\ insolvency\ professional]$ 

[Address of the insolvency professional registered with the Board]

The Committee of Creditors [name of corporate debtor]

#### Subject: Written Consent to act as resolution professional.

I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board, note that the committee proposes to appoint me as resolution professional under section 22(3)(a) / 22(3)(b) / 27(2) of the Code for corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

 $2. In \ accordance \ with \ regulation \ 3 (1A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ and \ Bankruptcy \ Board \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ A \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ A \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ A \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ A) \ of \ the \ Insolvency \ A) \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ A) \ o$ Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, I hereby give consent to the proposed appointment.

- 3. I declare and affirm as under: -
  - I am registered with the Board as an insolvency professional.
  - b. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceedings initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
  - I do not suffer from any disability to act as a resolution professional.
  - I am eligible to be appointed as resolution professional of the corporate debtor under regulation 3 and other
  - applicable provisions of the Code and regulations.

    I shall make the disclosures in accordance with the code of conduct for insolvency professionals as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;

I am having the following processes in hand:
Role as Sl. No. No. of Processes on the date of Consent Interim Resolution Professional 1 2 Resolution Professional of a. Corporate Debtors b. Individuals Liquidator of a. Liquidation Processes b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes Bankruptcy Trustee Authorised Representative Any other (Please state) 6

(Signature of the insolvency professional) Date: Place: Registration No. ......

# FORM AB WRITTEN CONSENT TO ACT AS AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

(Under Regulation 4A(3) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

From

[Name of the insolvency professional] [Registration number of the insolvency professional] [Registered address of the insolvency professional]

То

The Interim Resolution Professional [name of corporate debtor]

#### Subject: Written Consent to act as authorized representative.

I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board, note that you have proposed to appoint me as the authorized representative of financial creditors in a class [specify class] in the corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

 $2. In \ accordance \ with \ regulation \ 4(A) \ of the \ IBBI \ (Insolvency \ Resolution \ Process \ for \ Corporate \ Persons) \ Regulations, \ 2016, I hereby \ give \ my \ consent \ to \ the \ proposed \ appointment.$ 

- 3. I declare and affirm as under:
  - a. I am registered with the Board as an insolvency professional.
  - b. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceedings initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
  - c. I do not suffer from any disability to act as an authorized representative.
  - d. I shall not canvass with the creditors to indicate their choice in my favour in Form CA.

Sl. No.	m having the following processes in hand: Role as	No. of Processes on the date of Consent
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional of	
	a. Corporate Debtors	
	b. Individuals	
3	Liquidator of	
	a. Liquidation Processes	
	b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

6	Any other (Please state)	
Date:		(Signature of the insolvency professional)
Place:		Registration No]

# <sup>138</sup>[SCHEDULE-I]

### FORM B

PROOF OF CLAIM BY OPERATIONAL CREDITORS EXCEPT WORKMEN AND EMPLOYEES

(Under Regulation 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

То

The Interim Resolution Professional | Resolution Professional | Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional | Resolution Professional | Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the operational creditor]

Subject: Submission of proof of claim.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the operational creditor], hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the corporate insolvency resolution process in the case of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

PART	ICULARS	
1.	NAME OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	
2.	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR  (IF AN INCORPORATED BODY PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PROOF OF INCORPORATION. IF A PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION RECORDS* OF ALL THE PARTNERS OR THE INDIVIDUAL)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>138</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

PARTICULARS			
	002.11.0		
3.	ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR FOR CORRESPONDENCE		
4.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM		
	(INCLUDING ANY INTEREST AS AT THE INSOLVENCY COMMENCEMENT DATE)		
5.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO WHICH THE DEBT CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED.		
6.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THE RECORD OF PENDENCY OR ORDER OF SUIT OR ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS		
7.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED		
8.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND THE CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE CLAIM		
9.	139[ DETAILS OF:  a. any security held, the value of security and its date, or		
	b. any retention of title arrangement in respect of goods or properties to which the claim refers]		
10.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM OR ANY PART THEREOF CAN BE TRANSFERRED PURSUANT TO A RESOLUTION PLAN		
11.	LIST OF DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS PROOF OF CLAIM IN ORDER TO PROVE THE		

 $<sup>^{139}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated  $27^{th}$  November, 2019 (w.e.f. 28.11.2019). Before substitution, it stood as under: "Details of any retention of title arrangements in respect of goods or properties to which the claim refers".

Particulars			
EXISTENCE AND NON-PAYMENT OF CLAIN DUE TO THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	A		
Signature of operational creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf  [Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of an operational creditor]			
Name in BLOCK LETTERS			
Position with or in relation to creditor			
Address of person signing			

\*PAN number, passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of India

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- I, [Name of claimant], currently residing at [insert address], hereby declare and state as follows:-
- 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
- 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
- 4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I nor any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

 $<sup>^{140}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/ 2017-18/GN/REG030, dated  $27^{th}$  March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01-04-2018) for Affidavit and Verification.

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings betweenth	?
corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim.	

Date:

Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20...

(Signature of the claimant)

[Note: In the case of company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity].]

### <sup>141</sup>[SCHEDULE-I] <sup>142</sup>[FORM C

#### SUBMISSION OF CLAIM BY FINANCIAL CREDITORS

(Under Regulation 8 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

From

[Name and address of the financial creditor, including address of its registered office and principal office]

To

The Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional [Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [Address as set out in public announcement]

Subject: Submission of claim and proof of claim.

Madam/Sir,

 $<sup>^{141}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as -"Schedule".

 $<sup>^{142}</sup> Substituted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG070, dated \ 15^{th} March, 2021 \ (w.e.f. \ 15.03.2021).$ 

[Name of the financial creditor], hereby submits this claim in respect of the corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:  Relevant Particulars			
(1)	(2)	(3)	
1.	Name of the financial creditor	` ′	
2.	Identification number of the financial creditor		
	(If an incorporated body, provide identification number and		
	proof of incorporation. If a partnership or individual provide		
	identification records* of all the partners or the individual)		
3.	Address and email address of the financial creditor for		
	correspondence		
4.	Details of claim, if it is made against corporate debtor as		
	principal borrower:		
	(i) Amount of claim		
	(ii) Amount of claim covered by security interest, if any		
	(Please provide details of security interest, the value of the		
	security, and the date it was given)		
	(iii) Amount of claim covered by guarantee, if any		
	(Please provide details of guarantee held, the value of the		
	guarantee, and the date it was given)		
	(iv) Name and address of the guarantor(s)		
5.	Details of claim, if it is made against corporate debtor as		
	guarantor:		
	(i) Amount of claim		
	(ii) Amount of claim covered by security interest, if any		
	(Please provide details of security interest, the value of the		
	security, and the date it was given) (iii) Amount of claim covered by guarantee, if any		
	1, ,		
	(Please provide details of guarantee held, the value of the guarantee, and the date it was given)		
	(iv) Name and address of the principal borrower		
6.	Details of claim, if it is made in respect of financial debt covered		
0.	under clauses (h) and (i) of sub-section (8) of section 5 of the		
	Code, extended by the creditor:		
	(i) Amount of claim		
	(ii) Name and address of the beneficiary		
7.	Details of how and when debt incurred		
8.	Details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual		
	dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which		
	may be set-off against the claim		
9.	Details of the bank account to which the amount of the claim or		
	any part thereof can be transferred pursuant to a resolution plan		
(Signat	ure of financial creditor or person authorised to act on its behalf)		
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- - 1. [Name of corporate debtor], the corporate debtor was, at the insolvency commencement date, being the......day of......20....., actually indebted to me for a sum of Rs. [insert amount of claim].
  - 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
  - 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
  - 4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I, nor any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:
    - [Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim].
  - 5. I undertake to update my claim as and when the claim is satisfied, partly or fully, from any source in any manner, after the insolvency commencement date.
  - 6. I am / I am not a related party of the corporate debtor, as defined under section 5 (24) of the Code.
  - 7. I am eligible to join committee of creditors by virtue of proviso to section 21 (2) of the Code even though I am a related party of the corporate debtor.

Date: Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20....

(Signature of claimant)

[Note: In the case of company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary/designated partner and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity.]]

# FORM CA SUBMISSION OF CLAIM BY FINANCIAL CREDITORS IN A CLASS

(Under Regulation 8Aof the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

From

[Name and address of the financial creditor, including address of its registered office and principal office]

To

The Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional [Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [Address as set out in public announcement]

### Subject: Submission of claim and proof of claim.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the financial creditor], hereby submits this claim in respect of the corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

RELEVANT PARTICULARS			
1.	Name of the financial creditor		
2.	Identification number of the financial creditor  (If an incorporated body, provide identification number and proof of incorporation. If a partnership or individual, provide identification records of all the partners or the individual)		
3.	Address and e-mail address of the financial creditor for correspondence.		
4.	Total amount of claim (in Rs.)		

5.	substantiated		
6.	Details of how and when debt incurred		
7.	Details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim		
8.	Details of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given		
9.	Details of the bank account to which the amount of the claim or any part thereof can be transferred pursuant to a resolution plan		
10.	List of documents attached to this claim in order to prove the existence and non-payment of claim due		
11.	Name of the insolvency professional who will act as the Authorised representative of creditors of the class		
_	ture of financial creditor or person authorised to act on its behalf e enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of the fir	nancial creditor]	
Name	in BLOCK LETTERS		
Positi	on with or in relation to creditor		
Addre	ss of person signing		

# DECLARATION

- I, [Name of claimant], currently residing at [insert address], do hereby declare and state as follows:  ${\sf -}$

<sup>\*</sup>PAN number, passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of India.

- 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
- 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
- 4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I, nor any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim].

- 5. I am /I am not a related party of the corporate debtor, as defined under section 5 (24)
- I am eligible to give voting instruction to the authorized representative by virtue of proviso to section 21 (2) of the Code even though I am a related party of the corporate debtor.

Date: Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ... ... day of ......, 20...

(Signature of claimant)

[Note: In the case of company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary/designated partner and in the case of other entities, an officer authorized for the purpose by the entity.]]

#### <sup>143</sup>[SCHEDULE-I] FORM D

PROOF OF CLAIM BY A WORKMAN OR AN EMPLOYEE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>143</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

(Under Regulation 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

To

The Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional [Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the workman / employee]

Subject: Submission of proof of claim.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the workman / employee], hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the corporate insolvency resolution process in the case of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

PART	PARTICULARS			
1.	NAME OF WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE			
2.	PANNUMBER, PASSPORT, THE IDENTITY			
	CARD ISSUED BY THE ELECTION			
	COMMISSION OF INDIA OR AADHAAR CARD			
	OF WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE			
3.	Address and email address (if any) of			
	WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE FOR			
	CORRESPONDENCE			
4.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM			
	(INCLUDING ANY INTEREST AS AT THE			
	INSOLVENCY COMMENCEMENT DATE)			
	,			
5.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO			
	WHICH THE CLAIMCAN BE SUBSTANTIATED.			
6.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THE			
	RECORD OF PENDENCY OR ORDER OF SUIT OR			
	ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS			

Particulars			
7.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN CLAIM AROSE		
8.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS		
	BETWEEN THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND THE		
	CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST		
	THE CLAIM		
9.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH		
	THE AMOUNT OF THE CLAIM OR ANY PART		
	THEREOF CAN BE TRANSFERRED PURSUANT		
10	TO A RESOLUTION PLAN		
10.	LIST OF DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS		
	PROOF OF CLAIM IN ORDER TO PROVE THE		
	EXISTENCE AND NON-PAYMENT OF CLAIM		
	DUE TO THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR		

Signature of workman / employee or person authorised to act on his behalf [Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of an operational creditor]
Name in BLOCK LETTERS
Position with or in relation to creditor
Address of person signing

# <sup>144</sup>[DECLARATION

I, [Name of claimant], currently residing at [insert address], do hereby declare and state as follows:-

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{\ \ }^{144}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/ 2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated  $27^{th}$  March 2018 (w.e.f. 01-04-2018) for Affidavit and Verification.

1.	[Name of corporate debtor], the corporate debtor was, at the insolvency commencement
	date, being theday of
	in the sum of Rs. [insert amount of claim].

- 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
- The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
- 4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I, nor any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtorand the creditor which may be set-off against the claim].

Date	:

Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20...

(Signature of claimant).

#### 145 Schedule-I FORM E

PROOF OF CLAIM SUBMITTED BY AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE OF WORKMEN AND EMPLOYEES

(Under Regulation 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

 $<sup>^{145}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated  $13^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022) Before substitution the words stood as –"Schedule".

[Date]

То

The Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional, [Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the duly authorised representative of the workmen / employees]

Subject: Submission of proofs of claim.

Madam/Sir,

I, [name of authorised representative of the workmen / employees], currently residing at [address of authorised representative of the workmen / employees], on behalf of the workmen and employees employed by the above named corporate debtor and listed in Annexure A, solemnly affirm and say:

- 1. That the above named corporate debtor was, at the insolvency commencement date, being the \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_20\_, justly truly indebted to the several persons whose names, addresses, and descriptions appear in the Annexure A below in amounts severally set against their names in such Annexure A for wages, remuneration and other amounts due to them respectively as workmen or/ and employees in the employment of the corporate debtor in respect of services rendered by them respectively to the corporate debtor during such periods as are set out against their respective names in the said Annexure A.
- That for which said sums or any part thereof, they have not, nor has any of them, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim.]

Deponent

#### ANNEXURE

1. Details of Employees/ Workmen

S No.	NAME OF	IDENTIFICATION	l	AMOUNT	DUE	PERIOD	OVER
	EMPLOYEE/	NUMBER (PAN	(Rs.)			WHICH	AMOUNT
	WorkmAn	NUMBER, PASSPORT OR				DUE	
		AADHAAR CARD)					
1.							
2.							
3.							
4.							

- Particulars of how debt was incurred by the corporate debtor, including particulars of any dispute as well as the record of pendency of suit or arbitration proceedings (if any).
- 3. Particulars of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

<sup>146</sup>[Documents relied as evidence as proof of debt and as proofs of non-payment of debt.]

# 147[DECLARATION

- I, [Name of claimant], currently residing at [insert address], do hereby declare and state as follows:-
  - 1. [Name of corporate debtor], the corporate debtor was, at the insolvency commencement date, being the .......day of ............................... actually indebted to me in the sum of Rs. [insert amount of claim].
  - 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
  - 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.

 $<sup>\</sup>frac{146}{\text{Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/ }2017-18/\text{ }GN/\text{ }REG030, \text{dated }27^{\text{th}}\text{ }March, 2018 \text{ }(\text{w.e.f. }01\text{-}04\text{-}2018).}}{147}Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/ 2017-18/\text{ }GN/\text{ }REG030, \text{dated }27^{\text{th}}\text{ }March, 2018 \text{ }(\text{w.e.f. }01\text{-}04\text{-}2018))}}$ 

Affidavit and Verification.

4.	In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I, nor any person, by my order, to my
	knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security
	whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim].

Date: Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20...

(Signature of the claimant)]

## <sup>148</sup>[FORM F]

PROOF OF CLAIM BY CREDITORS (OTHER THAN FINANCIAL CREDITORS AND OPERATIONAL CREDITORS)

[Under Regulation 9A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016]

Date .....

То

The Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional [Name of the Insolvency Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the creditor]

Subject: Submission of proof of claim.

Madam / Sir,

 $<sup>^{148}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2017-18/\ GN/REG013, dated \ 16^{th}\ August, 2017 \ (w.e.f. \ 16-8-2017).$ 

I, [Name of the creditor], hereby submit the following proof of claim in respect of the corporate insolvency resolution process in the case of [name of corporate debtor]. The details of the same are set out below: PARTICULARS

IAIL	ICULARS						
1.	Name of the creditor						
2.	Identification number of the creditor						
	(If an incorporated body corporate, provide						
	identification number and proof of						
	incorporation. If a partnership or individual,						
	provide identification record* of all partners or						
	the individuals)						
3.	Address and email address of the creditor for						
	correspondence						
4.	Description of the claim (Including the						
	amount of the claim as at the insolvency						
	commencement date)						
5.	Details of documents by reference to which						
	claim can be substantiated						
6.	Details of how and when the claim arose						
7.	Details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or						
	other mutual dealings between the corporate						
	debtor and the creditor which may be set-off						
	against the claim						
8.	Details of:						
	a.any security held, the value of security and						
	its date, or						
	b.retention title arrangement in respect of						
	goods or properties to which the claim refers						
9.	Details of bank account to which the amount of						
	the claim or any part thereof can be transferred						
	pursuant to a resolution plan						
10.	List of documents attached to this claim in						
	order to prove the existence and non-						
satisfaction of claim due to the creditor							
l							
	ture of the creditor or any person authorised to act						
	se enclose the authority if this is being submitted s	igned on behalf of the creditor)					
	e in BLOCK LETTERS						
	on with or in relation to the creditor						
Addre	Address of the person signing						

\* PAN, Passport, AADHAAR or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of India.

#### 149 [DECLARATION

I, [Name	of claimant],	currently	residing a	t [insert	address],	do	hereby	declare	and	state	as
follows:-											

- 2. In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim].
- 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
- 4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, neither I, nor any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the creditor which may be set-off against the claim].

Date:

Place:

(Signature of the claimant)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the claimant hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this proof of claim are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20...

(Signature of the claimant)

149Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/ 2017-18/ GN/ REG030, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01-04-2018) for Affidavit and Verification.

[Note: In the case of company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity].]

# $$^{150}[{\rm FORM}\,{\rm Fa}]$$ APPLICATION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

[Under Regulation 30A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016]

[Date]

To

The Adjudicating Authority

[Through the Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional] [name of corporate debtor]

Subject: Withdrawal of Application admitted for corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]

- I, [Name of applicant], had filed an application bearing [particulars of application, i.e, diary number/ case number] on [Date of filing] before the Adjudicating Authority under [Section 7 / Section 9/ Section 10] of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. The said application was admitted by the Adjudicating Authority on [date] bearing [case number].
- 2.I hereby withdraw the application bearing [particulars of application, i.e, diary number/ case number] filed by me before the Adjudicating Authority under [Section 7 / Section 9/Section 10] of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016
- 3. I attach the required bank guarantee as per sub-regulation (2) of regulation 30A.

(Signature of the applicant)

Date:

Place:

[Note: In the case of company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary/designated partner and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity]".]

#### <sup>151</sup>[FORM G INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR] OPERATING IN [INDUSTRY TYPE] AT [LOCATION(S)]

(Under Regulation 36A(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons)Regulations, 2016)

<sup>150</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>151</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG093, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS								
1.	1. Name of the corporate debtor along with PAN/ CIN/ LLP No.								
2.	2. Address of the registered office								
3.	URL of website								
4.	Details of place where majority of fixed assets are located								
5.	Installed capacity of main products/ services								
6.	6. Quantity and value of main products/ services sold in last financial year								
7.	7. Number of employees/ workmen								
8.	Further details including last available financial statements (with schedules) of two years, lists of creditors, relevant dates for subsequent events of the process are available at:								
9.	Eligibility for resolution applicants under section 25(2)(h) of the Code is available at:								
10.	Last date for receipt of expression of interest								
11.	Date of issue of provisional list of prospective resolution applicants								
12.	Last date for submission of objections to provisional list								
13.	Process email id to submit EOI								

Signature of the Resolution Professional Registration Number of the Resolution Professional Registered Address of the Resolution Professional For (Name of the Corporate Debtor)

(Date and Place)]

#### FORM H COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(Under Regulation 39(4) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016

- I, [Name of the resolution professional], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board with registration number [registration number], am the resolution professional for the corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) of [name of the corporate debtor (CD)].
- 2. The details of the CIRP are as under:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
1	Name of the CD	
2	Date of Initiation of CIRP	
3	Date of Appointment of IRP	
4	Date of Publication of Public Announcement	
5	Date of Constitution of CoC	
6	Date of First Meeting of CoC	
7	Date of Appointment of RP	
8	Date of Appointment of Registered Valuers	
9	Date of Issue of Invitation for EoI	
10	Date of Final List of Eligible Prospective Resolution Applicants	
11	Date of Invitation of Resolution Plan	
12	Last Date of Submission of Resolution Plan	
13	Date of Approval of Resolution Plan by CoC	
14	Date of Filing of Resolution Plan with Adjudicating Authority	
15	Date of Expiry of 180 days of CIRP	
16	Date of Order extending the period of CIRP	
17	Date of Expiry of Extended Period of CIRP	
18	Fair Value	
19	Liquidation value	
20	Number of Meetings of CoC held	

3.I have examined the Resolution Plan received from Resolution Applicant (......) and approved by Committee of Creditors (CoC) of [Name of the corporate debtor].

4. I hereby certify that(i)the said Resolution Plan complies with all the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 (Code), the
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016
(CIRP Regulations) and does not contravene any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force.
(ii) the Resolution Applicant (......) has submitted an affidavit pursuant to section30(1) of
the Code confirming its eligibility under section 29A of the Code to submit resolution plan. The contents of the said
affidavit are in order.

(iii)the said Resolution Plan has been approved by the CoC in accordance with the provisions of the Code andthe CIRP Regulations made thereunder. The Resolution Plan has been approved by [state the number of votes bywhich Resolution Plan was approved by CoC] % of voting share of financial creditors after considering itsfeasibility and viability and other requirements specified by the CIRP Regulations.

(iv)The voting was held in the meeting of the CoC on [state the date of meeting] where all the members of the CoC were present.

I sought vote of members of the CoC by electronic voting system which was kept open at least for 24 hours as per the regulation 26. [strike off the part that is not relevant]

5. The list of financial creditors of the CD [state the name of CD] being members of the CoC and distribution of

voting share among them is as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Creditor	Voting Share (%)	Voting for Resolution Plan (Voted for /
			Dissented / Abstained)

6. The Resolution Plan includes a statement under regulation 38(1A) of the CIRP Regulations as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders in compliance with the Code and regulations made thereunder.

 $^{152} \climate{black}$  [7. The amounts provided for the stakeholders under the Resolution Plan is as under:

(Amount in Rs. lakh)

Sl.	Category of	Sub-Category of	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
No.	Stakeholder*	Stakeholder	Claimed	Admitted	Provide	Provided
					d under	to the
					the	Amount
					Plan#	Claimed
						(%)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	Secured Financial	(a) Creditors not				
	Creditors	having a right to vote				
		under sub-section (2)				
		of section 21				
		(b) Other than (a)				
		above:				

 $<sup>^{152}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,\,Notification\,\,No.\,\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG/052\,\,dated\,\,27^{th}\,Nov.,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,28.11.2019).$ 

		(i) who did not vote in favour of the resolution Plan  (ii) who voted in favour of the resolution plan  Total[(a) + (b)]		
2	Unsecured Financial Creditors	(a) Creditors not having a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21  (b) Other than (a) above:		
		(i)who did not vote in favour of the resolution Plan		
		(ii)who voted in favour of the resolution plan		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
3	Operational Creditors	(a) Related Party of Corporate Debtor		
		(b) Other than (a) above:		

		(i) Government (ii) Workmen (iii) Employees (iv)		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
4	Other debts and dues			
Grand				

8. The interests of existing shareholders have been altered by the Resolution plan as under:

Sl. No	Category of	No. of Shares	No. of Shares	Voting Share	Voting Share (%)
	Share Holder	held before	held after the	(%) held before	held after CIRP
		CIRP	CIRP	CIRP	
1	Equity				
2	Preference				
3					

9. The compliance of the Resolution Plan is as under:

Section of the	Requirement with respect to Resolution Plan	Clause of	Compliance
Code /		Resolution	(Yes / No)
Regulation No.		Plan	
25(2)(h)	Whether the Resolution Applicant meets the criteria approved by		
	the CoC having regard to the complexity and scale of operations		
	of business of the CD?		
Section 29A	Whether the Resolution Applicant is eligible to submit resolution		
	plan as per final list of Resolution Professional or Order, if any,		
	of the Adjudicating Authority?		
Section 30(1)	Whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted an affidavit		
	stating that it is eligible?		
<sup>153</sup> [Section 30(2)	Whether the Resolution Plan-		
	(a)provides for the payment of insolvency resolution process costs?		
	(b) provides for the payment to the operational creditors?		
	(c)provides for the payment to the financial creditors who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan?		

 $<sup>^{153}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG052, dated\,27^{th}November, 2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,28-11-2019).$ 

<sup>\*</sup>If there are sub-categories in a category, please add rows for each sub-category.

# Amount provided over time under the Resolution Plan and includes estimated value of non-cash components. It is not NPV.]

	(d) provides for the management of the affairs of the corporate debtor?	
	(e)provides for the implementation and supervision of the resolution plan?	
	(f)contravenes any of the provisions of the law for the timebeing in force?]	
Section 30(4)	Whether the Resolution Plan  (a) is feasible and viable, according to the CoC?  (b) has been approved by the CoC with 66% voting share?	
Section 31(1)	Whether the Resolution Plan has provisions for its effective implementation plan, according to the CoC?	
154[***]		
155[Regulation38 (1)	Whether the amount due to the operational creditors under the resolution plan has been given priority in payment over financial creditors?]	
Regulation 38(1A)	Whether the resolution plan includes a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders?	
156[Regulation	(i) Whether the Resolution Applicant or any of its related parties	
38(1B)	has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of	
	implementation of any resolution plan approved under the Code.	
	(ii)If so, whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted the statement giving details of such non-implementation?]	
Regulation	Whether the Resolution Plan provides:	
38(2)	(a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule?	
	(b) for the management and control of the business of the	
	corporate debtor during its term?	
38(3)	(c) adequate means for supervising its implementation?  Whether the resolution plan demonstrates that –	
	(a) it addresses the cause of default? (b) it is feasible and viable? (c) it has provisions for its effective implementation? (d)it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for	
	the same? (e)the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan?	 
39(2)	Whether the RP has filed applications in respect of transactions observed, found or determined by him?	
157[Regulation	Provide details of performance security received, as referred to in	
39(4)	sub-regulation (4A) of regulation 36B.]	

<sup>154</sup> Omitted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated 14th July, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-07-2021).
155 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).
156Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG/040 dated 24th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 24-01-2019).
157Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG/040 dated 24th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 24-01-2019).
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Section of the Code /	en conducted as per the timeline indicated as under:  Description of Activity	Latest Timeline	Actual Date
Regulation No.	Description of Yeavity	under regulation 40A	retual Date
Section 16(1)	Commencement of CIRP and Appointment of IRP	T	Т
Regulation 6(1)	Publication of Public Announcement	T+3	
Section 15(1)(c) /Regulation 12 (1)	Submission of Claims	T+14	
Regulation 13(1)	Verification of Claims	T+21	
Section 26(6A)/ Regulation 15A	Application for Appointment of Authorised Representative, if necessary	T+23	
Regulation 17(1)	Filing of Report Certifying Constitution of CoC	T+23	
Section 22(1) and regulation 17(2)	First Meeting of the CoC	T+30	
Regulation 35A	Determination of fraudulent and other transactions	T+115	
Regulation 27	Appointment of two Registered Valuers	T+47	
[158Regulation 36 (1)	Submission of Information Memorandum to CoC	T+54]	
Regulation 36A	Invitation of EoI	T+75	
	Publication of Form G	T+75	
	Provisional List of Resolution Applicants	T+100	
	Final List of Resolution Applicants	T+115	
Regulation 36B	Issue of Request for Resolution Plan, which includes Evaluation Matrix and Information Memorandum to Resolution Applicants	T+105	
Section 30(6)/ Regulation 39(4)	Submission of CoC approved Resolution Plan	T+165	
Section 31(1)	Approval of Resolution Plan	T=180	

Sl. No.	Nature of Approval	Name of applicable	Name of Authority	When to be obtained
		Law	who will grant Approval	
1				
2				
3				

12. The Resolution Plan is not subject to any contingency.
The Resolution Plan is subject to the following contingencies (Elaborate the contingencies i
ii.

 $<sup>^{158}</sup> Substituted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048,\ dated\ 25^{th} July,\ 2019\ (w.e.f.\ \ 25-07-2019).$ 

13. Following are the deviations / non-compliances of the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, regulations made or circulars issued thereunder (If any deviation/ non-compliances were observed, please state the details and reasons for the same):

Sl. No.	Deviation/Non-compliance observed	Section of the Code / Regulation No. / Circular No.	Reasons	Whether rectified or not
1				
2				
3				

14. The Resolution Plan is being filed ..... days before the expiry of the period of CIRP provided in section 12 of the

<sup>159</sup>[14A. Whether the resolution professional has, in accordance with regulation 35A,-

- (a) applied to the Adjudicating Authority on or before the one hundred and thirty-fifth day of the insolvency
- (b) filed Form CIRP 8 with the Board on or before the one hundred and fortieth day of the insolvency

15 Provide details of section 66 or avoidance application filed / pending

Sl.	Type of Transaction	Date of Filing with	Date of Order of the	Brief	of	the
No.		Adjudicating	Adjudicating	Order		
		Authority	Authority			
1	Preferential transactions under section 43					
2	Undervalued transactions under section 45					
3	Extortionate credit transactions under section 50					
4	Fraudulent transactions under section 66					

160[15	5A.	The committ	tee has ar	proved a	plan	providing	for	contribution	under	regulation	39B as	under:

- Estimated liquidation cost:
- Estimated liquid assets available: Rs.....
- Contributions required to be made: Rs.....
- c. Contributions required to be made: ks..........d. Financial creditor wise contribution is as under:

 $<sup>^{159}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG075, dated\,14^{th}\,July,\,2021\,(w.e.f.\,\,14-07-2021).$ 

 $<sup>^{160}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG048, dated\,25^{th}\,July,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,25-07-2019).$ 

Sl. No.	Name of financial creditor	Amount to be contributed (Rs.)
1		
2		
Total		

15B. The committee has recommended under regulation 39C as under:

- Sale of corporate debtor as a going concern:
- Yes/No
- Sale of business of corporate debtor as a going concern: Yes / No

The details of recommendation are available with the resolution professional.

- 15C. The committee has fixed, in consultation with the resolution professional, the fee payable to the liquidator during the liquidation period under regulation 39D.]
- 16. I (Name of Resolution Professional) hereby certify that the contents of this certificate are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

(Signature)

Name of the Resolution Professional:

IP Registration No:

Address as registered with the Board: Email id as registered with the Board:

Date:

Place:]

# <sup>161</sup>[Schedule-II

(Under Regulation 34B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

# Minimum Fixed Fee.

1. Minimum fixed fee as per the table -1 below shall be paid to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, for the period mentioned in clause 2:

**Table-1: Minimum Fixed Fee Structure** 

Quantum of Claims Admitted	Minimum Fee
	Per Month
	(Rs. lakh)
(i) Less than or equal to Rs. 50 crore	1.00
(ii) More than Rs.50 crore but less than or equal to Rs.500 crore	2.00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>161</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG091, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13-09-2022)

(iii) More than Rs.500 crore but less than or equal to Rs.2,500	3.00
crore	
(iv) More than Rs.2,500 crore but less than or equal to	4.00
Rs.10,000 crore	
(v) More than Rs.10,000 crore	5.00

# Period for minimum fixed fee.

- 2. The minimum fixed fee shall be applicable for the period, from appointment as interim resolution professional or resolution professional, till the time of -
  - (a) submission of application for approval of resolution plan under section 30;
  - (b) submission of application to liquidate the corporate debtor under section 33;
  - (c) submission of application for withdrawal under section 12A; or
- (d) order for closure of corporate insolvency resolution process; whichever is earlier.

# Performance-linked incentive fee for timely resolution.

3.In cases where resolution plan is submitted to the Adjudicating Authority within the time period given in table-2 from the insolvency commencement date, performance-linked incentive fee as per table-2 may be paid to the resolution professional, after approval of such resolution plan by the Adjudicating Authority on commencement of payment to creditors by the resolution applicant.

Table-2: Performance-linked incentive fee for timely resolution

Time period from insolvency commencement date	Fee as % of Realisable Value
(i) Less than or equal to 165 days	1.00
(ii) More than 165 days but less than or equal to 270 days	0.75
(iii) More than 270 days but less than or equal to 330 days	0.50
(iv) More than 330 days	0.00

# Performance-linked incentive fee for value maximisation.

4. The performance-linked incentive fee for value maximisation may be paid to the resolution professional at the rate of one per cent of the amount by which the realisable value is higher than the liquidation value, after approval of the resolution plan by Adjudicating Authority on commencement of payment to creditors by the resolution applicant.

Explanation: For the purposes of clause 3 and clause 4, "realisable value" means the amount payable to creditors in the resolution plan approved under section 31.

# **Illustration -**

A corporate debtor having liquidation value of twenty crore rupees was resolved and the realisable value to creditors was one hundred crore rupees. The resolution plan was submitted to the Adjudicating Authority on 170th day from the insolvency commencement date. The committee has decided to pay the performance-linked incentive fees under clause 3 and 4.  $^{89}$ 

In this case, fee payable to the resolution professional shall be as under:

- (i) Performance-linked incentive fee for timely resolution: 0.75% of Rs. 100 crore = Rs.75 lakh, and
- (ii) Performance-linked incentive fee for value maximisation: 1.00% of Rs. 80 crore (Rs. 100 crore Rs. 20 crore) = Rs. 80 lakh.]

(Dr. M. S. Sahoo) Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# The Insolvency and Bankruptcy

(Application to Adjudicating Authority)

**Rules, 2016** 

# The Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016<sup>1</sup>

[Amended upto 24.09.2020]

In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (c), (d), (e) and (f) of sub-section (1) of section 239 read with sections 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Central Government hereby makes the following Rules, namely-

- 1. Short title and commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016.
  - (2) They shall come into force from the 1st day of December, 2016.
- Application.—These Rules shall apply to matters relating to the corporate insolvency resolution process.
- 3. **Definitions.**—(1) In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
  - (a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
  - (b) "corporate insolvency resolution process" means the insolvency resolution process for corporate persons under Chapter II of Part II of the Code;
  - (c) "credit information company" shall have the meaning as assigned to it under the Credit Information Companies (Regulation) Act, 2005 (30 of 2005);
  - (d) "financial contract" means a contract between a corporate debtor and a financial creditor setting out the terms of the financial debt, including the tenure of the debt, interest payable and date of repayment;
  - (e) "Form" means a Form appended to these rules;
  - (f) "identification number" means the limited liability partnership identification number or the corporate identity number, as the case may be, of the corporate person;
  - (g) "Schedule" means the Schedule appended to these rules.
  - (2) All the words and expressions used herein and not defined shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them under the Code.
- **4. Application by financial creditor.**—(1) A financial creditor, either by itself or jointly, shall make an application for initiating the corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate debtor under section 7 of the Code in Form 1, accompanied with documents and records required therein and as specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) Where the applicant under sub-rule (1) is an assignee or transferee of a financial contract, the application shall be accompanied with a copy of the assignment or transfer agreement and other relevant documentation to demonstrate the assignment or transfer.
  - (3)<sup>2</sup>[The applicant shall serve a copy of the application to the registered office of the corporate debtor and to the Board, by registered post or speed post or by hand or by electronic means, before filing with the Adjudicating Authority.]
  - (4) In case the application is made jointly by financial creditors, they may nominate one amongst them to act on their behalf.
- 5. **Demand notice by operational creditor.**—(1) An operational creditor shall deliver to the corporate debtor, the following documents, namely.-
  - (a) a demand notice in Form 3; or
  - (b) a copy of an invoice attached with a notice in Form 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Published in the Gazette of India, Extra., Part II, Sec.3, No. 828 (E), dated 30th Nov., 2016 (w.e.f. 01.12.2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

- (2) The demand notice or the copy of the invoice demanding payment referred to in subsection (2) of section 8 of the Code, may be delivered to the corporate debtor,
  - (a) at the registered office by hand, registered post or speed post with acknowledgement due; or
  - (b) by electronic mail service to a whole time director or designated partner or key managerial personnel, if any, of the corporate debtor.
- (3) A copy of demand notice or invoice demanding payment served under this rule by an operational creditor shall also be filed with an information utility, if any.
- **6. Application by operational creditor.**—(1) An operational creditor, shall make an application for initiating the corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate debtor under section 9 of the Code in Form 5, accompanied with documents and records required therein and as specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) <sup>3</sup>[The applicant under sub-rule (1) shall serve a copy of the application to the registered office of the corporate debtor and to the Board, by registered post or speed post or by hand or by electronic means, before filing with the Adjudicating Authority.]
- 7. Application by corporate applicant.—(1) A corporate applicant, shall make an application for initiating the corporate insolvency resolution process against a corporate debtor under section 10 of the Code in Form 6, accompanied with documents and records required therein and as specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) <sup>4</sup>[The applicant under sub-rule (1) shall serve a copy of the application to the Board by registered post or speed post or by hand or by electronic means, before filing with the Adjudicating Authority.]
- **8. Withdrawal of application.**—The Adjudicating Authority may permit withdrawal of the application made under rules 4, 6 or 7, as the case may be, on a request made by the applicant before its admission.
- **9. Interim resolution professional.**—(1) The applicant, wherever he is required to propose or proposes to appoint an insolvency resolution professional, shall obtain a written communication in Form 2 from the insolvency professional for appointment as an interim resolution professional and enclose it with the application made under rules 4, 6 or 7, as the case may be.
  - (2) The application under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by a certificate confirming the eligibility of the proposed insolvency professional for appointment as a resolution professional in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
- 10. Filing of application and application fee.—(1) Till such time the rules of procedure for conduct of proceedings under the Code are notified, the application made under subsection (1) of section 7, sub-section (1) of section 9 or sub-section (1) of section 10 of the Code shall be filed before the Adjudicating Authority in accordance with rules 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 26 of Part III of the National Company Law Tribunal Rules, 2016.
  - (2) An applicant under these rules shall immediately after becoming aware, notify the Adjudicating Authority of any winding-up petition presented against the corporate debtor.
  - (3) The application shall be accompanied by such fee as specified in the Schedule.
  - (4) The application and accompanying documents shall be filed in electronic form, as and when such facility is made available and as prescribed by the Adjudicating

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

# Authority:

Provided that till such facility is made available, the applicant may submit the accompanying documents, and wherever they are bulky, in electronic form, in scanned, legible portable document format in a data storage device such as a compact disc or a USB flash drive acceptable to the Adjudicating Authority.

### Form 1

(See sub-rule (1) of rule 4)

# <sup>5</sup>[APPLICATION BY FINANCIAL CREDITOR(S) TO INITIATE CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS \*UNDER CHAPTER II OF PART II/UNDER CHAPTER IV OF PART II OF THE CODE.

[\*strike out whichever is not applicable]]

(Under section 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with Rule 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016)

[Date]

To.

The National Company Law Tribunal

[Address]

From

[Names and addresses of the registered offices of the financial creditors]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Subject: Application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process in the matter of [name of the corporate debtor] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Names of the financial creditor(s)], hereby submit this application to initiate a corporate insolvency resolution process in the matter of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the purpose of this application are set out below:

# Part-I

P	PATI-1 ARTICULARS OF APPLICANT (PLEASE PROVID) MAKING THE APPLIC	
1.	NAME OF FINANCIAL CREDITOR	
2.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF FINANCIAL CREDITOR	
3.	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF FINANCIAL CREDITOR	
4.	ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE FINANCIAL CREDITOR	
5.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON AUTHORISED TO SUBMIT APPLICATION ON ITS BEHALF (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	
6.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON RESIDENT IN INDIA AUTHORISED TO ACCEPT THE SERVICE OF PROCESS ON ITS BEHALF (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated 14th March, 2019 (w.e.f. 19-03-2019).

### Part\_II

	Part-II	
	PARTICULARS OF THE CORP	ORATE DEBTOR
1.	NAME OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR	
2.	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF CORPORATE DEBTOR	
3.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF CORPORATE DEBTOR	
4.	NOMINAL SHARE CAPITAL AND THE PAID- UP SHARE CAPITAL OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND/OR DETAILS OF GUARANTEE CLAUSE AS PER MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION (AS APPLICABLE)	
5.	ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR	
<sup>6</sup> [6.	DETAILS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AS PER THE NOTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 55 (2) OF THE CODE—  (i) ASSETS AND INCOME  (ii) CLASS OF CREDITORS OR AMOUNT OF DEBT  (iii) CATEGORY OF CORPORATE PERSON  (WHERE APPLICATION IS UNDER CHAPTER IV OF PART II OF THE CODE)	

# Part-III

	PARTICULARS OF THE PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL
1.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS AND THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

# Part - IV

	PARTICULARS OF F	INANCIAL DEBT
1.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEBT GRANTED DATE(S) OF DISBURSEMENT	
2.	AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE IN DEFAULT AND THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEFAULT OCCURRED (ATTACH THE WORKINGS FOR COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT AND DAYS OF DEFAULT IN TABULAR FORM)	

 $<sup>^6</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated  $14^{th}$  March, 2019 (w.e.f. 19-03-2019).

# Part-V

1	PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL DEBT [DOCUMENTS, RECORDS AND EVIDENCE OF DEFAULT]
1.	PARTICULARS OF SECURITY HELD, IF ANY, THE DATE OF ITS CREATION, ITS ESTIMATED VALUE AS PER THE CREDITOR.  ATTACH A COPY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHARGE ISSUED BY THE
	REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES (IF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR IS A COMPANY)
2.	PARTICULARS OF AN ORDER OF A COURT, TRIBUNAL OR ARBITRAL PANEL ADJUDICATING ON THE DEFAULT, IF ANY (ATTACH A COPY OF THE ORDER)
3.	RECORD OF DEFAULT WITH THE INFORMATION UTILITY, IF ANY (ATTACH A COPY OF SUCH RECORD)
4.	DETAILS OF SUCCESSION CERTIFICATE, OR PROBATE OF A WILL, OR LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION, OR COURT DECREE (AS MAY BE APPLICABLE), UNDER THE INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT, 1925 (10 OF 1925) (ATTACH A COPY)
5.	THE LATEST AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE FINANCIAL CONTRACT REFLECTING ALL AMENDMENTS AND WAIVERS TO DATE (ATTACH A COPY)
6.	A RECORD OF DEFAULT AS AVAILABLE WITH ANY CREDIT INFORMATION COMPANY (ATTACH A COPY)
7.	COPIES OF ENTRIES IN A BANKERS BOOK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BANKERS BOOKS EVIDENCE ACT, 1891 (18 OF 1891) (ATTACH A COPY)
8.	LIST OF OTHER DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO PROVE THE EXISTENCE OF FINANCIAL DEBT, THE AMOUNT AND DATE OF DEFAULT

I, hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, [name of proposed insolvency professional], is fully qualified and permitted to act as an insolvency professional in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the associated rules and regulations.

<sup>7</sup>[[Name of the financial creditor] has paid the requisite fee for this application through [state means of payment] on [date] and served a copy of this application by registered post/speed post/by hand/electronic means to the registered office of the corporate debtor and to the Board.]

# Yours sincerely,

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the financial creditor	
Name in block letters	
Position with or in relation to the financial creditor	
Address of person signing	

# Instructions

Please attach the following to this application:

Annex I Copies of all documents referred to in this application.

Annex II Written communication by the proposed interim resolution professional as set out in Form 2. Annex III Proof that the specified application fee has been paid.

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated  $24^{\rm th}$  September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

Annex IV Where the application is made jointly, the particulars specified in this form shall be furnished in respect of all the joint applicants along with a copy of authorisation to the financial creditor to file and act on this application on behalf of all the applicants.

<sup>8</sup>[Annex V Proofs of serving a copy of the application (a) to the corporate debtor, and (b) to the Board.]

# FORM 2

(See sub-rule (1) of rule 9)

(Under rule 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016) WRITTEN COMMUNICATION BY PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

[Date]

То

The National Company Law Tribunal [Address]

From.

[Name and address of the registered office of the proposed interim resolution professional]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Subject: Written communication in connection with an application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of the corporate debtor]

Madam/Sir,

I, [name of proposed interim resolution professional], an insolvency professional registered with [name of insolvency professional agency] having registration number [registration number] have been proposed as the interim resolution professional by [name of applicant financial creditor] in connection with the proposed corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

In accordance with rule 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016, I hereby:

- (i) agree to accept appointment as the interim resolution professional if an order admitting the present application is passed;
- (ii) state that the registration number allotted to me by the Board is [insert registration number] and that I am currently qualified to practice as an insolvency professional;
- (iii) <sup>9</sup>[disclose that I am currently having the following assignments in hand:

Sl.	Assignment as	Number of	No.	Name of corporate debtor	Date of	Expected
No.		Assignment(s)			commencement	date of
					of process	closure of
						process
			Corpo	rate Processes		
1	IRP		1			
			2			
			3			
2	RP		1			
			2			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

			3		
3	Liquidator		1		
	(including		2		
	voluntary		3		
	liquidations)				
4	Authorised		1		
	Representative		2		
			3		
		]	Individu	al Processes	
5	Resolution				
	Professional				
6	Bankruptcy				
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Trustee Any other.

- (iv) certify that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against me with the Board or [name of the insolvency professional agency he is a member of];
- (v) affirm that I am eligible to be appointed as a resolution professional in respect of the corporate debtor in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016;
- (vi) make the following disclosures in accordance with the code of conduct for insolvency professionals as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;

(Signature of the insolvency professional) (Name in block letters)

(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)

# [Optional certification, if required by the applicant making an application under these Rules]

I, hereby, certify that the facts averred by the applicant in the present application are true, accurate and complete and a default has occurred in respect of the relevant corporate debtor. I have reached this conclusion based on the following facts and/or opinion:-

[Please give details].

(Signature of the insolvency professional)

(Name in block letters)

(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)

# FORM 3

(See clause (a) of sub-rule (1) of rule 5)

# FORM OF DEMAND NOTICE / INVOICE DEMANDING PAYMENT UNDER THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE, 2016

(Under rule 5 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016)

[Date]

To,

[Name and address of the registered office of the corporate debtor]

[Name and address of the registered office of the operational creditor]

Subject: Demand notice/invoice demanding payment in respect of unpaid operational debt due from [corporate debtor] under the Code.

# Madam/Sir,

- 1. This letter is a demand notice/invoice demanding payment of an unpaid operational debt due from [name of corporate debtor].
- 2. Please find particulars of the unpaid operational debt below:

	PARTICULARS OF OPERA	ATIONAL DEBT
1.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEBT, DETAILS OF TRANSACTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH DEBT FELL DUE, AND THE DATE FROM WHICH SUCH DEBT FELL DUE	
2.	AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE IN DEFAULT AND THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEFAULT OCCURRED (ATTACH THE WORKINGS FOR COMPUTATION OF DEFAULT IN TABULAR FORM)	
3.	PARTICULARS OF SECURITY HELD, IF ANY, THE DATE OF ITS CREATION, ITS ESTIMATED VALUE AS PER THE CREDITOR. ATTACH A COPY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHARGE ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES (IF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR IS A COMPANY)	
4.	DETAILS OF RETENTION OF TITLE ARRANGEMENTS (IF ANY) IN RESPECT OF GOODS TO WHICH THE OPERATIONAL DEBT REFERS	
5.	RECORD OF DEFAULT WITH THE INFORMATION UTILITY (IF ANY)	
6.	PROVISION OF LAW, CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT UNDER WHICH DEBT HAS BECOME DUE	
7.	LIST OF DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO PROVE THE EXISTENCE OF OPERATIONAL DEBT AND THE AMOUNT IN DEFAULT	

- If you dispute the existence or amount of unpaid operational debt (in default) please
  provide the undersigned, within ten days of the receipt of this letter, of the pendency of
  the suit or arbitration proceedings in relation to such dispute filed **before** the receipt of
  this letter/notice.
- 4. If you believe that the debt has been repaid before the receipt of this letter, please demonstrate such repayment by sending to us, within ten days of receipt of this letter, the following:
  - (a) an attested copy of the record of electronic transfer of the unpaid amount from the bank account of the corporate debtor; or
  - (b) an attested copy of any record that [name of the operational creditor] has received the payment.
- 5. The undersigned, hereby, attaches a certificate from an information utility confirming that no record of a dispute raised in relation to the relevant operational debt has been filed by

any person at any information utility. (if applicable)

6. The undersigned request you to unconditionally repay the unpaid operational debt (in default) in full within ten days from the receipt of this letter failing which we shall initiate a corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

Yours sincerely,

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the operational creditor
Name in block letters
Position with or in relation to the operational creditor
Address of person signing

### Instructions

- 1. Please serve a copy of this form on the corporate debtor, ten days in advance of filing an application under section 9 of the Code.
- Please append a copy of such served notice to the application made by the operational creditor to the Adjudicating Authority.

# Form 4

(See clause (b) of sub-rule(1) of rule 5)

FORM OF NOTICE WITH WHICH INVOICE DEMANDING PAYMENT IS TO BE ATTACHED (Under Rule 5 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016)

[Date]

To

[Name and address of registered office of the corporate debtor]

From.

[Name and address of the operational creditor]

Subject: Notice attached to invoice demanding payment

Madam/Sir,

[Name of operational creditor], hereby provides notice for repayment of the unpaid amount of INR [insert amount] that is in default as reflected in the invoice attached to this notice.

In the event you do not repay the debt due to us within ten days of receipt of this notice, we may file an application before the Adjudicating Authority for initiating a corporate insolvency resolution process under section 9 of the Code.

Yours sincerely,

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the operational creditor

Name in block letters

Position with or in relation to the operational creditor

Address of person signing

# Form 5

(See sub-rule (1) of rule 6)

<sup>10</sup>[APPLICATION BY OPERATIONAL CREDITOR (S) TO INITIATE CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS \*UNDER CHAPTER II OF PART II/ UNDER CHAPTER IV OF PART II OF THE CODE

[\*strike out whichever is not applicable]]

(Under rule 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016)

[Date]

To,

The National Company Law Tribunal [Address]

From

[Name and address for correspondence of the operational creditor]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Subject: Application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of the corporate debtor] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the operational creditor], hereby submits this application to initiate a corporate insolvency resolution process in the case of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the purpose of this application are set out below:

Part - I

PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT		
1.	NAME OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	
2.	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR (IF ANY)	
3.	ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE OF THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	

# Part - II

	PARTICULARS OF CORPORATE DEBTOR		
1.	NAME OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR		
2.	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF CORPORATE DEBTOR		
3.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF CORPORATE DEBTOR		
4.	NOMINAL SHARE CAPITAL AND THE PAID- UP SHARE CAPITAL OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND/OR DETAILS OF GUARANTEE CLAUSE AS PER MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION (AS APPLICABLE)		
5.	ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated 14th March, 2019 (w.e.f. 19-03-2019).

6.	NAME, ADDRESS AND AUTHORITY OF	
	PERSON SUBMITTING APPLICATION ON	
0.	BEHALF OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	
	(ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	
	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON RESIDENT	
7.	IN INDIA AUTHORISED TO ACCEPT THE	
/.	SERVICE OF PROCESS ON ITS BEHALF	
	(ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	
	DETAILS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AS PER	
	THE NOTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 55 (2) OF	
	THE CODE –	
	(i) ASSETS AND INCOME	
<sup>11</sup> [8.	(ii) CLASS OF CREDITORS OR AMOUNT	
	OF DEBT	
	(iii) CATEGORY OF CORPORATE PERSON	
	(WHERE APPLICATION IS UNDER CHAPTER IV OF	
	PART II OF THE CODE)]	

# Part-III

PARTIC	ULARS OF THE PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLU	TION PROFESSIONAL [IF PROPOSED]
	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS AND THE	
1.	REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE PROPOSED	
	INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL	

Part-IV			
	PARTICULARS OF OPERATIONAL DEBT		
1.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEBT, DETAILS OF TRANSACTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH DEBT FELL DUE, AND THE DATE FROM WHICH SUCH DEBT FELL DUE		
2.	AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE IN DEFAULT AND THE DATE ON WHICH THE DEFAULT OCCURRED (ATTACH THE WORKINGS FOR COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT AND DATES OF DEFAULT IN TABULAR FORM)		

# Part-V

PA	PARTICULARS OF OPERATIONAL DEBT [DOCUMENTS, RECORDS AND EVIDENCE OF DEFAULT]		
1.	PARTICULARS OF SECURITY HELD, IF ANY, THE DATE OF ITS CREATION, ITS ESTIMATED VALUE AS PER THE CREDITOR. ATTACH A COPY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHARGE ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES (IF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR IS A COMPANY)		
2.	DETAILS OF RESERVATION / RETENTION OF TITLE ARRANGEMENTS (IF ANY) IN RESPECT OF GOODS TO WHICH THE OPERATIONAL DEBT REFERS		
3.	PARTICULARS OF AN ORDER OF A COURT, TRIBUNAL OR ARBITRAL PANEL ADJUDICATING ON THE DEFAULT, IF ANY (ATTACH A COPY OF THE ORDER)		
4.	RECORD OF DEFAULT WITH THE INFORMATION UTILITY, IF ANY (ATTACH A COPY OF SUCH RECORD)		

 $<sup>^{11}</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated  $14^{th}$  March, 2019 (w.e.f. 14-03-2019).

5.	DETAILS OF SUCCESSION CERTIFICATE, OR PROBATE OF A WILL, OR LETTER OF ADMINISTRATION, OR COURT DECREE (AS MAY BE APPLICABLE), UNDER THE INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT, 1925 (10 OF 1925) (ATTACH A COPY)
6.	PROVISION OF LAW, CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT UNDER WHICH OPERATIONAL DEBT HAS BECOME DUE
7.	A STATEMENT OF BANK ACCOUNT WHERE DEPOSITS ARE MADE OR CREDITS RECEIVED NORMALLY BY THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR IN RESPECT OF THE DEBT OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR (ATTACH A COPY)
8.	LIST OF OTHER DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO PROVE THE EXISTENCE OF OPERATIONAL DEBT AND THE AMOUNT IN DEFAULT

I, [Name of the operational creditor / person authorised to act on behalf of the operational creditor] hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, [name of proposed insolvency professional], is fully qualified and permitted to act as an insolvency professional in accordance with the Code and the rules and regulations made thereunder. [WHERE APPLICABLE]

<sup>12</sup>[[Name of the operational creditor] has paid the requisite fee for this application through [state means of payment] on [date] and a copy of this application has been served by registered post/speed post/by hand/electronic means to the registered office of the corporate debtor and to the Board.]

Yours sincerely,

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the operational creditor		
Name in block letters		
Position with or in relation to the operational creditor		
Address of person signing		

# Instructions

Please attach the following to this application:

Annex I	Copy of the invoice / demand notice as in Form 3 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy
	(Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016 served on the corporate debtor.
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Annex II Copies of all documents referred to in this application.

<sup>13</sup>[Annex III Form 5A, if available, from the banks/financial institutions that maintains relevant accounts of the operational creditor.]

Annex IV Affidavit in support of the application in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016.

Annex V Written communication by the proposed interim resolution professional as set out in Form 2 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016. [WHEREAPPLICABLE]

Annex VI Proof that the specified application fee has been paid.

Proofs of serving a copy of the application (a) to the corporate debtor, and (b) to the Board.]

**Note:** Where workmen/employees are operational creditors, the application may be made either in an individual capacity or in a joint capacity by one of them who is duly authorised for the purpose.

 $<sup>^{12}\,</sup>Substituted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;G.S.R\;583 (E),\;dated\;24^{th}\,September,\;2020\;(w.e.f.\;24-09-2020).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

# 15[Form 5A

[Under section 9(3)(c) of the Code]

(To be issued on the letter head of the Bank / Financial Institution)

# To whomsoever it may concern

Based on a request of
No at branch of bank/financial institution, it is certified that the following amounts have been
credited in the last three years to this account on behalf of corporate debtor (name and address of the
corporate debtor from whom the amount is supposed to be credited).

Date of credit	Amount of credit (Rs.)

(Signature and Name of issuing authority)

Date:

Place:]

# Form 6

(See sub-rule(1) of rule 7)

16[APPLICATION BY CORPORATE APPLICANT TO INITIATE CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS \*UNDER CHAPTER II OF PART II/ UNDER CHAPTER IV OF PART II OF THE CODE

[\*strike out whichever is not applicable]]

(Under rule 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016)

[Date]

To,

The National Company Law Tribunal

[Address]

From,

[Name and address for correspondence of the corporate applicant]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Subject: Application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of the corporate debtor] under the Code.

Madam/Sir,

We, hereby submit this application to initiate a corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the purpose of this application are set out below:

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).
 <sup>16</sup> Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated 14th March, 2019 (w.e.f. 19-03-2019).

Part-I			
	PARTICULARS OF THE CORPORATE APPLICANT		
1.	NAME ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND ADDRESS FOR COMMUNICATION OF THE CORPORATE APPLICANT		
2.	NAME ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF CORPORATE DEBTOR		
3.	NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL DIRECTORS, PROMOTERS, DESIGNATED PARTNERS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR (AS APPLICABLE)		
4.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF CORPORATE DEBTOR		
5.	NOMINAL SHARE CAPITAL AND THE PAID-UP SHARE CAPITAL OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND/OR DETAILS OF GUARANTEE CLAUSE AS PER MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION (AS APPLICABLE)		
6.	NAME, ADDRESS AND AUTHORITY OF PERSON SUBMITTING APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF CORPORATE APPLICANT (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)		
7.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON RESIDENT IN INDIA AUTHORISED TO ACCEPT THE SERVICE OF PROCESS ON ITS BEHALF (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)		
8.	DOCUMENTATION TO SHOW THAT THE CORPORATE APPLICANT IS AUTHORISED TO INITIATE THE CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS		
<sup>17</sup> [9.	DETAILS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AS PER THE NOTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 55 (2) OF THE CODE —  (i) ASSETS AND INCOME  (ii) CLASS OF CREDITORS OR AMOUNT OF DEBT  (iii) CATEGORY OF CORPORATE PERSON (WHERE APPLICATION IS UNDER CHAPTER IV OF PART II OF THE CODE)]		

# Part - II

PARTICULARS OF PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL				
1.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS AND THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE PROPOSED INTERIM RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL			

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 222/(E), dated  $14^{th}$  March, 2019 (w.e.f. 19-03-2019).

### Part - III

Part - III							
PART	PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL / OPERATIONAL DEBT [CREDITOR WISE, AS APPLICABLE]						
1.	NAME(S) OF FINANCIAL / OPERATIONAL CREDITOR(S)						
2.	ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENCE OF THE FINANCIAL / OPERATIONAL CREDITOR(S)						
3.	TOTAL DEBT RAISED AND AMOUNT IN DEFAULT						
4.	DATE WHEN THE FINANCIAL/ OPERATIONAL DEBT WAS INCURRED						
5.	PARTICULARS OF SECURITY HELD, IF ANY, THE DATE OF ITS CREATION, ITS ESTIMATED VALUE AS PER THE CREDITOR.  ATTACH A COPY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHARGE ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES (IF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR IS A COMPANY)						
6.	DETAILS OF RETENTION OF TITLE ARRANGEMENTS (IF ANY) IN RESPECT OF GOODS TO WHICH THE OPERATIONAL DEBT REFERS						
7.	RECORD OF DEFAULT WITH THE INFORMATION UTILITY, IF ANY						
8.	LIST OF DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO PROVE THE EXISTENCE OF FINANCIAL/ OPERATIONAL DEBT AND THE AMOUNT IN DEFAULT						

I, certify that, to the best of my knowledge, [name of proposed insolvency professional], is fully qualified and permitted to act as an insolvency professional in accordance with the Code and the associated rules and regulations.

<sup>18</sup>[[Name of the corporate applicant] has paid the requisite fee for this application through [state means of payment] on [date] and a copy of this application has been served by registered post/speed post/by hand/electronic means to the Board.]

Yours sincerely,

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the corporate applicant	
Name in block letters	
Position with or in relation to the corporate applicant	
Address of person signing	

# Instructions

Please attach the following to this application:

 $<sup>^{18}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated  $24^{\rm th}$  September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

- Annex I In case of financial debt, record of default obtained through the information utility or all documents listed in serial number 8 of part –III of this application.
- Annex II In case of operational debt, (i) copy of invoice / demand notice served by an operational creditor on the corporate debtor and (ii) record of default obtained through the information utility or all documents listed in serial number 8 of part-III of this application.
- Annex III Written communication by the proposed interim resolution professional as set out in Form 2 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016.
- Annex IV Copy of the relevant books of accounts of the corporate debtor evidencing the default to creditors.
- Annex V Copies of audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and the provisional financial statements for the current financial year made upto a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of the application.
- Annex VI A statement of affairs made up to a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of application including the following document, namely:-
  - a list of the corporate debtor's assets and liabilities, divided into such categories as are appropriate for easy identification, with estimated values assigned to each category;
  - in the case of any property on which a claim against the corporate debtor is wholly or partly secured, particulars of the claim and its amount, and of how and when the security was created;
  - (c) the names and addresses of the financial creditors and operational creditors of the corporate debtor, with the amounts due to each of them;
  - (d) particulars of any debts owed by or to the corporate debtor to or by persons connected with it;
  - (e) whether any, and if so what, guarantees have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which, if any, of the guarantors is a related party to the corporate debtor and the corporate applicant; and
  - (f) the names and addresses of the members and partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, with details of their respective shareholdings.

# Annex VII A copy of:

- (a) relevant extract of any constitutional document or shareholders' agreement that records the authority of the corporate applicant to make this application, where the corporate applicant is a member or partner of the corporate debtor; or
- (b) relevant extract of an employment agreement, constitutional document or fillings made to the Registrar of Companies confirming the authority of the corporate applicant to make this application, where the corporate applicant is an individual in charge of managing the operations and resources of the corporate debtor or has control and supervision over the financial affairs of the corporate debtor.
- Annex VIII Affidavit in support of the application in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016.
- Annex IX Proof that the specified application fee has been paid.
- <sup>19</sup>[Annex X Proof that a copy of the application has been served to the Board.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Inserted by Notification No. G.S.R 583(E), dated 24th September, 2020 (w.e.f. 24-09-2020).

# **SCHEDULE**

[See sub-rule (3) of rule 10]

S. No.	Applicant	Fee payable (in ₹)
1.	Application by financial creditor (whether solely or jointly)	25000
2.	Application by operational creditor	2000
3.	Application by corporate debtor	25000

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# CHAPTER III LIQUIDATION PROCESS

# 33.Initiation of liquidation. - Reg 12

- (1) Where the Adjudicating Authority, -
- (a) before the expiry of the insolvency resolution process period or the maximum period permitted for completion of the corporate insolvency resolution process under section 12 or the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process under section 56, as the case may be, **does not receive a resolution plan** under sub-section (6) of section 30; or
- **(b)rejects the resolution plan** under section 31 for the non-compliance of the requirements specified therein,

# it shall -

- (i) pass an order requiring the corporate debtor to be liquidated in the manner as laid down in this Chapter;
- (ii)issue a public announcement stating that the corporate debtor is in liquidation; and
- (iii)require such order to be sent to the authority with which the corporate debtor is registered. Whether similar requirement is there in CIRP?

(2) Where the resolution professional, at any time during the corporate insolvency resolution process but before confirmation of resolution plan, intimates the Adjudicating Authority of the decision of the committee of creditors 1 approved by not less than sixty-six per cent. of the voting share] to liquidate the corporate debtor, the Adjudicating Authority shall pass a liquidation order as referred to in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of clause (b) of sub-section (1).

<sup>2</sup>[Explanation. - For the purpose of this sub-section, it is hereby declared that the committee of creditors may take the decision to liquidate the corporate debtor, any time after its constitution under sub-section (1) of section 21 and before the confirmation of the resolution plan, including at any time before the preparation of the information memorandum.] Whether IRP can recommend liquidation?

(3) Where the resolution plan approved by the Adjudicating Authority 3 [under section 31 or under sub-section (1) of section 54L,] is contravened by the concerned corporate debtor, any person other than the corporate debtor, whose interests are prejudicially affected by such contravention, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for a liquidation order as referred to in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of clause (b) sub-section **(1)**.

(4)On receipt of an application under sub-section (3), if the Adjudicating Authority determines that the corporate debtor has contravened the provisions of the resolution plan, it shall pass a liquidation order as referred to in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of clause (b) of sub-section (1).

(5) Subject to section 52, when a liquidation order has been passed, no suit or other legal proceeding shall be instituted by or against the corporate debtor: No bar on continuance of proceedings

Provided that a suit or other legal proceeding may be instituted by the liquidator, on behalf of the corporate debtor, with the prior approval of the Adjudicating Authority.

- (6) The provisions of sub-section (5) shall not apply to legal proceedings in relation to such transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.
- (7) The order for liquidation under this section shall be deemed to be a notice of discharge to the officers, employees and workmen of the corporate debtor, except when the business of the corporate debtor is continued during the liquidation process by the liquidator.-Different from CIRP

# 34. Appointment of liquidator and fee to be paid. -

(1) Where the Adjudicating Authority passes an order for liquidation of the corporate debtor under section 33, the resolution professional appointed for the corporate insolvency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 25 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 8 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019). 8
<sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 6 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

resolution process under ¹[Chapter II ²[or for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process under Chapter III-A] shall, subject to submission of a written consent by the resolution professional to the Adjudicatory Authority in specified form,] shall act as the liquidator for the purposes of liquidation unless replaced by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (4).

- (2) On the appointment of a liquidator under this section, all powers of the board of directors, key managerial personnel and the partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall cease to have effect and shall be vested in the liquidator.
- (3) The personnel of the corporate debtor shall extend all assistance and cooperation to the liquidator as may be required by him in managing the affairs of the corporate debtor and provisions of section 19 shall apply in relation to voluntary liquidation process as they apply in relation to liquidation process with the substitution of references to the liquidator for references to the interim resolution professional.
  - (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall by order replace the resolution professional, if-
  - (a) the resolution plan submitted by the resolution professional under section 30 was rejected for failure to meet the requirements mentioned in sub-section (2) of section 30; or
  - (b) the Board recommends the replacement of a resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority for reasons to be recorded 3[in writing; or]
    - <sup>4</sup>[(c) the resolution professional fails to submit written consent under sub-section (1).]
- (5) For the purposes of <sup>5</sup>[clauses (a) and (c)] of sub-section (4), the Adjudicating Authority may direct the Board to propose the name of another insolvency professional to be appointed as a liquidator.
- (6) The Board shall propose the name of another insolvency professional '[along with written consent from the insolvency professional in the specified form] within ten days of the direction issued by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (5).
- (7) The Adjudicating Authority shall, on receipt of the proposal of the Board for the appointment of an insolvency professional as liquidator, by an order appoint such insolvency professional as the liquidator.
- (8) An insolvency professional proposed to be appointed as a liquidator shall charge such fee for the conduct of the liquidation proceedings and in such proportion to the value of the liquidation estate assets, as may be specified by the Board. Reg 2A,2B,3,4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 26(a), for the words and figures "Chapter II shall" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 7 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sub by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 26(b), for the words "in writing" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Ins. by Act No 26 of 2018, sec 26(b) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Subs. by Act No 26 of 2018, sec 26 (c), for the words and brackets "clause (a)" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). 6 lns. by Act No 26 of 2018, sec 26 (d), (w.e.f. 6-6-2018)

(9) The fees for the conduct of the liquidation proceedings under sub-section (8) shall be paid to the liquidator from the proceeds of the liquidation estate under section 53.

# 35. Powers and duties of liquidator. -

(1) Subject to the directions of the Adjudicating Authority, the liquidator shall have the following powers and duties, namely: -

# (a) to verify claims of all the creditors;

- (b) to take into his custody or control all the assets, property, effects and actionable claims of the corporate debtor;
- (c) to evaluate the assets and property of the corporate debtor in the manner as may be specified by the Board and prepare a report; Reg 13
- (d) to take such measures to protect and preserve the assets and properties of the corporate debtor as he considers necessary;
- (e) to carry on the business of the corporate debtor for its beneficial liquidation as he considers necessary;
- (f) subject to section 52, to sell the immovable and movable property and actionable claims of the corporate debtor in liquidation by public auction or private contract, with power to transfer such property to any person or body corporate, or to sell the same in parcels in such manner as may be specified: Reg 32,33

<sup>1</sup>[Provided that the liquidator shall not sell the immovable and movable property or actionable claims of the corporate debtor in liquidation to any person who is not eligible to be a resolution applicant.]

- (g) to draw, accept, make and endorse any negotiable instruments including bill of exchange, hundi or promissory note in the name and on behalf of the corporate debtor, with the same effect with respect to the liability as if such instruments were drawn, accepted, made or endorsed by or on behalf of the corporate debtor in the ordinary course of its business;
- (h) to take out, in his official name, letter of administration to any deceased contributory and to do in his official name any other act necessary for obtaining payment of any money due and payable from a contributory or his estate which cannot be ordinarily done in the name of the corporate debtor, and in all such cases, the money due and payable shall, for the purpose of enabling the liquidator to take out the letter of administration or recover the money, be deemed to be due to the liquidator himself; Not to mix his personal accounts
- (i) to obtain any professional assistance from any person or appoint any professional, in discharge of his duties, obligations and responsibilities; Reg 7

- (j) to invite and settle claims of creditors and claimants and distribute proceeds in accordance with the provisions of this Code:
- (k) to institute or defend any suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings, civil or criminal, in the name of on behalf of the corporate debtor;
- (1) to investigate the financial affairs of the corporate debtor to determine undervalued or preferential transactions;
- (m) to take all such actions, steps, or to sign, execute and verify any paper, deed, receipt document, application, petition, affidavit, bond or instrument and for such purpose to use the common seal, if any, as may be necessary for liquidation, distribution of assets and in discharge of his duties and obligations and functions as liquidator;
- (n) to apply to the Adjudicating Authority for such orders or directions as may be necessary for the liquidation of the corporate debtor and to report the progress of the liquidation process in a manner as may be specified by the Board; **Reg** 15 and
  - (o) to perform such other functions as may be specified by the Board. Reg 5,6,10,14
- (2) The liquidator shall have the power to consult any of the stakeholders entitled to a distribution of proceeds under section 53:

Provided that any such consultation shall not be binding on the liquidator:

Provided further that the records of any such consultation shall be made available to all other stakeholders not so consulted, in a manner specified by the Board. Reg 8

# 36. Liquidation estate. -

- (1) For the purposes of liquidation, the liquidator shall form an estate of the assets mentioned in sub-section (3), which will be called the liquidation estate in relation to the corporate debtor.
- (2) The liquidator shall hold the liquidation estate as a fiduciary for the benefit of all the creditors.
- (3) Subject to sub-section (4), the liquidation estate shall comprise all liquidation estate assets which shall include the following:
  - (a) any assets over which the corporate debtor has ownership rights, including all rights and interests therein as evidenced in the balance sheet of the corporate debtor or an information utility or records in the registry or any depository recording securities of the corporate debtor or by any other means as may be specified by the Board, including shares held in any subsidiary of the corporate debtor;
  - (b) assets that may or may not be in possession of the corporate debtor including but not limited to encumbered assets;
    - (c) tangible assets, whether movable or immovable;

- (d) intangible assets including but not limited to intellectual property, securities (including shares held in a subsidiary of the corporate debtor) and financial instruments, insurance policies, contractual rights;
  - (e) assets subject to the determination of ownership by the court or authority;
- (f) any assets or their value recovered through proceedings for avoidance of transactions in accordance with this Chapter;
- (g) any asset of the corporate debtor in respect of which a secured creditor has relinquished security interest;
- (h) any other property belonging to or vested in the corporate debtor at the insolvency commencement date; and
  - (i) all proceeds of liquidation as and when they are realised.

# Reg 34,35,36

- (4) The following shall not be included in the liquidation estate assets and shall not be used for recovery in the liquidation: -
  - (a) assets owned by a third party which are in possession of the corporate debtor, including -
    - (i) assets held in trust for any third party;
      - (ii) bailment contracts;
    - (iii) all sums due to any workman or employee from the provident fund, the pension fund and the gratuity fund;
    - (iv) other contractual arrangements which do not stipulate transfer of title but only use of the assets; and
    - (v) such other assets as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator;
  - (b) assets in security collateral held by financial services providers and are subject to netting and set-off in multi-lateral trading or clearing transactions;
  - (c) personal assets of any shareholder or partner of a corporate debtor as the case may be provided such assets are not held on account of avoidance transactions that may be avoided under this Chapter;
    - (d) assets of any Indian or foreign subsidiary of the corporate debtor; or
  - (e) any other assets as may be specified by the Board, including assets which could be subject to set-off on account of mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and any creditor.
- 37. Powers of liquidator to access information. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, the liquidator shall have the power to access any information systems for the purpose of admission and proof of claims and identification of the liquidation estate assets relating to the corporate debtor from the following sources, namely: -
  - (a) an information utility;
  - (b) credit information systems regulated under any law for the time being in force;
  - (c) any agency of the Central, State or Local Government including any registration authorities;
  - (d) information systems for financial and **non-financial liabilities** regulated under any law for the time being in force;
  - (e) information systems for securities and assets posted as security interest regulated under any law for the time being in force;
    - (f) any database maintained by the Board; and
    - (g) any other source as may be specified by the Board. Reg 9
- (2) The creditors may require the liquidator to provide them any financial information relating to the corporate debtor in such manner as may be specified.
- (3) The liquidator shall provide information referred to in sub-section (2) to such creditors who have requested for such information within a period of seven days from the date of such request or provide reasons for not providing such information.

# 38. Consolidation of claims. -

- (1) The liquidator shall receive or collect the claims of creditors within a period of thirty days from the date of the commencement of the liquidation process. Reg 16
- (2) A financial creditor may submit a claim to the liquidator by providing a record of such claim with an information utility: Reg 18

*Provided* that where the information relating to the claim is not recorded in the information utility, the financial creditor may submit the claim in the same manner as provided for the submission of claims for the operational creditor under sub-section (3).

- (3) An operational creditor may submit a claim to the liquidator in such form and in such manner and along with such supporting documents required to prove the claim as may be specified by the Board. **Reg 17**
- (4) A creditor who is partly a financial creditor and partly an operational creditor shall submit claims to the liquidator to the extent of his financial debt in the manner as provided in sub-section (2) and to the extent of his operational debt under sub-section (3).
  - (5) A creditor may withdraw or vary his claim under this section within fourteen

days of its submission. Reg 19,20

### 39. Verification of claims.-

- (1) The liquidator shall verify the claims submitted under section 38 within such time as specified by the Board. Reg 30,30A
- (2) The liquidator may require any creditor or the corporate debtor or any other person to produce any other document or evidence which he thinks necessary for the purpose of verifying the whole or any part of the claim.

# 40. Admission or rejection of claims. -

(1) The liquidator may, after verification of claims under section 39, either admit or reject the claim, in whole or in part, as the case may be:

Provided that where the liquidator rejects a claim, he shall record in writing the reasons for such rejection.

(2) The liquidator shall communicate his decision of admission or rejection of claims to the creditor and corporate debtor within seven days of such admission or rejection of claims.

# 41. Determination of valuation of claims. -

The liquidator shall determine the value of claims admitted under section 40 in such manner as may be specified by the Board. Reg 22,24,25,26,27,28,29,31,31A

# 42. Appeal against the decision of liquidator. -

A creditor may appeal to the Adjudicating Authority against the decision of the liquidator <sup>1</sup>[accepting or] rejecting the claims within fourteen days of the receipt of such decision.

# 43. Preferential transactions and relevant time. -

- (1) Where the liquidator or the resolution professional, as the case may be, is of the opinion that the corporate debtor has at a relevant time given a preference in such transactions and in such manner as laid down in sub-section (2) to any persons as referred to in sub-section (4), he shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for avoidance of preferential transactions and for, one or more of the orders referred to in section 44.
  - (2) A corporate debtor shall be deemed to have given a preference, if-
  - (a) there is a transfer of property or an interest thereof of the corporate debtor for the benefit of a creditor or a surety or a guarantor for or on account of an antecedent financial debt or operational debt or other liabilities owed by the corporate debtor; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No.26 of 2018, sec. 27 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (b) the transfer under clause (a) has the effect of putting such creditor or a surety or a guarantor in a beneficial position than it would have been in the event of a distribution of assets being made in accordance with section 53.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-section (2), a preference shall not include the following transfers-
  - (a) transfer made in the ordinary course of the business or financial affairs of the corporate debtor or the transferee;
  - (b) any transfer creating a security interest in property acquired by the corporate debtor to the extent that -
    - (i) such security interest secures new value and was given at the time of or after the signing of a security agreement that contains a description of such property as security interest, and was used by corporate debtor to acquire such property; and
    - (ii) such transfer was registered with an information utility on or before thirty days after the corporate debtor receives possession of such property:

Provided that any transfer made in pursuance of the order of a court **shall not**, **preclude** such transfer to be deemed as giving of preference by the corporate debtor.

Explanation. – For the purpose of sub-section (3) of this section, "new value" means money or its worth in goods, services, or new credit, or release by the transferee of property previously transferred to such transferee in a transaction that is neither void nor voidable by the liquidator or the resolution professional under this Code, including proceeds of such property, but does not include a financial debt or operational debt substituted for existing financial debt or operational debt.

- (4) A preference shall be deemed to be given at a relevant time, if –
- (a) it is given to a related party (other than by reason only of being an employee), during the period of two years preceding the insolvency commencement date; or
- (b) a preference is given to a person other than a related party during the period of one year preceding the insolvency commencement date.

# 44. Orders in case of preferential transactions. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority, may, on an application made by the resolution professional or liquidator under sub-section (1) of section 43, by an order:
  - (a) require any property transferred in connection with the giving of the preference to be vested in the corporate debtor;
  - (b) require any property to be so vested if it represents the application either of the proceeds of sale of property so transferred or of money so transferred;
    - (c) release or discharge (in whole or in part) of any security interest created by the

corporate debtor;

- (d) require any person to pay such sums in respect of **benefits received by him** from the corporate debtor, such sums to the liquidator or the resolution professional, as the Adjudicating Authority may direct;
- (e) direct any guarantor, whose financial debts or operational debts owed to any person were released or discharged (in whole or in part) by the giving of the preference, to be under such new or revived financial debts or operational debts to that person as the Adjudicating Authority deems appropriate;
- (f) direct for providing security or charge on any property for the discharge of any financial debt or operational debt under the order, and such security or charge to have the same priority as a **security or charge released or discharged** wholly or in part by the giving of the preference; and
- (g) direct for providing the extent to which any person whose property is so vested in the corporate debtor, or on whom financial debts or operational debts are imposed by the order, are to be proved in the liquidation or the corporate insolvency resolution process for financial debts or operational debts which arose from, or were released or discharged wholly or in part by the giving of the preference:

Provided that an order under this section shall not -

(a)affect any interest in property which was acquired from a person other than the corporate debtor or any interest derived from such interest and was acquired in good faith and for value;

(b)require a person, who received a benefit from the preferential transaction in good faith and for value to pay a sum to the liquidator or the resolution professional.

Explanation-I: For the purpose of this section, it is clarified that where a person, who has acquired an interest in property from another person other than the corporate debtor, or who has received a benefit from the preference or such another person to whom the corporate debtor gave the preference, -

- (i) had sufficient information of the initiation or commencement of insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor;
  - (ii) is a related party,

it shall be presumed that the interest was acquired, or the benefit was received otherwise than in good faith unless the contrary is shown.

Explanation-II. – A person shall be deemed to have sufficient information or opportunity to avail such information if a public announcement regarding the corporate insolvency resolution process has been made under section 13.

### 45. Avoidance of undervalued transactions. -

- (1) If the liquidator or the resolution professional, as the case may be, on an examination of the transactions of the corporate debtor referred to in sub-section (2) <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] determines that certain transactions were made during the relevant period under section 46, which were undervalued, he shall make an application to the Adjudicating Authority to declare such transactions as void and reverse the effect of such transaction in accordance with this Chapter.
  - (2) A transaction shall be considered undervalued where the corporate debtor-
    - (a) makes a gift to a person; or
  - (b) enters into a transaction with a person which involves the transfer of one or more assets by the corporate debtor for a consideration the value of which is **significantly** less than the value of the consideration provided by the corporate debtor,

and such transaction has not taken place in the ordinary course of business of the corporate debtor.

# 46. Relevant period for avoidable transactions. -

- (1) In an application for avoiding a transaction at undervalue, the liquidator or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall demonstrate that
  - (i) such transaction was made with any person within the period of one year preceding the insolvency commencement date; or
  - (ii) such transaction was made with a related party within the period of two years preceding the insolvency commencement date.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority may require an independent expert to assess evidence relating to the value of the transactions mentioned in this section.

# 47. Application by creditor in cases of undervalued transactions. -

- (1) Where an undervalued transaction has taken place and the liquidator or the resolution professional as the case may be, has not reported it to the Adjudicating Authority, a creditor, member or a partner of a corporate debtor, as the case may be, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority to declare such transactions void and reverse their effect in accordance with this Chapter.
- (2) Where the Adjudicating Authority, after examination of the application made under sub-section (1), is satisfied that -

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Omitted by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 28 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). Before omission, it stood as "of section 43".

- (a) undervalued transactions had occurred; and
- (b) liquidator or the resolution professional, as the case may be, after having sufficient information or opportunity to avail information of such transactions did not report such transaction to the Adjudicating Authority,

# it shall pass an order-

- (a) restoring the position as it existed before such transactions and reversing the effects thereof in the manner as laid down in section 45 and section 48;
- (b) requiring the Board to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the liquidator or the resolution professional as the case may be.

### 48. Order in cases of undervalued transactions. -

- (1) The order of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (1) of section 45 may provide for the following: -
  - (a) require any property transferred as part of the transaction, to be vested in the corporate debtor;
  - (b) release or discharge (in whole or in part) any security interest granted by the corporate debtor;
  - (c) require any person to pay such sums, in respect of benefits received by such person, to the liquidator or the resolution professional as the case may be, as the Adjudicating Authority may direct; or
  - (d) require the payment of such consideration for the transaction as may be determined by an independent expert.

# 49. Transactions defrauding creditors. -

- (1) Where the corporate debtor has entered into an undervalued transaction as referred to in sub-section (2) of section 45 and the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that such transaction was deliberately entered into by such corporate debtor -
  - (a) for keeping assets of the corporate debtor beyond the reach of any person who is entitled to make a claim against the corporate debtor; or
- (b) in order to adversely affect the interests of such a person in relation to the claim, the Adjudicating Authority shall make an order-
  - (i) restoring the position as it existed before such transaction as if the transaction had not been entered into; and
  - (ii) protecting the interests of persons who are victims of such transactions: Provided that an order under this section-

- (a) shall not affect any interest in property which was acquired from a person other than the corporate debtor and was acquired in good faith, for value and without notice of the relevant circumstances, or affect any interest deriving from such an interest, and
- (b) shall not require a person who received a benefit from the transaction in good faith, for value and without notice of the relevant circumstances to pay any sum unless he was a party to the transaction.

# 50. Extortionate credit transactions. - Reg 11 of LPReg and Reg 5 of CIRP & Reg 5 of Pre Pack Reg

- (1) Where the corporate debtor has been a party to an extortionate credit transaction involving the receipt of financial or operational debt during the period within two years preceding the insolvency commencement date, the liquidator or the resolution professional as the case may be, may make an application for avoidance of such transaction to the Adjudicating Authority if the terms of such transaction required exorbitant payments to be made by the corporate debtor.
- (2) The Board may specify the circumstances in which a transactions which shall be covered under sub-section (1).

*Explanation.* - For the purpose of this section, it is clarified that any debt extended by any person providing financial services which is in compliance with any law for the time being in force in relation to such debt shall in no event be considered as an extortionate credit transaction.

# 51. Orders of Adjudicating Authority in respect of extortionate credit transactions. -

Where the Adjudicating Authority after examining the application made under sub-section (1) of section 50 is satisfied that the terms of a credit transaction required exorbitant payments to be made by the corporate debtor, it shall, by an order –

- (a) restore the position as it existed prior to such transaction;
- (b) set aside the whole or part of the debt created on account of the extortionate credit transaction;
  - (c) modify the terms of the transaction;
- (d) require any person who is, or was, a party to the transaction to repay any amount received by such person; or
- (e) require any security interest that was created as part of the extortionate credit transaction to be relinquished in favour of the liquidator or the resolution professional, as the case may be.

# 52. Secured creditor in liquidation proceedings. -

(1) A secured creditor in the liquidation proceedings may-

(a) relinquish its security interest to the liquidation estate and receive proceeds from the sale of assets by the liquidator in the manner specified in section 53; or

realise its security interest in the manner specified in this section. Reg 37,37A,39,40

- (2) Where the secured creditor realises security interest under clause (b) of sub-section (1), he shall inform the liquidator of such security interest and identify the asset subject to such security interest to be realised.
- Before any security interest is realised by the secured creditor under this section, the liquidator shall verify such security interest and permit the secured creditor to realise only such security interest, the existence of which may be proved either
  - (a) by the records of such security interest maintained by an information utility; or
  - (b) by such other means as may be specified by the Board.Reg 21,21A
- (4) A secured creditor may enforce, realise, settle, compromise or deal with the secured assets in accordance with such law as applicable to the security interest being realised and to the secured creditor and apply the proceeds to recover the debts due to it.
- (5) If in the course of realising a secured asset, any secured creditor faces resistance from the corporate debtor or any person connected therewith in taking possession of, selling or otherwise disposing off the security, the secured creditor may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority to facilitate the secured creditor to realise such security interest in accordance with law for the time being in force.
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority, on the receipt of an application from a secured creditor under sub-section (5) may pass such order as may be necessary to permit a secured creditor to realise security interest in accordance with law for the time being in force.
- (7) Where the enforcement of the security interest under sub-section (4) yields an amount by way of proceeds which is in excess of the debts due to the secured creditor, the secured creditor shall-
  - (a) account to the liquidator for such surplus; and
  - (b) tender to the liquidator any surplus funds received from the enforcement of such secured assets.
- (8) The amount of insolvency resolution process costs, due from secured creditors who realise their security interests in the manner provided in this section, shall be deducted from the proceeds of any realisation by such secured creditors, and they shall transfer such amounts to the liquidator to be included in the liquidation estate.
- (9) Where the proceeds of the realisation of the secured assets are not adequate to repay debts owed to the secured creditor, the unpaid debts of such secured creditor shall be paid by the liquidator in the manner specified in clause (e) of sub-section (1) of section 53.

#### 53. Distribution of assets. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any law enacted by the Parliament or any State Legislature for the time being in force, the proceeds from the sale of the liquidation assets shall be distributed in the following order of priority and within such period and in such manner as may be specified, namely: -Reg 41,42,38
  - (a) the insolvency resolution process costs and the liquidation costs paid in full;
  - (b) the following debts which shall rank equally between and among the following:
  - (i) workmen's dues for the period of twenty-four months preceding the liquidation commencement date; and
  - (ii) debts owed to a secured creditor in the event such secured creditor has relinquished security in the manner set out in section 52:
  - (c) wages and any unpaid dues owed to employees other than workmen for the period of twelve months preceding the liquidation commencement date;
    - (d) financial debts owed to unsecured creditors;
    - (e) the following dues shall rank equally between and among the following: -
    - (i) any amount due to the Central Government and the State Government including the amount to be received on account of the Consolidated Fund of India and the Consolidated Fund of a State, if any, in respect of the whole or any part of the period of two years preceding the liquidation commencement date;
    - (ii) debts owed to a secured creditor for any amount unpaid following the enforcement of security interest;
    - (f) any remaining debts and dues;
    - (g) preference shareholders, if any; and
    - (h) equity shareholders or partners, as the case may be.
- (2) Any contractual arrangements between recipients under sub-section (1) with equal ranking, if disrupting the order of priority under that sub-section shall be disregarded by the liquidator.
- (3) The fees payable to the liquidator shall be deducted proportionately from the proceeds payable to each class of recipients under sub-section (1), and the proceeds to the relevant recipient shall be distributed after such deduction.

Explanation. - For the purpose of this section-

(i) it is hereby clarified that at each stage of the distribution of proceeds in respect of a class of recipients that rank equally, each of the debts will either be paid in full, or will be paid in equal proportion within the same class of recipients, if the proceeds are

Provided that the promoters, directors, partners or their representatives may attend the meeting of the consultation committee, but shall not have any right to vote.

Provided further that a financial creditor or his representative, if he is a related party of the corporate debtor, shall not have right to vote.]

- <sup>35</sup>[(3). The liquidator may facilitate the stakeholders of each class namely financial creditors in a class, workmen, employees, government departments, other operational creditors, shareholders, partners, to nominate their representative for participation in the consultation committee.]
- <sup>36</sup>[(4) If the stakeholders of any class fail to nominate their representatives, under sub-regulation (3), such representatives shall be selected by a majority of voting share of the class, present and voting.]
- <sup>37</sup>[(4A) the representative under sub-regulation (3) or (4) shall vote in proportion to the voting share of the stakeholders it represents.]
- (5) Subject to the provisions of the Code and these regulations, representatives in the consultation committee shall have access to all relevant records and information as may be required to provide advice to the liquidator under sub-regulation (1).
- <sup>38</sup>[(6) The liquidator shall convene the first meeting of the consultation committee within seven days of the liquidation commencement date and may convene other meetings, if he considers necessary, on a request received from one or more members of the consultation committee:

Provided that when a request is received by the liquidator from members, individually or collectively, having at least thirty three percent of the total voting rights, the liquidator shall mandatorily convene the meeting.]

- (7)The liquidator shall chair the meetings of consultation committee and record deliberations of the meeting.
- (8)The liquidator shall place the recommendation of committee of creditors made under subregulation (1) of regulation 39C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency

request is received from at least fifty-one percent of representatives in the consultation committee".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (3) stood as: "The liquidator may facilitate the stakeholders of each class to nominate their representatives for inclusion in the consultation committee".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(4) If the stakeholders of any class fail to nominate their representatives, the required number of stakeholders with the highest claim amount in that class shall be included in the consultation committee."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>38</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (6) stood as: "The jquidator shall convene a meeting of the consultation committee when he considers it necessary and shall convene a meeting of the consultation committee when a

insufficient to meet the debts in full; and

(ii) the term "workmen's dues" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in section 326 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013).

# Section 326 of Companies Act,2013

# Overriding Preferential Payments.

**326.** ¹[(1) In the winding up of a company under this Act, the following debts shall be paid in priority to all other debts:—

- (a) workmen's dues; and
- (b) where a secured creditor has realised a secured asset, so much of the debts due to such secured creditor as could not be realised by him or the amount of the workmen's portion in his security (if payable under the law), whichever is

less, pari passu with the workmen's dues:

Provided that in case of the winding up of a company, the sums referred to in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) of clause (b) of the *Explanation*, which are payable for a period of two years preceding the winding up order or such other period as may be prescribed, shall be paid in priority to all other debts (including debts due to secured creditors), within a period of thirty days of sale of assets and shall be subject to such charge over the security of secured creditors as may be prescribed.

(2) The debts payable under the proviso to sub-section (1) shall be paid in full before any payment is made to secured creditors and thereafter debts payable under that subsection shall be paid in full, unless the assets are insufficient to meet them, in which case they shall abate in equal proportions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.8 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section, and section 327—

- (a) "workmen", in relation to a company, means the employees of the company, being workmen within the meaning of clause (s) of section 2 of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947);
- (b) "workmen's dues", in relation to a company, means the aggregate of the following sums due from the company to its workmen, namely:—
- (i) all wages or salary including wages payable for time or piece work and salary earned wholly or in part by way of commission of any workman in respect of services rendered to the company and any compensation payable to any
- workman under any of the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947);
- (ii) all accrued holiday remuneration becoming payable to any workman or, in the case of his death, to any other person in his right on the termination of his employment before or by the effect of the winding up order or resolution;
- (iii) unless the company is being wound up voluntarily merely for the purposes of reconstruction or amalgamation with another company or unless the company has, at the commencement of the winding up, under such a contract
- with insurers as is mentioned in section 14 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (19 of 1923), rights capable of being transferred to and vested in the workmen, all amount due in respect of any compensation or liability for
- compensation under the said Act in respect of the death or disablement of any workman of the company;
- (*iv*) all sums due to any workman from the provident fund, the pension fund, the gratuity fund or any other fund for the welfare of the workmen, maintained by the company;
- (c) "workmen's portion", in relation to the security of any secured creditor of a company, means the amount which bears to the value of the security the same proportion as the amount of the workmen's dues bears to the aggregate of the amount of workmen's dues and the amount of the debts due to the secured creditors.

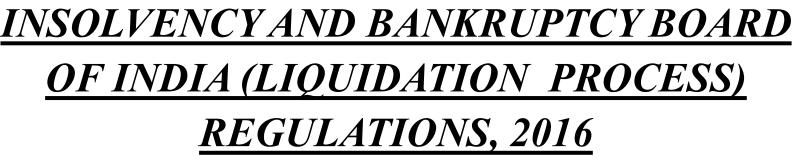
# Illustration

The value of the security of a secured creditor of a company is Rs. 1,00,000. The total amount of the workmen's dues is Rs. 1,00,000. The amount of the debts due from the company to its secured creditors is Rs.3,00,000. The aggregate of the amount of workmen's dues and the amount of debts due to secured creditors is Rs. 4,00,000. The workmen's portion of the security is, therefore, one-fourth of the value of the security, that is Rs. 25,000.".]

# 54. Dissolution of corporate debtor. -

- (1) Where the assets of the corporate debtor have been completely liquidated, the liquidator shall make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for the dissolution of such corporate debtor. **Reg 45**
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall on application filed by the liquidator under sub-section (1) order that the corporate debtor shall be dissolved from the date of that order and the corporate debtor shall be dissolved accordingly. **Reg 46**
- (3) A copy of an order under sub-section (2) shall within seven days from the date of such order, be forwarded to the authority with which the corporate debtor is registered.

Read Reg 47 for Timelines and Treg 47A



# ${\bf INSOLVENCYAND~BANKRUPTCY~BOARD~OF~INDIA~(LIQUIDATION~PROCESS)~REGULATIONS, {\bf 2016}^1 }$

[AMENDED UPTO 16-09-2022]

IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG005.-In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 45, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 196 and 208 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Board hereby makes the following Regulations, namely-

### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) These Regulations shall apply to the liquidation process under Chapter III of Part II of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - (a) "books of the corporate debtor" means
  - the books of account and the financial statements as defined in section 2(13) and 2(40) of the Companies Act, 2013,
  - (ii) the books of account as referred to in section 34 of the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008, or
  - (iii) the books of accounts as specified under the applicable law,

as the case may be;

(b) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;

<sup>2</sup> [(ba) "consultation committee" means the stakeholders' consultation committee constituted under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 31A;]

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Vide Notification No. IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG005, dated 15th December 2016, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, dated 15th December, 2016 (w.e.f. 15.12.2016).  $^2$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

- (c) "contributory" means a member of the company, a partner of the limited liability partnership, and any other person liable to contribute towards the assets of the corporate debtor in the event of its liquidation;
- <sup>3</sup> [(ca) "Corporate Liquidation Account" means the Corporate Liquidation Account operated and maintained by the Board under regulation 46;]
- "electronic means" mean an authorized and secured computer programme which is capable of producing confirmation of sending communication to the participant entitled to receive such communication at the last electronic mail address provided by such participant and keeping record of such communication;
- "identification number" means the Limited Liability Partnership Identification Number or the Corporate Identity Number, as the case may be;
- <sup>4</sup>[(ea) "liquidation cost" under clause (16) of section 5 means-
  - (i) fee payable to the liquidator under regulation 4;
  - (ii) remuneration payable by the liquidator under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 7;
  - (iii) costs incurred by the liquidator under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 24;
  - (iv)costs incurred by the liquidator for preserving and protecting the assets, properties, effects and actionable claims, including secured assets, of the corporate
  - (v)costs incurred by the liquidator in carrying on the business of the corporate debtor
  - (vi)interest on interim finance for a period of twelve months or for the period from the liquidation commencement date till repayment of interim finance, whichever is lower;
  - (vii) the amount repayable <sup>5</sup>[\*\*\*] under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 2A;
  - (viii)any other cost incurred by the liquidator which is essential for completing the liquidation process:
  - Provided that the cost, if any, incurred by the liquidator in relation to compromise or arrangement under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), if any, shall not form part of liquidation cost.]
  - "Preliminary Report" means the report prepared in accordance with Regulation 13;

- (a) fee payable to the liquidator under regulation 4;
- (b) remuneration payable by the liquidator under regulation 7;
- (c) cost incurred by the liquidator under regulation 24; and
- (d) interest on interim finance for a period of twelve months or for the period from the liquidation
- commencement date till repayment of interim finance, whichever is lower;" <sup>5</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated 6th January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-01-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(ea) "liquidation cost" under sub-section (16) of section 5 means-

- (g) "Progress Report" means the quarterly report prepared in accordance with Regulation 15;
- (h) "registered valuer" means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and rules made thereunder;
- (i) "Schedule" means a schedule to these Regulations;
- (j) "section" means section of the Code; and
- (k) "stakeholders" means the stakeholders entitled to distribution of proceeds under section 53.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

#### <sup>6</sup>[2A. Contributions to liquidation costs.

(1) Where the committee of creditors did not approve a plan under sub-regulations (3) of regulation 39B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, the liquidator shall call upon the financial creditors, being financial institutions, to contribute the excess of the liquidation costs over the liquid assets of the corporate debtor, as estimated by him, in proportion to the financial debts owed to them by the corporate debtor.

#### Illustration

Assume that the excess of liquidation costs over liquid assets is Rs.10, as estimated by the liquidator. Financial creditors will be called upon to contribute, as under:

Sl.	Financial creditors	Amount of debt due to	Amount to be contributed
No.		financial creditors (Rs.)	towards liquidation cost (Rs.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Financial institution A	40	04
2	Financial institution B	60	06
3	Non-financial institution A	50	00
4	Non-financial institution B	50	00
Total		200	10

(2)The contributions made under the plan approved under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 39B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 or contributions made under sub-regulation (1), as the case may be, shall be deposited in a designated escrow account to be opened and maintained in a scheduled bank, within seven days of the passing of the liquidation order.

(3)The amount contributed under sub-regulation (2) shall be repayable with interest at bank rate referred to in section 49 of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934) as part of liquidation cost.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047, dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

<sup>7</sup>[Explanation.- It is hereby clarified that the requirements of this regulation shall apply to the liquidation processes commencing on or after the date of the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019.]

#### 2B. Compromise or arrangement.

(1)Where a compromise or arrangement is proposed under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), it shall be completed within ninety days of the order of liquidation under <code>[\*\*\*]</code> section 33.

<sup>9</sup>[Provided that a person, who is not eligible under the Code to submit a resolution plan for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor, shall not be a party in any manner to such compromise or arrangement.]

<sup>10</sup>[Provided further that where the recommendation to explore proposal of compromise or arrangement has been made by the committee under regulation 39BA of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, the liquidator shall file the proposal within thirty days of the order of liquidation.]

(2)The time taken on compromise or arrangement, not exceeding ninety days, shall not be included in the liquidation period.

(3)Any cost incurred by the liquidator in relation to compromise or arrangement shall be borne by the corporate debtor, where such compromise or arrangement is sanctioned by the Tribunal under sub-section (6) of section 230:

Provided that such cost shall be borne by the parties who proposed compromise or arrangement, where such compromise or arrangement is not sanctioned by the Tribunal under sub-section (6) of section 230.]

# CHAPTER II APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION OF LIQUIDATOR

# 3. Eligibility for appointment as liquidator.

(1) An insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as a liquidator if he, and every partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, is independent of the corporate debtor.

Explanation-A person shall be considered independent of the corporate debtor, if he-

(a) is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate debtor under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate debtor is a company;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG082, dated 28th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 28-04-2022).

 $<sup>^8</sup>$  Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated  $30^{\text{th}}$  September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated 6th January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

- (b) is not a related party of the corporate debtor; or
- has not been an employee or proprietor or a partner:
- of a firm of auditors or 11[secretarial auditors] or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or
- of a legal or a consulting firm, that has or had any transaction with the corporate debtor contributing ten per cent or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

in the last three financial years.

- A liquidator shall disclose the existence of any pecuniary or personal relationship with (2) the concerned corporate debtor or any of its stakeholders as soon as he becomes aware of it, to the Board and the Adjudicating Authority.
- An insolvency professional shall not continue as a liquidator if the insolvency (3) professional entity of which he is a director or partner, or any other partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any other stakeholder in the same liquidation process.

#### 4. 12 [Liquidator's fee.

"4. Liquidator's fee.

(1) The fee payable to the liquidator shall form part of the liquidation cost.

<sup>(3)</sup> In all cases other than those covered under sub-regulation (2), the liquidator shall be entitled to a fee as a percentage of the amount realized net of other liquidation costs, and of the amount distributed, as under

Amount of Realisation / Distribution (In rupees)	Percentage of fee on the amount realized / distributed			
	in the first six	in the next six	in the next one year	Thereafter
	months	months		
An	ount of Realisation (exc	lusive of liquidation cost	is)	
On the first 1 crore	5.00	3.75	2.50	1.88
On the next 9 crore	3.75	2.80	1.88	1.41
On the next 40 crore	2.50	1.88	1.25	0.94
On the next 50 crore	1.25	0.94	0.68	0.51
On further sums realized	0.25	0.19	0.13	0.10
	Amount Distribute	ed to Stakeholders	•	
On the first 1 crore	2.50	1.88	1.25	0.94
On the next 9 crore	1.88	1.40	0.94	0.71
On the next 40 crore	1.25	0.94	0.63	0.47
On the next 50 crore	0.63	0.48	0.34	0.25
On further sums distributed	0.13	0.10	0.06	0.05

 $<sup>^{11}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/\,2017-18/GN/REG028,\,dated\,27^{th}\,March,\,2018\,(w.e.f.\,01-04-2018).$ Clause 3 (1) (c) (i), prior to substitution it stood as under-

<sup>&</sup>quot;(i) of a firm of auditors or company secretaries or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or".

<sup>12</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-01-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>(2)</sup> The liquidator shall be entitled to such fee and in such manner as has been decided by the committee of creditors before a liquidation order is passed under sections 33(1)(a) or 33(2).

(1)The fee payable to the liquidator shall be in accordance with the decision taken by the committee of creditors under regulation 39D of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.

<sup>13</sup>[(1A) Where no fee has been fixed under sub-regulation (1), the consultation committee may fix the fee of the liquidator in its first meeting.]

(2)In cases other than those covered under sub-regulation (1)  $^{14}$ [and (1A)], the liquidator shall be entitled to a fee-

(a)at the same rate as the resolution professional was entitled to during the corporate insolvency resolution process, for the period of compromise or arrangement under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013); and

(b) as a percentage of the amount realised net of other liquidation costs, and of the amount distributed, for the balance period of liquidation, as under:

Amount of Realisation/	Percentage of fee on the amount realised / distributed		
Distribution (In rupees)	in the first	in the next six	thereafter
	six months	months	
Amount of Realisation (exclusive of liquidation costs)			
On the first 1 crore	5.00	3.75	1.88
On the next 9 crore	3.75	2.80	1.41
On the next 40 crore	2.50	1.88	0.94
On the next 50 crore	1.25	0.94	0.51
On further sums realized	0.25	0.19	0.10
Amount Distributed to Stakeholders			
On the first 1 crore	2.50	1.88	0.94
On the next 9 crore	1.88	1.40	0.71
On the next 40 crore	1.25	0.94	0.47
On the next 50 crore	0.63	0.48	0.25
On further sums distributed	0.13	0.10	0.05

<sup>15</sup>[Clarification: For the purposes of clause (b), it is hereby clarified that where a liquidator realises any amount, but does not distribute the same, he shall be entitled to a fee corresponding to the amount realised by him. Where a liquidator distributes any amount, which is not realised by him, he shall be entitled to a fee corresponding to the amount distributed by him.]

(3) Where the fee is payable under clause (b) of sub-regulation (2), the liquidator shall be entitled to receive half of the fee payable on realisation only after such realised amount is distributed.

<sup>(4)</sup> The liquidator shall be entitled to receive half of the fee payable on realization under sub-regulation (3) only after such realized

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG062 dated 5th August, 2020 (w.e.f. 05-08-2020).

Clarification: Regulation 4 of these regulations, as it stood before the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019 shall continue to be applicable in relation to the liquidation processes already commenced before the coming into force of the said amendment Regulations.]

# CHAPTER III POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF LIQUIDATOR

### 5. Reporting.

- (1) The liquidator shall prepare and submit:
  - (a) a preliminary report;
  - (b) an asset memorandum;
  - (c) progress report(s);
  - (d) sale report(s);
  - (e) minutes of consultation with stakeholders; and
  - (f) the final report prior to dissolution

to the Adjudicating Authority in the manner specified under these Regulations.

- (2) The liquidator shall preserve a physical as well as an electronic copy of the reports and minutes referred to in sub-regulation (1) for eight years after the dissolution of the corporate debtor.
- (3) Subject to other provisions of these Regulations, the liquidator shall make the reports and minutes referred to sub-regulation (1) available to a stakeholder in either electronic or physical form, on receipt of
  - (a) an application in writing;
  - (b) costs of making such reports and minutes available to it; and
  - (c) an undertaking from the stakeholder that it shall maintain confidentiality of such reports and minutes and shall not use these to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.
- 6. Registers and books of account.

- (1) Where the books of account of the corporate debtor are incomplete on the liquidation commencement date, the liquidator shall have them completed and brought up-to-date, with all convenient speed, as soon as the order for liquidation is passed.
- (2) The liquidator shall maintain the following registers and books, as may be applicable, in relation to the liquidation of the corporate debtor, and shall preserve them for a period
- of eight years after the dissolution of the corporate debtor-Cash Book; (b) Ledger; (c) Bank Ledger;
  - Register of Fixed Assets and Inventories; (d)
  - Securities and Investment Register; (e)
  - Register of Book Debts and Outstanding Debts; (f)
  - (g) Tenants Ledger;
  - (h) Suits Register;
  - (i) Decree Register;
  - Register of Claims and Dividends; (j)
  - (k) Contributories Ledger;
  - (1) Distributions Register;
  - (m) Fee Register;
  - Suspense Register; (n)
  - (o) Documents Register;
  - (p) Books Register;
  - **(q)** <sup>16</sup>[Register of unclaimed dividends and undistributed proceeds; and] such other books or registers as may be necessary to account for transactions entered into by him in relation to the corporate debtor.

 $<sup>^{16}\,</sup>Subs\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated\,6^{th}\,January,\,2020\,(w.e.f.\,06-01-2020).\,Prior\,to\,16\,Subs\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated\,6^{th}\,January,\,2020\,(w.e.f.\,06-01-20/GN/REG053)$ substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Register of unclaimed dividends and undistributed properties deposited in accordance with Regulation 45;

- (3) The registers and books under sub-regulation (2) may be maintained in the forms indicated in Schedule III, with such modifications as the liquidator may deem fit in the facts and circumstances of the liquidation process.
- (4) The liquidator shall keep receipts for all payments made or expenses incurred by him.

#### 7. Appointment of professionals.

- A liquidator may appoint professionals to assist him in the discharge of his duties, obligations and functions for a reasonable remuneration and such remuneration shall form part of the liquidation cost.
- (2) The liquidator shall not appoint a professional under sub-regulation (1) who is his relative, is a related party of the corporate debtor or has served as an auditor to the corporate debtor in the five years preceding the liquidation commencement date.
- (3) A professional appointed or proposed to be appointed under sub-regulation (1) shall disclose the existence of any pecuniary or personal relationship with any of the stakeholders, or the concerned corporate debtor as soon as he becomes aware of it, to the liquidator.

#### 8. Consultation with stakeholders.

- The stakeholders consulted under section 35(2) shall extend all assistance and cooperation to the liquidator to complete the liquidation of the corporate debtor.
- (2) The liquidator shall maintain the particulars of any consultation with the stakeholders made under this Regulation, as specified in Form A of Schedule II.
- 9. Personnel to extend cooperation to liquidator.
- (1) The liquidator may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for a direction that a person who-
  - is or has been an officer, auditor, employee, promoter or partner of the corporate debtor;
  - (b) was the interim resolution professional, resolution professional or the previous liquidator of the corporate debtor; or
  - (c) has possession of any of the properties of the corporate debtor;

shall cooperate with him in the collection of information necessary for the conduct of the liquidation.

(2) An application may be made under this Regulation only after the liquidator has made reasonable efforts to obtain the information from such person and failed to obtain it.

# 10. Disclaimer of onerous property.

- (1) Where any part of the property of a corporate debtor consists of-
  - (a) land of any tenure, burdened with onerous covenants;
  - (b) shares or stocks in companies;
  - (c) any other property which is not saleable or is not readily saleable by reason of the possessor thereof being bound either to the performance of any onerous act or to the payment of any sum of money; or
  - (d) unprofitable contracts;

the liquidator may, notwithstanding that he has endeavored to sell or has taken possession of the property or exercised any act of ownership in relation thereto or done anything in pursuance of the contract, make an application to the Adjudicating Authority within six months from the liquidation commencement date, or such extended period as may be allowed by the Adjudicating Authority, to disclaim the property or contract.

- (2) The liquidator shall not make an application under sub-regulation (1) if a person interested in the property or contract inquired in writing whether he will make an application to have such property disclaimed, and he did not communicate his intention to do so within one month from receipt of such inquiry.
- (3) The liquidator shall serve a notice to persons interested in the onerous property or contract at least seven days before making an application for disclaimer to the Adjudicating Authority:

Explanation: A person is interested in the onerous property or contract if he-

- (a) is entitled to the benefit or subject to the burden of the contract; or
- (b) claims an interest in a disclaimed property or is under a liability not discharged in respect of a disclaimed property.
- (4) Subject to the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving such disclaimer, the disclaimer shall operate to determine, from the date of disclaimer, the rights, interest and liabilities of the corporate debtor in or in respect of the property or contract disclaimed, but shall not, except so far as is necessary for the purpose of releasing the

corporate debtor and the property of the corporate from liability, affect the rights, interest or liabilities of any other person.

(5) A person affected by the disclaimer under this Regulation shall be deemed to be a creditor of the corporate debtor for the amount of the compensation or damages payable in respect of such effect, and may accordingly be payable as a debt in liquidation under section 53(1)(f).

#### 11. Extortionate credit transactions.

A transaction shall be considered an extortionate credit transaction under section 50(2) where the terms-

- require the corporate debtor to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
- (2) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

### CHAPTER IV GENERAL

#### 12. Public announcement by liquidator.

- The liquidator shall make a public announcement in Form B of Schedule II within five days from his appointment.
- (2) <sup>17</sup>[The public announcement shall-
  - (a) call upon stakeholders to submit their claims or update their claims submitted during the corporate insolvency resolution process, as on the liquidation commencement date; and
  - (b) provide the last date for submission or updation of claims, which shall be thirty days from the liquidation commencement date.]
  - <sup>18</sup>[(c) provide that where a stakeholder does not submit its claims during the liquidation process, the claims submitted by such a stakeholder, and duly collated by the interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, during the corporate insolvency resolution process under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, shall be deemed to be submitted under section 38.]

(a) call upon stakeholders to submit their claims as on the liquidation commencement date; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(2) The public announcement shall-

<sup>(</sup>b) provide the last date for submission of claim, which shall be thirty days from the liquidation

<sup>18</sup> Inserted by Noulication No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

#### (3) The announcement shall be published-

- (a) in one English and one regional language newspaper with wide circulation at the location of the registered office and principal office, if any, of the corporate debtor and any other location where in the opinion of the liquidator, the corporate debtor conducts material business operations;
- (b) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor; and
- (c) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for this purpose.

#### <sup>19</sup>[12A. Process email ID.

The liquidator shall operate the process email account handed over to him by the resolution professional in accordance with regulation 4C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations,2016 and in the event of his replacement, the credentials of such email ID shall be handed over to the new liquidator.]

#### 13. Preliminary report.

The liquidator shall submit a Preliminary Report to the Adjudicating Authority within seventy-five days from the liquidation commencement date, detailing-

- (a) the capital structure of the corporate debtor;
- (b) the estimates of its assets and liabilities as on the liquidation commencement date based on the books of the corporate debtor:

*Provided* that if the liquidator has reasons to believe, to be recorded in writing, that the books of the corporate debtor are not reliable, he shall also provide such estimates based on reliable records and data otherwise available to him;

- (c) whether, he intends to make any further inquiry in to any matter relating to the promotion, formation or failure of the corporate debtor or the conduct of the business thereof; and
- (d) the proposed plan of action for carrying out the liquidation, including the timeline within which he proposes to carry it out and the <u>estimated liquidation costs</u>.

#### 14. Early dissolution.

 $<sup>^{19}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated\;16^{th}\,September, 2022\;(w.e.f.\;\;16-09-2022).$ 

Any time after the preparation of the Preliminary Report, if it appears to the liquidator that-

- (a) the realizable properties of the corporate debtor are insufficient to cover the cost of the liquidation process; and
- (b) the affairs of the corporate debtor do not require any further investigation;

he may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for early dissolution of the corporate debtor and for necessary directions in respect of such dissolution.

# 15. Progress reports.

- (1) The liquidator shall submit <sup>20</sup>[Progress Reports, in the format stipulated by the Board, to the Adjudicating Authority and the Board" ]as under-
  - (a) the first Progress Report within fifteen days after the end of the quarter in which he is appointed;
  - (b) subsequent Progress Report(s) within fifteen days after the end of every quarter during which he acts as liquidator; and

*Provided* that if an insolvency professional ceases to act as a liquidator during the liquidation process, he shall file a Progress Report for the quarter up to the date of his so ceasing to act, within fifteen days of such cessation.

- (2) A Progress Report shall provide all information relevant to liquidation for the quarter, including-
  - (a) appointment, tenure of appointment and cessation of appointment of professionals;
  - (b) a statement indicating progress in liquidation, including-
    - (i) settlement of list of stakeholders,
    - (ii) details of any property that remain to be sold and realized,
    - (iii) distribution made to the stakeholders, and
    - (iv) distribution of unsold property made to the stakeholders;

 $<sup>^{20}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated  $16^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to Substitution, the words stood as: "Progress Reports to the Adjudicating Authority".

- (c) details of fee or remuneration, including-
  - (i) the fee due to and received by the liquidator together with a description of the activities carried out by him,
  - (ii)the remuneration or fee paid to professionals appointed by the liquidator together with a description of activities carried out by them,
  - (iii) other expenses incurred by the liquidator, whether paid or not;
- (d) developments in any material litigation, by or against the corporate debtor;
- (e) filing of, and developments in applications for avoidance of transactions <sup>21</sup>[under Part II] of the Code; and
- (f) changes, if any, in estimated liquidation costs.
- (3) A Progress Report shall enclose an account maintained by the liquidator showing-
  - (a) his receipts and payments during the quarter; and
  - (b) the cumulative amount of his receipts and payments since the liquidation commencement date.
- (4) A Progress Report shall enclose a statement indicating any material change in expected realization of any property proposed to be sold, along with the basis for such change:

<sup>22</sup>[\*\*\*]

(5) The Progress Report for the fourth quarter of the financial year shall enclose audited accounts of the liquidator's receipts and payments for the financial year:

*Provided* that in case an insolvency professional ceases to act as liquidator, the audited accounts of his receipts and payments for that part of the financial year during which he has acted as liquidator, shall be enclosed with the Progress Report to be filed after cessation of his appointment.

*Illustration:* An insolvency professional becomes a liquidator on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2017, and ceases to act as liquidator on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2019. He shall submit Progress Reports as under:

<sup>22</sup> Omitted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

 $<sup>^{21}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under -

Prior to substitution, it stood as under – "in accordance with Chapter III of Part II".

Report No.	Period covered in the Quarter	Last Date of Submission of Report
1	13th February - 31st March, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> April,2017
2	April - June, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> July, 2017
3	July - September, 2017	15th October, 2017
4	October - December, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> January, 2018
5	January - March, 2018	15 <sup>th</sup> April,2018
6	April - June, 2018	15 <sup>th</sup> July, 2018
7	July - September, 2018	15th October, 2018
8	October - December, 2018	15 <sup>th</sup> January, 2019
9	January - 12th February, 2019	27 <sup>th</sup> February, 2019

He shall submit the audited accounts of his receipts and payments as under:

Audited Account No.	Period covered in the Year	Last Date of Submission
1	13 <sup>th</sup> February - 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2017	15 <sup>th</sup> April, 2017
2	April - March, 2018	15 <sup>th</sup> April, 2018
3	April - 12 <sup>th</sup> February, 2019	27th February, 2019

#### CHAPTER V CLAIMS

# 16. 23 [Submission of claim.

- (1)A person, who claims to be a stakeholder, shall submit its claim, or update its claim submitted during the corporate insolvency resolution process, including interest, if any, on or before the last date mentioned in the public announcement.
- (2)A person shall prove its claim for debt or dues to him, including interest, if any, as on the liquidation commencement date.]

#### 17. Claims by operational creditors.

(1) A person claiming to be an operational creditor of the corporate debtor, other than a workman or employee, shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form C of Schedule II.

A person, who claims to be a stakeholder, shall prove his claim for debt or dues to him, including interest, if any, as on the liquidation commencement date."

 $<sup>^{23}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated  $25^{\rm th}$  July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-01-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;16. Proof of claim.

- (2) The existence of debt due to an operational creditor under this Regulation may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the debt, including any or all of the following -
  - (i) a contract for the supply of goods and services with corporate debtor;
  - (ii) an invoice demanding payment for the goods and services supplied to the corporate debtor;
  - (iii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any; and
  - (iv) financial accounts.

#### 18. Claims by financial creditors.

- A person claiming to be a financial creditor of the corporate debtor shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in electronic means in Form D of Schedule II.
- (2) The existence of debt due to the financial creditor may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available in an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the debt, including any or all of the following-
  - (i) a financial contract supported by financial statements as evidence of the debt;
  - (ii) a record evidencing that the amounts committed by the financial creditor to the corporate debtor under a facility has been drawn by the corporate debtor;
  - (iii) financial statements showing that the debt has not been repaid; and
  - (iv) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any.

# 19. Claims by workmen and employees.

- (1) A person claiming to be a workman or an employee of the corporate debtor shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form E of Schedule II.
- (2) Where there are dues to numerous workmen or employees of the corporate debtor, an authorized representative may submit one proof of claim for all such dues on their behalf in Form F of Schedule II.
- (3) The existence of dues to workmen or employees may be proved by them, individually or collectively, on the basis of-
  - (a) records available in an information utility, if any; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the dues, including any or all of the following -
    - (i) a proof of employment such as contract of employment for the period for which such workman or employee is claiming dues;
    - (ii)evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid amount and any documentary or other proof that payment has not been made; and
    - (iii)an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of dues, if any.
- (4) The liquidator may admit the claims of a workman or an employee on the basis of the books of account of the corporate debtor if such workman or employee has not made a claim

### 20. Claims by other stakeholders.

- (1) A person, claiming to be a stakeholder other than those under Regulations 17(1), 18(1), or 19(1), shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form G of Schedule II.
- (2) The existence of the claim of the stakeholder may be proved on the basis of -
  - (a) the records available in an information utility, if any, or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the claim, including any or all of the following-
  - documentary evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid amount or bank statements of the claimant showing that the claim has not been paid and an

affidavit that the documentary evidence and bank statements are true, valid and genuine;

- (ii) documentary or electronic evidence of his shareholding; and
- (iii) an order of a court, tribunal or other authority that has adjudicated upon the nonpayment of a claim, if any.

#### 21. Proving security interest.

The existence of a security interest may be proved by a secured creditor on the basis of-

- (a) the records available in an information utility, if any;
- (b) certificate of registration of charge issued by the Registrar of Companies; or
- (c) proof of registration of charge with the Central Registry of Securitisation Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest of India.

#### <sup>24</sup>[21A. Presumption of security interest.

(1)A secured creditor shall inform the liquidator of its decision to relinquish its security interest to the liquidation estate or realise its security interest, as the case may be, in Form C or Form D of Schedule II:

Provided that, where a secured creditor does not intimate its decision within thirty days from the liquidation commencement date, the assets covered under the security interest shall be presumed to be part of the liquidation estate.

<sup>25</sup>[(2) Where a secured creditor proceeds to realise its security interest, it shall pay -(a)as much towards the amount payable under clause (a) and sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 53, as it would have shared in case it had relinquished the security interest, to the liquidator within ninety days from the liquidation commencement date; and

(b)the excess of the realised value of the asset, which is subject to security interest, over the amount of his claims admitted, to the liquidator within one hundred and eighty days from the liquidation commencement date:

 $<sup>^{24}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047\,dated\,25^{th}July,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,25-01-2019).$ 

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  Subs by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated  $6^{th}$  January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;[(2) Where a secured creditor proceeds to realise its security interest, it shall pay as much towards the amount payable under clause (a) and sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 53, as it would have shared in case it had relinquished the security interest.]"

Provided that where the amount payable under this sub-regulation is not certain by the date the amount is payable under this sub-regulation, the secured creditor shall pay the amount, as estimated by the liquidator:

Provided further that any difference between the amount payable under this subregulation and the amount paid under the first proviso shall be made good by the secured creditor or the liquidator, as the case may be, as soon as the amount payable under this sub-regulation is certain and so informed by the liquidator.

(3) Where a secured creditor fails to comply with sub-regulation (2), the asset, which is subject to security interest, shall become part of the liquidation estate.

<sup>26</sup>[Explanation.- It is hereby clarified that the requirements of this regulation shall apply to the liquidation processes commencing on or after the date of the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019.]

# 22. Production of bills of exchange and promissory notes.

Where a person seeks to prove a debt in respect of a bill of exchange, promissory note or other negotiable instrument or security of a like nature for which the corporate debtor is liable, such bill of exchange, note, instrument or security, as the case may be, shall be produced before the liquidator before the claim is admitted.

### 23. Substantiation of claims.

The liquidator may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a claimant for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

### 24. Cost of proof.

- (1) A claimant shall bear the cost of proving its claim.
- (2) Costs incurred by the liquidator for verification and determination of a claim shall form part of liquidation cost:

Provided that if a claim or part of the claim is found to be false, the liquidator shall endeavor to recover the costs incurred for verification and determination of claim from such claimant, and shall provide the details of the claimant to the Board.

 $<sup>^{26}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG082, dated\,28th\,April,\,2022\,(w.e.f.\,\,28-04-2022).$ 

#### 25. Determination of quantum of claim.

Where the amount claimed by a claimant is not precise due to any contingency or any other reason, the liquidator shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim based on the information available with him.

#### 26. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the liquidation commencement date.

Explanation- "The official exchange rate" is the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

#### 27. Periodical payments.

In the case of rent, interest and such other payments of a periodical nature, a person may claim only for any amounts due and unpaid up to the liquidation commencement date.

#### 28. Debt payable at future time.

- (1) A person may prove for a claim whose payment was not yet due on the liquidation commencement date and is entitled to distribution in the same manner as any other stakeholder.
- (2) Subject to any contract to the contrary, where a stakeholder has proved for a claim under sub-regulation (1), and the debt has not fallen due before distribution, he is entitled to distribution of the admitted claim reduced as follows-

$$X/(1+r)^{n}$$

where-

- (a) "X" is the value of the admitted claim;
- (b) "r" is the closing yield rate (%) of government securities of the maturity of "n" on the date of distribution as published by the Reserve Bank of India; and
- (C) "n" is the period beginning with the date of distribution and ending with the date on which the payment of the debt would otherwise be due, expressed in years and months in a decimalized form.

#### 29. Mutual credits and set-off.

Where there are mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and another party, the sums due from one party shall be set off against the sums due from the other to arrive at the net amount payable to the corporate debtor or to the other party.

*Illustration:* X owes Rs. 100 to the corporate debtor. The corporate debtor owes Rs. 70 to X. After set off, Rs. 30 is payable by X to the corporate debtor.

#### 30. Verification of claims

The liquidator shall verify the claims submitted within thirty days from the last date for receipt of claims and may either admit or reject the claim, in whole or in part, as the case may be.

<sup>27</sup>[Provided that the liquidator shall also verify the claims collated during the corporate insolvency resolution process but not submitted during the liquidation process, within thirty days from the last date for receipt of claims during liquidation process and may either admit or reject the claim, in whole or in part.]

#### <sup>28</sup>[30A. Transfer of debt due to creditors.

- (1)A creditor may assign or transfer the debt due to him or it to any other person during the liquidation process in accordance with the laws for the time being in force dealing with such assignment or transfer.
- (2)Where any creditor assigns or transfers the debt due to him or it to any other person under sub-regulation (1), both parties shall provide to the liquidator the terms of such assignment or transfer and **the identity of the assignee or transferee.**
- (3)The liquidator shall modify the list of stakeholders in accordance with the provisions of regulation 31.]

#### 31. List of stakeholders.

- (1) The liquidator shall prepare a list of stakeholders, category-wise, on the basis of proofs of claims submitted and accepted under these Regulations, with-
  - (a) the amounts of claim admitted, if applicable,
  - (b) the extent to which the debts or dues are secured or unsecured, if applicable,
  - (c) the details of the stakeholders, and

 $<sup>^{27}</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated  $16^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).  $^{28}$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG067, dated  $13^{\rm th}$  November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

- (d) the proofs admitted or rejected in part, and the proofs wholly rejected.
- <sup>29</sup> [(2) The liquidator shall file the list of stakeholders with the Adjudicating Authority within forty-five days from the last date for receipt of the claims.]
- (3) The liquidator may apply to the Adjudicating Authority to modify an entry in the list of stakeholders filed with the Adjudicating Authority, when he comes across additional information warranting such modification, and shall modify the entry in the manner directed by the Adjudicating Authority.
- (4) The liquidator shall modify an entry in the list of stakeholders filed with the Adjudicating Authority, in the manner directed by the Adjudicating Authority while disposing off an appeal preferred under section 42.
  - (5) The list of stakeholders, as modified from time to time, shall be-
  - (a) available for inspection by the persons who submitted proofs of claim;
  - (b) available for inspection by members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate debtor;
    - (c) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor.
  - <sup>30</sup>[(d) filed on the electronic platform of the Board for dissemination on its website:

Provided that this clause shall apply to every liquidation process ongoing and commencing on or after the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.]

### <sup>31</sup>[31A. Stakeholders' consultation committee.

<sup>32</sup>[(1) The liquidator shall constitute a consultation committee, comprising of all creditors of the corporate debtor, within sixty days from the liquidation commencement date, based on the list of stakeholders prepared under regulation 31, to advise him on matters relating to(a) remuneration of professionals appointed under regulation 7;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Substituted by Notification F. No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG069, dated 4th March, 2021 (w.e.f. 04-03-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG069 dated 4th March, 2021 (w.e.f. 04-03-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (1) stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) The liquidator shall constitute a consultation committee within sixty days from the liquidation commencement date, based on the list of stakeholders prepared under regulation 31, to advise him on matters relating to-

<sup>(</sup>a) appointment of professionals and their remuneration under regulation 7;

<sup>(</sup>b)sale under regulation 32, including manner of sale, pre-bid qualifications, reserve price, amount of earnest money deposit, and marketing strategy:

Provided that the decision(s) taken by the liquidator prior to the constitution of consultation committee shall be placed before the consultation committee for information in its first meeting."

(b)sale under regulation 32, including manner of sale, pre-bid qualifications, reserve price, marketing strategy and auction process.;

- (c) fees of the liquidator;
- (d) valuation under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 35;
- (e)the manner in which proceedings in respect of preferential transactions, undervalued transaction, extortionate credit transaction or fraudulent or wrongful trading, if any, shall be pursued after closure of liquidation proceedings and the manner in which the proceeds, if any, from these proceedings shall be distributed.]
- 33 [(1A) The committee of creditors under section 21 shall function as the consultation committee with same voting rights till constitution of the consultation committee under sub- regulation (1).]
- <sup>34</sup>[(2) The voting share of a member of the consultation committee shall be in proportion to his admitted claim in the total admitted claim:

Provided a secured creditor who has not relinquished his security interest under section 52 shall not be part of the consultation committee;

#### **Table**

Class of Stakeholders	Description	Number of
		Representatives
(1)	(2)	(3)
Secured financial creditors, who have relinquished their security interests under	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is less than 50% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 2
section 52	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is at least 50% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 4
Unsecured financial creditors	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is less than 25% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 1
	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is at least 25% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 2
Workmen and employees	1	1
Governments	1	1
Operational creditors other than Workmen, employees and Governments	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is less than 25% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 1
	Where claims of such creditors admitted during the liquidation process is at least 25% of liquidation value	Number of creditors in the category, subject to a maximum of 2
Shareholders or partners, if any		1"

<sup>33</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (2) stood as: "The composition of the consultation committee under sub-regulation (1) shall be as shown in the Table below:

Provided that the promoters, directors, partners or their representatives may attend the meeting of the consultation committee, but shall not have any right to vote.

Provided further that a financial creditor or his representative, if he is a related party of the corporate debtor, shall not have right to vote.]

<sup>35</sup>[(3). The liquidator may facilitate the stakeholders of each class namely financial creditors in a class, workmen, employees, government departments, other operational creditors, shareholders, partners, to nominate their representative for participation in the consultation committee.]

<sup>36</sup> [(4) If the stakeholders of any class fail to nominate their representatives, under sub-regulation (3), such representatives shall be selected by a majority of voting share of the class, present and voting.]

<sup>37</sup>[(4A) the representative under sub-regulation (3) or (4) shall vote in proportion to the voting share of the stakeholders it represents.]-No concept of more than 50%

(5) Subject to the provisions of the Code and these regulations, representatives in the consultation committee shall have access to all relevant records and information as may be required to provide advice to the liquidator under sub-regulation (1).

<sup>38</sup>[(6) The liquidator shall convene the first meeting of the consultation committee within seven days of the liquidation commencement date and may convene other meetings, if he considers necessary, on a request received from one or more members of the consultation committee:

Provided that when a request is received by the liquidator from members, individually or collectively, having at least thirty three percent of the total voting rights, the liquidator shall mandatorily convene the meeting.]

(7)The liquidator shall chair the meetings of consultation committee and record deliberations of the meeting.

(8)The liquidator shall place the recommendation of committee of creditors made under subregulation (1) of regulation 39C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (3) stood as: "The liquidator may facilitate the stakeholders of each class to nominate their representatives for inclusion in the consultation committee".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(4) If the stakeholders of any class fail to nominate their representatives, the required number of stakeholders with the highest claim amount in that class shall be included in the consultation committee."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (6) stood as: "The liquidator shall convene a meeting of the consultation committee when he considers it necessary and shall convene a meeting of the consultation committee when a request is received from at least fifty-one percent of representatives in the consultation committee".

Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, before the consultation committee for its information.

(9)The consultation committee shall advise the liquidator, by a vote of not less than sixty-six percent of the representatives of the consultation committee, <sup>39</sup>[voting].

(10) The advice of the consultation committee shall not be binding on the liquidator:

Provided that where the liquidator takes a decision different from the advice given by the consultation committee, he shall record the reasons for the same in writing [and <sup>40</sup>[submit the records relating to the said decision, to the Adjudicating Authority and to the Board within five days of the said decision; and include it in the next progress report ]]

<sup>41</sup>[Explanation.- It is hereby clarified that the requirements of this regulation shall apply to the liquidation processes commencing on or after the date of the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019.]

<sup>42</sup>[(11) The consultation committee, after recording the reasons, may by a majority vote of not less sixty-six per cent., propose to replace the liquidator and shall file an application, after obtaining the written consent of the proposed liquidator in Form AA of the Schedule II, before the Adjudicating Authority for replacement of the liquidator:

Provided that where a liquidator is proposed to be replaced, he shall-

- (a) continue to work till his replacement; and
- (b) be suitably remunerated for work performed till his replacement.

Provided that where a consultation committee under Regulation 31A has been constituted before the commencement of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2022, the liquidator within thirty days of the commencement of the said Regulations, shall re-constitute the consultation committee as required under the said Regulations and provisions provided under amended Regulation 31A shall come into effect only after such constitution.]

#### **CHAPTER VI REALISATION OF ASSETS**

# 32. <sup>43</sup>[Sale of Assets, etc.

- <sup>39</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, the words stood as: "present and voting".
- <sup>40</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, the words stood as: "mention it in the next progress report"..
- 41 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG082, dated 28th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 28-04-2022).
- $^{42}$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated  $16^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).  $^{43}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG037, dated  $22^{\rm nd}$  October, 2018 (w.e.f. 22-10-2018). Regulation 32, prior to substitution it stood as under:

"[32. Manner of sale.

The liquidator may sell-

- (a) an asset on a standalone basis;
- (b) the assets in a slump sale;
- (c) a set of assets collectively;
- (d) the assets in parcels;
- (e) the corporate debtor as a going concern; or
- (f) the business(s) of the corporate debtor as a going concern:

Provided that where an asset is subject to security interest, it shall not be sold under any of the clauses (a) to (f) unless the security interest therein has been relinquished to the liquidation estate.]

#### <sup>44</sup>[32A. Sale as a going concern.

(1) Where the committee of creditors has recommended sale under clause (e) or (f) of regulation 32 or where the liquidator is of the opinion that sale under clause (e) or (f) of regulation 32 shall maximise the value of the corporate debtor, he shall endeavour to first sell under the said clauses.

(2) For the purpose of sale under sub-regulation (1), the group of assets and liabilities of the corporate debtor, as identified by the committee of creditors under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 39C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 shall be sold as a going concern.

(3)Where the committee of creditors has not identified the assets and liabilities under subregulation (2) of regulation 39C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, the liquidator shall identify and group the assets and liabilities to be sold as a going concern, in consultation with the consultation committee.

<sup>(</sup>a) (b) sell an asset on a standalone basis; or

sell

<sup>(</sup>i) the assets in a slump sale,

<sup>(</sup>ii) a set of assets collectively, or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup>[(iii) the assets in parcels; or;]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup>[(c) sell the corporate debtor as a going concern.]"
<sup>44</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

<sup>45</sup>[(4). The liquidator may sell the assets of the corporate debtor under clause (e) of regulation 32 exclusively only at the first auction]

# <sup>46</sup>[32B Conduct of meetings of the consultation committee.

Save as otherwise provided under Chapter III of Part II of the Code and these Regulations, the provisions of regulations 18 to 26 of Chapter VI and Chapter VII of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to meetings of the consultation committee under liquidation proceedings]

#### 33. Mode of sale.

- (1) The liquidator shall ordinarily sell the assets of the corporate debtor through an auction in the manner specified in Schedule I.
- (2) The liquidator may sell the assets of the corporate debtor by means of private sale in the manner specified in Schedule I when-
  - (a) the asset is perishable;
  - (b) the asset is likely to deteriorate in value significantly if not sold immediately;
  - (c) the asset is sold at a price higher than the reserve price of a failed auction; or

(d)the prior permission of the Adjudicating Authority has been obtained for such sale: Provided that the liquidator shall not sell the assets,

without prior permission of the

Adjudicating Authority, by way of private sale to-

- (a) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (b) his related party; or
- (c) any professional appointed by him.
- (3) The liquidator shall not proceed with the sale of an asset if he has reason to believe that there is any collusion between the buyers, or the corporate debtor's related parties and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (4) stood as: "If the liquidator is unable to sell the corporate debtor or its business under clause (e) or (f) of regulation 32 within ninety days from the liquidation commencement date, he shall proceed to sell the assets of the corporate debtor under clauses (a) to (d) of regulation 32".

 $<sup>^{46}\,</sup>Inserted\,\,by\,\,Notification\,\,No.\,\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094,\,dated\,\,16^{th}\,September,\,2022\,(w.e.f.\,\,16-09-2022).$ 

buyers, or the creditors and the buyer, and shall submit a report to the Adjudicating Authority in this regard, seeking appropriate orders against the colluding parties.

#### 34. Asset memorandum.

- (1) <sup>47</sup>[For cases under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 35, the liquidator shall, within thirty days from the liquidation commencement date, prepare an asset memorandum in accordance with this regulation based on the information memorandum prepared under section 29, with suitable modifications.]
- <sup>48</sup>[(1A) For cases covered under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 35, the liquidator shall prepare an asset memorandum in accordance with this Regulation within seventy-five days from the liquidation commencement date.]
- (2) The asset memorandum shall provide the following details in respect of the assets which are intended to be realized by way of sale-
  - (a) value of the asset, valued in accordance with Regulation 35;
  - <sup>49</sup>[(b) value of the assets or business(s) under clauses (b) to (f) of regulation 32, valued in accordance with regulation 35, if intended to be sold under those clauses;]
  - (c) intended manner of sale in accordance with Regulation 32, and reasons for the same;
  - (d)the intended mode of sale and reasons for the same in accordance with Regulation 33;
  - (e) expected amount of realization from sale; and
  - (f) any other information that may be relevant for the sale of the asset.
- (3) The asset memorandum shall provide the following details in respect of each of the assets other than those referred to in sub-regulation (2)-
  - (a) value of the asset;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (1) stood as: "On forming the liquidation estate under section 36, the liquidator shall prepare an asset memorandum in accordance with this Regulation within seventy-five days from the liquidation commencement date"

liquidation commencement date".

48 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG037, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 22-10-2018). Clause (b), prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(b) value of set of assets or assets in parcels or assets in a slump sale, as the case may be, valued in accordance

- intended manner and mode of realization, and reasons for the same;
- expected amount of realization; and
- any other information that may be relevant for the realization of the asset.
- (4) The liquidator shall file the asset memorandum along with the preliminary report to the Adjudicating Authority.
- <sup>50</sup>[The liquidator shall share the asset memorandum with the Board and members of (5) the consultation committee having voting rights after receiving an undertaking from each member that such member shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.]

# 35. 51 [Valuation of assets intended to be sold.

(1)Where the valuation has been conducted under regulation 35 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 or regulation 34 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2017, as the case may be, the liquidator shall consider the average of the estimates of the values arrived under those provisions for the purposes of valuations under these regulations.

 $<sup>^{50}\,</sup>Substituted\,\,by\,\,Notification\,\,No.\,\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094,\,\,dated\,\,16^{th}\,September,\,\,2022\,\,(w.e.f.\,\,16-09-2022).$ Prior to substitution, sub-regulation (5) stood as: "The asset memorandum shall not be accessible to any person during the course of liquidation, unless permitted by the Adjudicating Authority".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG037, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 22-10-2018). Regulation 35, prior to substitution it stood as under: "35. Valuation of assets intended to be sold.

<sup>(1)</sup> The liquidator shall appoint at least two registered valuers to value the assets as required under Regulation 34(2).

<sup>(2)</sup> The provisions of Regulation 7 shall apply mutatis mutandis to registered valuers appointed under sub-

The registered valuers appointed under sub-regulation (1) shall independently submit to the liquidator the estimates of the realizable value of the asset(s) computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the assets of the corporate debtor.

<sup>(4)</sup> The average of the estimates received under sub-regulation (3) shall be considered the value of the assets."

(2) <sup>52</sup>[In cases not covered under sub-regulation (1) or where the liquidator is of the opinion that fresh valuation is required under the circumstances, he shall within seven days] of the liquidation commencement date, appoint two registered valuers to determine the realisable value of the assets or businesses under clauses (a) to (f) of regulation 32 of the corporate debtor:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as registered valuers, namely: -

- (a) a relative of the liquidator;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the insolvency commencement date; or
- (d) a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the liquidator is a partner or director.
- (3)The Registered Valuers appointed under sub-regulation (2) shall independently submit to the liquidator the estimates of realisable value of the assets or businesses, as the case may be, computed in accordance with the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017, after physical verification of the assets of the corporated ebtor.
- (4) The average of two estimates received under sub-regulation (3) shall be taken as the value of the assets or businesses.]

# 36. Asset sale report.

On sale of an asset, the liquidator shall prepare an asset sale report in respect of said asset, to be enclosed with the Progress Reports, containing -

- (a) the realized value;
- (b) cost of realization, if any;
- (c) the manner and mode of sale;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

substitution it stood as under: "In cases not covered under sub-regulation (1), the liquidator shall within seven days".

- (d) if the value realized is less than the value in the asset memorandum, the reasons for the same:
- (e) the person to whom the sale is made; and
- (f) any other details of the sale.

#### 37. Realization of security interest by secured creditor

- A secured creditor who seeks to realize its security interest under section 52 shall intimate the liquidator of the price at which he proposes to realize its secured asset.
- (2) The liquidator shall inform the secured creditor within twenty one days of receipt of the intimation under sub-regulation (1) if a person is willing to buy the secured asset before the expiry of thirty days from the date of intimation under sub-regulation (1), at a price higher than the price intimated under sub-regulation (1).
- (3) Where the liquidator informs the secured creditor of a person willing to buy the secured asset under sub-regulation (2), the secured creditor shall sell the asset to such person.
- (4) If the liquidator does not inform the secured creditor in accordance with sub-regulation (2), or the person does not buy the secured asset in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the secured creditor may realize the secured asset in the manner it deems fit, but at least at the price intimated under sub-regulation (1).
- (5) Where the secured asset is realized under sub-regulation (3), the secured creditor shall bear the cost of identification of the buyer under sub-regulation (2).
- (6) Where the secured asset is realized under sub-regulation (4), the liquidator shall bear the cost <sup>53</sup>[\*\*\*] incurred to identify the buyer under sub-regulation (2).
- (7) The provisions of this Regulation shall not apply if the secured creditor enforces his security interest under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) or the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 (51 of 1993).

<sup>54</sup>[(8) A secured creditor shall not sell or transfer an asset, which is subject to security interest, to any person, who is not eligible under the Code to submit a resolution plan for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor.]

## <sup>55</sup>[37A. Assignment of not readily realisable assets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG062 dated 5th August, 2020 (w.e.f. 05-08-2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020).

<sup>55</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG067, dated 13th November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

(1) A liquidator may assign or transfer a not readily realisable asset through a transparent process, **in consultation with the stakeholders' consultation committee** in accordance with regulation 31A, for a consideration to any person, who is eligible to submit a resolution plan for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor.

Explanation. — For the purposes of this sub-regulation, "not readily realisable asset" means any asset included in the liquidation estate which could not be sold through available options and includes contingent or disputed assets and assets underlying proceedings for preferential, undervalued, extortionate credit and fraudulent transactions referred to in sections 43 to 51 and section 66 of the Code.]

#### 38. Distribution of unsold assets.

- (1) The liquidator may, with the permission of the Adjudicating Authority, distribute amongst the stakeholders, an asset that <sup>56</sup>[could not be sold, assigned or transferred] due to its peculiar nature or other special circumstances.
- (2) The application seeking permission of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-regulation (1) shall-
  - (a) identify the asset;
  - (b) provide a value of the asset;
  - (c) detail the efforts made to sell the asset, if any; and
  - (d) provide reasons for such distribution.

#### 39. Recovery of monies due.

The liquidator shall endeavor to recover and realize all assets of and dues to the corporate debtor in a time-bound manner for maximization of value for the stakeholders.

#### 40. Liquidator to realize uncalled capital or unpaid capital contribution.

(1) The liquidator shall realize any amount due from any contributory to the corporate debtor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG067, dated 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).
Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;cannot be readily or advantageously sold".

- (2) Notwithstanding any charge or encumbrance on the uncalled capital of the corporate debtor, the liquidator shall be entitled to call and realize the uncalled capital of the corporate debtor and to collect the arrears, if any, due on calls made prior to the liquidation, by providing a notice to the contributory to make the payments within fifteen days from the receipt of the notice, but shall hold all moneys so realized subject to the rights, if any, of the holder of any such charge or encumbrance.
- (3) No distribution shall be made to a contributory, unless he makes his contribution to the uncalled or unpaid capital as required in the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor.

*Explanation:* For the purpose of this chapter and Schedule I, 'assets' include an asset, all assets, a set of assets or parcel of assets <sup>57</sup>[, **business**], as the case may be, which are being sold.

## CHAPTER VII PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS

#### 41. All money to be paid in to bank account.

- (1) The liquidator shall open a bank account in the name of the corporate debtor followed by the words 'in liquidation', in a scheduled bank, for the receipt of all moneys due to the corporate debtor.
- (2) The liquidator shall deposit in the bank account opened under sub-regulation (1) all moneys, including cheques and demand drafts received by him as the liquidator of the corporate debtor, and the realizations of each day shall be deposited into the bank account without any deduction not later than the next working day.
- (3) The liquidator may maintain a cash of one lakh rupees or such higher amount as may be permitted by the Adjudicating Authority to meet liquidation costs.
- (4) All payments out of the account by the liquidator above five thousand rupees shall be made by cheques drawn or online banking transactions against the bank account.

#### 42. Distribution.

(1) Subject to the provisions of section 53, the liquidator shall not commence distribution before the list of stakeholders and the asset memorandum has been filed with the Adjudicating Authority.

 $<sup>^{57}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG037, dated \ 22^{nd} \ October, \ 2018 \ (w.e.f. \ 22-10-2018).$ 

- (2) The liquidator shall distribute the proceeds from realization within <sup>58</sup>[ninety days] from the receipt of the amount to the stakeholders.
- (3) The insolvency resolution process costs, if any, and the liquidation costs shall be deducted before such distribution is made.

#### 43. Return of money.

A stakeholder shall forthwith return any monies received by him in distribution, which he was not entitled to at the time of distribution, or subsequently became not entitled to.

#### 44. Completion of liquidation.

**(1)** <sup>59</sup>[The liquidator shall liquidate the corporate debtor within a period of one year from the liquidation commencement date, notwithstanding pendency of any application for avoidance of transactions under 60[\*\*\*] Part II of the Code, before the Adjudicating Authority or any action thereof:

If the liquidator fails to liquidate the corporate debtor within 62[one year], he shall (2) make an application to the Adjudicating Authority to continue such liquidation, along with a report explaining why the liquidation has not been completed and specifying the additional time that shall be required for liquidation.

63 [Explanation.- In relation to the liquidation processes commenced prior to the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019, the requirements of this regulation as existing before such commencement, shall apply.]

#### <sup>64</sup>[44A. Treatment of avoidance of transaction.

The liquidator shall, on the advice of the consultation committee, provide in the application along with the final report filed under regulation 45 for the manner in

58Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as: "six months".

59Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;The liquidator shall liquidate the corporate debtor within a period of two years."

60 Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> Omitted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>62</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as: "two years".

<sup>63</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG082, dated 28th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 28-04-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Inserted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

which proceedings in respect of avoidance transactions, if any, under Chapter III or fraudulent or wrongful trading under Chapter VI of Part II of the Code, will be pursued after the dissolution or closure of liquidation process and the manner in which the proceeds, if any, from such proceedings shall be distributed.]

#### 45. Final report prior to dissolution.

- (1) When the corporate debtor is liquidated, the liquidator shall make an account of the liquidation, showing how it has been conducted and how the corporate debtor's assets have been liquidated.
- (2) If the liquidation cost exceeds the estimated liquidation cost provided in the Preliminary Report, the liquidator shall explain the reasons for the same.
- (3)65[The liquidator shall submit an application along with the final report and the compliance certificate in form H to the Adjudicating Authority for
  - (a) closure of the liquidation process of the corporate debtor where the corporate debtor is sold as a going concern; or
  - (b) for the dissolution of the corporate debtor, in cases not covered under clause (a).]

#### <sup>66</sup>[45A. Preservation of records.

- (1)The liquidator shall preserve copies of all such records which give a complete account of the liquidation process.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-regulation (1), the liquidator shall preserve copies of records relating to or forming the basis of:-
  - (a) his appointment as liquidator, including the terms of appointment;
  - (b) handing over and taking over of the assignment;
  - (c) admission of corporate debtor into liquidation;
  - (d) public announcement;
  - (e) the constitution of consultation committee and minutes of consultation committee meetings during liquidation process;
  - (f) claims, verification of claims, and list of stakeholders;
  - (g) details of relinquishment or otherwise by secured creditors in liquidation process;
  - (h) engagement of professionals, registered valuers, etc. including work done, reports etc., submitted by them;
  - (i) Invitation, consideration and approval of plans / proposals / scheme received, in case of going concern sale in liquidation process or compromise or arrangement under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013;
  - (j) all filings with the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority, High Courts, Supreme Court, whichever applicable and their orders;
  - (k) statutory filings with Board and insolvency professional agencies;
  - (l) correspondence during the liquidation process;
  - (m)cost of liquidation process;

<sup>65</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;The final report shall form part of the application for the dissolution of the corporate debtor to the Adjudicating Authority to be made under section 54."

<sup>66</sup> Inserted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

- (n) all reports, registers, documents such as preliminary report, asset memorandum, progress reports, asset sale report, annual status report, final report prior to dissolution, various registers and books, etc. mentioned in regulations 5 and 6 of these Regulations.
- (o) preferential, undervalued, extortionate credit transactions or fraudulent or wrongful trading.
- (p) any other records, which is required to give a complete account of the process.

#### (3) The liquidator shall preserve:

- (a) electronic copy of all records (physical and electronic) for a minimum period of eight vears: and
- (b) a physical copy of records for a minimum period of three years;

from the date of dissolution of the corporate debtor or closure of the liquidation process or the conclusion of any proceeding relating to the liquidation process, before the Board, the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority or any Court, whichever is later.

- (4)In case of replacement of liquidator, the outgoing liquidator shall handover the records under sub-regulation (1) and (2) to the new liquidator and be responsible for preserving the records not handed over, for any reason, to the new liquidator.
- (5)Where the corporate debtor has been sold as a going concern under clause (e) of regulation 32, the general records of the corporate debtor shall be handed over to the successful buyer.
- (6)The records of the corporate debtor shall be preserved by the liquidator as per the applicable
- (7)The liquidator shall preserve the records at a secure place and shall be obliged to produce records as may be required under the Code and the Regulations made thereunder.

Explanation - The records referred to in this regulation include records pertaining to the period of a liquidation process during which the liquidator acted as such, irrespective of the fact that he did not take up the assignment from its commencement or continued the assignment till its conclusion.]

#### <sup>67</sup>[46. Corporate Liquidation Account.

 $<sup>^{67}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053, dated  $6^{th}$  January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;46. Unclaimed proceeds of liquidation or undistributed assets.

<sup>(1)</sup> Before the order of dissolution is passed under section 54(2), the liquidator shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for an order to pay into the Companies Liquidation Account in the Public Account of India any unclaimed proceeds of liquidation or undistributed assets or any other balance payable to the stakeholders in his hands on the date of the order of dissolution.

<sup>(2)</sup> Any liquidator who retains any money which should have been paid by him into the Companies Liquidation Account under this Regulation shall pay interest on the amount retained at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, and also pay such penalty as may be determined by the Board.

(1)The Board shall operate and maintain an Account to be called the Corporate Liquidation Account in the Public Accounts of India:

Provided that until the Corporate Liquidation Account is operated as part of the Public Accounts of India, the Board shall open a separate bank account with a scheduled bank for the purposes of this regulation.

(2)A liquidator shall deposit the amount of unclaimed dividends, if any, and undistributed proceeds, if any, in a liquidation process along with any income earned thereon till the date of deposit into the Corporate Liquidation Account before he submits an application under subregulation (3) of regulation 45.

(3)A liquidator, who holds any amount of unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds in a liquidation process on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020, shall deposit the same within fifteen days of the date of such commencement, along with any income earned thereon till the date of deposit.

(4)A liquidator, who fails to deposit any amount into the Corporate Liquidation Account under this regulation, shall deposit the same along with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent per annum from the due date of deposit till the date of deposit.

(5)A liquidator shall submit to the authority with which the corporate debtor is registered and the Board, the evidence of deposit of the amount into the Corporate Liquidation Account under this regulation, and a statement in Form-I setting forth the nature of the amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account, and the names and last known addresses of the stakeholders entitled to receive the unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds.

(6)The liquidator shall be entitled to a receipt from the Board for any amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account under this regulation.

(7)A stakeholder, who claims to be entitled to any amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account, may apply to the Board in Form J for an order for withdrawal of the amount:

Provided that if any other person other than the stakeholder claims to be entitled to any amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account, he shall submit evidence to satisfy the Board that he is so entitled.

(8)The Board may, if satisfied that the stakeholder or any other person referred to under sub-regulation (7) is entitled to withdrawal of any amount from the Corporate Liquidation Account, make an order for the same in favour of that stakeholder or that other person.

(9)The Board shall maintain a corporate debtor-wise ledger of the amount deposited into and the amount withdrawn from the Corporate Liquidation Account under this regulation.

(10) The Board shall nominate an officer of the level of Executive Director of the Board as the custodian of the Corporate Liquidation Account and no proceeds shall be withdrawn without his approval.

(11)The Board shall maintain proper accounts of the Corporate Liquidation Account and get the same audited annually.

<sup>(3)</sup> The liquidator shall, when making any payment referred to in sub-regulation (1), furnish to the authority with which the corporate debtor is registered, and the Board, a statement setting forth the nature of the sums included, the names and last known addresses of the stakeholders entitled to participate therein, the amount to which each is entitled to and the nature of their claim.

<sup>(4)</sup> The liquidator shall be entitled to a receipt from the Reserve Bank of India for any money paid to it under sub-regulation (2), and such receipt shall be an effectual discharge of the liquidator in respect thereof.

<sup>(5)</sup> A person claiming to be entitled to any money paid into the Companies Liquidation Account may apply to the Board for an order for payment of the money claimed; which may, if satisfied that such person is entitled to the whole or any part of the money claimed, make an order for the payment to that person of the sum due to him, after taking such security from him as it may think fit.

<sup>(6)</sup> Any money paid into the Companies Liquidation Account in pursuance of this Regulation, which remains unclaimed thereafter for a period of fifteen years, shall be transferred to the general revenue account of the Central Government."

(12)The audit report along with the statement of accounts of the Corporate Liquidation Account referred to in sub-regulation (11) shall be placed before the Governing Board and shall be forwarded to the Central Government.

(13) Any amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account in pursuance of this regulation, which remains unclaimed or undistributed for a period of fifteen years from the date of order of dissolution of the corporate debtor and any amount of income or interest received or earned in the Corporate Liquidation Account shall be transferred to the Consolidated Fund of India.]

#### 47. <sup>68</sup> [Model time-line for liquidation process.

The following Table presents a model timeline of liquidation process of a corporate debtor from the liquidation commencement date, assuming that the process does not include compromise or arrangement under section 230 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or sale under regulation 32A:

#### **Model Timeline for Liquidation Process**

Sl. No.	Section / Regulation	Description of Task	Norm	Latest Timeline (Days)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Section 33 and 34	Commencement of liquidation and appointment of liquidator	LCD	0 = T
2	Section 33 (1) (b) (ii) / Reg. 12 (1, 2, 3)	Public announcement in Form B	Within 5 days of appointment of liquidator.	T + 5
3	Reg. 35 (2)	Appointment of registered valuers	Within 7 days of LCD	T + 7
<sup>69</sup> [3A.	Reg. 31A (6)	First meeting of SCC	Within 7 days of LCD	T+7]
4	<sup>70</sup> [Section 38 (1), Reg. 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21A]	Submission of claims; Intimation of decision on relinquishment of security interest	Within 30 days of LCD	T + 30
5	Section 38 (5)	Withdrawal/ modification of claim	Within 14 days of submission of claim	T + 44
6	Reg. 30	Verification of claims received under regulation 12(2)(b)	Within 30 days from the last date for receipt of claims	T + 60
7	Reg. 31A	Constitution of SCC	Within 60 days of LCD	T + 60
8	Section 40 (2)	Intimation about decision of acceptance/ rejection of claim	Within 7 days of admission or rejection of claim	T + 67
9	Reg. 31 (2)	Filing the list of stakeholders <sup>71</sup> [***]	Within 45 days from the last date of receipt of claims	T + 75
10	Section 42	Appeal by a creditor against the decision of the liquidator	Within 14 days of receipt of such decision	T + 81
11	Reg. 13	Preliminary report to the AA	Within 75 days of LCD	T + 75

 $<sup>^{68}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047\,dated\,25^{th}July,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,25-07-2019).$ 

 $<sup>^{69}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated\,16^{th}\,September,\,2022\,(w.e.f.\,16-09-2022).$ 

 $<sup>^{70}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG062 dated  $5^{th}$  August, 2020 (w.e.f. 05-08-2020). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Section 38 (1) and (5), Reg. 17, 18 and 21A"

<sup>71</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

12	Reg. 34	Asset memorandum	Within <sup>72</sup> [30/75] days of LCD	T + 73[30/75]
13	Reg. 15 (1), (2),	Submission of progress reports to AA;	First progress report	Q1 + 15
	(3), (4) and (5),	Asset Sale report to be enclosed with every Progress Report, if		Q2 + 15
	and 36	sales are made	Q-3	Q3 + 15
			Q-4	Q4 + 15
			FY: 1 Audited accounts of liquidator's receipt & payments for the financial year	15 <sup>th</sup> April
14	Proviso to Reg. 15 (1)	Progress report in case of cessation of liquidator	Within 15 days of cessation as liquidator	Date of cessation + 15
15	Reg. 37 (2, 3)	Information to secured creditors	Within 21 days of receipt of intimation from secured creditor	Date of intimation + 21
16	Reg. 42 (2)	Distribution of the proceeds to the stakeholders	Within 3 months from the receipt of amount	Date of Realisation + 90
17	Reg.10(1)	Application to AA for Disclaimer of onerous property	Within 6 months from the LCD	T + 6 months
18	Reg.10 (3)	Notice to persons interested in the onerous property or contract	At least 7 days before making an application to AA for <sup>74</sup> [disclaimer].	
19	Reg. 44	Liquidation of corporate debtor.	Within one year	T + 365
20	<sup>75</sup> [Reg. 46	Deposit the amount of unclaimed dividends and undistributed proceeds	Before submission of application under sub- regulation (3) of regulation 45	
21	Sch-1 Sl. No 12	Time period to H1 bidder to provide balance sale consideration	Within 90 days of the date of invitation to provide the balance amount.]	

[AA: Adjudicating Authority, LCD: Liquidation Commencement Date, SCC: Stakeholders' Consultation Committee]

#### $^{76} [Exclusion \ of \ period \ of \ lockdown.$

47A. Subject to the provisions of the Code, the period of lockdown imposed by the Central Government in the wake of Covid-19 outbreak shall not be counted for the purposes of computation of the time-line for any task that could not be completed due to such lockdown, in relation to any liquidation process.]

#### SCHEDULE I MODE OF SALE

to substitution it stood as "disclosure".

75 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG053 dated 6th January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

"20	[Reg. 46	Apply to AA for order on unclaimed proceeds of liquidation or undistributed assets.	Before dissolution order"	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG060, dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 17.4.2020).

 $<sup>^{72}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated  $16^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "75".  $^{73}$  Substituted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated  $16^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "75".  $^{74}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG062 dated  $5^{th}$  August, 2020 (w.e.f. 05-08-2020). Prior

(Under Regulation 33 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)

#### 1. AUCTION

- (1) Where an asset is to be sold through auction, a liquidator shall do so the in the manner specified herein.
- <sup>77</sup>[(1A) Subject to provisions of regulation 2B, the liquidator shall issue a public notice of an auction for sale under regulation 32 within forty-five days from the liquidation commencement date unless the consultation committee advises to extend the timeline.
- (1B) The liquidator shall issue public notice for the next auction, in case of failure of the auction, within fifteen days from the last failed auction unless the consultation committee advises to deviate from the specified time period.
- (1C) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Schedule, the liquidator shall complete an auction process within thirty-five days from the issue of public notice for auction.
- (1D) The liquidator shall provide at least fourteen days from issue of public notice for submission of eligibility documents by prospective bidder.
- (1E) The liquidator shall provide to qualified bidder at least seven days, for inspection or due diligence of assets under auction, from the date of declaration of qualified bidder.
- (1F) A prospective bidder in an auction process shall deposit earnest money deposit at least up to two days before the date of auction.]
- (2) The liquidator shall prepare a marketing strategy, with the help of marketing professionals, if required, for sale of the asset. The strategy may include-
  - (a) releasing advertisements;
  - (b) preparing information sheets for the asset;
  - (c) preparing a notice of sale; and
  - (d) liaising with agents.
- (3) The liquidator shall prepare terms and conditions of sale, including reserve price, earnest money deposit as well as pre-bid qualifications, if any.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Inserted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

<sup>78</sup>[Provided that the liquidator shall not require payment of any non-refundable deposit or fee for participation in an auction under the liquidation process: Provided further that the earnest money deposit shall not exceed ten percent. of the reserve price.]

- (4)<sup>79</sup>[The reserve price shall be the value of the asset arrived at in accordance with regulation 35.
- (4A) Where an auction fails at the reserve price, the liquidator may reduce the reserve price by up to twenty-five percent of such value to conduct subsequent auction.
- (4B) Where an auction fails at reduced price under clause (4A), the reserve price in subsequent auctions may be further reduced by not more than ten percent at a time.]
- (5) The liquidator shall <sup>80</sup>[issue a public notice] of an auction in the manner specified in Regulation 12(3);
  - Provided that the liquidator may apply to Adjudicating Authority to dispense with the requirement of Regulation 12(3)(a) keeping in view the value of the asset intended to be sold by auction.
- (6) The liquidator shall provide all assistance necessary for the conduct of due diligence by interested buyers.
- (7) <sup>81</sup>[From a date to be notified through circular by the Board, the liquidator shall sell the assets only through an electronic auction platform empanelled by the Board.]
- (8) If the liquidator is of the opinion that a physical auction is likely to maximize the realization from the sale of assets and is in the best interests of the creditors, he may sell assets through a physical auction after obtaining the permission of the Adjudicating Authority. The liquidator may engage the services of qualified professional auctioneers specializing in auctioning such assets for this purpose.
- (9) An auction shall be transparent, and the highest bid at any given point shall be visible to the other bidders.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;The reserve price shall be the value of the asset arrived at in accordance with Regulation 34. Such valuation shall not be more than six months old. However, in the event that an auction fails at such price, the liquidator may reduce the reserve price up to seventy-five per cent of such value to conduct subsequent auctions."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;make a public announcement".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Substituted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "The liquidator shall sell the assets through an electronic auction on an online portal, if any, designated by the Board, where the interested buyers can register, bid and receive confirmation of the acceptance of their bid online."

- (10) If the liquidator is of the opinion that an auction where bid amounts are not visible is likely to maximize realizations from the sale of assets and is in the best interests of the creditors, he may apply, in writing, to the Adjudicating Authority for its permission to conduct an auction in such manner.
- (11) If required, the liquidator may conduct multiple rounds of auctions to maximize the realization from the sale of the assets, and to promote the best interests of the creditors.

<sup>82</sup>[(11A) Where the liquidator rejects the highest bid in an auction process, he shall intimate the reasons for such rejection to the highest bidder and mention it in the next progress report.]

(12) <sup>83</sup>[On the close of the auction, the highest bidder shall be invited to provide balance sale consideration within ninety days of the date of such demand:

Provided that payments made after thirty days shall attract interest at the rate of 12%: Provided further that the sale shall be cancelled if the payment is not received within ninety days.

(13) On payment of the full amount, the sale shall stand completed, the liquidator shall execute certificate of sale or sale deed to transfer such assets and the assets shall be delivered to him in the manner specified in the terms of sale.]

#### 2. PRIVATE SALE

- (1) Where an asset is to be sold through private sale, a liquidator shall conduct the sale in the manner specified herein.
- (2) The liquidator shall prepare a strategy to approach interested buyers for assets to be sold by private sale.
- (3) Private sale may be conducted through directly liaising with potential buyers or their agents, through retail shops, or through any other means that is likely to maximize the realizations from the sale of assets.
- (4) The sale shall stand completed in accordance with the terms of sale.

<sup>82</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).

 $<sup>^{83}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;On the close of the auction, the highest bidder shall be invited to provide balance sale consideration within fifteen days of the date when he is invited to provide the balance sale consideration. On payment of the full amount, the sale shall stand completed, the liquidator shall execute certificate of sale or sale deed to transfer such assets and the assets shall be delivered to him in the manner specified in the terms of sale."

(5) Thereafter, the assets shall be delivered to the purchaser, on receipt of full consideration for the assets, in the manner specified in the terms of sale.

#### SCHEDULE II FORM A

#### PROFORMA FOR REPORTING CONSULTATIONS WITH STAKEHOLDERS

(Under Regulation 8 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process)
Regulations, 2016)

#### Separate proforma to be used for each stakeholder or group of homogenous stakeholders

NAME AND REGISTRATION NO. OF	
LIQUIDATOR:	
NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR	
BEING LIQUIDATED:	
LIQUIDATION CASE NO:	
NAME OF THE STAKEHOLDER:	
DATE OF CONSULTATION (IF HELD IN	
PERSON):	
NUMBER AND DATES OF	
COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED FROM	
STAKEHOLDER:	
SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION:	

#### <sup>84</sup>[FORM AA WRITTEN CONSENT TO ACT AS LIQUIDATOR

(Under regulation 31A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

[Registration number of the insolvency professional]

[Address of the insolvency professional registered with the Board]

То

The Stakeholders' Consultation Committee [name of corporate debtor]

## Subject: Written Consent to act as liquidator.

I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board, note that the consultation committee proposes to appoint me as liquidator under regulation 31A of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation

 $<sup>^{84}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094,\;dated\;16^{th}\,September,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;16-09-2022).$ 

Process) Regulations, 2016 for conducting liquidation process of [name of the corporate debtor].

2.In accordance with aforementioned regulation, I hereby give consent to the proposed appointment.

- 3. I declare and affirm as under:
  - a. I am registered with the Board as an insolvency professional.
  - b. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceedings initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
  - c. I do not suffer from any disability to act as a liquidator.
  - d. I am eligible to be appointed as liquidator of the corporate debtor under regulation 3 and other applicable provisions of the Code and regulations.
  - e. I shall make the disclosures in accordance with the code of conduct for insolvency professionals as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
  - f. I am having the following processes in hand:

Sl. No.	Role as	No. of Processes on the date of Consent
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional of	
	a. Corporate Debtors	
	b. Individuals	
3	Liquidator of	
	a. Liquidation Processes b. Voluntary Liquidation	
	Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

Date: (Signature of the insolvency professional)
Place: Registration No. .......]

# SCHEDULE II 85[ FORM B

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(Regulation 12 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process)

Regulations, 2016)

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE STAKEHOLDERS OF [Name of Corporate Debtor]

85 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG037, dated 22nd October, 2018 (w.e.f. 22-10-2018).

Sl. No.	Particulars	DETAILS
1.	Name of corporate debtor	
2.	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor	
3.	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated <i>I</i> registered	
4.	Corporate Identity No. / Limited Liability Identification No. of corporate debtor	
5.	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor	
6.	Date of closure of Insolvency Resolution Process	
7.	Liquidation commencement date of corporate debtor	
8.	Name and registration number of the insolvency professional acting as liquidator	
9.	Address and e-mail of the liquidator, as registered with the Board	
10.	Address and e-mail to be used for correspondence with the liquidator	
11.	Last date for submission of claims	

Notice is hereby given that the National Company Law Tribunal (*Name of Bench*) has ordered the commencement of liquidation of the [*Name of the corporate debtor*] on [date of passing of order of liquidation under section 33 of the Code].

The stakeholders of [-----Name of the corporate debtor] are hereby called upon to submit their claims with proof on or before --------<sup>86</sup>[insert the date falling thirty days from the liquidation commencement date], to the liquidator at the address mentioned against item No.10.

The financial creditors shall submit their claims with proof by electronic means only. All other creditors may submit the claims with the proof in person, by post or by electronic means.

Submission of false or misleading proof of claims shall attract penalties.

<sup>87</sup>[In case a stakeholder does not submit its claims during the liquidation process, the claims submitted by such a stakeholder during the corporate insolvency resolution process under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, shall be deemed to be submitted under section 38.]

Name and signature of liquidator

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

<sup>87</sup> Inserted by Notification IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG094, dated 16th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022).

Date and place:	
Date and place.	•

#### SCHEDULE II FORM C

## PROOF OF CLAIM BY OPERATIONAL CREDITORS EXCEPT WORKMEN AND EMPLOYEES

(Under Regulation 17 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)

[Date]

То

The Liquidator

[Name of the Liquidator]

[Address as set out in the public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the operational creditor]

**Subject:** Submission of proof of claim in respect of the liquidation of [name of corporate debtor] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the operational creditor] hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the liquidation of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

1.	Name of operational creditor	
	(IF AN INCORPORATED BODY PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PROOF OF INCORPORATION, IF A PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION RECORDS* OF ALL THE PARTNERS OR THE INDIVIDUAL)	
2.	ADDRESS OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR FOR CORRESPONDENCE	
3.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING ANY	PRINCIPAL :
	INTEREST, AS AT LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT	Interest :
	DATE AND DETAILS OF NATURE OF CLAIM	TOTAL CLAIM :

4.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO WHICH	
	THE DEBT CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED	
5.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THERECORD	
	OF PENDENCY OF SUIT OR ARBITRATION	
	PROCEEDINGS	
6.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED	
6.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS,	
'	OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE	
	CORPORATE DEBTOR AND THE OPERATIONAL	
	CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE	
	CLAIM	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY RETENTION OF TITLE IN RESPECT	
	OF GOODS OR PROPERTIES TO WHICH THE DEBT	
	REFERS OR ANY OTHER SECURITY	
<sup>88</sup> [8A.	WHETHER SECURITY INTEREST	Yes/No]
	RELINQUISHED	
9.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER OF	
	DEBT IN HIS FAVOUR	
10.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE	
	OPERATIONAL CREDITOR'S SHARE OF THE	
	PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
11.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS RELIED	(i)
	ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	(ii)
		(iii)

Signature of operational creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf (Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of the operational creditor)
Name in BLOCK LETTERS
Position with or in relation to creditor

 $<sup>^{88}</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-07-2019).

Address of person signing	
*PAN, Passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election India.	Commission of
AFFIDAVIT	
I, [name of deponent], currently residing at [address of deponent], do solemn state as follows:	ly affirm and
1. The above named corporate debtor was, at liquidation commencement day of 20 and still is, justly and time [or to me and [insert name of co-partners], my co-partners in trace may be] in the sum of Rs. for [please state consideration]	truly indebted to de, or, as the case
<ol> <li>In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied documents specified below:</li> <li>[Please list the documents relied on as evidence of debt.]</li> </ol>	ed on and the
3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my known information and belief.	wledge,
4. In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have m of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security wha except the following:	or belief, for my/
[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other between the corporate debtor and the operational creditor which may the claim.]	
Solemnly, affirmed at on on	day, the
Before me,	
Notary / Oath Commissioner  Dep  VERIFICATION	oonent's signature

I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify and affirm that the contents of para_to_of this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief. Nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.
Verified aton thisday of201
Deponent's signature SCHEDULE II FORM D
PROOF OF CLAIM BY FINANCIAL CREDITORS
(Under Regulation 18 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)
[Date]
To The Liquidator [Name of the Liquidator] [Address as set out in the public announcement]
From [Name and address of the registered office and principal office of the financial creditor]
<b>Subject:</b> Submission of proof of claim in respect of the liquidation of [name of corporate debtor] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
Madam/Sir,
[Name of the financial creditor] hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the liquidation of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:
1. Name of financial creditor
(IF AN INCORPORATED BODY PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PROOF OF INCORPORATION, IF A PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION RECORDS* OF ALL THE PARTNERS OR THE

INDIVIDUAL)

FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

ADDRESS AND EMAIL OF FINANCIAL CREDITOR

2.

3.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING ANY	Principal :
	INTEREST, AS AT THE LIQUIDATION	INTEREST :
	COMMENCEMENT DATE AND DETAILS OF	
		<b>T</b>
	NATURE OF CLAIM (WHETHER TERM LOAN,	TOTAL CLAIM :
	SECURED, UNSECURED)	
4.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO	
	WHICH THE DEBT CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED	
5.	DETAILS OF ANY ORDER OF A COURT OF	
	TRIBUNAL THAT HAS ADJUDICATED ON THE	
	NON-PAYMENT OF DEBT	
6.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED	
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7.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL	
	DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS	
	BETWEEN THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND THE	
	FINANCIAL CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF	
	AGAINST THE CLAIM	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY SECURITY HELD, THE VALUE	
	OF THE SECURITY, AND THE DATE IT WAS GIVEN	
89[8A.	WHETHER SECURITY INTEREST	Yes/Nol
`	RELINQUISHED	•
9.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER	
* '	OF DEBT IN HIS FAVOUR	
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10.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH	
10.		
	THE FINANCIAL CREDITOR'S SHARE OF THE	
	PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE	
	TRANSFERRED	
11.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS	(i)
	RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	(ii)
		(iii)
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Signature of financial creditor or	person authorised to act	on his behalf	

 $<sup>^{89}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047 \ dated \ 25^{th} July, \ 2019 \ (w.e.f. \ 25-07-2019).$ 

please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf a financial creditor)
Name in BLOCK LETTERS
Position with or in relation to creditor
Address of person signing
PAN, Passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of
ndia. <b>A</b> FFIDAVIT
, [name of deponent], currently residing at [address of deponent], do solemnly affirm and tate as follows:
The above named corporate debtor was, at the liquidation commencement date, that is, theday of20 and still is, justly and truly indebted to me [or to me and [insert name of co-partners], my co-partners in trade, or, as the case may be] in the sum of Rsfor[please state consideration].
In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below:  [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of debt and of non-payment.]
The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have my partners or any of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge or belief, for my/our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:  [Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the financial creditor which may be set-off against the claim.]
Solemnly, affirmed at on day, the
Before me,

Deponent's signature.

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# PROOF OF CLAIM BY A WORKMAN OR EMPLOYEE

(Under Regulation 19 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Liquidation Process) Regulations,

[Date]

То

The Liquidator

[Name of the Liquidator]

[Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the workman / employee]

Subject: Submission of proof of claim in respect of liquidation of (Name of corporate debtor) under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the workman / employee], hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the liquidation of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the same are set out below:

1.	NAME OF WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE	

2.	PAN, PASSPORT, THE IDENTITY CARD ISSUED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA OR AADHAAR CARD OF WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE	
3.	ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS (IF ANY) OF WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE FOR CORRESPONDENCE	
4.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM  (INCLUDING ANY INTEREST AS AT THE LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT DATE)	
5.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO WHICH THE DEBT CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED.	
6.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THE RECORD OF PENDENCY OR ORDER OF SUIT OR ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS	
7.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN CLAIM AROSE	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND THE WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE CLAIM	
9.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE'S SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
10.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	(i) (ii) (iii)

Signature of workman / employee or person authorised to act on his behalf [Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of an operational creditor]

Nam	ne in BLOCK LETTERS
Posi	tion with or in relation to creditor
Add	ress of person signing
I, [na	AFFIDAVIT  ume of deponent], currently residing at [insert address], do solemnly affirm and state as  ws:
5.	[Name of corporate debtor], the corporate debtor was, at the liquidation commencement date, that is, theday of20_, justly and truly indebted to me in the sum of Rs. [insert amount of claim].
6.	In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below:
	[Please list the documents relied on as evidence of claim]
7.	The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
8.	In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not nor has any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:
	[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the workman / employee which may be set-off against the claim.]
	mnly, affirmed at [insert place] on day, theday
	re me,
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(U	nder Regul	ation 19 of th		and Bankru egulations, 2	ptcy Board of India (Liquidation 016)
[Name	quidator of the Liqu ss as set ou	idator] t in the public	c announcem	ent]	[Date]
From [Name of	and addres	s of the autho	orised repres	entative of w	orkmen/employees]
_		ion of proof Insolvency ar		-	ne liquidation of [name of corporate 6.
Madam	/Sir,				
[addres	s of duly	authorised re	epresentative	of the wor	nen/employees] currently residing at kmen/employees], on behalf of the corporate debtor, solemnly affirm and
	that is, the several pe below in a remunerati employees them respe	rsons whose amounts seve on and othe in the emplo	names, addrerally set ag r amounts opy of the co- corporate de	_20 and st resses, and of ainst their reduce to them reporate debte btor during s	the liquidation commencement date, ill is, justly truly indebted to the descriptions appear in the Annexure names in such Annexure for wages, a respectively as workmen or/ and or in respect of services rendered by uch periods as are set out against their

2. That for which said sums or any part thereof, they have not, nor has any of them, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credits, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the workmen / employees which may be set-off against the claim.]

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#### ANNEXURE

## 1. Details of Employees/ Workmen

S	NAME OF	IDENTIFICATION	TOTAL AMO	OUNT	PERIOD OVER	DETAILS OF
No.	EMPLOYEE/	NUMBER	DUE	AND	WHICH	EVIDENCE OF
	WORKMEN		DETAILS	ON	AMOUNT DUE	DEBT INCLUDING
		(PAN/,	NATURE	OF		EMPLOYMENT
		PASSPORT	CLAIM			CONTRACTS AND
		NUMBER/,				OTHER PROOFS
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		BY THE				
		ELECTION				
		COMMISSION				
		AND EMPLOYEE				
		ID NO., IF ANY				
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2.	Particulars of how dues were incurred by the corporate debtor, including particulars of
	any dispute as well as the record of pendency of suit or arbitration proceedings.

- 3. Particulars of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the workmen / employee which may be set-off against the claim.
- 4. Please list out and attach the documents relied on to prove the claim.

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I, [inse	ert full name, address and occupation of deponent] do solemnly affirm and state as is:
1.	The above named corporate debtor was, at the liquidation commencement date that is, theday of20_and still is, justly and truly indebted to the workmen and employees in the sum of Rsfor [please state the nature and duration of employment].
2.	In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below:
	[Please list the documents relied on as evidence of proof]
3.	The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
4.	In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, the workmen / employees have not, nor has any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or has received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:
	[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the workmen / employees which may be set-off against the claim.]
Solem	nly, affirmed at on day, theday of20
Before	e me,
Notary	/ Oath Commissioner.  Deponent's signature

VERIFICATION

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				Deponent's signature
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(Under R		e Insolvency and . Process) Regula		Board of India (Liquidation
To The Liquidate [Name of the I		announcement]		[Date]
Subject: Sub	ddress of the other s mission of proof of the Insolvency and	of claim in respe	-	uidation of [name of corporate
				laim in respect of the liquidation same are set out below:
(IF AN IDENTI INCORI	OF OTHER STAKEHON INCORPORATED SEPARATION NUMBER PORATION. IF A P. DUAL PROVIDE DS* OF ALL THE PARTIES.	BODY PROVIDE AND PROOF OF ARTNERSHIP OR IDENTIFICATION		

2.	ADDRESS AND EMAIL OF THE OTHER	
	STAKEHOLDER FOR CORRESPONDENCE.	
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3.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING	Principal :
	ANY INTEREST AS AT LIQUIDATION	CLAIM
	COMMENCEMENT AND DETAILS OF	Interest :
	NATURE OF CLAIM	
		TOTAL CLAIM :
4.	DETAILS OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE	
	TO WHICH THE CLAIM CAN BE	
	SUBSTANTIATED	
5.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN CLAIM	
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6.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT,	
	MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL	
	DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE	
	DEBTOR AND THE OTHER STAKEHOLDER	
	WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE	
	CLAIM	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY RETENTION OF TITLE IN	
	RESPECT OF GOODS OR PROPERTIES TO	
	WHICH THE CLAIM REFERS	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR	
	TRANSFER OF DEBT IN HIS FAVOUR	
9.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO	
	WHICH THE OTHER STAKEHOLDER'S	
	SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION	
	CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
	OTHER DE TRANSPERIE	
10.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS	$\langle i \rangle$
10.	RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	(i) (ii)
	RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	(ii)
		(iii)

Signature of other stakeholder or person authorised to act on his behalf (Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of the other stakeholder)

Name in BLOCK LETTERS

Positi	on with or in relation to creditor
Addre	ess of person signing
*PAN India.	, Passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of
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	ert full name, address and occupation of deponent to be given] do solemnly affirm and as follows:
1.	The above named corporate debtor was, at the liquidation commencement date, that is, theday of20_and still is, justly and truly indebted to me [or to me and [insert name of co-partner], my co-partners in trade, or, as the case may be,] in the sum of Rsfor [please state consideration].
2.	In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below:  [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of proof.]
3.	The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
4.	In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have my partners or any of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge or belief, for my/our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:  [Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate debtor and the other stakeholder which may be set-off against the claim.]
Solem	anly, affirmed at on day, theday of 20
Before	e me,
Notar	y / Oath Commissioner.  Deponent's signature.

#### VERIFICATION

I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify and affirm that the contents of para\_to\_of this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief. Nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at	on this	dav of	201

Deponent's signature.

#### %[FORM H COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

[Under Regulation 45(3) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016]

I, [Name of the Liquidator], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board with registration number [registration number], am the Liquidator for the Liquidation Process of [name of the corporate debtor (CD)].

2. The details of the Liquidation Process are as under:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Case No. & NCLT Bench	
3	Date of initiation of liquidation	
4	Date of appointment of liquidator	
5	Date of commencement of CIRP	
6	Name of RP during CIRP and his registration No. as IP	
7	Name of Liquidator and his registration No. as IP	
8	Date of Publication of Public Announcement under Form B	
9	Date of Intimation to Registry and Information Utility, if any, about	
	commencement of Liquidation	
10	Date of handover of charge by RP	
11	Date of submission of compliance, if any, directed by AA in the	
	liquidation order and its particulars	
12	Date of appointment of registered valuers, if any	
13	Date of notice for uncalled capital/unpaid capital contribution	
14	Date of realisation of uncalled capital/unpaid capital contribution	
15	Date of opening of liquidation account with Bank A/c details	
16	Date of constitution of Consultation Committee	
17	No. of meetings of consultation committee held	
18	Date of submission of list of stakeholders to AA	

 $<sup>^{90}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG047\,dated\,25^{th}July,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,\,25-01-2019).$ 

91[***]		
20	Date of filing of preliminary report & assets memorandum to AA	
21	Fair value	
22	Liquidation value	
23		
23	Date of public <sup>92</sup> [notice] for auction (please add additional rows, if required)	
24	Date of order of AA to dispense with the public <sup>93</sup> [notice] for Auction	
25	Date of permission of AA for physical Auction	
26	Date of permission of AA for private sale	
27	Date of permission of AA for distribution of unsold assets to stakeholders	
28	Date of permission of the liquidator to realise the un-relinquished security interest by the secured creditor	
29	Modified list of stakeholders and date of submission to AA	
30	Date of first realisation	
31	Date of second realisation	
32	Date of first distribution	
33	Date of second distribution	
34	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-I (FY-1)	
35	Date of submission of Asset Sales Report to AA	
36	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-II	
37	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-III	
38	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-IV & Audit Report	
39	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-I (FY-2)	
40	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-II	
41	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-III	
42	Date of submission of Quarterly Progress Report-IV & Audit Report	
43	Date of intimation to statutory authority as applicable.	
"	a) PF	
	b) ESI	
	c) Income Tax Dept	
	d) Inspector of Factory	
	e) GST/VAT	
	f) Others	
94[44	Date of deposit of unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds	
	and income and interest thereon, if any, under sub-regulations (2),	
	(3) or (4) of regulation 46	

Prior to substitution, these entries stood as "
44" Date of application to AA as per Reg 46(1)

<sup>91</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021).
92 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated 30th September, 2021 (w.e.f. 30-09-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;announcement".

 $<sup>^{93}\,</sup>Substituted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG079, dated\,30th\,September, 2021\,(w.e.f.\,30-09-2021).$ Prior to substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;announcement".

<sup>94</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG/053 dated 6th January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020).

45	Amount deposited into Corporate Liquidation Account:			
	(a) Amount of unclaimed dividends			
	(b) Amount of undistributed proceeds			
	(c) Income referred to in sub-regulation (2) and (3) of regulation 46			
	(d) Interest referred to in sub-regulation (4) of regulation 46			
	Total			
46	Date of submission to the Board and the Authority under sub-			
	regulation (5) of regulation 46]			
47	Date of Final Report to AA (prior to dissolution application)			

3. The details of the assets as per Asset Memorandum and Final Sale Report are as under:

J. 111	5. The details of the assets as per risser incinoralicant and I mar safe report are as affect.						
Sl.	Assets	Mode of Sale	Estimated	Realisation	Date of Transfer to		
No.			Liquidation	Amount (Rs.)	Liquidation		
			Value		Account		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		
1							

- 4. (a) Liquidation value of the liquidation estate:
  - (b) Amount realised from sale of liquidation estate:
  - (c) The amounts distributed to stakeholders as per section 52 or 53 of Code are as under:

(Amount in Rs. lakh)

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Sl.	Stakeholders* under	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount Distributed	Remarks
No.	section 53 (1)	Claimed	Admitted	Distributed	to the Amount	
					Claimed (%)	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	(a): CIRP Costs					
2	(a): Liquidation Costs					
3	(b)(i)					
4	(b)(ii)					
5	(c)					
6	(d)					
7	(e)(i)					
8	(e) (ii)					
9	(f)					
10	(g)					
11	(h)					
Total						

<sup>\*</sup>If there are sub-categories in a category, please add rows for each sub-category.

5. The Liquidation Process has been conducted as per the timeline indicated in regulation 47 as under:

Section of the	Description of Task	Timeline as per	Actual Timeline
Code /		regulation 47	
Regulation No.			

45	Date of transfer of undistributed/unclaimed assets or proceeds of liquidation to public Account of India	
46	Date of intimation as per Reg 46(3)	
47	Date of Final Report to AA (prior to dissolution application)"	

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Section 33	Commencement of LCD and	T	T
	Appointment of Liquidator		

compliances were observed, please state the details and reasons for the same):

Sl. No. Deviation/Non- Section of the Code / Regulation Reasons W

Sl. No.	Deviation/Non-	Section of the Code / Regulation	Reasons	Whether rectified or not
	compliance observed	No. / Circular No.		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
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2				
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7.The dissolution application has been filed [before expiry of the period of one year] / [after expiry of one year]. Please state details of any extension sought with the reason and granted:

8. The details of application(s) filed / pending in respect of avoidance of transactions.

Sl.	Type of Transaction	Date of Filing	Date of Order of	Brief of the
No.		with	the Adjudicating	Order
		Adjudicating	Authority	
		Authority		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Preferential transactions under section 43			
2	Undervalued transactions under section 45			
3	Extortionate credit transactions under section 50			
4	Fraudulent transactions under section 66			

- 9.All undischarged or matters pending before any Court or Tribunal relating to corporate debtor, if any, have been reported to AA.
- 10.1 (Name of Liquidator), hereby certify that the contents of this certificate are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed there from.

(Signature)

Name of the Liquidator:

IP Registration No:

Address as registered with the Board:

Email id as registered with the Board:

Date: Place:

#### 95[ FORM -I

#### Deposit of Unclaimed Dividends and / or Undistributed Proceeds

[Under Regulation 46 (5) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016]

#### A. Details of Liquidation Process

95 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG/053 dated 6th January, 2020 (w.e.f. 06-01-2020).

Sl. No.	Description	Particulars			
(1)	(2)	(3)			
1	Name of the Corporate Debtor				
2	Identification Number of CD (CIN/DIN)				
3	CIRP Commencement Date				
4	Liquidation Commencement Date				
5	Date of Deposit into the Corporate Liquidation Account				
6	Amount deposited into the Corporate Liquidation Account (Rs.)				
7	Bank Account from which the amount is transferred to Corporate Liquidation				
	Account  (a) Account No: (b) Name of Bank: (c) IFSC: (d) MICR: (e) Address of Branch of the Bank:				
8	Details of the Amount (Rs.) deposited into Corporate Liquidation Account  (a) Unclaimed dividends (b) Undistributed proceeds (c) Income earned till the due date of deposit  (d) Interest at the rate of twelve per cent on the amount retained beyond due date (Please show computation of interest amount)  Total				

## B. Details of Stakeholders entitled to Unclaimed Dividends or Undistributed Proceeds

SI. No.	Name of stakeholder entitled to receive unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds	Address, phone number and email address of the stakeholder	the stakeholder (PAN,		Nature of Amount due	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1						
2						
3						

## C. Details of Deposit made into the Corporate Liquidation Account

I (Name of Liquidator) have deposited Rs..... (Rupees ....only) into the Corporate Liquidation Account on .... vide acknowledgment no.. ... dated ......

I (Name of Liquidator) hereby certify that the details provided in this Form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed.

(Signature) Name of the Liquidator IP Registration No:

Address as registered with the Board:

Email id as registered with the Board:

Date: Place:

> FORM J Withdrawal from Corporate Liquidation Account

[Under Regulation 46 (7) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation

Process) Regulations 2016

Sl. No.	Description	Particulars
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Name of the Corporate Debtor	
2	Identification Number of CD (CIN/DIN)	
3	CIRP Commencement Date	
4	Liquidation Commencement Date	
5	Date of Dissolution Order	
6	Date of Deposit into the Corporate Liquidation Account	
7	Name of the Stakeholder seeking withdrawal	
8	Identification Number of the Stakeholder (a) PAN	
	(b) CIN (c) Aadhaar No.	
9	Address and Email Address of Stakeholder	
10	Amount of Claim of the Stakeholder, admitted by the Liquidator	
11	Amount of unclaimed dividends / undistributed proceeds deposited by the liquidator in the Corporate Liquidation Account against the stakeholder	
12	Amount of unclaimed dividends / undistributed proceeds the Stakeholder seeks to withdraw from the Corporate Liquidation Account	
13	Bank Account to which the amount is to be transferred from the Corporate Liquidation Account, if withdrawal is approved (a) Account No.: (b) Name of Bank: (c) IFSC: (d) MICR: (e) Address of Branch of the Bank:	
14	Reasons for not taking dividend or proceeds during the Liquidation Process	
15	Any legal disability in applying for withdrawal? (Yes / No), If yes, please provide details	

#### DECLARATION

- I,  $[Name\ of\ stakeholder]$ , currently residing at  $[insert\ address]$ , hereby declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am entitled to receive a sum of Rs.... (Rupees ... only) from the Corporate Liquidation Account, as presented above.
- 3. I undertake to refund the entire amount with interest as decided by the Board, in case the Board finds that I am not entitled to this amount.
- I authorise the Board to initiate appropriate legal action against me if my claim is found false at any time.

Date:

Place:

(Signature of the Stakeholder)

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the stakeholder hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this Form are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ....., 20...

(Signature of the Stakeholder)

[Note: In the case of a company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity].]

#### SCHEDULE III

(Under Regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)

The formats contained in this Schedule are indicative in nature, and the liquidator may make such modifications to them as he deems fit in the facts and circumstances of the liquidation.

## CASH BOOK

Name of Corporate Debtor.....(in liquidation)

Date	Particulars	Ledger Folio	Receipt				Payments				Balance		
		No.											
			Vouche	Cash	Ban	Total	Voucher	Cash	Ban	Tota	Cash	Bank	Total
			r		k		No.		k	l			
			No.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Under 'particulars', the head of account to which the entry relates should be indicated so that the entry may be posted under the proper head in the General Ledger.

## GENERAL LEDGER

Name of Corporate Debtor.....(in liquidation)

Date	Particulars	Dr.	Cr.	Balance
		(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)

1	2	3	4	5

- 1. A General Ledger should be maintained with such heads of account as the liquidator may think necessary and appropriate. The following heads of account may be found suitable:
- (1) Asset account
- (2) Investments account
- (3) Book Debts & Outstandings account
- (4) Calls
- (5) Rents Collected
- (6) Interest on Securities and Deposits
- (7) Advances received
- (8) Miscellaneous receipts payments
- (9) Establishment
- (10) Legal charges
- (11) Rents, Rates and Taxes
- (12) Fees and Commission account
- (13) Other expenses
- (14) Suspense account
- (15) Secured creditors
- (16) Dividend account.
- $2. \ \,$  The entries in the General Ledger should be posted from the Cash Book.
- 3. The total of the debit balances and the total of the credit balances of the several heads of account in the General Ledger should agree, after taking into consideration the cash and bank balances as shown in the Cash Book. The totals should be tallied once a month.

# BANK LEDGER Corporate debtor's (in liquidation) account with the Scheduled Bank

Date	Particulars	Deposits		Withdrawal	Balance	
		Challan Number	Rs.	Cheque Number	Rs.	Rs.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

## REGISTER OF ASSETS

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Sl. No.	Description	Date of	Serial	Date	Date of	Amount	Remarks
	of assets	taking	number	of	realization		
		possession	of	sale			
			Sales				
			Register				
1	2	2	4	-		7	0
I	2	3	4	3	6	/	8
1.							
2.							

1. All the assets of the corporate debtor except the liquidator's investments in securities and outstandings to be realized should be entered in this Register.

## SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS REGISTER

Sl. No.	Petition number and name of the corporate debtor	Date of investment	Nature and particulars of security in which investment is made	Amount Invested (Rs.)	Dividend or interest received with date of receipt (Rs.)	Date of disposal	Rema rks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.							
2.							

## REGISTER OF BOOK DEBTS AND OUTSTANDINGS

Sl. No.	Name and address of debtor	Particul ars of debt	Amou nt due (Rs.)	Date of bar by limitati on	Amou nt realis ed (Rs.)	Acti on take n	Date of realisati on	Referen ce to Suits Registe	Re ma rks
	aebior				(KS.)			r	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.									
2.									

1. All debts due to the corporate debtor, both secured and unsecured, including amounts due for arrears of calls made prior to the liquidation, should be entered in this Register.

## TENANTS LEDGER

- 1. Description of property:
- 2. Name and address of tenant:
- 3. Date of tenancy:
- 4. Period of tenancy:
- 5. Rent (monthly or annual):
- 6. Special terms, if any:
- 7. Arrears on date of taking charge of property:
- 8. Advance received, if any:

Month	Demand	Realisa	tion	Balance	Remarks
	Amount (Rs.)	Date	Amount (Rs.)	Amount (Rs.)	
1	2	3	4	5	6
January					
February					

## SUITS REGISTER

Sl.	Nu	Nam	Name	Amo	Da	Date	Dat	Natu	Amo	Cost	Referen	Re
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	er	addr	addres	of	of	hear	dec	relie	decr	decr	Decree	ks
	of	ess	s of	clai	fili	ing	ree	f	eed	eed	Registe	
	suit	of	defend	m	ng		or	gran			r	
	or	plain	ant/				fina	ted				
	ap	tiff/	respon				l					
	pea	appel	dent				ord					
	l	lant	and				er					
	an	and	his									
	d	his	advoc									
	cou	advo	ate									
	rt	cate										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1.												
2.												

## DECREE REGISTER

Number	Name	Amount	Date of	Action	Amount	Date of	Reference
of suit or	and	Decree	decree	taken	realized	realisa-	to
appeal	address	d			(Rs.)	tion	Suits
and	of judg-	(Rs.)					Register
court	ment						
	debtor						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.							
2.							

#### Instructions:

- 1. The purpose of the Register is to enable the liquidator to keep watch on the progress of the realization of decrees in favour of the corporate debtor in his charge.
- 2. Every decree or order for payment of money or delivery of property in favour of the corporate debtor including an order for payment of costs whether made in a suit, appeal or application, should be entered in this Register.

## REGISTER OF CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

<sup>1.</sup> Applications made by or against the corporate debtor which are in the nature of suits should also be entered in this Register.

		Clai	ms					Distri	bution	ıs dec	lared	and p	aid		Re
															ma
															rks
Sl. No.	Na	Am	N	Am	Wh	D	A	Da	Rat	A	Da	Rat	Am	Da	
	me	oun	at	ou	eth	at	m	te	e	mo	te	e	ou	te	
	and	t	ur	nt	er	e	0	an		unt	an		nt	an	
	Ad	clai	e	ad	ord		и	d		(R	d		(Rs	d	
	dre	me	of	mit	ina		nt	Мо		s.)	то		.)	mo	
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	of	(Rs.	ai	(Rs	or		R	of			of			of	
	cre	)	m	.)	pre		S.	Pa			pa			pa	
	dito		(R		fere		)	ym			ym			ym	
	r		s.)		ntia			ent			ent			ent	
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1.															
2.															

- Only claims admitted either wholly or in part should be entered in this Register.
   The page on the left side should be reserved for claims and the page on the right side for Distributions.

## CONTRIBUTORY'S LEDGER

Sl.	Name	Co	Rem	Returns of share			Remark	
No.	and		arks	capital			S	
	address	First call	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Dat	Date	Amo	
	of		call/		e of	of	unt	
	contribut		3 <sup>rd</sup>		ret	Paym	paid	
	ory		call		urn	ent	(Rs.)	

		Numb er of shares or extent of interes t held, and amoun t paid thereo n	Date of call and amo unt calle d	Amo unt paid and date of paym ent	(Repe at colum ns as under first call)					
1	2	3	4	5	6 to 9	10	11	12	13	14
1.										
2.										

Only contributories settled on the list of stakeholders should be entered in this Register and they should be entered in the same order as in the list.

#### DISTRIBUTIONS REGISTER

Date on which distribution is made:

Total amount payable in this round of distribution:

Date	Number on list of stakeholders	Particulars	Receipts	Payments
1	2	3	4	5
1.				
2.				

## Instructions:

- 1. Separate pages should be set apart for preferential and ordinary distributions.
- 2. The payments should be entered as and when they are made. Any amount which is returned unpaid should be re-entered in the account under 'Receipts'.
- 3. The number in column 2 should be the number of the stakeholders in the list of stakeholders as finally settled.
- 4. The total amount of unclaimed distribution payable into the <sup>96</sup> [Corporate Liquidation Account], and the amount paid into the Bank with the date of payment, should be shown at the end of the account.

to substitution it stood as under: "Public Account of India".

## FEE REGISTER

Amount realized on which fee are payable	Amount distributed on which fee are payable	Fee payable on the amounts in the two preceding columns	Fee, if any payable otherwise under order of Adjudicating Authority	Total fee payable	Date of payme nt
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.					
2.					

#### Instructions:

- 1. There should be a fresh opening for each year.
- 2. The fees due to the liquidator should be entered in the Register as soon as the audit of the account for a quarter is completed.

## SUSPENSE REGISTER

Date	Particulars	Debit (Rs.)	Credit (Rs.)	Balance (Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5
1.				
2.				

## Instructions:

- 1. Advances made by the liquidator to any person should be entered in this Register.
- 2. There should be a separate opening for each person.

## DOCUMENTS REGISTER

Sl. No.	Description	Date of	From	Reference	How	Rema
	of document	receipt	whom	number of	disposed of	rks
			received	shelf in which		
				document is		
				kept		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

*Instruction:* All documents of title like title-deeds, shares, promissory notes, etc., should be entered in this Register.

## BOOKS REGISTER

Date	From	Serial	Description	Shelf	How	Remarks
	whom	Number	of books,	number	disposed	
	received		including		of	
			files			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

Instruction: All books and files of the corporate debtor which come into the hands of the liquidator should be entered in this Register.

## REGISTER OF UNCLAIMED DIVIDENDS AND UNDISTRIBUTED 97[PROCEEDS] DEPOSITED

Sl. No.	Name of	Whether	Number on	Date of	Rate of	Total
	person	Creditor or	list of	declaration		amount
	entitled	Contributory	stakeholders	of dividend	return	payable
	to the			or return		
	dividend					(Rs.)
	or					
	return					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

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to substitution it stood as under: "ASSETS".

#### INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 9th April, 2021

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS) REGULATIONS, 2021

No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG071.—In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 196, 208 and 240 read with provisions of Chapter III-A of Part II of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely:-

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1)These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,-
- (a)—applicant means the corporate applicant, filing an application for initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process under section 54C;
- (b)—class of creditors means a class with at least ten financial creditors under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21 and the expression, —creditors in a class shall be construed accordingly;
- (c) —Codelmeans the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
- (d) —committeel means the committee of creditors constituted under section 54I;
- $(e) \ -\! electronic \ form \\ lshall \ have \ the \ meaning \ assigned \ to \ it \ in \ the \ Information \ Technology \ Act, 2000 \ (21 \ of \ 2000); \\$
- (f)—electronic means means an authorised and secured computer programme which is capable of producing confirmation of sending communication to the participant entitled to receive such communication at the latest electronic mail address as made available by such participant and keeping record of such communication;
- (g)—fair valuel means the estimated realisable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if they were to be exchanged on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where the parties had acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;

- (h) —Formlmeans a Form specified in the Schedule;
- (i)—identification numberl means the limited liability partnership identification number or the corporate identity number, as the case may be:
- $(j) insolvency professional entityl means an entity recognised as such under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board \ of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;$
- (k)—liquidation valuel means the estimated realisable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if it were to be liquidated on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (I)—participantl means a person entitled to attend the meeting of the committee under section 24 or any other person authorised by the committee to attend the meeting;
- (m)—process/means pre-packaged insolvency resolution process for corporate debtors under Chapter III-A of Part II of the Code;
- (n)—registered valuerl means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and the rules made thereunder;
- (o) —Schedulel means the schedule to these Regulations;
- (p) -section/means section of the Code;
- (q)—videoconferencing or other audio and visual means means such audio and visual facility which enables the participants in a meeting to communicate concurrently with one another and to participate effectively in the meeting.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Code.

#### CHAPTERII

#### GENERAL

#### 3. Meetings and communication.

- (1)The meetings required under these Regulations may be held either in physical or electronic mode or in a combination of both
- (2) All communications required under these Regulations shall be made by electronic means as far as possible.

#### 4. Essential supplies.

The essential goods and services referred to in sub-section (2) of section 14 shall mean-

- (a) electricity;
- (b) water;
- (c) telecommunication services; and
- (d) information technology services,

to the extent these are not a direct input to the output produced or supplied by the corporate debtor.

Explanation.- Water supplied to a corporate debtor will be essential supplies for drinking and sanitation purposes, and not for generation of hydro-electricity.

#### 5. Extortionate credit transaction.

A transaction shall be considered extortionate under sub-section (2) of section 50 where the terms-

- (a) require the corporate debtor to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
- (b) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

## ${\bf 6.} \quad \ \ {\bf Pre-packaged\ insolvency\ resolution\ process\ costs.}$

For the purposes of sub-clause (e) of clause (23C) of section 5, pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs shall mean-

- (a) fee payable to authorised representative under sub-regulation (5) of regulation 34;
- $(b) \ out \ of \ pocket \ expenses \ of \ authorised \ representative \ for \ discharge \ of \ his \ functions \ under section \ 25A; \ and$
- (c) any other cost directly relating to the process and approved by the committee.

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#### CHAPTER III

## RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

#### 7. Eligibility for resolution professional.

(1)Subject to consent in Form P1, an insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as an interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may, if he, and all partners and directors of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, are independent of the corporate debtor.

Explanation .- A person shall be considered independent of the corporate debtor, if he-

- (a)is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate debtor under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate debtor is a company;
- (b) is not a related party of the corporate debtor; or
- (c) is not an employee or proprietor or a partner-
- (i) of a firm of auditors or secretarial auditors or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or
- (ii) of a legal or a consulting firm, that has or had any transaction with the corporate debtor amounting to five per cent. or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

in any of the preceding three financial years.

(2) A resolution professional, who is a director or a partner of an insolvency professional entity, shall be ineligible to continue as a resolution professional in a process, if the insolvency professional entity or any partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any of the stakeholders in the same process.

#### 8. Fee of resolution professional.

- (1)Where the corporate debtor fails to file an application or the application for initiation of the process is rejected, the fee payable to the resolution professional for performing duties under sub-section (3) of section 54B shall be borne by the corporate debtor.
- (2)The corporate debtor shall maintain a separate bank account with such amount as may be advised by the committee from time to time and, subject to provisions of clause (23C) of section 5, such account shall be operated by the resolution professional to meet his fee and expenses incurred by him for conducting the process.

#### 9. Access to books.

The resolution professional may access the books of account, records, and other documents to the extent relevant for discharging his duties under the Code, of the corporate debtor held with-

- $(a) \quad \text{members, promoters, partners, directors and joint venture partners of the corporate debtor;}$
- (b) professionals and advisors engaged by the corporate debtor;
- (c) depositories of securities;
- (d) registries that records the ownership of assets; and
- (e) contractual counterparties of the corporate debtor.

#### ${\bf 10.\ Appoint ment\ of\ professionals.}$

The resolution professional may appoint a professional under clause (e) of sub-section (3) of section 54F:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as a professional, namely:-

- (a) a person who is not registered with the regulator of the profession concerned;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (d)a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director; or
- (e)a relative of the resolution professional or of a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.

#### 11. Disclosure of costs.

(1)A resolution professional shall make disclosures at the time of his appointment and, thereafter, in accordance with the code of conduct as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

(2) The resolution professional shall disclose item wise process costs in such manner as may be required by the Board.

#### 12. Preservation of records.

The resolution professional shall preserve a physical as well as an electronic copy of the records relating to the process of the corporate debtor as per the record retention schedule, as may be required by the Board in consultation with insolvency professional agencies.

#### 13. Filing of reports and forms.

The resolution professional shall file such forms, along with enclosures thereto, on an electronic platform, as may be required by the Board in consultation with insolvency professional agencies.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### INITIATION OF PROCESS

#### 14. Approvals by financial creditors.

(1)For the purposes of clause (e) of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 54A, the applicant shall convene meetings of the financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.

(2)The notice of the meeting under sub-regulation (1) shall be served to the financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, at least five days before the date of the meeting, unless a shorter time is agreed to by all of them.

(3)The notice of the meeting under this regulation shall indicate the date, time and venue of the meeting, and enclose a list of creditors along with the amount due to them in Form P2.

(4)The financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor and have not less than ten per cent. of the value of the total financial debt of such creditors may propose names of insolvency professionals for the purposes of clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A.

(5)The approval of the terms of appointment of resolution professional under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A shall be in Form P3.

(6) The terms of appointment of the resolution professional under this regulation shall include -

- (a) fee payable to him for performing duties under sub-section (1) of section 54B;
- (b) fee payable to him and expenses to be incurred by him for conducting the process; and
- (c) fee payable to him and expenses to be incurred by him in case management of the corporate debtor is vested with him under section 54J.
- (7) The approval for filing of application under sub-section (3) of section 54A shall be in Form P4.

(8)Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or where all financial creditors are related parties, the applicant shall convene a meeting of operational creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor and provisions of sub-regulations (1) to (7) shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

#### 15. Choice of authorised representative.

On examination of Form P2, the resolution professional shall-

(i) ascertain class(es) of creditors, if any;

(ii) for representation of creditors in a class ascertained under sub-regulation (1) in the committee, identify three insolvency professionals who are-

- (a) not relatives or related parties of the applicant or the resolution professional;
- (b) having their addresses, as registered with the Board, in the State or Union territory, as the case may be, which has the highest number of creditors in the class as per their addresses in the records of the corporate debtor:

Provided that where such State or Union territory does not have adequate number of insolvency professionals, the insolvency professionals having addresses in a nearby State or Union territory, as the case may be, shall be considered:

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- (c) eligible to be appointed under regulation 7; and
- (d) willing to act as authorised representative of creditors in the class;

(iii) obtain the consent of the insolvency professionals identified under sub-regulation (2) to act as the authorised representative of creditors in the class in Form P5;

(iv)seek choice of the creditors in the class for an insolvency professional, who has consented under sub-regulation (3):

Provided that the creditors shall communicate their choice to the resolution professional within three days:

(v)select the insolvency professional, who is the choice of the highest number of creditors in the class to act as the authorised representative of the creditors of the respective class.

(vi)inform the name of the insolvency professional selected under sub-regulation (5), along with his consent in Form P5, to the applicant.

#### 16. Declarations.

- (1) The declaration under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A shall be made in Form P6.
- (2) The declaration under clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 54C shall be made in Form P7.

#### 17. Report by resolution professional.

The report under clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 54B shall be prepared in Form P8.

#### 18. Information to be furnished by the applicant.

For the purposes of clause (d) of sub-section (3) of section 54C, the applicant shall furnish-

(a) audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years;

(b)provisional financial statements for the current financial year made up to the date of declaration under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A; and

 $(c)\ Form\ P5\ submitted\ by\ the\ authorised\ representatives\ selected\ under\ sub-regulation\ (5)\ of\ regulation\ 15.$ 

#### CHAPTER V

#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT AND CLAIMS

#### 19. Public announcement.

- (1)The resolution professional shall make a public announcement within two days of the commencement of the process.
- (2) The public announcement referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be-
- (a) in Form P9;
- (b) sent to every creditor listed in Form P2;
- (c) sent to information utilities; and
- (d) published on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor and the Board.

#### 20. List of claims

- (1)The corporate debtor shall submit a list of claims under sub-section (1) of section 54G in Form P10 to the resolution professional.
- (2)Based on the records of the corporate debtor and other relevant material available on record, the resolution professional shall confirm the details received in Form P10.
- (3)The resolution professional shall inform every creditor regarding its claims, as confirmed by him, and seek objections, if any.
- (4)A creditor may submit objection along with supporting documents to the resolution professional within seven days from the receipt of communication under sub-regulation (3).
- (5)The resolution professional may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a creditor for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

- (6)The resolution professional shall consider every objection received under sub-regulation (4) and modify the claim of the creditor, if required.
- (7)A creditor shall update its claim, as and when the claim is satisfied, partly or fully, from any source in any manner, after the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (8) The resolution professional shall maintain a list of claims in Form P10 and update it as and when required.
- (9) Form P10 shall be -
- (a) available for inspection by the creditors, members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate debtor;
- (b) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
- (c) filed with the Board on electronic platform; and
- (d) presented at the meetings of the committee, as and when updated.

#### 21. Determination of amount of claim.

- (1)Where the amount of claim of a creditor is not precise due to any contingency or other reason, the resolution professional shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim based on the information available with him.
- (2)The resolution professional shall revise the amount of claims confirmed, including the estimates of claims made under sub-regulation (1), as soon as may be practicable, when he comes across additional information warranting such revision.

#### 22. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.

Explanation.- —official exchange ratel is the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

#### 23. Transfer of debt due to creditors.

Where a creditor assigns or transfers the debt due to such creditor to any other person during the process period, both parties shall provide the resolution professional, the terms of such assignment or transfer and the identity of the assignee or transfere for updation under sub-regulation (8) of regulation 20.

#### CHAPTER VI

## COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS

#### 24. Committee with only creditors in a class.

Where the corporate debtor has only creditors in a class and no other financial creditor who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, the committee shall consist of only the authorised representative(s).

#### 25. Committee with only operational creditors.

- (1)Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or all financial creditors are related parties, the committee shall consist of operational creditors, being not related to the corporate debtor, as under:-
- (a)ten largest operational creditors by value, and if the number of operational creditors is less than ten, the committee shall include all such operational creditors;
- (b) one representative elected by all workmen other than those workmen included under clause (a); and
- (c) one representative elected by all employees other than those employees included under clause(a).
- (2) A member of the committee formed under this regulation shall have voting rights in proportion of the debt due to such creditor or debt represented by such representative, as the case may be, to the total debt.

Explanation.- For the purposes of this sub-regulation, \_total debt' is the sum of-

- (a) the amount of debt due to the creditors listed in clause (a) of sub-regulation (1);
- (b) the amount of the aggregate debt due to workmen under clause (b) of sub-regulation (1); and
- (c) the amount of the aggregate debt due to employees under clause (c) of sub-regulation (1).

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(3) A committee formed in accordance with regulation 24 or regulation 25, as the case may be, and its members shall have the same rights, powers, duties and obligations as a committee comprising financial creditors and its members.

#### 26. Change in committee.

Any change in the composition of committee of creditors shall be intimated to all the members of the committee within two days of such change.

#### CHAPTER VII

#### MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

#### 27. Meetings of the committee.

- (1) A resolution professional may convene a meeting of the committee as and when he considers necessary.
- (2)A resolution professional shall convene a meeting, if a request to that effect is made by members of the committee representing thirty-three per cent of voting share.

#### 28. Notice for meetings of the committee.

- (1)A meeting of the committee shall be convened by giving not less than three days' notice in writing to every participant, at the address provided to the resolution professional by the creditor.
- (2)The committee may reduce the notice period from three days to such other period of not less than twenty-four hours, as it deems fit:

Provided that the committee may reduce the period to such other period of not less than forty-eight hours if there is any authorised representative in the committee.

#### 29. Service of notice.

- (1)A notice may be sent to the participants through e-mail as a text or as an attachment to e-mail or as a notification providing electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator for accessing such notice.
- (2)The subject line in e-mail shall state the name of the corporate debtor, the place, if any, the time and the date on which the meeting is scheduled.
- (3)When notice is sent in the form of a non-editable attachment to an e-mail, such attachment shall be in the Portable Document Format or in a non-editable format together with a 'link or instructions' for recipient for downloading relevant version of the software.
- (4)When notice or notifications of availability of notice are sent by an e-mail, the resolution professional shall ensure that it uses a system which produces confirmation of the total number of recipients e-mailed and a record of each recipient to whom the notice has been sent and copy of such record and any notices of any failed transmissions and subsequent re-sending shall be retained as \_proof of sending'.
- (5)The obligation of the resolution professional shall be satisfied when he transmits the e-mail and he shall not be held responsible for a failure in transmission beyond his control.
- (6)The notice made available on the electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator shall be readable, and the recipient should be able to obtain and retain copies and the resolution professional shall give the complete Uniform Resource Locator or address of the website and full details of how to access the document or information.
- (7)If a participant fails to provide or update the relevant e-mail address to the resolution professional, the non-receipt of such notice by such participant of any meeting shall not invalidate the decisions taken at such meeting.

#### 30. Contents of the notice for meeting.

- (1)The notice shall inform the participants of the venue, the time and date of the meeting and of the option available to them to participate through video conferencing or other audio and visual means and shall also provide all the necessary information to enable participation through video conferencing or other audio and visual means.
- (2)The notice of the meeting shall provide that a participant may attend and vote in the meeting either in person or through a representative, who is not a related party of the corporate debtor:

Provided that such participant shall inform the resolution professional, in advance of the meeting, of the identity of the representative who will attend and vote at the meeting on its behalf and shall forward an authorisation in favour of the representative.

- (3) The notice of the meeting shall contain the following:-
- (a) a list of the matters to be discussed at the meeting;
- (b) a list of the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and
- (c) copies of all documents relevant to the matters to be discussed and the issues to be voted upon at the meeting.
- (4) The notice of the meeting shall-
- (a)state the process and manner for voting by electronic means and the time schedule, including the time period during which the votes may be cast;
- (b)provide the login ID and the details of a facility for generating password and for keeping security and casting of vote in a secure manner; and
- (c) provide contact details of the person who will address the queries connected with the electronic voting.

#### 31. Quorum.

(1)A meeting of the committee shall quorate if members of the committee representing at least thirty three percent of the voting share are present either in person or by video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

Provided that the committee may modify the percentage of voting share required for quorum in respect of any future meetings of the committee.

- (2)Where a meeting of the committee could not be held for want of quorum, unless the committee has previously decided otherwise, the meeting shall automatically stand adjourned at the same time and place on the next day.
- (3)In the event a meeting of the committee is adjourned in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the adjourned meeting shall quorate with the members of the committee attending the meeting.

#### 32. Participation through video conferencing.

- (1)The notice convening the meetings of the committee shall provide the participants an option to attend the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means in accordance with this Regulation.
- (2)The resolution professional shall make necessary arrangements to ensure uninterrupted and clear video or audio and visual connection
- (3) The resolution professional shall take due and reasonable care-
- (a) to safeguard the integrity of the meeting by ensuring sufficient security and identification procedures;
- (b)to ensure availability of proper video conferencing or other audio and visual equipment or facilities for providing transmission of the communications for effective participation of the participants at the meeting;
- (c) to record proceedings and prepare the minutes of the meeting;
- (d)to store for safe keeping and marking the physical recording(s) or other electronic recording mechanism as part of the records of the corporate debtor; and

(e)to ensure that no person other than the intended participants attends or has access to the proceedings of the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

Provided that the persons, who are differently abled, may make a request to the resolution professional to allow a person to accompany them at the meeting.

(4) Where a meeting is conducted through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, the scheduled venue of the meeting as set forth in the notice convening the meeting, which shall be in India, shall be deemed to be the place of the said meeting and all recordings of the proceedings at the meeting shall be deemed to be made at such place.

#### 33. Conduct of meeting.

- (1) The resolution professional shall act as the chairperson of meetings of the committee.
- (2)At the commencement of a meeting, the resolution professional shall take a roll call of every participant attending the meeting at the venue or participating through video conferencing or other audio and visual means and shall state, for record, the following: -
- (a) his name;
- $(b) \ whether \ he \ is \ attending \ in \ the \ capacity \ of \ a \ member \ of \ the \ committee \ or \ any \ other \ participant;$
- (c) whether he is representing a member or group of members;

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- (d) the location from where he is participating;
- (e) that he has received the agenda and all the relevant material for the meeting; and
- (f)that no one other than him is attending or has access to the proceedings of the meeting at the location of that person.
- (3)After the roll call, the resolution professional shall inform the participants of the names of all persons who are present for the meeting and confirm if the required quorum is complete.
- (4) The resolution professional shall ensure that the required quorum is present throughout the meeting.
- (5)From the commencement of the meeting till its conclusion, no person other than the participants and any other person whose presence is required by the resolution professional shall be allowed access to the place where meeting is held or to the video conferencing or other audio and visual facility.
- (6)The resolution professional shall ensure that minutes are made in relation to each meeting of the committee and such minutes shall disclose the particulars of the participants who attended the meeting in person, through video conferencing, or other audio and visual means.

#### 34. Committee with creditors in a class.

- (1)The resolution professional shall provide the list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative within three days of the commencement of the process.
- (2)The resolution professional shall provide an updated list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative as and when the list is updated.

Clarification.- The authorised representative shall have no role in receipt or confirmation of claims of creditors of the class he represents.

- (3)The resolution professional shall provide electronic means of communication between the authorised representative and the creditors in the class.
- (4)The voting share of a creditor in a class shall be in proportion to the financial debt which includes an interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum unless a different rate has been agreed to between the parties.
- (5)The authorised representative of creditors in a class shall be entitled to receive fee for every meeting of the committee attended by him in the following manner, namely:-

Number of creditors in the class	Fee per meeting of the committee (Rs.)
10-100	15,000
101-1000	20,000
More than 1000	25,000

(6) The authorised representative shall circulate the agenda to creditors in a class and may seek their preliminary views on any item in the agenda to enable him to effectively participate in the meeting of the committee:

Provided that creditors shall have a time window of at least twelve hours to submit their preliminary views, and the said window opens at least twenty-four hours after the authorised representative seeks preliminary views:

Provided further that such preliminary views shall not be considered as voting instructions by the creditors.

#### 35. Voting by the committee.

- (1) Any action requiring approval of the committee shall be considered in the meetings of the committee.
- (2)The resolution professional shall take a vote of the members of the committee present in the meeting, on any item listed for voting after discussion on the same.
- (3)At the conclusion of a vote at the meeting, the resolution professional shall announce the decision taken by the members present in the meeting, on items along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision or abstained from voting.
- (4) The resolution professional shall-
- (a) circulate the minutes of the meeting by electronic means to all members of the committee and authorised representative, within twenty-four hours of the conclusion of the meeting; and

- (b) seek a vote of the members who did not vote at the meeting on the matters listed for voting, by electronic voting system in accordance with regulation 37 where the voting shall be kept open for at least twenty-four hours from the circulation of the minutes.
- (5) The authorised representative shall circulate the minutes of the meeting received under sub-regulation (4) to creditors in a class and announce the voting window at least twenty-four hours before the window opens for voting instructions and keep the voting window open for at least twelve hours.

#### 36. Voting by authorised representative.

The authorised representative, if any, shall cast his vote in respect of each financial creditor or on behalf of all financial creditors he represents in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (3) or sub-section (3A) of section 25A, as the case may be.

#### 37. Voting through electronic means.

(1)The resolution professional shall provide each member of the committee the means to exercise its vote by either electronic means or through electronic voting system in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

Explanation.- For the purposes of these Regulations,-

- (a)the expressions \_voting by electronic means" or \_electronic voting system" means a —secured systeml based process of display of electronic ballots, recording of votes of the members of the committee and the number of votes polled in favour or against, such that the voting exercised by way of electronic means gets registered and counted in an electronic registry in a centralised server with adequate cyber security;
- (b) the expression \_\_secured system" means computer hardware, software, and procedure that-
- (i) are reasonably secure from unauthorised access and misuse;
- (ii) provide a reasonable level of reliability and correct operation;
- (iii) are reasonably suited to perform the intended functions; and
- (iv) adhere to generally accepted security procedures.
- (2) At the end of the voting period, the voting portal shall forthwith be blocked.
- (3)At the conclusion of a vote held under this regulation, the resolution professional shall announce and make a written record of the summary of the decision taken on a relevant agenda item along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision or abstained from voting.
- (4)The resolution professional shall circulate a copy of the record made under sub-regulation (3) to all participants by electronic means within twenty-four hours of the conclusion of the voting.

## CHAPTER VIII

#### VALUATION AND INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

#### 38. Appointment of registered valuers.

The resolution professional shall within three days of his appointment, appoint two registered valuers to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as registered valuers, namely:-

- (a) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (b)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date:
- (c)a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director; or
- (d)a relative of the resolution professional or of a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.

#### 39. Fair value and liquidation value.

- (1) Fair value and liquidation value shall be determined in the following manner:-
- (a) the registered valuers appointed under regulation 38 shall submit to the resolution professional an estimate of the fair value and of the liquidation value computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the inventory and fixed assets of the corporate debtor;

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- (b) the average of the value determined by the two registered valuers shall be considered the fair value or the liquidation value, as the case maybe.
- (2)After the receipt of resolution plans in accordance with the Code and these Regulations, the resolution professional shall provide the fair value and the liquidation value to every member of the committee in electronic form, on receiving an undertaking from the member to the effect that such member shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value and shall not use such values to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.
- (3)The resolution professional and registered valuers shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value.

#### 40. Information memorandum.

- (1) The preliminary information memorandum shall provide details required under sub-regulation (2).
- (2) The information memorandum shall contain the following details of the corporate debtor:
- (a) assets and liabilities with such description, as are generally necessary for ascertaining their values.

Explanation.-\_Description' includes the details such as date of acquisition, cost of acquisition, remaining useful life, identification number, depreciation charged, book value, and any other relevant details;

- (b) the latest annual financial statements;
- (c)audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and provisional financial statements for the current financial year.
- (d)a list of claims containing the names of creditors, the amounts of their claims and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims;
- (e) particulars of a debt due from or to the corporate debtor with respect to related parties;
- (f)details of guarantees that have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which of the guarantors is a related party;
- (g)the names and addresses of the members or partners holding at least one per cent stake in the corporate debtor along with the size of stake;
- (h)details of all material litigation and an ongoing investigation or proceeding initiated by Government and statutory authorities;
- (i) the number of workers and employees and liabilities of the corporate debtor towards them; and
- (j) other information, which the corporate debtor or resolution professional deems relevant to the committee.
- (3)The resolution professional shall finalise the information memorandum with details under sub-regulation (2) and submit to members of the committee within fourteen days of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement after receiving an undertaking from a member of the committee to the effect that such member or resolution applicant shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.
- (4)A member of the committee may request the resolution professional or corporate debtor for further information of the nature described in this regulation and the resolution professional or the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall provide such information to all members within reasonable time if such information has a bearing on the resolution plan.

## 41. Preferential and other transactions.

- (1)On or before the thirtieth day of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, the resolution professional shall form an opinion whether the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transaction covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66.
- (2)Where the resolution professional is of the opinion that the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transactions covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66, he shall make a determination on or before the forty-fifth day of the prepackaged insolvency commencement date, under intimation to the Board.
- (3)Where the resolution professional makes a determination under sub-regulation (2), he shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for appropriate relief on or before the sixtieth day of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.

#### CHAPTER IX

#### RESOLUTIONPLAN

#### 42. Scoring and improvement of resolution plans.

For the purposes of consideration of resolution plans,-

(i) —basis for evaluationl, includes the parameters to be applied and the manner of applying such parameters, as approved by the committee, for evaluating a resolution plan to assign a score to the plan, and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

The committee may identify three parameters, namely, X, Y and Z for evaluation of resolution plans. It may apply these parameters in the form of a formula, namely,  $1.5 \ X + 2 \ Y + 2.5 \ Z$ . Where the values of X, Y and Z are 20, 25, and 30 respectively, the score of the resolution plan is  $1.5 \ (20) + 2 \ (25) + 2.5 \ (30) = 155$ .

#### Illustration 2

The committee may identify three parameters, namely, X, Y and Z for evaluation of resolution plans. It may apply these parameters in the form of a formula, namely,  $1.5 \ X + 2 \ Y + 2.5 \ Z$ , subject to X being not less than 20. Where the values of X, Y and Z are 20, 25, and 30 respectively, the score of the resolution plan is  $1.5 \ (20) + 2 \ (25) + 2.5 \ (30) = 155$ . It may apply these parameters in the form of a formula, namely,  $2 \ Y + 2.5 \ Z$ , subject to X being not less than 20. Where the values of X, Y and Z are 20, 25, and 30 respectively, the score of the resolution plan is  $2 \ (25) + 2.5 \ (30) = 125$ . Where the values of X, Y and Z are 15, 40, and 50 respectively, the resolution plan does not meet the minimum value of X and hence this plan will not be evaluated:

(ii)—significantly betterl in relation to resolution plan, means that the score of the resolution plan is higher than that of another resolution plan by a certain number or percentage, as approved by the committee and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

The committee may consider a resolution plan to be significantly better than another resolution plan, if the score of the former is higher than that of the latter by 10. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 110 respectively, \_B' is significantly better than \_A'. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 108 respectively, \_B' is not significantly better than \_A'.

## Illustration 2

The committee may consider a resolution plan to be significantly better than another resolution plan, if the score of the former is higher than that of the latter by 5 per cent. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 107 respectively, \_B' is significantly better than \_A'. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 104 respectively, \_B' is not significantly better than \_A'.

(iii)—tick sizel means minimum improvement over another resolution plan in terms of score, as approved by the committee and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

On the basis for evaluation, resolution plans  $\_A$ ' and  $\_B$ ' have scores of 105 and 108, respectively. Resolution applicant of  $\_A$ ' may wish to improve  $\_A$ ' over  $\_B$ '. It must improve  $\_A$ ' such that the score of  $\_A$ ' exceeds that of  $\_B$ ' at least by tick size. If tick size is 5, resolution applicant of  $\_A$ ' must improve  $\_A$ ' such that the score of  $\_A$ ' is at least 108 + 5 = 113.

#### Illustration 2

In the example under Illustration 1, if tick size is 5 per cent., resolution applicant of  $\_A$ ' must improve  $\_A$ ' such that the score of  $\_A$ ' is at least  $108 \times 1.05 = 113.4$ .

#### 43. Invitation for resolution plans.

- (1)For the purposes of sub-section (5) of section 54K, the resolution professional shall publish brief particulars of the invitation for resolution plans in Form P11 not later than twenty-one days from the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (2) The resolution professional shall publish Form P11-
- (a) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
- (b) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose; and
- (c) in any other manner as may be decided by the committee.

(b)a statement giving details if the resolution applicant or any of its related parties has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of implementation of any resolution plan approved by the Adjudicating Authority at any time in the past; and

(c)an undertaking that every information and records provided in connection with or in the resolution plan is true and correct and discovery of false information and record at any time will render the resolution applicant ineligible to participate in any resolution process under the Code.

- (2) A resolution plan shall provide for-
- (a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;
- (b) the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term; and
- (c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.
- (3) A resolution plan shall demonstrate that -
- (a) it addresses the cause of default;
- (b) it is feasible and viable;
- (c) it has provisions for its effective implementation;
- (d) it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same; and
- (e) the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan.
- (4)A resolution plan shall include a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders, including financial creditors and operational creditors, of the corporate debtor.
- (5) The amount payable under a resolution plan –
- (a) to the operational creditors shall be paid in priority over financial creditors; and
- (b)to the financial creditors, who have a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21 and did not vote in favour of the resolution plan, shall be paid in priority over financial creditors who voted in favour of the plan.

#### 46. Submission of resolution plans.

- (1)A resolution applicant may submit resolution plan or plans prepared in accordance with the Code and these Regulations to the resolution professional through electronic means within the time given in the invitation for resolution plan.
- (2) A resolution plan which does not comply with the provisions of sub-regulation (1) shall be rejected.

#### 47. Evaluation of resolution plans.

- (1)The resolution plans received under regulation 46, which comply with the requirements of the Code and these Regulations, shall be evaluated on the basis for evaluation.
- (2)The resolution plan which gets the highest score under sub-regulation (1) shall be selected for competition with the base resolution plan.

## 48. Approval of resolution plan.

- (1)The resolution plan selected under regulation 47 shall be considered by the committee for approval, if it is significantly better than the base resolution plan.
- (2)Where no resolution plan is received under regulation 46, which complies with the requirements of the Code and these Regulations, the base resolution plan may be considered by the committee for approval.
- (3)In cases not covered under sub-regulations (1) and (2), the resolution professional shall disclose the scores of the resolution plan selected under regulation 46 and the base resolution plan to submitters of these resolution plans and invite them to improve their resolution plans in accordance with sub-regulation (4).
- (4)The submitter of the resolution plan under sub-regulation (3) shall have an option to improve its plan in the following manner:-
- (a)The submitter of resolution plan, which has lower score, shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;
- (b)then the submitter of the other resolution plan shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;
- (c) then the submitter under clause (a) shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;

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(d) then the submitter under clause (b) shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size, and the process of improvement shall continue till either of the submitters fails to use the option within the time specified in the invitation of the submitters fails to use the option within the time specified

- (5) The process under sub-regulations (3) and (4) shall be completed within a time-window of forty-eight hours.
- (6)The resolution plan having higher score on completion of process of improvement under sub-regulation (4) shall be considered by the committee for approval.

#### 49. Application to Adjudicating Authority.

- (1)Where a resolution plan is approved by the committee, the resolution professional shall submit an application, along with a compliance certificate in Form P12, to the Adjudicating Authority for approval.
- (2)The resolution professional shall forthwith send a copy of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving or rejecting a resolution plan to the participants and the resolution applicant.
- (3)The resolution professional shall, within seven days of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving a resolution plan, intimate each claimant, the principle or formula, as the case may be, for payment of debts under such resolution plan.
- (4)Where no resolution plan is approved by the committee or where the committee has approved the termination of process, the resolution professional shall file an application in Form P13 to the Adjudicating Authority for termination of process.

#### CHAPTER X

#### MANAGEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR

#### 50. Management during the process.

- (1)The corporate debtor shall not manage the affairs of the corporate debtor in a manner prejudicial to the creditors of the corporate debtor or in a fraudulent manner.
- (2)The corporate debtor shall not undertake any of the following actions without obtaining prior approval of the committee, namely:-
- (a) transaction above a threshold as decided by the committee; and
- (b) any other matter as decided by the committee and not covered under section 28.
- (3) The corporate debtor in consultation with the resolution professional shall prepare a monthly report and forward it to the members of the committee with the following details:-
- (a) details of legal proceedings having a material impact on the business of the corporate debtor;
- (b) details of key contracts executed during the reporting period; and
- (c) any other relevant matter(s) that may have a material impact on the business of the corporate debtor.
- (4) The resolution professional may-
- (a) call for information related to operations of the corporate debtor, including payments made;
- (b) visit premise(s) of the corporate debtor;
- (c) inspect the assets of the corporate debtor;
- $(d) \ call \ for information \ related \ to \ compliances \ applicable \ to \ the \ corporate \ debtor \ and \ its \ status;$
- (e) ask for details related to litigation initiated by or against corporate debtor; and
- (f) ask details for ascertaining the conduct of corporate debtor during the process.

#### 51. Vesting of the management with resolution professional.

For the purposes of sub-section (1) of section 54J, the resolution professional shall make an application in Form  $\,$  P14.

## SCHEDULE

#### FORM P1

#### WRITTEN CONSENT

(Under regulation 7(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

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To	
The Adjud	icating Authority
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From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

[Registration number of the insolvency professional]

[Address of the insolvency professional registered with the Board]

#### Subject: Written consent in the matter of [name of corporate debtor]

I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board. I have been proposed for appointment-

(i)as the interim resolution professional under section 54O of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 for corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

OR

(ii)resolution professional under sections 54A or 27 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 for the prepackaged insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

{strike off the part which is not relevant}

- 2. I hereby give consent to the proposed appointment.
- 3. I have the following processes in hand:-

Sl. No.	Role as	Number of processes on the date of consent
I	п	III
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional in-	
	a.Insolvency resolution processes for corporate persons	
	b.Pre-packaged insolvency resolution processes	
	c.Insolvency resolution processes for individuals	
3	Liquidator of-	
	a. Liquidation Processes	
	b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

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- 4. I declare and affirm as under:-
- I am not subject to any disciplinary proceeding initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
- b. I do not suffer from any disability to act as a resolution professional.
- I am eligible to be appointed as interim resolution professional / resolution professional of the corporate debtor under regulation 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and other applicable provisions of the Code and the Regulations.
- d. I shall make the disclosures in accordance with the code of conduct for insolvency professionals set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

Date:	(Signature of the insolvency professional)
Place:	Registration No
	Authorisation for assignment (AFA)NoDate of expiry of AFA
	(Name in block letters)
	(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)

#### FORM P2

## LIST OF CREDITORS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

(Under regulation 14 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

## AS ON [DATE]

(Amount in ₹)

	List of financ	ial creditors (unrelated)	
I	II	III	IV
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of finan	cial creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of operation	onal creditors (unrelated)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of operat	ional creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim

1			
2			
3			
	List of other	r creditors (unrelated)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of oth	er creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			

[For Corporate Applicant]
(Signature)
Name of person submitting information

Relationship with corporate debtor

#### FORM P3

#### APPROVAL OF TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

(Under regulation 14(5) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

- 1. The meeting of financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, was held on [date of meeting] at [time of meeting] at [venue of meeting] for proposing and approving the name of resolution professional for pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].
- 2. The list of creditors in Form P2 was provided with the notice of said meeting.
- 3. The details of creditor(s) present in the said meeting are enclosed as Annexure-A.
- 4. [Name of creditor(s)], having % of debt\*, proposed the name of [name of proposed resolution professional], having registration number [registration number] for appointment as resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].
- 5. The following creditor(s) have approved the appointment of [name of proposed resolution professional], having registration number [registration number] for appointment as resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].

Sl.	Name of	Amount of debt*	Percentage of		Vote	
No.	creditor(s)		debt*	Assent	Dissent	Abstain
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII
1						
2						
3						
	Total					

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6. The above-mentioned creditor(s), also approved the following terms of appointment of the [name of proposed resolution professional]:-

Sl. No.	Particulars	Fee (Amount in ₹)	Remarks
I	II	III	IV
1	Fee payable to the resolution professional for performing duties under sub-section (1) of section 54B		
2	Fee payable to the resolution professional and expenses to be incurred by him for conducting the process under section 54F		
3	Fee payable to the resolution professional and expenses to be incurred by him in case management of the corporate debtor is vested with him under section 54J		

7. That [name of creditor], is duly authorised to sign this Form on behalf of all the / assenting creditor(s) mentioned in Table in para 5.

[Name of creditor]

(Signature)

[NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS]

[Designation]

(Please modify the form suitably where the creditors are operational creditor(s))

#### FORM P4

## APPROVAL FOR INITIATING PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

(Under regulation 14(7) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

- 1. The meeting of financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, was held on [date of meeting] at [time of meeting] at [venue of meeting] for approving the initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [Name of corporate debtor]
- process in respect of [Name of corporate debtor].

  2. Following document(s) was/were enclosed with the notice of said meeting:-
- a. list of creditors in Form P2;
- b. copy of declaration by members/partners in Form P6;
- c. copy of members' special resolution or partners' resolution, as the case may be;
- d. base resolution plan; and
- e. other relevant information or document, if any.
- 3. The details of creditor(s) present in the said meeting are enclosed herewith as Annexure-A.

<sup>\*</sup>Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.

4. The following creditor(s) have approved the initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

Sl. No.	Name of	Amount of debt*	Percent of debt*		Vote	
No.	creditor(s)			Assent	Dissent	Abstain
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII
1						
2						
3						
	Total					

5. That [name of creditor], is duly authorised to sign this Form on behalf of all the / assenting creditor(s) mentioned in Table above.

[Name of creditor]

Signature

[NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS]

[Designation]

(Please modify the form suitably where the creditors are operational creditor(s))

#### FORM P5

## WRITTEN CONSENT TO ACT AS AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

(Under regulation 15(iii) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

 $[Registration\ number\ of\ the\ insolvency\ professional]$ 

[Registered address of the insolvency professional]

То

[Name of resolution professional], the resolution professional of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]

#### Subject: Written Consent to act as an authorised representative.

1. I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board, note that you have proposed to appoint me as the authorised representative of financial creditors in a class [specify class] in the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

<sup>\*</sup>Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.

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- I am having the following processes in hand:-3.

Sl. No.	Role as	Number of processes on the date of consent
I	II	III
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional in-	
	a.Insolvency resolution processes for corporate persons	
	b.Pre-packaged insolvency resolution processes	
	c.Insolvency resolution processes for individuals	
3	Liquidator of-	
	a. Liquidation Processes	
	b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

I declare and affirm as under:-4.

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- I am not subject to any disciplinary proceeding initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency. a.
- I do not suffer from any disability to act as an authorised representative.
- I shall not canvass with the creditors to indicate their choice in my favour.

Date:	(Signature of the insolvency professional)
Place:	Registration No.
	Authorisation for assignment (AFA) No
	Date of expiry of AFA
	(Name in block letters)
	(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)

#### FORM P6

#### DECLARATION BY DIRECTOR/PARTNERS

(Under regulation 16(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

	[Date]
To	
The Adjudicating Authority	

Subject: Declaration for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

We,-

Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Director Identification Number	Address
I	II	III	IV
1			
2			
3			

representing majority among the directors/partners of the [name of the corporate debtor] —Corporate Debtorl) having [Identification Number] and having registered office at [Address], declare and affirm as under:-

- The corporate debtor shall file an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process within [insert number of days].
- ii. The pre-packaged insolvency resolution process is not being initiated to defraud any person.;
- iii. The creditors have approved the name of [name of insolvency professional], having registration number [registration number], in the meeting of creditors convened under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A read with regulation 8 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021, held on [date of meeting].
- iv. The details of the corporate debtor

Sl. No.	Title	Details
I	II	III
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Registered address of the corporate debtor	
3	Date of incorporation of the corporate debtor	
4	Estimated date for filing the application with adjudicating authority for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process	

v. The contents of this declaration are true and correct and that we have concealed nothing and that no part of it is false.

Date:	(Signature of the Director/Partner)
Place:	(Name in block letters)
	DIN
	Address:
Date:	(Signature of the Director/Partner)
Place:	(Name in block letters)
	DIN
	Address:

(To be signed by all the directors/partners mentioned in Point-1)

#### FORM P7

#### DECLARATION REGARDING EXISTENCE OF AVOIDANCE TRANSACTION(S)

(Under regulation 16(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

	[Date]
°o	
The Adjudicating Authority	
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#### Subject: Declaration regarding existence of avoidance transaction in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

I, [name], a managing director/chairperson/designated partner/partner [director, if there is no managing director and chairperson] of the [name of the corporate debtor] (—Corporate Debtorl) having [Identification Number] having registered office at [Address], declare and affirm as under:-

{strike off the part which is not relevant}

the corporate debtor has not been subject to any transaction within the meaning and scope of Chapter III or Chapter VI of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code).

the corporate debtor has been subject to following transaction(s) within the meaning and scope of Chapter III or Chapter VI of the Code:-

Sl. No	Transaction with	Section (43/45/50/66)	Amount involved (in Rs.)	Remarks, if any
I	II	III	IV	V
1				
2				
3				

A note providing detail(s) of above-mentioned transaction(s) along-with relevant document(s) is enclosed as Annexure-A.

Place:			
Date:			

(Signature) Name

Designation

DIN Address

#### FORM P8

#### REPORT OF THE INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL

(Under regulation 17 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process)

Regulations, 2021)

- I [name of insolvency professional], proposed for appointment as resolution professional of [name of corporate debtor] in respect of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor] hereby declare and affirm as under:-
- 1.I have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief are necessary for the purposes of preparation of report under section 54B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) and Regulations thereunder.
- 2.I have examined the relevant documents and information required to ascertain the status of the corporate debtor and I hereby confirm that [name of corporate debtor] is a micro/ small/medium enterprise under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (27 of 2006);
- 3. I hereby confirm that-
- a. the corporate debtor has not undergone pre-packaged insolvency resolution process or completed corporate insolvency resolution process, during the period of three years preceding the date of making of the application;
- b. the corporate debtor is not undergoing a corporate insolvency resolution process;
- c. no liquidation order has been made in respect of the corporate debtor;
- majority of directors / partners of the corporate debtor have made a declaration in Form P6 pursuant to clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A: [Attachment]
- the members of the corporate debtor have passed a special resolution or three-fourth of the total number of
  partners of the corporate debtor have passed a resolution approving the filing of the application for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process;
- f. the creditors of the corporate debtor representing [percent] of debt\* have approved the proposal for appointment of resolution professional, as required under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A in Form P3;
- g. the creditors of the corporate debtor representing [percent] of debt\* have approved the proposal for initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor], as required under subsection (3) of section 54A in Form P4;
- h. the amount of default incurred by the corporate debtor is within the limit notified under sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Code: and
- I have examined the base resolution plan provided to creditor(s) under clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 54A, and hereby confirm that it complies with sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 30, section 54K of Code and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and all other applicable provisions.

Place: (Signature)

Date: Name of insolvency professional

Registration number

\*Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.

#### FORM P9

#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(Under regulation 19(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CREDITORS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

Notice is hereby given that the Adjudicating Authority\_Bench has ordered for the commencement of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process for [name of the corporate debtor] on [pre-packaged insolvency commencement date].

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS					
I	П	III				
1	Name of corporate debtor					
2	Former name(s), if changed in last two years					
3	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor					
4	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated / registered					
5	Identification number					
6	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor					
7	Pre-packaged insolvency commencement date					
8	Name and registration number of the resolution professional					
9	Address and e-mail of the resolution professional, as registered with the Board					
10	Address and e-mail to be used for correspondence with the resolution professional					
11	List of claims shall be made available from [insert date] at:					

Signatur	

Name and of resolution professional:

Date: Place:

## FORM P10 LIST OF CLAIMS

(Under regulation 20 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process)
Regulations, 2021)

s on		

(Amount in  $\mathfrak{F}$ )

Sl. No.	Category of creditor	Summar	y of claims	Amount of contingent	Details in Annexure	Remarks, if any	
		No. of claims	Amount	claims			
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	
1	Secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors				1		
2	Unsecured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors				2		
3	Secured financial creditors (other than financialcreditors belonging to any class of creditors)				3		
4	Unsecured financial creditors (other than financialcreditors belonging to any class of creditors)				4		

	Total		
9	Other creditors, if any, (other than financial creditors and operational creditors)	9	
8	Operational creditors (other than Workmen, Employees and Government dues)	8	
7	Operational creditors (Government dues)	7	
6	Operational creditors (Employees)	6	
5	Operational creditors (Workmen)	5	

[For Corporate Debtor]	OR	[For Resolution Professional]
Signature		Signature
Name of person submitting the information		Name of Insolvency Professional
Relationship with corporate debtor		Registration Number

## Annexure-1

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

## List of secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors

(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.	of	Identification No.						contingent		Remarks, ifany	
No.	creditor		Amount of claim	Nature ofclaim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	- claim	mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

## Annexure-2

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

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(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.	creditor No.						Amount of contingent claim	Amount of any mutual dues, that	Remarks, if any	
				im ofclaim covered by related share in		% of voting share in committee	% of voting share in			
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										
3										

## $\underline{Annexure-3}$

Nam	e of t	he corporate debtor:
Date	of co	mmencement of PPIRP:
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List of secured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)

(Amount in ₹)

SI. No.	Name of creditor	Identification No.	Details of claims  Amount   Nature   Amount   Amount   Whether   % of							of any nt mutual	Remarks, if any
			of claim	ofclaim	by security interest	covered by guarantee	related party.	voting share in committee	claim	dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

#### Annexure - 4

Name of the corporate debtor:	
Date of commencement of PPIRP:	
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List of unsecured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)

(Amount in ₹)

	creditor	Identification No.			Details of	claims		Amount of contingent	Amount of any	Remarks, ifany
			Amount ofclaim		Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	claim	mutual dues, that may beset-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										

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Name	e of the	corporate deb	otor:		exure – <u>5</u>			

Date of commencement of PPIRP:..... List of creditors as on: .....

List of operational creditors (Workmen)

(Amount in₹)

Sl. No.	Nameof workman	orkman No.						Amount of any mutual dues, that	Remarks, if any
			Amount of claim	Natureof claim	Whether related party.	% voting sharein committee, if applicable	claim	may be set-off	
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
1									
2									
3									

## <u>Annexure – 6</u>

Name of the corporate debtor: ..... Date of commencement of PPIRP:.... List of creditors as on: .....

## List of operational creditors (Employees)

(Amount in₹)

Sl. No.	Name of employee	Identification No.	Amount of Natureof Whether % of voting				Amount of contingent claim	Amount of any mutualdues, that may be set- off	Remarks, if any
			Ciaini	claim	party.	committee, if		011	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
1									
2									
3									

## $\underline{Annexure-7}$

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:

List of creditors as on:

#### List of operational creditors (Government dues)

(Amount in₹)

Sl. No	Details of Government organisation			Details of claims				Amount of	Amount of any	Remarks, if any	
	Depart ment	Gover nment	Identifi- cation	Amount of claim	Nature of Claim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	% of voting share in committee, if applicable		mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

#### $\underline{Annexure-8}$

Name of the corporate debtor:	
Date of commencement of PPIRP:	
List of creditors as on:	

#### List of operational creditors (Other than Workmen and Employees and Government dues)

(Amount in ₹)

Sl.	Name of creditor	Identification No.			Detai	Amount of contingent		Remarks, ifany			
No.	Creditor		Amount of claim		Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	claim	of any mutual dues, that may be set-off	nany
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

#### Annexure - 9

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

#### List of other creditors (Other than financial creditors and operational creditors)

(Amount in₹)

	Name of creditor	Identification No.		Details of claim				contingent		Remarks, if any
			Amount of claim	Nature of claim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	- claim	mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										
3										

### FORM P11 INVITATION FOR RESOLUTION PLANS

) Under regulation 43 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS						
I	II	Ш					
1	Name of the corporate debtor						
2	Former name(s), if changed in last two years						
3	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor						
4	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated /registered						
5	Identification number						
6	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor						
7	Pre-packaged insolvency commencement date						
8	Date of invitation for resolution plans						
9	Eligibility for resolution applicants						
10	Norms of ineligibility applicable under section 29A						
11	Basis for evaluation (including details related to significant improvement and tick size)						
12	Manner of obtaining_invitation of resolution plan', basis for evaluation (including details related to significant improvement and tick size), information memorandum and further information						
13	Last date for submission of resolution plans						
14	Manner of submitting resolution plans to resolution professional						
15	Estimated date for submission of resolution plan to the Adjudicating Authority for approval						

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16	Name and registration number of the resolution professional	
17	Name, address and e-email of the resolution professional, as registered with the Board	
18	Address and email to be used for correspondence with the resolution professional	
19	Further details are available at or with	
20	Date of publication of Form	

(Signature)

Name of the resolution professional

Registration number

Registered address

Date: Place:

#### FORM P12

#### COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(Under regulation 49 (1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021]

- $I, [Name\ of\ the\ resolution\ professional], am\ the\ resolution\ professional\ for\ the\ pre-packaged\ insolvency\ resolution\ process\ (PPIRP)\ of\ [name\ of\ the\ corporate\ debtor].$
- $\boldsymbol{2}$  . The details of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
I	II	III
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Date of commencement of PPIRP	
3	Date of appointment of resolution professional	
4	Date of publication of public announcement	
5	Date of constitution of committee	
6	Date of first meeting of committee	
7	Date of appointment of registered valuers	
8	Date of submission of base resolution plan	
9	Date of invitation of resolution plans from third party resolution applicant, if applicable	
10	Date of inviting corporate debtor to improve its resolution plan, if applicable	
11	Date of issue of invitation for resolution plan (if applicable)	
12	Last date of submission of resolution plan	
13	Date of approval of resolution plan by committee	
14	Date of filing of resolution plan with Adjudicating Authority	
15	Date of expiry of one hundred and twenty days of PPIRP	
16	Fair value	

17	Liquidation value	
18	Number of meetings of committee held	

- 3. I have examined the resolution plan received from corporate debtor/third party resolution applicant (......) and approved by the committee of [Name of the corporate debtor].
- 4 .I hereby certify that-
- a. the said resolution plan complies with all the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 (Code), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and does not contravene any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force.
- c. the said resolution plan has been approved by the committee in accordance with the provisions of the Code and the Regulations made thereunder. The resolution plan has been approved by [state the number of votes by which resolution plan was approved by committee % ]of voting share of financial creditors after considering its feasibility and viability and other requirements specified by the PPIRP Regulations.
- d. the voting was held in the meeting of the committee on [state the date of meeting ]where all the members of the committee were present.

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I sought vote of members of the committee by electronic voting system which was kept open at least for 24/48 hours. {strike off the part which is not relevant}

5 .The list of financial creditors of the [name of CD ] being members of the committee and distribution of voting share among them

Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Voting share (%)	Voting for resolution plan (voted for / dissented / abstained)
I	II	III	IV
1			
2			
3			

- 6 .The resolution plan includes a statement under regulation 45 of the regulations as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders in compliance with the Code and Regulations made thereunder.
- 7. The amounts provided for the stakeholders under the resolution plan

(Amount in Rs .Lakh(

SI. No.	Category of stakeholder*	Sub-category of stakeholder	Amount of claim	Amount admitted	Amount provided under the plan#	Amount provided to the amount claimed (%)
I	П	III	IV	V	VI	VII
1	Secured Financial Creditors	(a) Creditors not having a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21				

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		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan		
		(ii)who voted in favour of the resolution plan		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
2	Unsecured Financial Creditors	(a) Creditors not having a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21		
		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan		
		(ii)who voted in favour of the resolution plan		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
3	Operational Creditors	(a) Related Party of Corporate Debtor		
		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)Government (ii)Workmen		
		(iii)Employees		
		(iv)		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
4	Other debts and dues			
Grand	Total			
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<sup>\*</sup>If there are sub-categories in a category, please add rows for each sub-category .

 $<sup>8. \</sup> The interests of existing shareholders have been altered by the resolution plan$ 

Sl.No.	Category of shareholder	No .of shares held before PPIRP	No .of shares held after the PPIRP	Voting share (%)held before PPIRP	Voting share (%) held after PPIRP
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
1	Equity				
2	Preference				
3					

#### 9 .The compliance of the resolution plan

Section of the Code / regulation No .	Requirement with respect to resolution plan	Clause of resolution plan	Compliance (Yes / No)
I	II	III	IV
section 29A	Whether the resolution applicant is eligible to submit resolution		

<sup>#</sup> Amount provided over time under the resolution plan and includes estimated value of non-cash components .It is not Net Present Value.

	plan as per final list of Resolution Professional or Order, if any, of the Adjudicating Authority. (whereas applicable)	
section 30(1c)	Whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted an affidavit stating that it is eligible. (if applicable)	
section 30(2)	Whether the resolution plan-	
	(a)provides for the payment of insolvency resolution process costs;	
	(b) provides for the payment to the operational creditors;	
	(c)provides for the payment to the financial creditors who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan;	
	(d)provides for the management of the affairs of the corporate debtor;	
	(e)provides for the implementation and supervision of the resolution plan;	
	(f)contravenes any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force.	
section 54K (4) or (12) and	Whether the resolution plan-	
regulation 45	(a) is feasible and viable, according to the committee;	
	(b) has been approved by the committee with 66% voting share.	
section 31(1)	Whether the resolution plan has provisions for its effective implementation plan, according to the committee.	
regulation 41	Whether the resolution professional has made a determination under regulation 41, before the forty fifth day of the insolvency commencement date, under intimation to the Board.	
regulation 45(5)	Whether the amount due to the operational creditors under the resolution plan has been given priority in payment over financial creditors.	
regulation 45(4)	Whether the resolution plan includes a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders.	
regulation 45(1)	(i)Whether the Resolution Applicant or any of its related parties has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of implementation of any resolution plan approved under the Code.	
	(ii)If so, whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted the statement giving details of such non-implementation.	
regulation 45(2)	Whether the resolution plan provides for -	
	(a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;	
	(b)the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term;	
	(c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.	
regulation 45(3)	Whether the resolution plan demonstrates that –	
	(a) it addresses the cause of default;	
	(b) it is feasible and viable;	
	(c) it has provisions for its effective implementation;	
	(d)it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same;	
	(e)the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan.	

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regulation 41(3)	(a) Whether the RP has filed applications in respect of	
	transactions observed, found or determined by him.	
regulation 43(5)	Provide details of performance security received, as referred to	
	in sub-regulation (5) of regulation 43.	
section 54K	Where the base resolution plan has been approved by	
	committee,-	
	(i)whether such resolution plan provides for impairment of any claims owed by the corporate debtor;	
	(ii)if the base resolution plan provides for impairment of any	
	claims owed by the corporate debtor, whether the such resolution plan provides for dilution of promoter shareholding or	
	voting or control rights in the corporate debtor. If no, has the	
	committee recorded the reasons for the same prior to approval of	
	such base plan.	

10 . The time frame proposed for obtaining relevant approvals  $\,$ 

Sl. No.	Nature of approval	Name of applicable law	Name of authority who will grant approval	When to be obtained
I	II	III	IV	V
1				
2				
3				

11 .The resolution plan is not subject to any contingency; or
the resolution plan is subject to the following contingencies (Elaborate the contingencies):- i
ii
12.Following are the deviations / non-compliances of the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, Regulations made, or Circulars issued thereunder (If any deviation/ non-compliances were observed, please state the details and reasons for the same):-

Sl. No.	Deviation/Non-compliance observed	Section of the Code / regulation No. / circular No.	Reasons	Whether rectified or not
I	II	III	IV	V
1				
2				
3				

- 13 .The resolution plan is being filed ..... days before the expiry of the period of PPIRP.
- 14 . Provide details of section  $66\ \mbox{or}$  avoidance application filed /pending, if any.

Sl. No.	Type of transaction	Date of filing with Adjudicating Authority	Date of order of the Adjudicating Authority	Brief of the order
I	II	Ш	IV	V
1	Preferential transactions under section 43			
2	Undervalued transactions under section 45			
3	Extortionate credit transactions under section 50			
4	Fraudulent transactions under section 66			

15 .I (name of resolution professional (hereby certify that the contents of this certificate are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom .

(Signature)

Name of the resolution professional:

IP Registration No:

Address as registered with the Board:

Email Id as registered with the Board:

AA: Adjudicating Authority; Committee: Committee of Creditors; IFRP: Invitation for Resolution Plan; IM: Information Memorandum; PPIRP: Pre-packaged insolvency resolution process; RA: Resolution Applicant; RP: Resolution Professional.

#### FORM P13

#### APPLICATION FOR TERMINATION OF PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

(Under regulation 49(4) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021]

[Date]

To	
The Adju	dicating Authority
Γ	Bench]

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

[Registration number of the insolvency professional]

[Registered address of the insolvency professional]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Subject: Termination of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]

Madam/Sir,

The [name of the corporate debtor], had filed an application bearing [particulars of application, having, [diary number/ case number] on [date of filing] before the Adjudicating Authority under [under section 54C,] of the

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जिसाधारण Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. bearing [case number].	The said application was admitted by the Adjudicati	ing Authority on [date]
2.The committee of creditors has, in its m pre-packaged insolvency resolution proc section 54N.	eeting held on, decided to termi ess filed by the [name of the corporate debtor] u	nate the aforementioned under sub-section (2) of
	OR	
No resolution plan was submitted within t section 54D.	the period permitted for approval of resolution plan	under sub-section (3) of
	OR	
The resolution plan selected under sub-sec creditors under sub-section (12) of section	ction (11) of section 54K has not been approved by $154K$	the committee of
{strike off the part which is not relevant}		
3. I hereby attach the report of termination	n of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.	
		(Signature)
	Name of the	resolution professional:
		IP Registration No:
	Address as re	gistered with the Board:
	Email Id as re	gistered with the Board:
Date:		
Place:		
	FORM P14	
APPLICATION FOR VESTIN	IG MANAGEMENT WITH RESOLUTION PRO	DFESSIONAL
(Under regulation 51 of the Insolvency an	d Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolver Regulations, 2021)	ncy Resolution Process)
	, ,	[Date]
То		
The Adjudicating Authority		
(Bench)		
From [Name of the insolvency professional	al]	
[Registration number of the insolvency pro-	ofessional]	
[Registered address of the insolvency prof	•	
In the matter of [name of the corporate del	•	
	of corporate debtor] with resolution professional.	
Madam/Sir,		
case number] on [date of filing] before the	d an application bearing [particulars of application to Adjudicating Authority under [under section 54C] application was admitted by the Adjudicating Authority (1997).	,] of the Insolvency and

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[PART III—SEC.4]

2. The committee of creditors has, in its meeting held on	
[Name of the Corporate Debtor] with the resolution professional under $\operatorname{reason}(s)$ :-	section 54J of the Code for the following
a.	
b.	
3. I hereby attach the minutes of the meeting of committee of creditors hel	ld on
	(Signature)
	Name of the Resolution Professional:
	IP Registration No:
	Address as registered with the Board:
	Email Id as registered with the Board:
	Date:
	Place:

Dr. M. S. SAHOO, Chairperson [ADVT.-III/4/Exty./16/2021-22]

## CHAPTER III-A PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

#### <sup>1</sup>[CHAPTER III-A

## PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS Rules 1-3 Reg 1-2

#### 54A. Corporate debtors eligible for pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) An application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process may be made in respect of a corporate debtor classified as a micro, small or medium enterprise under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-section (1), an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process may be made in respect of a corporate debtor, who commits a default referred to in section 4, subject to the following conditions, that—
  - (a) it has not undergone pre-packaged insolvency resolution process or completed corporate insolvency resolution process, as the case may be, during the period of three years preceding the initiation date;
    - (b)it is not undergoing a corporate insolvency resolution process;
    - (c)no order requiring it to be liquidated is passed under section 33;
    - (d)it is eligible to submit a resolution plan under section 29A;



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#### MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

NOTIFICATION New Delhi, the 9th April, 2021

New Delhi, the 9th April, 2021

S.O. 1543(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by the second proviso to section 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), as amended by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021 (3 of 2021), the Central Government hereby specifies ten lakh rupees as the minimum amount of default for the matters relating to the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of corporate debtor under Chapter III-A of the Code.

[F. No. 30/20/2020-Insolvency] GYANESHWAR KUMAR SINGH, Jt. Secy.

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(e) the financial creditors of the corporate debtor, not being its related parties, representing such number and in such manner as may be specified, have proposed the name of the insolvency professional to be appointed as resolution professional for conducting the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor, and the financial creditors of the corporate debtor, not being its related parties, representing not less than sixty-six per cent. in value of the financial debt due to such creditors, have approved such proposal in such form as may be specified: Reg 14

Provided that where a corporate debtor does not have any financial creditors, not being its related parties, the proposal and approval under this clause shall be provided by such persons as may be specified; Reg 14

- (f) the majority of the directors or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, have made a declaration, in such form as may be specified, stating, *inter alia*, that— Reg 16
  - (i) the corporate debtor shall file an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process within a definite time period not exceeding ninety days;
  - (ii) the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process is not being initiated to defraud any person; and
  - (iii)the name of the insolvency professional proposed and approved to be appointed as resolution professional under clause (e);
- (g) the members of the corporate debtor have passed a special resolution, or at least three-fourth of the total number of partners, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor have passed a resolution, approving the filing of an application for initiating pre- packaged insolvency resolution process.
- (3) The corporate debtor shall obtain an approval from its financial creditors, not being its related parties, representing not less than sixty-six per cent. in value of the financial debt due to such creditors, for the filing of an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, in such form as may be specified:

Provided that where a corporate debtor does not have any financial creditors, not being its related parties, the approval under this subsection shall be provided by such persons as may be specified. Reg 14

- (4) Prior to seeking approval from financial creditors under sub-section (3), the corporate debtor shall provide such financial creditors with
  - (a) the declaration referred to in clause (f) of sub-section (2);
  - (b) the special resolution or resolution referred to in clause (g) of sub-section (2);
  - (c) a base resolution plan which conforms to the requirements referred to in section 54K, and such other conditions as may be specified; and

(d) such other information and documents as may be specified.

#### 54B. Duties of insolvency professional before initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) The insolvency professional, proposed to be appointed as the resolution professional, shall have the following duties commencing from the date of the approval under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A, namely:—
  - (a) prepare a report in such form as may be specified, confirming whether the corporate debtor meets the requirements of section 54A, and the base resolution plan conforms to the requirements referred to in clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 54A;
  - (b) file such reports and other documents, with the Board, as may be specified; Reg 17 and
  - (c) perform such other duties as may be specified. Reg 9,15
  - (2) The duties of the insolvency professional under sub-section (1) shall cease, if,
    - (a) the corporate debtor fails to file an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process within the time period as stated under the declaration referred to in clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A; or
    - (b) the application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process is admitted or rejected by the Adjudicating Authority,

as the case may be.

(3) The fees payable to the insolvency professional in relation to the duties performed under sub-section (1) shall be determined and borne in such manner as may be specified and such fees shall form part of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs, if the application for initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process is admitted. Reg 7 & 8

#### 54C. Application to initiate pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) Where a corporate debtor meets the requirements of section 54A, a corporate applicant thereof may file an application with the Adjudicating Authority for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process.
- (2) The application under sub-section (1) shall be filed in such form, containing such particulars, in such manner and accompanied with such fee as may be prescribed. **Rule 4** 
  - (3) The corporate applicant shall, along with the application, furnish—

- (a) the declaration, special resolution or resolution, as the case may be, and the approval of financial creditors for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process in terms of section 54A;
- (b) the name and written consent, in such form as may be specified, of the insolvency professional proposed to be appointed as resolution professional, as approved under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A, and his report as referred to in clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 54B;
- (c) a declaration regarding the existence of any transactions of the corporate debtor that may be within the scope of provisions in respect of avoidance of transactions under Chapter III or fraudulent or wrongful trading under Chapter VI, in such form as may be specified; Reg 16
- (d) information relating to books of account of the corporate debtor and such other documents relating to such period as may be specified. Reg 18
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within a period of fourteen days of the receipt of the application, by an order,—
  - (a) admit the application, if it is complete; or
  - (b) reject the application, if it is incomplete:

Provided that the Adjudicating Authority shall, before rejecting an application, give notice to the applicant to rectify the defect in the application within seven days from the date of receipt of such notice from the Adjudicating Authority.

(5) The pre-packaged insolvency resolution process shall commence from the date of admission of the application under clause (a) of subsection (4).

#### 54D. Time-limit for completion of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) The pre-packaged insolvency resolution process shall be completed within a period of one hundred and twenty days from the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-section (1), the resolution professional shall submit the resolution plan, as approved by the committee of creditors, to the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be, of section 54K, within a period of ninety days from the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (3) Where no resolution plan is approved by the committee of creditors withinthe time period referred to in sub-section (2), the resolution professional shall, on the day after the expiry

of such time period, file an application with the Adjudicating Authority for termination of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in such form and manner as may be specified.

#### 54E. Declaration of moratorium and public announcement during pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1)The Adjudicating Authority shall, on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, along with the order of admission under section 54C
  - (a) declare a moratorium for the purposes referred to in sub-section (1) read with sub-section (3) of section 14, which shall, *mutatis mutandis* apply, to the proceedings under this Chapter;
  - (b) appoint a resolution professional
    - (i)as named in the application, if no disciplinary proceeding is pending against him; or
    - (ii)based on the recommendation made by the Board, if any disciplinary proceeding is pending against the insolvency professional named in the application;
  - (c)cause a public announcement of the initiation of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process to be made by the resolution professional, in such form and manner as may be specified, immediately after his appointment. Reg 19
- (1)The order of moratorium shall have effect from the date of such order till the date on which the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period comes to an end.

#### 54F. Duties and powers of resolution professional during pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) The resolution professional shall conduct the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of a corporate debtor during the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period.
  - (2) The resolution professional shall perform the following duties, namely:—
    - (a)confirm the list of claims submitted by the corporate debtor under section 54G, in such manner as may be specified;
    - (b)inform creditors regarding their claims as confirmed under clause (a), in such manner as may be specified;
    - (c) maintain an updated list of claims, in such manner as may be specified; Reg 20,21,22,23
    - (d) monitor management of the affairs of the corporate debtor;
    - (e)inform the committee of creditors in the event of breach of any of the obligations of the Board of Directors or partners, as the case may be, of the

corporate debtor, under the provisions of this Chapter and the rules and regulations made thereunder;

- (f) constitute the committee of creditors and convene and attend all its meetings; Reg 3
- (g)prepare the information memorandum on the basis of the preliminary information memorandum submitted under section 54G and any other relevant information, in such form and manner as may be specified; Reg 40
- (h)file applications for avoidance of transactions under Chapter III or fraudulent or wrongful trading under Chapter VI, if any; and
- (i) such other duties as may be specified. Reg 11,12,13
- (3) The resolution professional shall exercise the following powers, namely:—
  - (a)access all books of account, records and information available with the corporate debtor;
  - (b)access the electronic records of the corporate debtor from an information utility having financial information of the corporate debtor;
  - (c)access the books of account, records and other relevant documents of the corporate debtor available with Government authorities, statutory auditors, accountants and such other persons as may be specified;
  - (d)attend meetings of members, Board of Directors and committee of directors, or partners, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor;
  - (e)appoint accountants, legal or other professionals in such manner as may be specified; Reg 10

(f)collect all information relating to the assets, finances and operations of the corporate debtor for determining the financial position of the corporate debtor and the existence of any transactions that may be within the scope of provisions relating to avoidance of transactions under Chapter III or fraudulent or wrongful trading under Chapter VI, including information relating to —

- (i)business operations for the previous two years from the date of pre- packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (ii)financial and operational payments for the previous two years from the date of pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (iii) list of assets and liabilities as on the initiation date; and
- (iv) such other matters as may be specified;
- (g) take such other actions in such manner as may be specified.
- (4) From the date of appointment of the resolution professional, the financial institutions maintaining accounts of the corporate debtor shall furnish all information relating

to the corporate debtor available with them to the resolution professional, as and when required by him.

- (5) The personnel of the corporate debtor, its promoters and any other person associated with the management of the corporate debtor shall extend all assistance and cooperation to the resolution professional as may be required by him to perform his duties and exercise his powers, and for such purposes, the provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 19 shall, *mutatis mutandis* apply, in relation to the proceedings under this Chapter.
- (6) The fees of the resolution professional and any expenses incurred by him for conducting the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process shall be determined in such manner as may be specified:

Provided that the committee of creditors may impose limits and conditions on such fees and expenses:

Provided further that the fees and expenses for the period prior to the constitution of the committee of creditors shall be subject to ratification by it.

(7) The fees and expenses referred to in sub-section (6) shall be borne in such manner as may be specified.

#### 54G. List of claims and preliminary information memorandum.

- (1) The corporate debtor shall, within two days of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, submit to the resolution professional the following information, updated as on that date, in such form and manner as may be specified, namely:—Reg 20,21,22,23
  - (a)a list of claims, along with details of the respective creditors, their security interests and guarantees, if any; and
  - (b)a preliminary information memorandum containing information relevant for formulating a resolution plan. Reg 40,41
- (2) Where any person has sustained any loss or damage as a consequence of the omission of any material information or inclusion of any misleading information in the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum submitted by the corporate debtor, every person who—
  - (a) is a promoter or director or partner of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, at the time of submission of the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum by the corporate debtor; or
  - (b)has authorised the submission of the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum by the corporate debtor,

shall, without prejudice to section 77A, be liable to pay compensation to every person who has sustained such loss or damage.

- (3) No person shall be liable under sub-section (2), if the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum was submitted by the corporate debtor without his knowledge or consent.
- (4) Subject to section 54E, any person, who sustained any loss or damage as a consequence of omission of material information or inclusion of any misleading information in the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum shall be entitled to **move a court having jurisdiction for seeking compensation for such loss or damage.**

#### 54H. Management of affairs of corporate debtor.

During the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period,—

- (a) the management of the affairs of the corporate debtor shall continue to vest in the Board of Directors or the partners, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor, subject to such conditions as may be specified;
- (b) the Board of Directors or the partners, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor, shall make every endeavour to protect and preserve the value of the property of the corporate debtor, and manage its operations as a going concern; and
- (c) the promoters, members, personnel and partners, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor, shall exercise and discharge their contractual or statutory rights and obligations in relation to the corporate debtor, subject to the provisions of this Chapter and such other conditions and restrictions as may be prescribed.

#### 54-I. Committee of creditors.

(1) The resolution professional shall, within seven days of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, constitute a committee of creditors, based on the list of claims confirmed under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 54F:

Provided that the composition of the committee of creditors shall be altered on the basis of the updated list of claims, in such manner as may be specified, and any such alteration shall not affect the validity of any past decision of the committee of creditors. Reg 24,25,26

- (2) The first meeting of the committee of creditors shall be held within seven days of the constitution of the committee of creditors.
  - (3) The provisions of section 21, except sub-section (1) thereof, shall, *mutatis mutandis* apply, in relation to the committee of creditors under this Chapter:

Provided that for the purposes of this sub-section, references to "resolution professional" under sub-sections (9) and (10) of section 21, shall be construed as references to "corporate debtor or the resolution professional". Reg 27-37

#### 54J. Vesting management of corporate debtor with resolution professional.

(1) Where the committee of creditors, at any time during the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period, by a vote of not less than sixty-six per cent. of the voting shares, resolves to vest the management of the corporate debtor with the resolution professional, the

resolution professional shall	l make an applicati	on for this purpose	to the Adjudicating	Authority, in suc	ch form and manner as n	nay be specified. R	eg 5
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- (2) On an application made under sub-section (1), if the Adjudicating Authority is of the opinion that during the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process—
  - (a) the affairs of the corporate debtor have been conducted in a fraudulent manner; or
  - (b) there has been gross mismanagement of the affairs of the corporate debtor,
  - it shall pass an order vesting the management of the corporate debtor with the resolution professional. Reg 50
- (3) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Chapter, the provisions of  $\,$ 
  - (a) sub-sections (2) and (2A) of section 14;
  - (b) section 17;
  - (c) clauses (e) to (g) of section 18;
  - (d) sections 19 and 20;
  - (e) sub-section (1) of section 25;
  - (f) clauses (a) to (c) and clause (k) of sub-section (2) of section 25; and
  - (g) section 28,

shall, mutatis mutandis apply, to the proceedings under this Chapter, from the date of the order under sub-section (2), until the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process period comes to an end.

#### 54K. Consideration and approval of resolution plan.

- (1) The corporate debtor shall submit the base resolution plan, referred to in clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 54A, to the resolution professional within two days of the pre- packaged insolvency commencement date, and the resolution professional shall present it to the committee of creditors.
- (2) The committee of creditors may provide the corporate debtor an opportunity to revise the base resolution plan prior to its approval under sub-section (4) or invitation of prospective resolution applicants under sub-section (5), as the case may be.
- (3) The resolution plans and the base resolution plan, submitted under this section shall conform to the requirements referred to in sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 30, and the provisions of sub-sections (1), (2) and (5) of section 30 shall, *mutatis mutandis* apply, to the proceedings under this Chapter.

  Reg 44,45
- (4)The committee of creditors may approve the base resolution plan for submission to

the Adjudicating Authority if it does not impair any claims owed by the corporate debtor to the

operational creditors.
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- (5) Where
  - (a)the committee of creditors does not approve the base resolution plan under sub-section (4); or
  - (b) the base resolution plan impairs any claims owed by the corporate debtor to the operational creditors,

the resolution professional shall invite prospective resolution applicants to submit a resolution plan or plans, to compete with the base resolution plan, in such manner as may be specified. Reg 43

- (6) The resolution applicants submitting resolution plans pursuant to invitation under sub-section (5), shall fulfil such criteria as may be laid down by the resolution professional with the approval of the committee of creditors, having regard to the complexity and scale of operations of the business of the corporate debtor and such other conditions as may be specified. **Reg 46** 
  - (7) The resolution professional shall provide to the resolution applicants,
    - (a) the basis for evaluation of resolution plans for the purposes of sub-section (9), as approved by the committee of creditors subject to such conditions as may be specified; and Reg 42
    - (b) the relevant information referred to in section 29, which shall, mutatis mutandis apply, to the proceedings under this Chapter,

in such manner as may be specified.

- (8) The resolution professional shall present to the committee of creditors, for its evaluation, resolution plans which conform to the requirements referred to in sub-section (2) of section 30. Reg 47
- (9) The committee of creditors shall evaluate the resolution plans presented by the resolution professional and select a resolution plan from amongst them.
- (10) Where, on the basis of such criteria as may be laid down by it, the committee of creditors decides that the resolution plan selected under sub-section (9) is significantly better than the base resolution plan, such resolution plan may be selected for approval under sub-section (12):

Provided that the criteria laid down by the committee of creditors under this sub-section shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified.

(11) Where the resolution plan selected under subsection (9) is not considered for approval or does not fulfil the requirements of sub-section (10), it shall compete with the base resolution plan, in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be specified, and one of them shall be selected for approval under sub-section (12). **Reg 48** 

(12) The resolution plan selected for approval under sub-section (10) or sub-section

(11), as the case may be, may be approved by the committee of creditors for submission to the Adjudicating Authority:

Provided that where the resolution plan selected for approval under sub-section (11) is not approved by the committee of creditors, the resolution professional shall file an application for termination of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in such form and manner as may be specified. **Reg 49** 

- (13) The approval of the resolution plan under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be, by the committee of creditors, shall be by a vote of not less than sixty-six per cent. of the voting shares, after considering its feasibility and viability, the manner of distribution proposed, taking into account the order of priority amongst creditors as laid down in sub-section (1) of section 53, including the priority and value of the security interest of a secured creditor and such other requirements as may be specified.
- (14) While considering the feasibility and viability of a resolution plan, where the resolution plan submitted by the corporate debtor provides for impairment of **any claims** owed by the corporate debtor, the committee of creditors may require the promoters of the corporate debtor to dilute their shareholding or voting or control rights in the corporate debtor:

Provided that where the resolution plan does not provide for such dilution, the committee of creditors shall, prior to the approval of such resolution plan under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be, record reasons for its approval.

(15) The resolution professional shall submit the resolution plan as approved by the committee of creditors under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be, to the Adjudicating Authority.

Explanation I.—For the removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that, the corporate debtor being a resolution applicant under clause (25) of section 5, may submit the base resolution plan either individually or jointly with any other person.

Explanation II.—For the purposes of sub-sections (4) and (14), claims shall be considered to be impaired where the resolution plan does not provide for the full payment of the confirmed claims as per the updated list of claims maintained by the resolution professional.

#### 54L. Approval of resolution plan.

(1) If the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the resolution plan as approved by the committee of creditors under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be of section 54K, subject to the conditions provided therein, meets the requirements as referred to in sub-section (2) of section 30, it shall, within thirty days of the receipt of such resolution plan, by order, approve the resolution plan:

Provided that the Adjudicating Authority shall, before passing an order for approval of a resolution plan under this sub-section, satisfy itself that the resolution plan has provisions for its effective implementation.

(2) The order of approval under sub-section (1) shall have such effect as provided under

sub-sections (1), (3) and (4) of section 31, which shall, mutatis mutandis apply, to the proceedings under this Chapter.

- (3) Where the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the resolution plan does not conform to the requirements referred to in sub-section (1), it may, within thirty days of the receipt of such resolution plan, by an order, reject the resolution plan and pass an order under section 54N.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section, where the Adjudicating Authority has passed an order under sub-section (2) of section 54J and the resolution plan approved by the committee of creditors under sub-section (4) or sub-section (12), as the case may be of section 54K, does not result in the change in the management or control of the corporate debtor to a person who was not a promoter or in the management or control of the corporate debtor, the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order
  - (a) rejecting such resolution plan;
  - (b)terminating the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process and passing a liquidation order in respect of the corporate debtor as referred to in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 33; and
  - (c)declaring that the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs, if any, shall be included as part of the liquidation costs for the purposes of liquidation of the corporate debtor.

#### 54M. Appeal against order under section 54L.

Any appeal against an order approving the resolution plan under sub-section (1) of section 54L, shall be on the grounds laid down in sub-section (3) of section 61.

#### 54N. Termination of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

- (1) Where the resolution professional files an application with the Adjudicating Authority,
  - (a) under the proviso to sub-section (12) of section 54K; or
  - (b) under sub-section (3) of section 54D,

the Adjudicating Authority shall, within thirty days of the date of such application, by an order, —

- (i) terminate the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process; and
- (ii)provide for the manner of continuation of proceedings initiated for avoidance of transactions under Chapter III or proceedings initiated under section 66 and section 67A, if any.
- (1) Where the resolution professional, at any time after the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, but before the approval of resolution plan under sub-section (4) or sub-

section (12), as the case may be of section 54K, intimates the Adjudicating Authority of the

decision of the committee of creditors, approved by a vote of not less than sixty-six per cent. of the voting shares, to terminate the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order under sub-section (1).

- (3) Where the Adjudicating Authority passes an order under sub-section (1), the corporate debtor shall bear the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs, if any.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section, where the Adjudicating Authority has passed an order under sub-section (2) of section 54J and the pre- packaged insolvency resolution process is required to be terminated under sub-section (1), the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order
  - (a) of liquidation in respect of the corporate debtor as referred to in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 33: and
  - (b)declare that the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs, if any, shall be included as part of the liquidation costs for the purposes of liquidation of the corporate debtor.

#### 54-O Initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process.

- (1) The committee of creditors, at any time after the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date but before the approval of resolution plan under sub-section (4) or sub- section (12), as the case may be of section 54K, by a vote of not less than sixty-six per cent. of the voting shares, may resolve to initiate a corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of the corporate debtor, **if such corporate debtor is eligible** for corporate insolvency resolution process under Chapter II.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Chapter II, where the resolution professional intimates the Adjudicating Authority of the decision of the committee of creditors under sub-section (1), the Adjudicating Authority shall, within thirty days of the date of such intimation, pass an order to
  - (a)terminate the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process and initiate corporate insolvency resolution process under Chapter II in respect of the corporate debtor;
  - (b) appoint the resolution professional referred to in clause (b) of sub-section
  - (1) of section 54E as the interim resolution professional, subject to submission of written consent by such resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority in such form as may be specified; and
  - (c) declare that the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs, if any, shall be included as part of insolvency resolution process costs for the purposes of the corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor.
- (3) Where the resolution professional fails to submit written consent under clause (b) of sub-section (2), the Adjudicating Authority shall appoint an interim resolution professional

by making a reference to the Board for recommendation, in the manner as provided under

#### section 16.

- (4) Where the Adjudicating Authority passes an order under sub-section (2)
  - (a) such order shall be deemed to be an order of admission of an application under section 7 and shall have the same effect;
  - (b)the corporate insolvency resolution process shall commence from the date of such order;
  - (c)the proceedings initiated for avoidance of transactions under Chapter III or proceedings initiated under section 66 and section 67A, if any, shall continue during the corporate insolvency resolution process;
  - (d)for the purposes of sections 43, 46 and 50, references to "insolvency commencement date" shall mean "pre-packaged insolvency commencement date"; and
  - (e)in computing the relevant time or the period for avoidable transactions, the time-period for the duration of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process shall also be included, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in sections 43, 46 and 50.

#### 54P. Application of provisions of Chapters II, III, VI, and VII to this Chapter.

- (1) Save as provided under this Chapter, the provisions of sections 24, 25A, 26, 27, 28, 29A, 32A, 43 to 51, and the provisions of Chapters VI and VII of this Part shall, *mutatis mutandis* apply, to the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, subject to the following, namely:—
  - (a) reference to "members of the suspended Board of Directors or the partners" under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 24 shall be construed as reference to "members of the Board of Directors or the partners, unless an order has been passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 54J";
  - (b) reference to "clause (j) of sub-section (2) of section 25" under section 26 shall be construed as reference to "clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 54F";
  - (c) reference to "section 16" under section 27 shall be construed as reference to "section 54E";
  - (d) reference to "resolution professional" in sub-sections (1) and (4) of section 28 shall be construed as "corporate debtor";
  - (e) reference to "section 31" under sub-section (3) of section 61 shall be construed as reference to "sub-section (1) of section 54L";
  - (f) reference to "section 14" in sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 74 shall be construed as reference to "clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 54E";

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- (2) Without prejudice to the provisions of this Chapter and unless the context otherwise requires, where the provisions of Chapters II, III, VI and VII are applied to the proceedings under this Chapter, references to
  - (a) "insolvency commencement date" shall be construed as references to "pre- packaged insolvency commencement date";
  - (b) "resolution professional" or "interim resolution professional", as the case may be, shall be construed as references to the resolution professional appointed under this Chapter;
  - (c) "corporate insolvency resolution process" shall be construed as references to "pre-packaged insolvency resolution process"; and
  - (d) "insolvency resolution process period" shall be construed as references to "pre- packaged insolvency resolution process period."]

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS) REGULATIONS, 2021

## INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 9th April, 2021

## INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS) REGULATIONS, 2021

**No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG071.**—In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 196, 208 and 240 read with provisions of Chapter III-A of Part II of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely:-

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1)In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,-
- (a)—applicant means the corporate applicant, filing an application for initiation of prepackaged insolvency resolution process under section 54C;
- (b)—class of creditors means a class with at least ten financial creditors under clause
- (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21 and the expression, —creditors in a class || shall be construed accordingly;
- (c)—Codel means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
- (d)—committee means the committee of creditors constituted under section 54I;
- (e)—electronic form shall have the meaning assigned to it in the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000);
- (f)—electronic means means an authorised and secured computer programme which is capable of producing confirmation of sending communication to the participant entitled to receive such communication at the latest electronic mail address as made available by such participant and keeping record of such communication;
- (g)—fair value means the estimated realisable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if they were to be exchanged on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where the parties had acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;

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- (h) —FormI means a Form specified in the Schedule;
- (i)—identification number | means the limited liability partnership identification number or the corporate identity number, as the case may be;
- (j)—insolvency professional entityl means an entity recognised as such under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
- (k)—liquidation valuel means the estimated realisable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if it were to be liquidated on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (I)—participantl means a person entitled to attend the meeting of the committee under section 24 or any other person authorised by the committee to attend the meeting;
- (m)—processl means pre-packaged insolvency resolution process for corporate debtors under Chapter III-A of Part II of the Code;
- (n)—registered valuer means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and the rules made thereunder;
- (o) —Schedulel means the schedule to these Regulations;
- (p) -section | means section of the Code;
- (q)—video conferencing or other audio and visual means l means such audio and visual facility which enables the participants in a meeting to communicate concurrently with one another and to participate effectively in the meeting.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Code.

#### CHAPTER II

#### GENERAL

#### 3. Meetings and communication.

- (1)The meetings required under these Regulations may be held either in physical or electronic mode or in a combination of both.
- (2) All communications required under these Regulations shall be made by electronic means as far as possible.

#### 4. Essential supplies.

The essential goods and services referred to in sub-section (2) of section 14 shall mean-

- (a) electricity;
- (b) water;
- (c) telecommunication services; and
- (d) information technology services,

to the extent these are not a direct input to the output produced or supplied by the corporate debtor.

*Explanation.*- Water supplied to a corporate debtor will be essential supplies for drinking and sanitation purposes, and not for generation of hydro-electricity.

#### 5. Extortionate credit transaction.

A transaction shall be considered extortionate under sub-section (2) of section 50 where the terms-

- (a) require the corporate debtor to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
- (b) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

#### 6. Pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs.

For the purposes of sub-clause (e) of clause (23C) of section 5, pre-packaged insolvency resolution process costs shall mean-

- (a) fee payable to authorised representative under sub-regulation (5) of regulation 34;
- (b) out of pocket expenses of authorised representative for discharge of his functions under section 25A; and
- (c) any other cost directly relating to the process and approved by the committee.

#### CHAPTER III

#### RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

#### 7. Eligibility for resolution professional.

(1)Subject to consent in Form P1, an insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as an interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may, if he, and all partners and directors of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, are independent of the corporate debtor.

Explanation .- A person shall be considered independent of the corporate debtor, if he-

- (a)is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate debtor under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate debtor is a company;
- (b) is not a related party of the corporate debtor; or
- (c) is not an employee or proprietor or a partner-
- (i) of a firm of auditors or secretarial auditors or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or
- (ii)of a legal or a consulting firm, that has or had any transaction with the corporate debtor amounting to five per cent. or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

in any of the preceding three financial years.

(2) A resolution professional, who is a director or a partner of an insolvency professional entity, shall be ineligible to continue as a resolution professional in a process, if the insolvency professional entity or any partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any of the stakeholders in the same process.

#### 8. Fee of resolution professional.

- (1)Where the corporate debtor fails to file an application or the application for initiation of the process is rejected, the fee payable to the resolution professional for performing duties under sub-section (3) of section 54B shall be borne by the corporate debtor.
- (2)The corporate debtor shall maintain a separate bank account with such amount as may be advised by the committee from time to time and, subject to provisions of clause (23C) of section 5, such account shall be operated by the resolution professional to meet his fee and expenses incurred by him for conducting the process.

#### 9. Access to books.

The resolution professional may access the books of account, records, and other documents to the extent relevant for discharging his duties under the Code, of the corporate debtor held with-

- (a) members, promoters, partners, directors and joint venture partners of the corporate debtor;
- (b) professionals and advisors engaged by the corporate debtor;
- (c) depositories of securities;
- (d) registries that records the ownership of assets; and
- (e) contractual counterparties of the corporate debtor.

#### 10. Appointment of professionals.

 $The \ resolution \ professional \ may \ appoint \ a \ professional \ under \ clause \ (e) \ of \ sub-section \ (3) \ of \ section \ 54F:$ 

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as a professional, namely:-

- (a) a person who is not registered with the regulator of the profession concerned;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (d)a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director; or
- (e)a relative of the resolution professional or of a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.

#### 11. Disclosure of costs.

(1)A resolution professional shall make disclosures at the time of his appointment and, thereafter, in accordance with the code of conduct as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

(2)The resolution professional shall disclose item wise process costs in such manner as may be required by the Board.

#### 12. Preservation of records.

The resolution professional shall preserve a physical as well as an electronic copy of the records relating to the process of the corporate debtor as per the record retention schedule, as may be required by the Board in consultation with insolvency professional agencies.

#### 13. Filing of reports and forms.

The resolution professional shall file such forms, along with enclosures thereto, on an electronic platform, as may be required by the Board in consultation with insolvency professional agencies.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### INITIATION OF PROCESS

#### 14. Approvals by financial creditors.

- (1)For the purposes of clause (e) of sub-section (2) and sub-section (3) of section 54A, the applicant shall convene meetings of the financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.
- (2)The notice of the meeting under sub-regulation (1) shall be served to the financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, at least five days before the date of the meeting, unless a shorter time is agreed to by all of them
- (3)The notice of the meeting under this regulation shall indicate the date, time and venue of the meeting, and enclose a list of creditors along with the amount due to them in Form P2.
- (4)The financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor and have not less than ten per cent. of the value of the total financial debt of such creditors may propose names of insolvency professionals for the purposes of clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A.
- (5)The approval of the terms of appointment of resolution professional under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A shall be in Form P3.
- (6) The terms of appointment of the resolution professional under this regulation shall include -
- (a) fee payable to him for performing duties under sub-section (1) of section 54B;
- (b) fee payable to him and expenses to be incurred by him for conducting the process; and
- (c) fee payable to him and expenses to be incurred by him in case management of the corporate debtor is vested with him under section 54J.
- (7) The approval for filing of application under sub-section (3) of section 54A shall be in Form P4.
- (8)Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or where all financial creditors are related parties, the applicant shall convene a meeting of operational creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor and provisions of sub-regulations (1) to (7) shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

#### 15. Choice of authorised representative.

On examination of Form P2, the resolution professional shall-

- (i) ascertain class(es) of creditors, if any;
- (ii)for representation of creditors in a class ascertained under sub-regulation (1) in the committee, identify three insolvency professionals who are-
- (a) not relatives or related parties of the applicant or the resolution professional;
- (b) having their addresses, as registered with the Board, in the State or Union territory, as the case may be, which has the highest number of creditors in the class as per their addresses in the records of the corporate debtor:

Provided that where such State or Union territory does not have adequate number of insolvency professionals, the insolvency professionals having addresses in a nearby State or Union territory, as the case may be, shall be considered;

- (c) eligible to be appointed under regulation 7; and
- (d) willing to act as authorised representative of creditors in the class;

(iii) obtain the consent of the insolvency professionals identified under sub-regulation (2) to act as the authorised representative of creditors in the class in Form P5;

(iv)seek choice of the creditors in the class for an insolvency professional, who has consented under sub-regulation (3):

Provided that the creditors shall communicate their choice to the resolution professional

within three days;

(v)select the insolvency professional, who is the choice of the highest number of creditors in the class to act as the authorised representative of the creditors of the respective class.

(vi)inform the name of the insolvency professional selected under sub-regulation (5), along with his consent in Form P5, to the applicant.

#### 16. Declarations.

- (1) The declaration under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A shall be made in Form P6.
- (2) The declaration under clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 54C shall be made in Form P7.

#### 17. Report by resolution professional.

The report under clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 54B shall be prepared in Form P8.

#### 18. Information to be furnished by the applicant.

For the purposes of clause (d) of sub-section (3) of section 54C, the applicant shall furnish-

- (a) audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years;
- (b)provisional financial statements for the current financial year made up to the date of declaration under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A; and
- (c) Form P5 submitted by the authorised representatives selected under sub-regulation (5) of regulation 15.

#### CHAPTER V

#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT AND CLAIMS

#### 19. Public announcement.

- (1)The resolution professional shall make a public announcement within two days of the commencement of the process.
- (2) The public announcement referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be-
- (a) in Form P9;
- (b) sent to every creditor listed in Form P2;
- (c) sent to information utilities; and
- (d) published on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor and the Board.

#### 20. List of claims

- (1)The corporate debtor shall submit a list of claims under sub-section (1) of section 54G in Form P10 to the resolution professional.
- (2)Based on the records of the corporate debtor and other relevant material available on record, the resolution professional shall confirm the details received in Form P10.
- (3)The resolution professional shall inform every creditor regarding its claims, as confirmed by him, and seek objections, if any.
- (4)A creditor may submit objection along with supporting documents to the resolution professional within seven days from the receipt of communication under sub-regulation (3).
- (5)The resolution professional may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a creditor for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

- (6)The resolution professional shall consider every objection received under sub-regulation (4) and modify the claim of the creditor, if required.
- (7)A creditor shall update its claim, as and when the claim is satisfied, partly or fully, from any source in any manner, after the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (8) The resolution professional shall maintain a list of claims in Form P10 and update it as and when required.
- (9) Form P10 shall be -
- (a) available for inspection by the creditors, members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate debtor;
- (b) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
- (c) filed with the Board on electronic platform; and
- (d) presented at the meetings of the committee, as and when updated.

#### 21. Determination of amount of claim.

- (1)Where the amount of claim of a creditor is not precise due to any contingency or other reason, the resolution professional shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim based on the information available with him.
- (2)The resolution professional shall revise the amount of claims confirmed, including the estimates of claims made under sub-regulation (1), as soon as may be practicable, when he comes across additional information warranting such revision.

#### 22. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.

Explanation.- —official exchange ratel is the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

#### 23. Transfer of debt due to creditors.

Where a creditor assigns or transfers the debt due to such creditor to any other person during the process period, both parties shall provide the resolution professional, the terms of such assignment or transfer and the identity of the assignee or transferee for updation under sub-regulation (8) of regulation 20.

#### CHAPTER VI

#### COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS

#### 24. Committee with only creditors in a class.

Where the corporate debtor has only creditors in a class and no other financial creditor who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, the committee shall consist of only the authorised representative(s).

#### 25. Committee with only operational creditors.

- (1)Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or all financial creditors are related parties, the committee shall consist of operational creditors, being not related to the corporate debtor, as under:-
- (a)ten largest operational creditors by value, and if the number of operational creditors is less than ten, the committee shall include all such operational creditors;
- (b) one representative elected by all workmen other than those workmen included under clause (a); and
- (c) one representative elected by all employees other than those employees included under clause(a).
- (2)A member of the committee formed under this regulation shall have voting rights in proportion of the debt due to such creditor or debt represented by such representative, as the case may be, to the total debt.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this sub-regulation, \_total debt' is the sum of-

- (a) the amount of debt due to the creditors listed in clause (a) of sub-regulation (1);
- (b) the amount of the aggregate debt due to workmen under clause (b) of sub-regulation (1); and
- (c) the amount of the aggregate debt due to employees under clause (c) of sub-regulation (1).

(3) A committee formed in accordance with regulation 24 or regulation 25, as the case may be, and its members shall have the same rights, powers, duties and obligations as a committee comprising financial creditors and its members.

#### 26. Change in committee.

Any change in the composition of committee of creditors shall be intimated to all the members of the committee within two days of such change.

#### CHAPTER VII

#### MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

#### 27. Meetings of the committee.

- (1) A resolution professional may convene a meeting of the committee as and when he considers necessary.
- (2)A resolution professional shall convene a meeting, if a request to that effect is made by members of the committee representing thirty-three per cent of voting share.

#### 28. Notice for meetings of the committee.

- (1)A meeting of the committee shall be convened by giving not less than three days' notice in writing to every participant, at the address provided to the resolution professional by the creditor.
- (2)The committee may reduce the notice period from three days to such other period of not less than twenty-four hours, as it deems fit:

Provided that the committee may reduce the period to such other period of not less than forty-eight hours if there is any authorised representative in the committee.

#### 29. Service of notice.

- (1)A notice may be sent to the participants through e-mail as a text or as an attachment to e-mail or as a notification providing electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator for accessing such notice.
- (2)The subject line in e-mail shall state the name of the corporate debtor, the place, if any, the time and the date on which the meeting is scheduled.
- (3)When notice is sent in the form of a non-editable attachment to an e-mail, such attachment shall be in the Portable Document Format or in a non-editable format together with a 'link or instructions' for recipient for downloading relevant version of the software.
- (4)When notice or notifications of availability of notice are sent by an e-mail, the resolution professional shall ensure that it uses a system which produces confirmation of the total number of recipients e-mailed and a record of each recipient to whom the notice has been sent and copy of such record and any notices of any failed transmissions and subsequent re-sending shall be retained as \_proof of sending'.
- (5)The obligation of the resolution professional shall be satisfied when he transmits the e-mail and he shall not be held responsible for a failure in transmission beyond his control.
- (6)The notice made available on the electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator shall be readable, and the recipient should be able to obtain and retain copies and the resolution professional shall give the complete Uniform Resource Locator or address of the website and full details of how to access the document or information.
- (7)If a participant fails to provide or update the relevant e-mail address to the resolution professional, the non-receipt of such notice by such participant of any meeting shall not invalidate the decisions taken at such meeting.

#### 30. Contents of the notice for meeting.

- (1)The notice shall inform the participants of the venue, the time and date of the meeting and of the option available to them to participate through video conferencing or other audio and visual means and shall also provide all the necessary information to enable participation through video conferencing or other audio and visual means.
- (2)The notice of the meeting shall provide that a participant may attend and vote in the meeting either in person or through a representative, who is not a related party of the corporate debtor:

Provided that such participant shall inform the resolution professional, in advance of the meeting, of the identity of the representative who will attend and vote at the meeting on its behalf and shall forward an authorisation in favour of the representative.

- (3) The notice of the meeting shall contain the following:-
- (a) a list of the matters to be discussed at the meeting;
- (b) a list of the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and
- (c) copies of all documents relevant to the matters to be discussed and the issues to be voted upon at the meeting.
- (4) The notice of the meeting shall-
- (a)state the process and manner for voting by electronic means and the time schedule, including the time period during which the votes may be cast;
- (b)provide the login ID and the details of a facility for generating password and for keeping security and casting of vote in a secure manner; and
- (c) provide contact details of the person who will address the queries connected with the electronic voting.

#### 31. Quorum.

(1)A meeting of the committee shall quorate if members of the committee representing at least thirty three percent of the voting share are present either in person or by video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

Provided that the committee may modify the percentage of voting share required for quorum in respect of any future meetings of the committee.

- (2)Where a meeting of the committee could not be held for want of quorum, unless the committee has previously decided otherwise, the meeting shall automatically stand adjourned at the same time and place on the next day.
- (3)In the event a meeting of the committee is adjourned in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the adjourned meeting shall quorate with the members of the committee attending the meeting.

#### 32. Participation through video conferencing.

- (1)The notice convening the meetings of the committee shall provide the participants an option to attend the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means in accordance with this Regulation.
- (2)The resolution professional shall make necessary arrangements to ensure uninterrupted and clear video or audio and visual connection
- (3) The resolution professional shall take due and reasonable care-
- (a) to safeguard the integrity of the meeting by ensuring sufficient security and identification procedures;
- (b)to ensure availability of proper video conferencing or other audio and visual equipment or facilities for providing transmission of the communications for effective participation of the participants at the meeting;
- (c) to record proceedings and prepare the minutes of the meeting;
- (d)to store for safe keeping and marking the physical recording(s) or other electronic recording mechanism as part of the records of the corporate debtor; and
- (e)to ensure that no person other than the intended participants attends or has access to the proceedings of the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

Provided that the persons, who are differently abled, may make a request to the resolution professional to allow a person to accompany them at the meeting.

(4) Where a meeting is conducted through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, the scheduled venue of the meeting as set forth in the notice convening the meeting, which shall be in India, shall be deemed to be the place of the said meeting and all recordings of the proceedings at the meeting shall be deemed to be made at such place.

## 33. Conduct of meeting.

- (1) The resolution professional shall act as the chairperson of meetings of the committee.
- (2)At the commencement of a meeting, the resolution professional shall take a roll call of every participant attending the meeting at the venue or participating through video conferencing or other audio and visual means and shall state, for record, the following: -
- (a) his name;
- (b) whether he is attending in the capacity of a member of the committee or any other participant;
- $(c) \ whether \ he \ is \ representing \ a \ member \ or \ group \ of \ members;$

- (d) the location from where he is participating;
- (e) that he has received the agenda and all the relevant material for the meeting; and
- (f)that no one other than him is attending or has access to the proceedings of the meeting at the location of that person.
- (3)After the roll call, the resolution professional shall inform the participants of the names of all persons who are present for the meeting and confirm if the required quorum is complete.
- (4) The resolution professional shall ensure that the required quorum is present throughout the meeting.
- (5)From the commencement of the meeting till its conclusion, no person other than the participants and any other person whose presence is required by the resolution professional shall be allowed access to the place where meeting is held or to the video conferencing or other audio and visual facility.
- (6)The resolution professional shall ensure that minutes are made in relation to each meeting of the committee and such minutes shall disclose the particulars of the participants who attended the meeting in person, through video conferencing, or other audio and visual means.

#### 34. Committee with creditors in a class.

- (1)The resolution professional shall provide the list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative within three days of the commencement of the process.
- (2)The resolution professional shall provide an updated list of creditors in each class to the respective authorised representative as and when the list is updated.

Clarification.- The authorised representative shall have no role in receipt or confirmation of claims of creditors of the class he represents.

- (3)The resolution professional shall provide electronic means of communication between the authorised representative and the creditors in the class.
- (4)The voting share of a creditor in a class shall be in proportion to the financial debt which includes an interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum unless a different rate has been agreed to between the parties.
- (5)The authorised representative of creditors in a class shall be entitled to receive fee for every meeting of the committee attended by him in the following manner, namely:-

Number of creditors in the class	Fee per meeting of the committee (Rs.)
10-100	15,000
101-1000	20,000
More than 1000	25,000

(6) The authorised representative shall circulate the agenda to creditors in a class and may seek their preliminary views on any item in the agenda to enable him to effectively participate in the meeting of the committee:

Provided that creditors shall have a time window of at least twelve hours to submit their preliminary views, and the said window opens at least twenty-four hours after the authorised representative seeks preliminary views:

Provided further that such preliminary views shall not be considered as voting instructions by the creditors.

## $35. \ \ \textbf{Voting by the committee.}$

- (1) Any action requiring approval of the committee shall be considered in the meetings of the committee.
- (2)The resolution professional shall take a vote of the members of the committee present in the meeting, on any item listed for voting after discussion on the same.
- (3)At the conclusion of a vote at the meeting, the resolution professional shall announce the decision taken by the members present in the meeting, on items along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision or abstained from voting.
- (4) The resolution professional shall-
- (a)circulate the minutes of the meeting by electronic means to all members of the committee and authorised representative, within twenty-four hours of the conclusion of the meeting; and

- (b) seek a vote of the members who did not vote at the meeting on the matters listed for voting, by electronic voting system in accordance with regulation 37 where the voting shall be kept open for at least twenty-four hours from the circulation of the minutes.
- (5) The authorised representative shall circulate the minutes of the meeting received under sub-regulation (4) to creditors in a class and announce the voting window at least twenty-four hours before the window opens for voting instructions and keep the voting window open for at least twelve hours.

#### 36. Voting by authorised representative.

The authorised representative, if any, shall cast his vote in respect of each financial creditor or on behalf of all financial creditors he represents in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (3) or sub-section (3A) of section 25A, as the case may be.

#### 37. Voting through electronic means.

(1)The resolution professional shall provide each member of the committee the means to exercise its vote by either electronic means or through electronic voting system in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

Explanation. - For the purposes of these Regulations, -

- (a)the expressions \_voting by electronic means" or \_electronic voting system" means a \_secured system! based process of display of electronic ballots, recording of votes of the members of the committee and the number of votes polled in favour or against, such that the voting exercised by way of electronic means gets registered and counted in an electronic registry in a centralised server with adequate cyber security;
- (b) the expression \_\_secured system" means computer hardware, software, and procedure that-
- (i) are reasonably secure from unauthorised access and misuse;
- (ii) provide a reasonable level of reliability and correct operation;
- (iii) are reasonably suited to perform the intended functions; and
- (iv) adhere to generally accepted security procedures.
- (2) At the end of the voting period, the voting portal shall forthwith be blocked.
- (3)At the conclusion of a vote held under this regulation, the resolution professional shall announce and make a written record of the summary of the decision taken on a relevant agenda item along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision or abstained from voting.
- (4)The resolution professional shall circulate a copy of the record made under sub-regulation (3) to all participants by electronic means within twenty-four hours of the conclusion of the voting.

# CHAPTER VIII

## VALUATION AND INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

#### 38. Appointment of registered valuers.

The resolution professional shall within three days of his appointment, appoint two registered valuers to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as registered valuers, namely:-

- (a) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (b)an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date;
- (c)a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director; or
- (d)a relative of the resolution professional or of a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.

## 39. Fair value and liquidation value.

- (1) Fair value and liquidation value shall be determined in the following manner:-
- (a)the registered valuers appointed under regulation 38 shall submit to the resolution professional an estimate of the fair value and of the liquidation value computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the inventory and fixed assets of the corporate debtor;

- (b) the average of the value determined by the two registered valuers shall be considered the fair value or the liquidation value, as the case maybe.
- (2)After the receipt of resolution plans in accordance with the Code and these Regulations, the resolution professional shall provide the fair value and the liquidation value to every member of the committee in electronic form, on receiving an undertaking from the member to the effect that such member shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value and shall not use such values to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.
- (3)The resolution professional and registered valuers shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value.

#### 40. Information memorandum.

- (1) The preliminary information memorandum shall provide details required under sub-regulation (2).
- (2) The information memorandum shall contain the following details of the corporate debtor: -
- (a) assets and liabilities with such description, as are generally necessary for ascertaining their values.

Explanation.- \_Description' includes the details such as date of acquisition, cost of acquisition, remaining useful life, identification number, depreciation charged, book value, and any other relevant details;

- (b) the latest annual financial statements;
- (c)audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and provisional financial statements for the current financial year.
- (d)a list of claims containing the names of creditors, the amounts of their claims and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims;
- (e) particulars of a debt due from or to the corporate debtor with respect to related parties;
- (f)details of guarantees that have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which of the guarantors is a related party;
- (g)the names and addresses of the members or partners holding at least one per cent stake in the corporate debtor along with the size of stake;
- (h)details of all material litigation and an ongoing investigation or proceeding initiated by Government and statutory authorities;
- (i) the number of workers and employees and liabilities of the corporate debtor towards them; and
- (j) other information, which the corporate debtor or resolution professional deems relevant to the committee.
- (3)The resolution professional shall finalise the information memorandum with details under sub-regulation (2) and submit to members of the committee within fourteen days of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement after receiving an undertaking from a member of the committee to the effect that such member or resolution applicant shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.
- (4)A member of the committee may request the resolution professional or corporate debtor for further information of the nature described in this regulation and the resolution professional or the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall provide such information to all members within reasonable time if such information has a bearing on the resolution plan.

## 41. Preferential and other transactions.

- (1)On or before the thirtieth day of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, the resolution professional shall form an opinion whether the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transaction covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66.
- (2)Where the resolution professional is of the opinion that the corporate debtor has been subjected to any transactions covered under sections 43, 45, 50 or 66, he shall make a determination on or before the forty-fifth day of the prepackaged insolvency commencement date, under intimation to the Board.
- (3)Where the resolution professional makes a determination under sub-regulation (2), he shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for appropriate relief on or before the sixtieth day of the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.

#### CHAPTER IX

#### RESOLUTION PLAN

#### 42. Scoring and improvement of resolution plans.

For the purposes of consideration of resolution plans,

(i) —basis for evaluationl, includes the parameters to be applied and the manner of applying such parameters, as approved by the committee, for evaluating a resolution plan to assign a score to the plan, and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

The committee may identify three parameters, namely, X, Y and Z for evaluation of resolution plans. It may apply these parameters in the form of a formula, namely, 1.5 X + 2 Y + 2.5 Z. Where the values of X, Y and Z are 20, 25, and 30 respectively, the score of the resolution plan is 1.5 (20) + 2 (25) + 2.5 (30) = 155.

#### Illustration 2

The committee may identify three parameters, namely, X, Y and Z for evaluation of resolution plans. It may apply these parameters in the form of a formula, namely,  $1.5 \times 1.2 \times 1.5 \times 1.$ 

(ii)—significantly better! in relation to resolution plan, means that the score of the resolution plan is higher than that of another resolution plan by a certain number or percentage, as approved by the committee and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

The committee may consider a resolution plan to be significantly better than another resolution plan, if the score of the former is higher than that of the latter by 10. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 110 respectively, \_B' is significantly better than \_A'. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 108 respectively, \_B' is not significantly better than \_A'.

## Illustration 2

The committee may consider a resolution plan to be significantly better than another resolution plan, if the score of the former is higher than that of the latter by 5 per cent. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 107 respectively, \_B' is significantly better than \_A'. Where resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 100 and 104 respectively, \_B' is not significantly better than \_A'.

(iii)—tick sizel means minimum improvement over another resolution plan in terms of score, as approved by the committee and disclosed in the invitation for resolution plans.

#### Illustration 1

On the basis for evaluation, resolution plans \_A' and \_B' have scores of 105 and 108, respectively. Resolution applicant of \_A' may wish to improve \_A' over \_B'. It must improve \_A' such that the score of \_A' exceeds that of \_B' at least by tick size. If tick size is 5, resolution applicant of \_A' must improve \_A' such that the score of \_A' is at least 108 + 5 = 113

## Illustration 2

In the example under Illustration 1, if tick size is 5 per cent., resolution applicant of  $\_A$ ' must improve  $\_A$ ' such that the score of  $\_A$ ' is at least  $108 \times 1.05 = 113.4$ .

## 43. Invitation for resolution plans.

- (1)For the purposes of sub-section (5) of section 54K, the resolution professional shall publish brief particulars of the invitation for resolution plans in Form P11 not later than twenty-one days from the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date.
- (2) The resolution professional shall publish Form P11-
- (a) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
- (b) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose; and
- (c) in any other manner as may be decided by the committee.

- (3) The Form P11 shall -
- (a) state where the invitation for resolution plans can be downloaded or obtained from, as the case may be; and

(b)provide the last date for submission of resolution plan which shall not be less than fifteen days from the date of issue of invitation for resolution plan under sub-regulation (2).

(4) The invitation for resolution plans shall-

(a)detail each step in the process, and the manner and purposes of interaction between the resolution professional and the resolution applicant, along with corresponding timelines;

- (b) include-
  - (i) the basis for evaluation;
  - (ii) basis for considering a resolution plan significantly better than another resolution plan;
  - (iii) tick size; and
  - (iv) the manner of improving a resolution plan; and
- (c) not require any non-refundable deposit for submission of or along with resolution plan.
- (5) The resolution professional shall require the resolution applicant, in case its resolution plan is approved under subsection (13) of section 54K, to provide a performance security within the time specified therein and such performance security shall stand forfeited if the resolution applicant of such plan, after its approval by the Adjudicating Authority, fails to implement or contributes to the failure of implementation of that plan in accordance with the terms of the plan and its implementation schedule.

Explanation 1.— For the purposes of this sub-regulation, —performance security shall mean security of such nature, value, duration and source, as may be specified in the invitation for resolution plans with the approval of the committee, having regard to the nature of resolution plan and business of the corporate debtor.

Explanation 2.— A performance security may be specified in absolute terms such as guarantee from a bank for Rs. X for Y years or in relation to one or more variables such as the term of the resolution plan, amount payable to creditors under the resolution plan, etc.

# 44. Resolution plan.

A resolution plan shall provide for the measures, as may be necessary, for maximisation of value of its assets, including the following:-

- (a) transfer of all or part of the assets of the corporate debtor to one or more persons;
- (b) sale of all or part of the assets whether subject to any security interest or not;
- (c) restructuring of the corporate debtor, by way of merger, amalgamation and demerger;
- (d) the substantial acquisition of shares of the corporate debtor;
- (e) cancellation or delisting of any shares of the corporate debtor, if applicable;
- (f) satisfaction or modification of any security interest;
- (g) curing or waiving of any breach of the terms of any debt due from the corporate debtor;
- (h) reduction in the amount payable to the creditors;
- (i) extension of a maturity date or a change in interest rate or other terms of a debt due from the corporate debtor;
- $\label{eq:constitutional} \ documents \ of \ the \ corporate \ debtor;$

(k)issuance of securities of the corporate debtor, for cash, property, securities, or in exchange for claims or interests, or other appropriate purpose;

- (l) change in portfolio of goods or services produced or rendered by the corporate debtor;
- (m) change in technology used by the corporate debtor; and
- (n) obtaining necessary approvals from the Central and State Governments and other authorities.

#### 45. Mandatory contents of resolution plan.

- (1) A resolution plan shall include-
- (a)an affidavit that resolution applicant is eligible to submit a resolution plan for resolution of the corporate debtor under the Code;

(b)a statement giving details if the resolution applicant or any of its related parties has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of implementation of any resolution plan approved by the Adjudicating Authority at any time in the past; and

- (c)an undertaking that every information and records provided in connection with or in the resolution plan is true and correct and discovery of false information and record at any time will render the resolution applicant ineligible to participate in any resolution process under the Code.
- (2) A resolution plan shall provide for-
- (a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;
- (b) the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term; and
- (c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.
- (3) A resolution plan shall demonstrate that -
- (a) it addresses the cause of default;
- (b) it is feasible and viable;
- (c) it has provisions for its effective implementation;
- (d) it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same; and
- (e) the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan.
- (4)A resolution plan shall include a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders, including financial creditors and operational creditors, of the corporate debtor.
- (5) The amount payable under a resolution plan –
- (a) to the operational creditors shall be paid in priority over financial creditors; and

(b)to the financial creditors, who have a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21 and did not vote in favour of the resolution plan, shall be paid in priority over financial creditors who voted in favour of the plan.

#### 46. Submission of resolution plans.

- (1)A resolution applicant may submit resolution plan or plans prepared in accordance with the Code and these Regulations to the resolution professional through electronic means within the time given in the invitation for resolution plan
- (2) A resolution plan which does not comply with the provisions of sub-regulation (1) shall be rejected.

#### 47. Evaluation of resolution plans.

- (1)The resolution plans received under regulation 46, which comply with the requirements of the Code and these Regulations, shall be evaluated on the basis for evaluation.
- (2)The resolution plan which gets the highest score under sub-regulation (1) shall be selected for competition with the base resolution plan.

# 48. Approval of resolution plan.

- (1)The resolution plan selected under regulation 47 shall be considered by the committee for approval, if it is significantly better than the base resolution plan.
- (2)Where no resolution plan is received under regulation 46, which complies with the requirements of the Code and these Regulations, the base resolution plan may be considered by the committee for approval.
- (3)In cases not covered under sub-regulations (1) and (2), the resolution professional shall disclose the scores of the resolution plan selected under regulation 46 and the base resolution plan to submitters of these resolution plans and invite them to improve their resolution plans in accordance with sub-regulation (4).
- (4)The submitter of the resolution plan under sub-regulation (3) shall have an option to improve its plan in the following manner:-
- (a)The submitter of resolution plan, which has lower score, shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;
- (b)then the submitter of the other resolution plan shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;
- (c) then the submitter under clause (a) shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size;

- (d) then the submitter under clause (b) shall have an option to improve its resolution plan by at least a tick size, and the process of improvement shall continue till either of the submitters fails to use the option within the time specified in the invitation for resolution plans.
- (5) The process under sub-regulations (3) and (4) shall be completed within a time-window of forty-eight hours.
- (6)The resolution plan having higher score on completion of process of improvement under sub-regulation (4) shall be considered by the committee for approval.

#### 49. Application to Adjudicating Authority.

- (1)Where a resolution plan is approved by the committee, the resolution professional shall submit an application, along with a compliance certificate in Form P12, to the Adjudicating Authority for approval.
- (2)The resolution professional shall forthwith send a copy of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving or rejecting a resolution plan to the participants and the resolution applicant.
- (3)The resolution professional shall, within seven days of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving a resolution plan, intimate each claimant, the principle or formula, as the case may be, for payment of debts under such resolution plan.
- (4)Where no resolution plan is approved by the committee or where the committee has approved the termination of process, the resolution professional shall file an application in Form P13 to the Adjudicating Authority for termination of process.

#### CHAPTER X

#### MANAGEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR

#### 50. Management during the process.

- (1)The corporate debtor shall not manage the affairs of the corporate debtor in a manner prejudicial to the creditors of the corporate debtor or in a fraudulent manner.
- (2)The corporate debtor shall not undertake any of the following actions without obtaining prior approval of the committee, namely:-
- (a) transaction above a threshold as decided by the committee; and
- (b) any other matter as decided by the committee and not covered under section 28.
- (3)The corporate debtor in consultation with the resolution professional shall prepare a monthly report and forward it to the members of the committee with the following details:-
- (a) details of legal proceedings having a material impact on the business of the corporate debtor;
- (b) details of key contracts executed during the reporting period; and
- $(c) \ any \ other \ relevant \ matter(s) \ that \ may \ have \ a \ material \ impact \ on \ the \ business \ of \ the \ corporate \ debtor.$
- (4) The resolution professional may-
- (a) call for information related to operations of the corporate debtor, including payments made;
- (b) visit premise(s) of the corporate debtor;
- (c) inspect the assets of the corporate debtor;
- $(d) \ call \ for \ information \ related \ to \ compliances \ applicable \ to \ the \ corporate \ debtor \ and \ its \ status;$
- (e) ask for details related to litigation initiated by or against corporate debtor; and
- (f) ask details for ascertaining the conduct of corporate debtor during the process.

#### 51. Vesting of the management with resolution professional.

For the purposes of sub-section (1) of section 54J, the resolution professional shall make an application in Form P14.

#### SCHEDULE

## FORM P1

#### WRITTEN CONSENT

(Under regulation 7(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

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	[D
To	
The Adjudicating Authority	
[Bench]	
From	
[Name of the insolvency professional]	
[Registration number of the insolvency professional]	

## Subject: Written consent in the matter of [name of corporate debtor]

[Address of the insolvency professional registered with the Board]

1. I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board. I have been proposed for appointment-

(i)as the interim resolution professional under section 54O of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 for corporate insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

OR

(ii)resolution professional under sections 54A or 27 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 for the prepackaged insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

{strike off the part which is not relevant}

- 2. I hereby give consent to the proposed appointment.
- 3. I have the following processes in hand:-

Sl. No.	Role as	Number of processes on the date of consent
I	II	III
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional in-	
	a.Insolvency resolution processes for corporate persons	
	b.Pre-packaged insolvency resolution processes	
	c.Insolvency resolution processes for individuals	
3	Liquidator of-	
	a. Liquidation Processes	
	b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

- 4. I declare and affirm as under:-
- a. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceeding initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
- b. I do not suffer from any disability to act as a resolution professional.
- c. I am eligible to be appointed as interim resolution professional / resolution professional of the corporate debtor under regulation 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and other applicable provisions of the Code and the Regulations.
- $\label{eq:loss_equation} \begin{array}{ll} d. & I \ shall \ make \ the \ disclosures \ in \ accordance \ with \ the \ code \ of \ conduct \ for \ insolvency \ professionals \ set \ out \ in \ the \ Insolvency \ and \ Bankruptcy \ Board \ of \ India \ (Insolvency \ Professionals) \ Regulations, 2016. \end{array}$

Date:	(Signature of the insolvency professional)	
Place:	Registration No.	
	Authorisation for assignment (AFA)NoDate of expiry of AFA	
	(Name in block letters)	
	(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)	

#### FORM P2

# LIST OF CREDITORS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

(Under regulation 14 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process)
Regulations, 2021)

# AS ON [DATE]

(Amount in ₹)

	List of financ	ial creditors (unrelated)	
I	II	III	IV
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of finar	cial creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of operation	onal creditors (unrelated)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of operat	tional creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim

1			
2			
3			
	List of other	r creditors (unrelated)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			
	List of oth	er creditors (related)	
Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Amount of claim	% of claim
1			
2			
3			

[For Corporate Applicant]
(Signature)
Name of person submitting information
Relationship with corporate debtor

#### FORM P3

## APPROVAL OF TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL

(Under regulation 14(5) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

- 1. The meeting of financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, was held on [date of meeting] at [time of meeting] at [venue of meeting] for proposing and approving the name of resolution professional for pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].
- 2. The list of creditors in Form P2 was provided with the notice of said meeting.
- 3. The details of creditor(s) present in the said meeting are enclosed as Annexure-A.
- 4. [Name of creditor(s)], having % of debt\*, proposed the name of [name of proposed resolution professional], having registration number [registration number] for appointment as resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].
- 5. The following creditor(s) have approved the appointment of [name of proposed resolution professional], having registration number [registration number] for appointment as resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor].

Sl.		Vote				
No.	creditor(s)		debt*	Assent	Dissent	Abstain
I	II	III	IV	v	VI	VII
1						
2						
3						
		Total				

The above-mentioned creditor(s), also approved the following terms of appointment of the [name of proposed resolution professional]:-

Sl. No.	Particulars	Fee (Amount in ₹)	Remarks
I	II	III	IV
1	Fee payable to the resolution professional for performing duties under sub-section (1) of section 54B		
2	Fee payable to the resolution professional and expenses to be incurred by him for conducting the process under section 54F		
3	Fee payable to the resolution professional and expenses to be incurred by him in case management of the corporate debtor is vested with him under section 54J		

That [name of creditor], is duly authorised to sign this Form on behalf of all the / assenting creditor(s) mentioned in Table in para 5.

[Name of creditor]

(Signature)

[NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS]

[Designation]

(Please modify the form suitably where the creditors are operational creditor(s))

#### FORM P4

#### APPROVAL FOR INITIATING PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR

(Under regulation 14(7) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

- The meeting of financial creditors, who are not related parties of the corporate debtor, was held on [date of meeting] at [time of meeting] at [venue of meeting] for approving the initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [Name of corporate debtor].

  2. Following document(s) was/were enclosed with the notice of said meeting:-
- list of creditors in Form P2;
- copy of declaration by members/partners in Form P6;
- copy of members' special resolution or partners' resolution, as the case may be;
- d. base resolution plan; and
- other relevant information or document, if any.
- 3. The details of creditor(s) present in the said meeting are enclosed herewith as Annexure-A.

<sup>\*</sup>Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate

4. The following creditor(s) have approved the initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

Sl.	1,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4,4			Percent of debt*		Vote	
No.	creditor(s)			Assent	Dissent	Abstain	
I	П	III	IV	V	VI	VII	
1							
2							
3							
		Total					

5. That [name of creditor], is duly authorised to sign this Form on behalf of all the / assenting creditor(s) mentioned in Table above.

[Name of creditor]

Signature

[NAME IN BLOCK LETTERS]

[Designation]

\*Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate debtor.

(Please modify the form suitably where the creditors are operational creditor(s))

## FORM P5

# WRITTEN CONSENT TO ACT AS AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

(Under regulation 15(iii) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

 $[Registration\ number\ of\ the\ insolvency\ professional]$ 

[Registered address of the insolvency professional]

To

[Name of resolution professional], the resolution professional of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]

## Subject: Written Consent to act as an authorised representative.

1. I, [name], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board, note that you have proposed to appoint me as the authorised representative of financial creditors in a class [specify class] in the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of the corporate debtor].

- 2. I hereby give my consent for the proposed appointment.
- 3. I am having the following processes in hand:-

Sl. No.	Role as	Number of processes on the date of consent
I	II	III
1	Interim Resolution Professional	
2	Resolution Professional in-	
	a.Insolvency resolution processes for corporate persons	
	b.Pre-packaged insolvency resolution processes	
	c.Insolvency resolution processes for individuals	
3	Liquidator of-	
	a. Liquidation Processes	
	b. Voluntary Liquidation Processes	
4	Bankruptcy Trustee	
5	Authorised Representative	
6	Any other (Please state)	

- 4. I declare and affirm as under:-
- a. I am not subject to any disciplinary proceeding initiated by the Board or the Insolvency Professional Agency.
- b. I do not suffer from any disability to act as an authorised representative.
- c. I shall not canvass with the creditors to indicate their choice in my favour.

Date:	(Signature of the insolvency professional)
Place:	Registration No
	Authorisation for assignment (AFA) No
	Date of expiry of AFA
	(Name in block letters)
	(Name of insolvency professional entity, if applicable)

## FORM P6

## DECLARATION BY DIRECTOR/PARTNERS

(Under regulation 16(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

Date	ı	Dotal	
	ı	Date	

To	
The Adj	udicating Authority
Г	Bench1

Subject: Declaration for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor].

# We,-

Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Director Identification Number	Address
I	II	III	IV
1			
2			
3			

representing majority among the directors/partners of the [name of the corporate debtor] —Corporate Debtorl) having [Identification Number] and having registered office at [Address], declare and affirm as under:-

- The corporate debtor shall file an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process within [insert number of days].
- ii. The pre-packaged insolvency resolution process is not being initiated to defraud any person.;
- iii. The creditors have approved the name of [name of insolvency professional], having registration number [registration number], in the meeting of creditors convened under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A read with regulation 8 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021, held on [date of meeting].
- iv. The details of the corporate debtor

Sl. No.	Title	Details
I	II	III
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Registered address of the corporate debtor	
3	Date of incorporation of the corporate debtor	
4	Estimated date for filing the application with adjudicating authority for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process	

v. The contents of this declaration are true and correct and that we have concealed nothing and that no part of it is false.

Date:	(Signature of the Director/Partner)
Place:	(Name in block letters)
	DIN
	Address:
Date:	(Signature of the Director/Partner)
Place:	(Name in block letters)
	DIN
	Address:

(To be signed by all the directors/partners mentioned in Point-1)

# FORM P7

# DECLARATION REGARDING EXISTENCE OF AVOIDANCE TRANSACTION(S)

(Under regulation 16(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

`o				[D
he Adjud	icating Authority			
	Bench]			
ubject: D	eclaration regarding e	xistence of avoidance	transaction in respect of	[name of corporate debtor].
hairperson		corporate debtor] (-	-Corporate Debtorl) having	here is no managing director [[Identification Number] have
strike off i	the part which is not rele	evant}		
	orporate debtor has not ter VI of the Insolvency			ning and scope of Chapter II
			OR	
Sl.	Transaction with	Section	Amount involved	Remarks, if any
No		(43/45/ 50/66)	(in Rs.)	
	II	(43/45/ 50/66) III	(in Rs.)	V
No		, ,	` ′	V
No I		, ,	` ′	V
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#### FORM P8

#### REPORT OF THE INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL

(Under regulation 17 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process)
Regulations, 2021)

- I [name of insolvency professional], proposed for appointment as resolution professional of [name of corporate debtor] in respect of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor] hereby declare and affirm as under:-
- 1.I have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief are necessary for the purposes of preparation of report under section 54B of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) and Regulations thereunder.
- 2.I have examined the relevant documents and information required to ascertain the status of the corporate debtor and I hereby confirm that [name of corporate debtor] is a micro/ small/medium enterprise under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (27 of 2006);
- 3. I hereby confirm that-
- a. the corporate debtor has not undergone pre-packaged insolvency resolution process or completed corporate
  insolvency resolution process, during the period of three years preceding the date of making of the application;
- b. the corporate debtor is not undergoing a corporate insolvency resolution process;
- c. no liquidation order has been made in respect of the corporate debtor;
- majority of directors / partners of the corporate debtor have made a declaration in Form P6 pursuant to clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A; [Attachment]
- the members of the corporate debtor have passed a special resolution or three-fourth of the total number of
  partners of the corporate debtor have passed a resolution approving the filing of the application for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process;
- f. the creditors of the corporate debtor representing [percent] of debt\* have approved the proposal for appointment of resolution professional, as required under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A in Form P3;
- g. the creditors of the corporate debtor representing [percent] of debt\* have approved the proposal for initiation of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor], as required under subsection (3) of section 54A in Form P4;
- the amount of default incurred by the corporate debtor is within the limit notified under sub-section (2) of section 4 of the Code; and
- I have examined the base resolution plan provided to creditor(s) under clause (c) of sub-section (4) of section 54A, and hereby confirm that it complies with sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 30, section 54K of Code and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and all other applicable provisions.

Place: (Signature)
Date: Name of insolvency professional

Registration number
\*Debt means aggregate financial debt owed to the financial creditors who are not related parties of the corporate

debtor.

#### FORM P9

#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(Under regulation 19(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

#### FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE CREDITORS OF [NAME OF CORPORATE DEBTOR]

Notice is hereby given that the Adjudicating Authority, \_\_\_Bench has ordered for the commencement of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process for [name of the corporate debtor] on [pre-packaged insolvency commencement date].

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS				
I	II	III			
1	Name of corporate debtor				
2	Former name(s), if changed in last two years				
3	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor				
4	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated / registered				
5	Identification number				
6	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor				
7	Pre-packaged insolvency commencement date				
8	Name and registration number of the resolution professional				
9	Address and e-mail of the resolution professional, as registered with the Board				
10	Address and e-mail to be used for correspondence with the resolution professional				
11	List of claims shall be made available from [insert date] at:				

(Signat	ure)

Name and of resolution professional:

Date: Place:

# FORM P10 LIST OF CLAIMS

(Under regulation 20 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process)
Regulations, 2021)

As on	

 $(Amount\,in\, \overline{\bf {\mathfrak e}})$ 

Sl. No.	Category of creditor	Summary of claims		Amount of contingent	Details in Annexure	Remarks, if any
		No. of claims	Amount	claims		
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII
1	Secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors				1	
2	Unsecured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors				2	
3	Secured financial creditors (other than financialcreditors belonging to any class of creditors)	l			3	
4	Unsecured financial creditors (other than financialcreditors belonging to any class of creditors)				4	

	operational creditors)		
9	Other creditors, if any, (other than financial creditors and	9	
8	Operational creditors (other than Workmen, Employees and Government dues)	8	
7	Operational creditors (Government dues)	7	
6	Operational creditors (Employees)	6	
5	Operational creditors (Workmen)	5	

[For Corporate Debtor]	OR	[For Resolution Professional]
Signature		Signature
Name of person submitting the information		Name of Insolvency Professional
Relationship with corporate debtor		Registration Number

# Annexure-1

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
Li-t - C dit

# List of secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors

(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.	of	Identification No.			Details	contingent		Remarks, ifany			
	creditor		Amount of claim	Nature ofclaim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	- claim	mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

# Annexure-2

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

# List of unsecured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors

 $(Amount\,in\, {\bf \ref{eq:total}})$ 

Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Identification No.			Details of cla	Amount of contingent claim	Amount of any mutual dues, that	Remarks, if any		
			Amount of claim	Nature ofclaim	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	Claim	may be set-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										
3										

# $\underline{Annexure-3}$

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

List of secured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)

(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.		Identification No.								of any	Remarks, if any
	creditor		Amount of claim		Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	contingent claim	dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

# Annexure – 4

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

List of unsecured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)

 $(Amount\,in\, \overline{\bf <}\,)$ 

	creditor	Identification No.	Amount of contingent	of any	Remarks, ifany					
110.			Amount ofclaim	Nature ofclaim	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee		mutual dues, that may beset-off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										

72			[PART III—SEC.4]								
3											
				Anne	<u>exure – 5</u>						
Name of the	corporate deb	tor:									
Date of comr	nencement of	PPIRP:									
List of credit	ors as on:										
	List of operational creditors (Workmen)										

(Amount in₹)

SI. No.	Nameof workman	Identification No.	Amount of claim		Whether related party.	% voting sharein committee, if applicable	Amount of contingent claim	Amount of any mutual dues, that may be set-off	Remarks, if any
I	П	III	IV	v	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
1									
2									
3									

# <u>Annexure – 6</u>

Tame of the corporate debtor:
Pate of commencement of PPIRP:
ist of creditors as on:

# List of operational creditors (Employees)

 $(Amount\, in \overline{\bf <}\,)$ 

Sl. No.	Name of employee	Identification No.	Amount of claim		Whether related	% of voting share in committee, if	Amount of contingent claim	Amount of any mutualdues, that may be set- off	Remarks, if any
I	II	III	IV	v	party.	applicable  VII	VIII	IX	X
1									
2									
3									

# Annexure - 7

Name of the corporate d	lebtor:
Date of commencement	of PPIRP:

List of creditors as on: .....

# List of operational creditors (Government dues)

(Amount in₹)

Sl. No		Details of Government organisation							Amount of	Amount of any	Remarks, if any
	Depart ment	Gover nment	Identifi- cation	Amount of claim	Nature of Claim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	% of voting share in committee, if applicable		mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	II	III	IV	v	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

# Annexure - 8

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

# List of operational creditors (Other than Workmen and Employees and Government dues)

(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Identification No.							Amount of contingent	of any	Remarks, ifany
			Amount of claim		Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	% of voting share in committee	claim	mutual dues, that may be set-off	
I	П	Ш	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII
1											
2											
3											

# Annexure - 9

Name of the corporate debtor:
Date of commencement of PPIRP:
List of creditors as on:

# List of other creditors (Other than financial creditors and operational creditors)

(Amount in₹)

Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Identification No.					Amount of contingent claim		Remarks, if any	
			Amount of claim	Nature of claim	Amount covered by security interest	Amount covered by guarantee	Whether related party.	Canada	mutual dues, that may be set- off	
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI
1										
2										
3										

# FORM P11 INVITATION FOR RESOLUTION PLANS

) Under regulation 43 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021)

	RELEVANT PARTICULARS	
I	II	Ш
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Former name(s), if changed in last two years	
3	Date of incorporation of corporate debtor	
4	Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated /registered	
5	Identification number	
6	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of corporate debtor	
7	Pre-packaged insolvency commencement date	
8	Date of invitation for resolution plans	
9	Eligibility for resolution applicants	
10	Norms of ineligibility applicable under section 29A	
11	Basis for evaluation (including details related to significant improvement and tick size)	
12	Manner of obtaining _invitation of resolution plan', basis for evaluation (including details related to significant improvement and tick size), information memorandum and further information	
13	Last date for submission of resolution plans	
14	Manner of submitting resolution plans to resolution professional	
15	Estimated date for submission of resolution plan to the Adjudicating Authority for approval	

16	Name and registration number of the resolution professional	
17	Name, address and e-email of the resolution professional, as registered with the Board	
18	Address and email to be used for correspondence with the resolution professional	
19	Further details are available at or with	
20	Date of publication of Form	

(Signature)
Name of the resolution professional
Registration number
Registered address

Date: Place:

# FORM P12 COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

(Under regulation 49 (1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021]

- I, [Name of the resolution professional], am the resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process (PPIRP) of [name of the corporate debtor].
- $\boldsymbol{2}$  . The details of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
I	II	III
1	Name of the corporate debtor	
2	Date of commencement of PPIRP	
3	Date of appointment of resolution professional	
4	Date of publication of public announcement	
5	Date of constitution of committee	
6	Date of first meeting of committee	
7	Date of appointment of registered valuers	
8	Date of submission of base resolution plan	
9	Date of invitation of resolution plans from third party resolution applicant, if applicable	
10	Date of inviting corporate debtor to improve its resolution plan, if applicable	
11	Date of issue of invitation for resolution plan (if applicable)	
12	Last date of submission of resolution plan	
13	Date of approval of resolution plan by committee	
14	Date of filing of resolution plan with Adjudicating Authority	
15	Date of expiry of one hundred and twenty days of PPIRP	
16	Fair value	

17	Liquidation value	
18	Number of meetings of committee held	

- 3. I have examined the resolution plan received from corporate debtor/third party resolution applicant (......) and approved by the committee of [Name of the corporate debtor].
- 4 .I hereby certify that-
- a. the said resolution plan complies with all the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 (Code), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021 and does not contravene any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force.
- c. the said resolution plan has been approved by the committee in accordance with the provisions of the Code and the Regulations made thereunder. The resolution plan has been approved by [state the number of votes by which resolution plan was approved by committee % ]of voting share of financial creditors after considering its feasibility and viability and other requirements specified by the PPIRP Regulations.
- the voting was held in the meeting of the committee on [state the date of meeting] where all the members of the committee were present.

or

I sought vote of members of the committee by electronic voting system which was kept open at least for 24/48 hours. {strike off the part which is not relevant}

5 .The list of financial creditors of the [name of CD] being members of the committee and distribution of voting share among them

Sl. No.	Name of creditor	Voting share (%)	Voting for resolution plan (voted for / dissented / abstained)
I	II	III	IV
1			
2			
3			

- 6 .The resolution plan includes a statement under regulation 45 of the regulations as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders in compliance with the Code and Regulations made thereunder.
- 7. The amounts provided for the stakeholders under the resolution plan

(Amount in Rs .Lakh(

Sl. No.	Category of stakeholder*	Sub-category of stakeholder	Amount of claim	Amount admitted	Amount provided under the plan#	Amount provided to the amount claimed (%)
I	II	III	IV	v	VI	VII
1	Secured Financial Creditors	(a) Creditors not having a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21				

		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan		
		(ii)who voted in favour of the resolution plan		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
2	Unsecured Financial Creditors	(a) Creditors not having a right to vote under sub-section (2) of section 21		
		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan		
		(ii)who voted in favour of the resolution plan		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
3	Operational Creditors	(a) Related Party of Corporate Debtor		
		(b) Other than (a) above -		
		(i)Government (ii)Workmen		
		(iii)Employees		
		(iv)		
		Total[(a) + (b)]		
4	Other debts and dues			
Grand '	Total			

<sup>\*</sup>If there are sub-categories in a category, please add rows for each sub-category .

<sup>8.</sup> The interests of existing shareholders have been altered by the resolution plan

Sl.No.	Category of shareholder	No .of shares held before PPIRP			Voting share (%) held after PPIRP
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
1	Equity				
2	Preference				
3					

#### $\boldsymbol{9}$ . The compliance of the resolution plan

Section of the Code / regulation No .	Requirement with respect to resolution plan	Clause of resolution plan	Compliance (Yes / No)
I	П	III	IV
section 29A	Whether the resolution applicant is eligible to submit resolution		

<sup>#</sup> Amount provided over time under the resolution plan and includes estimated value of non-cash components .It is not Net Present Value.

	I	
	plan as per final list of Resolution Professional or Order, if any, of the Adjudicating Authority. (whereas applicable)	
section 30(1c)	Whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted an affidavit stating that it is eligible. (if applicable)	
section 30(2)	Whether the resolution plan-	
	(a)provides for the payment of insolvency resolution process costs;	
	(b) provides for the payment to the operational creditors;	
	(c)provides for the payment to the financial creditors who did not vote in favour of the resolution plan;	
	(d)provides for the management of the affairs of the corporate debtor;	
	(e)provides for the implementation and supervision of the resolution plan;	
	(f)contravenes any of the provisions of the law for the time being in force.	
section 54K (4) or (12) and	Whether the resolution plan-	
regulation 45	(a) is feasible and viable, according to the committee;	
	(b) has been approved by the committee with 66% voting share.	
section 31(1)	Whether the resolution plan has provisions for its effective implementation plan, according to the committee.	
regulation 41	Whether the resolution professional has made a determination under regulation 41, before the forty fifth day of the insolvency commencement date, under intimation to the Board.	
regulation 45(5)	Whether the amount due to the operational creditors under the resolution plan has been given priority in payment over financial creditors.	
regulation 45(4)	Whether the resolution plan includes a statement as to how it has dealt with the interests of all stakeholders.	
regulation 45(1)	(i)Whether the Resolution Applicant or any of its related parties has failed to implement or contributed to the failure of implementation of any resolution plan approved under the Code.	
	(ii)If so, whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted the statement giving details of such non-implementation.	
regulation 45(2)	Whether the resolution plan provides for -	
	(a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;	
	(b)the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term;	
	(c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.	
regulation 45(3)	Whether the resolution plan demonstrates that –	
	(a) it addresses the cause of default;	
	(b) it is feasible and viable;	
	(c) it has provisions for its effective implementation;	
	(d)it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same;	
	(e)the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan.	

regulation 41(3)	(a) Whether the RP has filed applications in respect of transactions observed, found or determined by him.	
regulation 43(5)	Provide details of performance security received, as referred to in sub-regulation (5) of regulation 43.	
section 54K	Where the base resolution plan has been approved by committee,- (i)whether such resolution plan provides for impairment of any claims owed by the corporate debtor;	
	(ii)if the base resolution plan provides for impairment of any claims owed by the corporate debtor, whether the such resolution plan provides for dilution of promoter shareholding or voting or control rights in the corporate debtor. If no, has the committee recorded the reasons for the same prior to approval of such base plan.	

10 . The time frame proposed for obtaining relevant approvals  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ 

Sl. No.	Nature of approval	Name of applicable law	Name of authority who will grant approval	When to be obtained
I	II	III	IV	V
1				
2				
3				

11 .The resolution plan is not subject to any contingency; or
the resolution plan is subject to the following contingencies (Elaborate the contingencies):-
i
ü
12. Following are the deviations / non-compliances of the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 201
Regulations made, or Circulars issued thereunder (If any deviation/ non-compliances were observed, please state the
details and reasons for the same):-

Sl. No.	Deviation/Non-compliance observed	Section of the Code / regulation No. / circular No.	Reasons	Whether rectified or not
I	II	III	IV	V
1				
2				
3				

- 13 .The resolution plan is being filed ..... days before the expiry of the period of PPIRP.
- 14 . Provide details of section  $66\ {\rm or}\ {\rm avoidance}\ {\rm application}\ {\rm filed}\ \ /{\rm pending},$  if any.

Sl. No.	Type of transaction	Date of filing with Adjudicating Authority	Date of order of the Adjudicating Authority	Brief of the order
I	II	III	IV	V
1	Preferential transactions under section 43			
2	Undervalued transactions under section 45			
3	Extortionate credit transactions under section 50			
4	Fraudulent transactions under section 66			

15 .I (name of resolution professional (hereby certify that the contents of this certificate are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom .

(Signature)

Name of the resolution professional:

IP Registration No:

Address as registered with the Board:

Email Id as registered with the Board:

AA: Adjudicating Authority; Committee: Committee of Creditors; IFRP: Invitation for Resolution Plan; IM: Information Memorandum; PPIRP: Pre-packaged insolvency resolution process; RA: Resolution Applicant; RP: Resolution Professional.

#### FORM P13

# APPLICATION FOR TERMINATION OF PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

(Under regulation 49(4) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021]

[Date]

To	
The A	djudicating Authority
[]	Bench]

From

[Name of the insolvency professional]

[Registration number of the insolvency professional]

[Registered address of the insolvency professional]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

**Subject:** Termination of pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of [name of corporate debtor]

Madam/Sir,

The [name of the corporate debtor], had filed an application bearing [particulars of application, having, [diary number/ case number] on [date of filing] before the Adjudicating Authority under [under section 54C,] of the

[Name of the corporate debtor], had filed an application bearing [particulars of application, having, diary number/case number] on [date of filing] before the Adjudicating Authority under [under section 54C,] of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code). The said application was admitted by the Adjudicating Authority on [date] bearing [case number].

Subject: Vesting of management of [name of corporate debtor] with resolution professional.

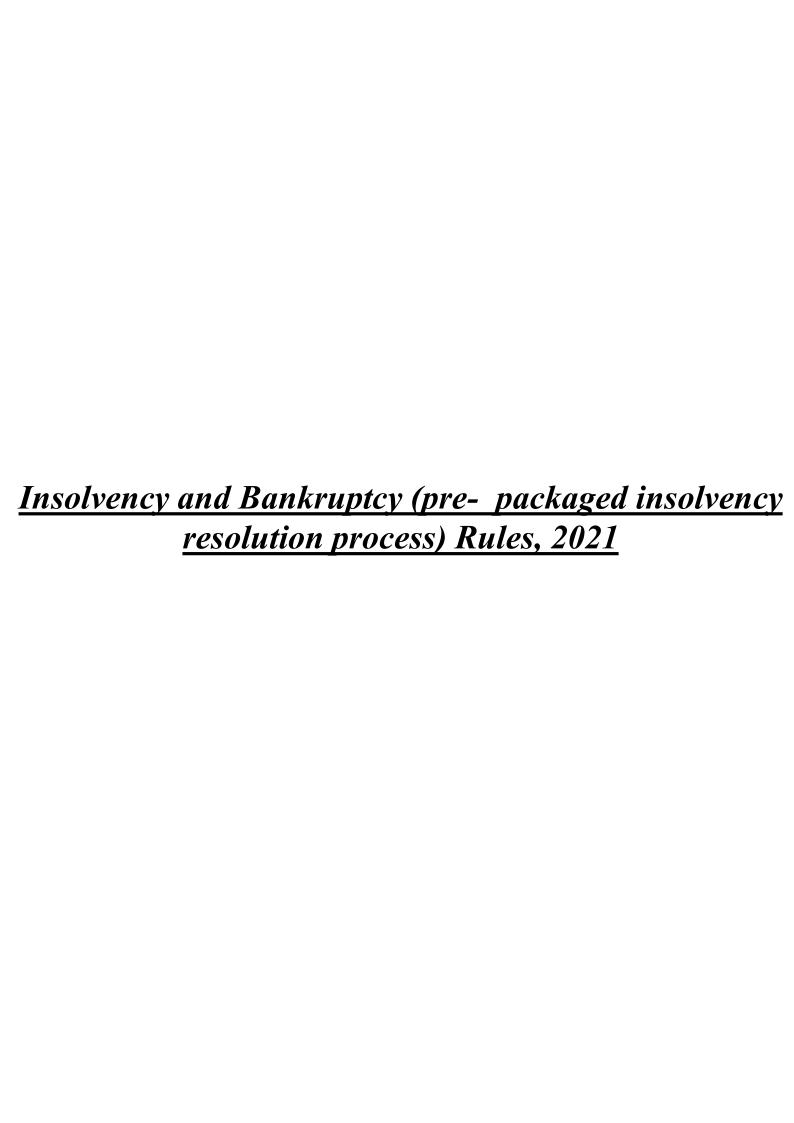
[Registered address of the insolvency professional]
In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

Madam/Sir,

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[PART III—SEC.4]

2.The committee of creditors has, in its meeting held on [Name of the Corporate Debtor] with the resolution professional uncreason(s):-	
a.	
b.	
3. I hereby attach the minutes of the meeting of committee of creditors	held on
	(Signature)
	Name of the Resolution Professional:
	IP Registration No:
	Address as registered with the Board:
	Email Id as registered with the Board:
	Date:
	Place:
	Dr. M. S. SAHOO, Chairperson
	[ADVTIII/4/Exty./16/2021-22]



#### MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

#### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 9th April, 2021

- G.S.R. 256(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (fd) of sub-section (2) of section 239 read with sub-section (2) of section 54C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), as amended by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021 (3 of 2021), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-
- 1. Short title and commencement. (1) These rules may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (prepackaged insolvency resolution process) Rules, 2021.
  - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. Application. These rules shall apply to the matters relating to the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.
  - 3. Definitions. (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, -
  - (a) —Codel means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
- (b) —pre-packaged insolvency resolution process I means the insolvency resolution process for corporate persons under Chapter III-A of Part II of the Code;
  - (c) -Forml means a Form appended to these rules; and
- (d) —identification number | means the limited liability partnership identification number or the corporate identity number, as the case may be, of the corporate person.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined herein, shall have the same meaning respectively assigned to them in the Code.
- **4. Filing of application.** (1) A corporate applicant, shall make an application for initiating pre-packaged insolvency resolution process under sub-section (1) of section 54C of the Code in Form 1, accompanied with affidavit, documents or records as referred in Annexures therein, in electronic form, along with a fee of rupees fifteen thousand:

Provided that in case, electronic facility is not available for filing such application, the application and the accompanying documents may be filed in physical form, and wherever the accompanying documents are bulky, the same may be submitted in scanned portable document format in a data storage device such as a compact disc or a USB flash drive acceptable to the Adjudicating Authority.

- (2) The corporate applicant under sub-rule (1) shall serve a copy of the application to the Board by registered post or speed post or by hand or by electronic means, before filing it with the Adjudicating Authority.
- (3) The application shall be filed before the Adjudicating Authority in accordance with rules 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 26 of the National Company Law Tribunal Rules, 2016.
- (4) A corporate applicant shall inform the Adjudicating Authority about the filing of any winding up petition against the corporate debtor after becoming aware about such filing.

#### Form-1

[See sub-rule (1) of rule 4]

APPLICATION BY CORPORATE APPLICANT TO INITIATE PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS UNDER CHAPTER III-A OF THE CODE

[Under section 54C of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with rule 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Rules, 2021]

[Date]

To,

The National Company Law Tribunal

[Address]

From,

[Name and address for correspondence of the corporate applicant]

In the matter of [name of the corporate debtor]

**Subject:** Application to initiate pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of the corporate debtor] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

We, hereby submit this application to initiate a pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in respect of [name of corporate debtor]. The details for the purpose of this application are set out below:

#### Part-I

PA	PARTICULARS OF THE CORPORATE APPLICANT AND CORPORATE DEBTOR	
1.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND ADDRESS FOR COMMUNICATION OF THE CORPORATE APPLICANT	
2.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF CORPORATE DEBTOR	
3.	NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL DIRECTORS, PROMOTERS, DESIGNATED PARTNERS OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR (AS APPLICABLE)	
4.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF CORPORATE DEBTOR	
5.	NOMINAL SHARE CAPITAL AND THE PAID-UP SHARE CAPITAL OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR AND/OR DETAILS OF GUARANTEE CLAUSE AS PER MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION (AS APPLICABLE)	
6.	NAME, ADDRESS AND AUTHORITY OF PERSON SUBMITTING APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF CORPORATE APPLICANT (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	

7.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON RESIDENT IN INDIA AUTHORISED TO ACCEPT THE SERVICE OF PROCESS ON BEHALF OF CORPORATE APPLICANT (ENCLOSE AUTHORISATION)	
8.	DETAILS OF CORPORATE DEBTOR FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 54A(1) OF THE CODE —  (i)UDYAM REGISTRATION NUMBER, AS PER NOTIFICATION NO. 2119(E) DATED 26.06.2020 OF MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (ATTACH A COPY OF THE LATEST AND UPDATED UDYAM REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE)  OR  (ii)INVESTMENT IN PLANT AND MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT AND TURNOVER CALCULATED AS PER NOTIFICATION NO. 2119(E) DATED 26.06.2020 OF MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (ATTACH PROOF THEREOF)	
9.	DOCUMENTATION TO SHOW THAT THE CORPORATE APPLICANT IS AUTHORISED TO INITIATE THE PREPACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS	

# Part-II

	PARTICULARS OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION PROF		
1.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS AND THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL		
2.	NAMES OF THE CREDITORS, WHO HAVE APPROVED THE PROPOSAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AS THE RESOLUTION PROFESSIONAL UNDER SECTION 54A(2)(e) OF THE CODE AND VALUE OF THEIR DEBT IN PER CENT. OF DEBT OWED TO CREDITORS REQUIRED TO APPROVE SUCH PROPOSAL UNDER THAT SECTION		

# Part-III

PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL DEBT [CREDITOR WISE, AS APPLICABLE]		
1.	NAME(S) OF FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL CREDITOR(S)	

2.	ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENCE OF THE FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL CREDITOR(S)	
3.	TOTAL DEBT RAISED AND AMOUNT IN DEFAULT	
4.	DATE WHEN THE FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL DEBT WAS INCURRED	
5.	PARTICULARS OF SECURITY HELD, IF ANY, THE DATE OF ITS CREATION, ITS ESTIMATED VALUE AS PER THE CREDITOR. ATTACH A COPY OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHARGE ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES (IF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR IS A COMPANY)	
6.	DETAILS OF RETENTION OF TITLE ARRANGEMENTS (IF ANY) IN RESPECT OF GOODS TO WHICH THE OPERATIONAL DEBT REFERS	
7.	RECORD OF DEFAULT WITH THE INFORMATION UTILITY, IF ANY	
8.	LIST OF DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION IN ORDER TO PROVE THE EXISTENCE OF FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL DEBT AND THE AMOUNT IN DEFAULT	

# Part-IV

PA	PARTICULARS OF FINANCIAL CREDITORS, NOT BEING RELATED PARTIES OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR		
1.	NAMES OF THE FINANCIAL CREDITORS, NOT BEING RELATED PARTIES OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR		
2.	TOTAL DEBT DUE TO THE FINANCIAL CREDITORS, NOT BEING RELATED PARTIES OF THE CORPORATE DEBTOR		
3.	NAMES OF THE CREDITORS, WHO HAVE APPROVED THE FILING OF APPLICATION FOR INITIATION OF PRE-PACKAGED INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS UNDER SECTION 54A(3) OF THE CODE AND VALUE OF THEIR DEBT IN PER CENT. OF DEBT OWED TO CREDITORS UNDER THAT SECTION		

Yours sincerely

[Name of the corporate applicant] has paid the requisite fee for this application through [state means of payment] on [date] and a copy of this application has been served by registered post/speed post/by hand/electronic means to the Board.

Signature of person authorised to act on behalf of the corporate applicant
Name in block letters
Position with or in relation to the corporate applicant
Address of person signing
AFFIDAVIT
I, [insert full name, address and occupation of deponent] do solemnly affirm and state as follows:
1.[Name of the corporate debtor] is eligible for a pre-packaged insolvency resolution process in accordance with section 54A of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) and the associated rules and regulations.
2.[Name of proposed resolution professional], is fully qualified and permitted to act as a resolution professional for the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor, in accordance with the Code and the associated rules and regulations.
3. This application is being filed within the time period stipulated for the filing of this application in the declaration of the majority of directors or partners of the [name of the corporate debtor] as referred to in section $54A(2)(f)(i)$ of the Code.
4.In respect of this application for pre-packaged insolvency resolution process, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on].
5.The contents of this application along with the said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and no material facts have been concealed therefrom.
Solemnly, affirmed atonday, theday of20
Before me,
Notary/Oath Commissioner
Deponent's Signature
VERIFICATION
I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify and affirm that the contents of paratoof this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief. Nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.
Verified aton thisday of20
Deponent's signature

#### Instructions

Please attach the following to this application:

Annex I In case of financial debt, record of default obtained through the information utility or all documents listed in serial number 8 of part-III of this application.

Annex II In case of operational debt, (i) copy of invoice / demand notice served by an operational creditor on the corporate debtor and (ii) record of default obtained through the information utility or all documents listed in serial number 8 of part-III of this application.

Annex III Approval of creditors under section 54A(2)(e) of the Code for appointment of the proposed resolution professional, as set out in Form P3 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex IV Written consent by the proposed resolution professional as set out in Form P1 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex V Declaration of the majority of the directors or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, as referred to in section 54A(2)(f) of the Code as set out in Form P6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex VI Copy of the special resolution or resolution of the members or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, as referred to in section 54A(2)(g) of the Code.

Annex VII

Approval of creditors under section 54A(3) of the Code for filing application for initiating prepackaged insolvency resolution process, as set out in Form P4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board
of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex VIII

Report of the insolvency professional proposed to be appointed as the resolution professional as referred to in section 54B(1)(a) of the Code, as set out in Form P8 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex IX

Declaration regarding the existence of any transactions of the corporate debtor, as referred to in section 54C(3)(c) of the Code, as set out in Form P7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Pre-Packaged Insolvency Resolution Process) Regulations, 2021.

Annex X

Affidavit stating that the corporate debtor is eligible under section 29A of the Code to submit resolution plan in the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor.

Annex XI

Copy of the relevant books of accounts of the corporate debtor evidencing the default to creditors

Annex XII

Copies of audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and the provisional financial statements for the current financial year made up to a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of the application.

Annex XIII
A statement of affairs made up to a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of application including the following document, namely:—

 (a) a list of the corporate debtor's assets and liabilities, divided into such categories as are appropriate for easy identification, with estimated values assigned to each category;

(b) in the case of any property on which a claim against the corporate debtor is wholly or partly secured, particulars of the claim and its amount, and of how and when the security was created:

 (c) the names and addresses of the financial creditors and operational creditors of the corporate debtor, with the amounts due to each of them;

(d) particulars of any debts owed by or to the corporate debtor to or by persons connected with it;

(e) whether any, and if so what, guarantees have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which, if any, of the guarantors is a related party to the corporate debtor and the corporate applicant; and

the names and addresses of the members or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, with details of their respective shareholdings.

Annex XIV A copy of:

- relevant extract of any constitutional document or shareholders' agreement that records the authority of the corporate applicant to make this application, where the corporate applicant is a member or partner of the corporate debtor; or
- relevant extract of an employment agreement, constitutional document or fillings made to the Registrar of Companies confirming the authority of the corporate applicant to make this application, where the corporate applicant is an individual in charge of managing the operations and resources of the corporate debtor or has control and supervision over the financial affairs of the corporate debtor.

Annex XV Proof that the specified application fee has been paid.

Annex XVI Proof that a copy of the application has been served to the Board.

[F. No. 30/20/2020-Insolvency Section] GYANESHWAR KUMAR SINGH Jt. Secy.

# FAST TRACK CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

#### **CHAPTER IV**

### FAST TRACK CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS Reg 1& 2

### 55. Fast track corporation insolvency resolution process. -

- (1) A corporate insolvency resolution process carried out in accordance with this Chapter shall be called as fast track corporate insolvency resolution process.
- (2) An application for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process may be made in respect of the following corporate debtors, namely: -
  - (a) a corporate debtor with assets and income below a level as may be notified by the Central Government; or
  - (b) a corporate debtor with such class of creditors or such amount of debt as may be notified by the Central Government; or
  - (c) such other category of corporate persons as may be notified by the Central Government.

### **56.**Time period for completion of fast track corporate insolvency resolution process. -

- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (3), the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process shall be completed within a period of ninety days from the insolvency commencement date.
- (2) The resolution professional shall file an application to the Adjudicating Authority to extend the period of the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process

committee of creditors and supported by a vote of seventy-five percent of the voting share.

(3) On receipt of an application under sub-section (2), if the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that the subject matter of the case is such that fast track corporate insolvency resolution process cannot be completed within a period of ninety days, it may, by order, extend the duration of such process beyond the said period of ninety days by such further period, as it thinks fit, but not exceeding forty-five days:

Provided that any extension of the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process under this section shall not be granted more than once.

#### Reg 39

#### 57. Manner of initiating fast track corporate insolvency resolution process. -

An application for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process may be filed by a creditor or corporate debtor as the case may be, alongwith-

- (a) the proof of the existence of default as evidenced by records available with an information utility or such other means as may be specified by the Board; and
- (b) such other information as may be specified by the Board to establish that the corporate debtor is eligible for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process. Manner of initiating fast track corporate insolvency resolution process.

#### 58. Applicability of Chapter II to this Chapter. -

The process for conducting a corporate insolvency resolution process under Chapter II and the provisions relating to offences and penalties under Chapter VII shall apply to this Chapter as the context may require. Reg 3-38

### INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (FAST TRACK INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR CORPORATE PERSONS) REGULATIONS, 2017

## Chapter IV Fast Track Corporate insolvency resolution process

### Section-55

Corporate Debtors :

with assets and income below a specified level, with such class of creditors or such amount as specified Such other categories as may be notified

An application for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process may be made in respect of the following corporate debtors, namely :-

Small-sized Companies (As defined under the Companies Act, 2013)or Start-up Company other than a Partnership Firm or

An Unlisted Company with total assets not exceeding one crore rupees (as reported in the books of the preceding financial year).

### **SMALL COMPANY UNDER CA 2013**

"Small company" (defined in Section 2(85))means a company, other than a public company,—

- (i) Whose paid-up share capital does not exceed Rs. 50 lakhs or such higher amount as may be prescribed which shall not be more than Rs. 5 Crores; [and]
- (ii) turnover of which as per profit and loss account for the immediately preceding financial year does not exceed Rs. 2 Crores or such higher amount as may be prescribed which shall not be more than One hundred Crores rupees.

Provided that nothing in this clause shall apply to—

- (A) a holding company or a subsidiary company;
- (B) a Section 8 company or
- (C) a company or body corporate governed by any special Act

The MCA (Ministry of Corporate Affairs) has effected this amendment in the Companies (Specification of Definitions Details) Rules, 2014 that came into force on accordance with the proposal of the Honourable Finance Minister to revise the definition of Small companies in India by increasing the paid-up capital limit from INR 50 Lacs to INR 2 Crores in the Union Budget 2021 while the turnover threshold by enhancing from INR 2 crores to 20 crores.

The new definition of the Small Companies As per the new definition and threshold limits, companies with a paid-up capital of INR 2 crore or less, and turnover of INR 20 crore or less are defined as small companies. The earlier threshold was INR 50 lacs or less in paid-up capital and INR 2 crore or less in turnover. Criteria Old Criteria New Paid-up share capital 50 lakhs 2 crores Turnover 2 crores to 20 crores.

SO FOR EXAM What needs to be Criteria for Fast Track Unlisted company/ LLP Assets not more than one crore Unlisted company/ LLP Paid up capital not more than 4 crores Unlisted company/ LLP Turnover not over 40 Crore-As per Amendment dated 15<sup>th</sup> September,2022

Definition of Start Up	D	efin	iition	of	Start	U	ρ
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An entity shall be considered as a **startup**(meaning of Startup) if it satisfies all the following conditions:

- a. If it is incorporated/registered as any of the followings:
- a. Private Limited Company (as defined in Companies Act, 2013).
- b. Partnership Firm (registered under Partnership Act, 1932).
- c. Limited Liability Partnership (registered under Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008).
- d. One Person Company (as defined in Companies Act, 2013).

Provided that such entity is not formed by splitting up or reconstruction of a business already in existence.

- b. It has not completed ten years since incorporation/registration as above.
- c. Its turnover for any of the financial years has not exceeded INR 25 Crore.
- d. It satisfies any of the following conditions:
- i) It is working towards:

Innovation of new products/processes/services or

**Development** of new products/processes/services or

**Improvement** of existing products/processes/services

ii) It is a scalable business model with a high potential of:

Employment generation or

Wealth creation.

### **Section 56**

# Time period for completion of fast track corporate insolvency resolution process –

- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (3), the fast track corporate insolvency resolutions shall be completed within a period
  - of **ninety days** from the insolvency commencement date.
- (2) The resolutions professional shall file an application to the adjudicating authority to extend the period of the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process beyond ninety days if instructed to do so by a resolution passed at a meeting of the committee of creditors and supported by a vote of 75 percent of the voting share.
- (3) On receipt of an application under sub-section (2), if the adjudicating authority is satisfied that the subject matter of the case is such that fast track corporate insolvency resolution process cannot be completed within a periods of ninety days by such further period, as it thinks fit, but not exceeding **forty-five days**:

PROVIDED that any extension of the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process under this section shall not be granted more then once.

### **SECTION 57 TO 58**

### **Section-57**

### Manner of initiating fast track corporate insolvency resolution process-

An application for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process may be filed by a creditor or corporate debtor, as the case may be, along with:-

- (a) The proof of the existence of default as evidenced by records available with an information utility or such other means as may be specified by the Board; and
- (b) Such other information as may be specified by the Board to establish that the corporate debtor is eligible for fast track corporate insolvency resolution process.

#### **Section-58**

### Applicability of Chapter II to this chapter

The process of conducting a corporate insolvency resolution process under chapter II and the provision relating to offences and penalties under chapter VII shall apply to this chapter as the context may require.

IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG012 - In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 58, 196 and 208 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely-

### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on June 14, 2017.
- (3) These Regulations shall apply to the fast track process under Chapter IV of Part II of the Code.

### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
- (a) "applicant" means the person filing an application under Chapter IV of Part II of the Code;
- (b) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
- (c) "Code of Conduct" means the code of conduct for insolvency professionals as set out in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
- (d) "committee" means a committee of creditors established under section 21;

- (e) ["dissenting financial creditor" means a financial creditor who voted against the resolution plan or abstained from voting for the resolution plan, approved by the committee;]
- (f) "electronic form" shall have the meaning assigned to it in the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000);
- (g) "electronic means" means an authorized and secured computer programme which is capable of producing confirmation of sending communication to the participant entitled to receive such communication at the last electronic mail address provided by such participant and keeping record of such communication;
- (ga) "evaluation matrix" means such parameters to be applied and the manner of applying such parameters, as approved by the committee, for consideration of resolution plans for its approval;
- (gb) "fair value" means the estimated realizable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if they were to be exchanged on the insolvency commencement date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where the parties had acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- (h) "fast track process" means the fast track insolvency resolution process for corporate persons under Chapter IV of Part II of the Code;
- (i) "fast track process costs" means the costs in Regulation 30;
- (j) "fast track process period" means the period of ninety days beginning from the fast track commencement date and ending on the ninetieth day;

- (k) "identification number" means the Limited Liability Partnership Identification Number under the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008, or the Corporate Identity Number under the Companies Act, 2013, as the case may be;
- (I) "fast track commencement date" means the date of admission of an application by the Adjudicating Authority for initiating the fast track process under **Chapter IV of Part II of the Code**;
- (m) "insolvency professional entity" means an entity recognised as such under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
- (n) "liquidation value" means the estimated realizable value of the assets of the corporate debtor, if the corporate debtor were to be liquidated on the insolvency commencement date.]
- (o) "participant" means a person entitled to attend a meeting of the committee under section 24 or any other person authorised by the committee to attend the meeting;
- (p) "registered valuer" means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and rules made there under;
- (q) "section" means section of the Code;
- (r) "video conferencing or other audio and visual means" means such audio and visual facility which enables the participants in a meeting to communicate concurrently with one another and to participate effectively in the meeting.

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

### CHAPTER II GENERAL

### 3. Eligibility for resolution professional.

(1) An insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as a resolution professional for a fast track process of a corporate debtor if he, and all partners and directors of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, are independent of the corporate debtor.

Explanation – A person shall be considered independent of the corporate debtor, if he –

- (a) is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate debtor under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate debtor is a company;
- (b) is not a related party of the corporate debtor; or
- (c) has not been an employee or proprietor or a partner:
- 1) of a firm of auditors or company secretaries in practice or cost auditors of the corporate debtor; or
- 2) of a legal or a consulting firm, which has or had any transaction with the corporate debtor amounting to **ten per cent** or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

at any time in the preceding three years.

- (2) An insolvency professional shall not be eligible to be appointed as a resolution professional if he, or the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, is under a restraint order of the Board.
- (3) An insolvency professional shall make disclosures at the time of his appointment and thereafter in accordance with the Code of Conduct.
- (4) An insolvency professional shall not continue as a resolution professional if the insolvency professional entity of which he is a director or a partner, or any other partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any other stakeholders in the same fast track process.

### 4. Access to books.

Without prejudice to section 17(2)(d), the interim resolution professional may access the books of account, records and other relevant documents and information, to the extent relevant for discharging his duties under the Code, of the corporate debtor held with-

- (a) depositories of securities;
- (b) professional advisors of the corporate debtor;
- (c) information utilities;
- (d) other registries that record the ownership of assets;
- (e) members, promoters, partners, board of directors and joint venture partners of the corporate debtor; and

- (f) contractual counterparties of the corporate debtor.
- 5. Extortionate credit transaction.
- A transaction shall be considered an extortionate credit transaction under section 50(2) where the terms:
- (a) require the corporate debtor to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
- (b) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

### CHAPTER III PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

### 6. Public announcement.

(1) An insolvency professional shall make a public announcement immediately on his appointment as an interim resolution professional.

Explanation: 'Immediately' means **not later than three days** from the date of his appointment.

(2) The public announcement referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall –

### (a) be in Form A;

(b) (i) be published in one English and one regional language newspaper with wide circulation at the location of the registered office and principal office, if any, of the corporate debtor and any other location where in the opinion of the interim resolution professional, the corporate debtor conducts material business operations;

- (ii) be hosted on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor; and
- (iii) be hosted on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose,
- (c) provide the last date for submission of proofs of claim, which shall be **ten days** from the date of appointment of the interim resolution professional.
- (3) The applicant shall bear the expenses of the public announcement which may be reimbursed by the committee to the extent it ratifies them.

Explanation-The expenses on the public announcement shall not form part of fast track process costs.

### CHAPTER IV PROOF OF CLAIMS

### 7. Claims by operational creditors.

(1) An operational creditor, other than workman or employee of the corporate debtor, shall submit proof of his claim to the interim resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in **Form B.**Provided that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim before

the constitution of the committee.

(2) The existence of debt due to the operational creditor under this Regulation may be proved on the basis of-

- (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
- (b) other relevant documents, including -
- (i) a contract for the supply of goods and services with corporate debtor;
- (ii) an invoice demanding payment for the goods and services supplied to the corporate debtor;
- (iii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any; or
- (iv) financial accounts.

### 8. Claims by financial creditors.

(1) A financial creditor shall submit proof of claim to the interim resolution professional in electronic form in **Form C**:

Provided that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim before the constitution of the committee.

- (2) The existence of debt due to the financial creditor may be proved on the basis of -
- (a) the records available with an information utility, if any; or
- (b) other relevant documents, including -
- (i) a financial contract supported by financial statements as evidence of the debt;

- (ii) a record evidencing that the amounts committed by the financial creditor to the corporate debtor under a facility has been drawn by the corporate debtor;
- (iii) financial statements showing that the debt has not been repaid; or
- (iv) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a debt, if any.
- 9. Claims by workmen and employees.
- (1) A workman or an employee of the corporate debtor shall submit proof of claim to the interim resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in **Form D**:
- Provided that such person may submit supplementary documents or clarifications in support of the claim, on his own or if required by the interim resolution professional, before the constitution of the committee.
- (2) Where there are dues to numerous workmen or employees of the corporate debtor, an **authorised representative** may submit one proof of claim for all such dues on their behalf in **Form E.**
- (3) The existence of dues to workmen or employees may be proved by them, individually or collectively on the basis of -
- (a) records available with an information utility, if any; or
- (b) other relevant documents, including -
- (i) a proof of employment such as contract of employment for the period for which such workman or employee is claiming dues;

- (ii) evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid dues and any documentary or other proof that payment has not been made; or
- (iii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a dues, if any.

### 9A.Claims by other creditors.

- (1) A person claiming to be a creditor, other than those covered under regulations 7, 8, or 9, shall submit proof of its claim to the interim resolution professional or resolution professional in person, by post or by electronic means in **Form F** of the Schedule.
- (2) The existence of the claim of the creditor referred to in sub-section (1) may be proved on the basis of –
- (a) the records available in an information utility, if any, or
- (b) other relevant documents sufficient to establish the claim, including any or all of the following:-
- (i) documentary evidence demanding satisfaction of the claim;
- (ii) bank statements of the creditor showing non-satisfaction of claim;
- (iii) an order of court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon non-satisfaction of claim, if any.

### 10. Substantiation of claims.

The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a creditor for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

### 11. Cost of proof proving the debt

A creditor shall bear the cost of proving the debt due to such creditor.

### 12. Submission of proof of claims.

- (1) Subject to sub-regulation (2), a creditor shall submit proof of his claim on or before the last date mentioned in the public announcement.
- (2) A creditor, who failed to submit proof of claim within the time stipulated in the public announcement, may submit proof of such claim to the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, **till the approval of a resolution plan** by the committee.
- (3) Where the creditor in sub-regulation (2) is a financial creditor, it shall be included in the committee from the date of admission of such claim:

Provided that such inclusion shall not affect the validity of any decision taken by the committee prior to such inclusion.

#### 13. Verification of claims.

(1) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall verify every claim, as on the fast track commencement date, within seven days from the last date of the receipt of the claims, and thereupon maintain a list of creditors containing names of creditors along with the amount claimed by them, the amount of their claims admitted and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims, and update it.

- (2) The list of creditors shall be -
- (a) available for inspection by the persons who submitted proofs of claim;
- (b) available for inspection by members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate debtor;
- (c) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor;
- (d) filed with the Adjudicating Authority; and
- (e) presented at the first meeting of the committee.

#### 14. Determination of amount of claim.

- (1) Where the amount claimed by a creditor is not precise or cannot be determined due to any contingency or other reason, the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim based on the information available with him.
- (2) The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall revise the amount of claims admitted, including the estimates of claims made under sub-regulation (1), as soon as may be practicable, when he receives additional information warranting such revision.

### 15. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the fast track commencement date.

Explanation - "official exchange rate" means the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

### CHAPTER V COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS

### 16. Committee with only operational creditors.

- (1) Where the corporate debtor has no financial debt or where all financial creditors are related parties of the corporate debtor, the committee shall be set up in accordance with this Regulation.
- (2) The committee formed under this Regulation shall consist of following members: -
- (a) eighteen largest operational creditors by value:

Provided that if the number of operational creditors is less than eighteen, the committee shall include all such operational creditors;

- (b) one representative elected by all workmen other than those workmen included under sub-clause (a); and
- (c) one representative elected by all employees other than those employees included under sub-clause (a).
- (3) Every member of the committee formed under this Regulation shall have voting rights in proportion of the debt due to such creditor or debt represented by such representative, as the case may be, to the total debt.

Explanation – For the purposes of this sub-regulation, 'total debt' means the sum of-

- (a) the amount of debt due to the creditors listed in sub-regulation 2(a);
- (b) the amount of the aggregate debt due to workmen under sub-regulation 2(b); and
- (c) the amount of the aggregate debt due to employees under sub-regulation 2(c).
- (4) A committee formed under this Regulation and its members shall have the same rights, powers, duties and obligations as a committee comprising financial creditors and its members, as the case may be.

### 17. Filings by the interim resolution professional.

- (1) The interim resolution professional shall file a report certifying the constitution of the committee to the Adjudicating Authority **on or before the expiry of twenty-one days** from the date of his appointment.
- (2) Based on records of the corporate debtor and claims, if the interim resolution professional is of the opinion that the fast track process is not applicable to the corporate debtor as per notifications under section 55(2), he shall file an application to the Adjudicating Authority along with the report in sub-regulation (1), to pass an order converting the fast track process to corporate insolvency resolution process under Chapter II of Part II of the Code.
- (3) If the Adjudicating Authority passes an order converting fast track to corporate insolvency resolution process on an application under sub-regulation (2), the process shall be carried on in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.

(4) The interim resolution professional shall **convene the first meeting of the committee within seven days** of filing the report(s) under this Regulation.

### CHAPTER VI MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

### 18. Meetings of the committee.

A resolution professional may convene a meeting of the committee as and when he considers necessary, and shall convene a meeting if a request to that effect is made by members of the committee representing **thirty-three per cent** of the voting rights.

- 19. Notice for meetings of the committee.
- (1) Subject to this Regulation, a meeting of the committee shall be called by giving **not less than seven days' notice** in writing to every creditor, delivered at the address he has provided to the resolution professional and such notice may be served by hand delivery, or by registered post but in any event, be served on every participant by electronic means in accordance with Regulation 20.
- (2) The committee may reduce the notice period from seven days to such other period of not less than twenty four hours, as it deems fit.
- 20. Service of notice by electronic means.

- (1) A notice by electronic means may be sent to the participants through e-mail as a text or as an attachment to e-mail or as a notification providing electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator for accessing such notice.
- (2) The subject line in e-mail shall state the name of the corporate debtor, the place, if any, the time and the date on which the meeting is scheduled.
- (3) If notice is sent in the form of a non-editable attachment to an e-mail, such attachment shall be in the Portable Document Format or in a non-editable format together with a 'link or instructions' for recipient for downloading relevant version of the software.
- (4) When notice or notifications of availability of notice are sent by an e-mail, the resolution professional shall ensure that it uses a system which produces confirmation of the total number of recipients e-mailed and a record of each recipient to whom the notice has been sent and copy of such record and any notices of any failed transmissions and subsequent re-sending shall be retained as "proof of sending".
- (5) The obligation of the resolution professional shall be satisfied when he transmits the e-mail and he shall not be held responsible for a failure in transmission beyond its control.
- (6) The notice made available on the electronic link or Uniform Resource Locator shall be readable, and the recipient should be able to obtain and retain copies and the resolution professional shall give the complete Uniform Resource Locator or address of the website and full details of how to access the document or information.

(7) If a creditor, other than a member of the committee, fails to provide or update the relevant e-mail address to the resolution professional, the non-receipt of such notice by such participant of any meeting shall not invalidate the decisions taken at such meeting.

### 21. Contents of the notice for meeting.

- (1) The notice shall inform the participants of the venue, the time and date of the meeting and of the option available to them to participate through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, and shall also provide all the necessary information to enable participation through such means.
- (2) The notice of the meeting shall provide that a creditor may attend and vote in the meeting either in person or through an authorised representative:
- Provided that such creditor shall inform the resolution professional, in advance of the meeting, of the identity of the authorised representative who will attend and vote at the meeting on its behalf.
- (3) The notice of the meeting shall contain an agenda of the meeting with the following-
- (i) a list of the matters to be discussed at the meeting;
- (ii) a list of the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and
- (iii) copies of all documents relevant to the matters to be discussed and the issues to be voted upon at the meeting; and
- (4) The notice of the meeting shall-

- (a) state the process and the manner for voting and the time schedule, including the time period during which the votes may be cast:
- (b) provide the login ID and the details of a facility for generating password and for keeping security and casting of an electronic vote in a secure manner; and
- (c) provide contact details of the person who will address the queries connected with the voting.
- 22. Quorum at the meeting.
- (1) A meeting of the committee shall be quorate if members of the committee representing at least thirty-three percent of the voting rights are present either in person or by video conferencing or other audio and visual means:

Provided that the committee may modify the percentage of voting rights required for quorum in respect of any future meetings of the committee.

- (2) Where a meeting of the committee could not be held for want of quorum, unless the committee has previously decided otherwise, the meeting shall automatically stand adjourned at the same time and place on the next day.
- (3) In the event a meeting of the committee is adjourned in accordance with sub-regulation (2), the adjourned meeting shall be quorate with the members of the committee attending the meeting.

### 23. Participation through video conferencing.

- (1) The notice convening the meetings of the committee shall provide the participants an option to attend the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means in accordance with this Regulation.
- (2) The resolution professional shall make necessary arrangements to ensure uninterrupted and clear video or audio and visual connection.
- (3) The resolution professional shall take due and reasonable care-
- (a) to safeguard the integrity of the meeting by ensuring sufficient security and identification procedures;
- (b) to ensure availability of proper video conferencing or other audio and visual equipment or facilities for providing transmission of the communications for effective participation of the participants at the meeting;
- (c) to record proceedings and prepare the minutes of the meeting;
- (d) to store for safekeeping and marking the physical recording(s) or other electronic recording mechanism as part of the records of the corporate debtor;
- (e) to ensure that no person other than the intended participants attends or has access to the proceedings of the meeting through video conferencing or other audio and visual means; and
- (f) to ensure that participants attending the meeting through audio and visual means are able to hear and see, if applicable, the other participants clearly during the course of the meeting:

Provided that the persons, who are differently abled, may make request to the resolution professional to allow a person to accompany him at the meeting.

(4) Where a meeting is conducted through video conferencing or other audio and visual means, the scheduled venue of the meeting as set forth in the notice convening the meeting, which shall be in India, shall be deemed to be the place of the said meeting and all recordings of the proceedings at the meeting shall be deemed to be made at such place.

### 24. Conduct of meeting.

- (1) The resolution professional shall act as the Chairperson of the meeting of the committee.
- (2) At the commencement of a meeting, the resolution professional shall take a roll call when every participant attending through video conferencing or other audio and visual means shall state, for the record, the following:-
- (a) his name;
- (b) whether he is attending in the capacity of a member of the committee or any other participant;
- (c) whether he is representing a member or group of members;
- (d) the location from where he is participating;
- (e) that he has received the agenda and all the relevant material for the meeting; and
- (f) that no one other than him is attending or has access to the proceedings of the meeting at the location of that person.

- (3) After the roll call, the resolution professional shall inform the participants of the names of all persons who are present for the meeting and confirm if the required quorum is complete.
- (4) The resolution professional shall ensure that the required quorum is present throughout the meeting.
- (5) From the commencement of the meeting till its conclusion, no person other than the participants and any other person whose presence is required by the resolution professional shall be allowed access to the place where meeting is held or to the video conferencing or other audio and visual facility, without the permission of the resolution professional.
- (6) The resolution professional shall ensure that minutes are made in relation to each meeting of the committee and such minutes shall disclose the particulars of the participants who attended the meeting in person, through video conferencing, or other audio and visual means.
- (7) The resolution professional shall circulate the minutes of the meeting to all participants by electronic means within forty-eight hours of the said meeting.

### CHAPTER VII VOTING BY THE COMMITTEE

### 25. Voting by the committee.

(1) The actions listed in section 28(1) shall be considered in meetings of the committee.

- (2) Any action other than those listed in section 28(1) may be considered in meetings of the committee.
- (3) The resolution professional may, at the meeting, take a vote of the members of the committee who are participating in the meeting on any item listed for voting after discussion on the same.
- (4) The resolution professional shall -
- (a) circulate the minutes of the meeting by electronic means to all members of the committee within forty-eight hours of the conclusion of the meeting; and
- (b) seek a vote on the matters listed for voting in the meeting from the members of the committee who did not participate in the meeting or did not vote at the meeting, if any, by electronic means or electronic voting system, where the voting shall be kept open for twenty-four hours from the circulation of the minutes.
- (5) At the end of the voting period, the electronic voting portal shall forthwith be blocked.
- (6) Once a vote on a resolution is cast by a member of the committee, such member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.
- (7) The resolution professional shall within twenty four hours of the conclusion of the voting, or forty eight hours of the conclusion of the meeting if no electronic vote is required to be sought under this regulation, circulate by electronic means the decision of the committee on agenda items along with the names of the members of the committee who voted for or against the decision, or abstained from voting.

# Explanation- For the purposes of these Regulations -

- (a) the expressions "voting by electronic means" and its grammatical variant or "electronic voting system" means a "secured system" based process of display of electronic ballots, recording of votes of the members of the committee and the number of votes polled in favour or against, such that the voting exercised by way of electronic means gets registered and counted in an electronic registry in a centralized server with adequate cyber security;
- (b) the expression "secured system" means computer hardware, software, and procedure that -
- (i) are reasonably secure from unauthorized access and misuse;
- (ii) provide a reasonable level of reliability and correct operation;
- (iii) are reasonably suited to perform the intended functions; and
- (iv) adhere to generally accepted security procedures.

# CHAPTER VIII CONDUCT OF THE FAST TRACK PROCESS

# 26. Appointment of registered valuer.

The resolution professional shall within seven days of his appointment, appoint one registered valuer (two or three in other cases) to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor in accordance with Regulation 34:

Provided that the following persons shall not be appointed as registered valuers, namely:-

- (a) a relative of the resolution professional;
- (b) a related party of the corporate debtor;
- (c) an auditor of the corporate debtor at any time during the five years preceding the insolvency commencement date; or
- (d) a partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which the resolution professional is a partner or director.

# 27. Transfer of debt due to creditors.

(1) In the event a creditor assigns or transfers the debt due to such creditor to any other person during the fast track process period, both parties shall provide the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, the terms of such assignment or transfer and the identity of the assignee or transferee.

(2) The resolution professional shall notify each credito	or and the Adjudicating Authority of any resultant change
in the committee within two days of such change.	

# 28. Sale of assets outside the ordinary course of business.

(1) The resolution professional may sell unencumbered asset(s) of the corporate debtor, other than in the ordinary course of business, if he is of the opinion that such a sale is necessary for a better realisation of value under the facts and circumstances of the case:

Provided that the book value of all assets sold during fast track process period in aggregate under this sub-regulation **shall not exceed ten percent of the total claims admitted by the interim resolution professional**.

- (2) A sale of assets under this Regulation shall require the approval of the committee.
- (3) A bona fide purchaser of assets sold under this Regulation shall have a free and marketable title to such assets notwithstanding the terms of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor, shareholders' agreement, joint venture agreement or other document of a similar nature.

# 29. Assistance of local district administration.

The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for an order seeking the assistance of the local district administration in discharging his duties under the Code or these Regulations.

# CHAPTER IX FAST TRACK PROCESS COSTS

# 30. Fast track process costs.

"Fast track process costs" shall mean -

- (a) the amount of any interim finance and the costs incurred in raising such finance; (slightly different)
- (b) the fees payable to any person acting as a resolution professional;
- (c) any costs incurred by the resolution professional in running the business of the corporate debtor as a going concern;
- (d) any costs incurred at the expense of the Government to facilitate the process;
- (e) amounts due to suppliers of essential goods and services under Regulation 31;
- (f) amounts due to a person whose rights are prejudicially affected on account of the moratorium imposed under section 14(1)(d);
- (g) expenses incurred on or by the interim resolution professional to the extent ratified under Regulation 32;
- (h) expenses incurred on or by the resolution professional fixed under Regulation 33; and
- (i) other costs directly relating to the fast track process and approved by the committee.

# 31. Essential supplies.

The essential goods and services referred to in section 14(2) shall mean-

- (a) electricity;
- (b) water;
- (c) telecommunication services; and
- (d) information technology services, to the extent these are not a direct input to the output produced or supplied by the corporate debtor.

Illustration-Water supplied to a corporate debtor will be essential supplies for drinking and sanitation purposes, and not for generation of hydro-electricity.

- 32. Costs of the interim resolution professional.
- (1) The applicant shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the interim resolution professional.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall fix expenses where the applicant has not fixed expenses under subregulation (1).
- (3) The applicant shall bear the expenses which shall be reimbursed by the committee to the extent it ratifies.
- (4) The amount of expenses ratified by the committee shall be treated as fast track process costs.

Explanation- For the purposes of this Regulation, "expenses" means the fee to be paid to the interim resolution professional and other expenses, including the cost of engaging professional advisors, to be incurred by the interim resolution professional.

# 33. Resolution professional costs.

The committee shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the resolution professional and the expenses shall constitute fast track process costs.

Explanation- For the purposes of this Regulation, "expenses" mean the fee to be paid to the resolution professional and other expenses, including the cost of engaging professional advisors, to be incurred by the resolution professional.

# CHAPTER X RESOLUTION PLAN

# 34. Fair value and Liquidation value.

(1) The registered valuer appointed under regulation 26 shall submit to the resolution professional an estimate of the fair value and of the liquidation value computed in accordance with internationally accepted valuation standards, after physical verification of the inventory and fixed assets of the corporate debtor.

Note:As on Fast Track Commencement date

- (2) After the receipt of resolution plans in accordance with the Code and these regulations, the resolution professional shall provide the fair value and the liquidation value to every member of the committee in electronic form, on receiving an undertaking from the member to the effect that such member shall maintain confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value and shall not use such values to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of the section 29.
- (3) The resolution professional and registered valuer shall maintain the confidentiality of the fair value and the liquidation value.]

# 35. Information memorandum.

- (1) Subject to sub-regulation (4), the resolution professional shall submit the information memorandum in electronic form to-
- (a) each member of the committee within two weeks of his appointment as resolution professional; and
- (b) each prospective resolution applicant latest by the date of invitation of resolution plan under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25 of the Code.
- (2) The information memorandum shall contain the following details of the corporate debtor-
- (a) assets and liabilities with such description, as on the insolvency commencement date, as are generally necessary for ascertaining their values.

Explanation: 'Description' includes the details such as date of acquisition, cost of acquisition, remaining useful life, identification number, depreciation charged, book value, and any other relevant details.]

- (b) the latest annual financial statements;
- (c) audited financial statements of the corporate debtor for the last two financial years and provisional financial statements for the current financial year made up to a date not earlier than fourteen days from the date of the application;
- (d) a list of creditors containing the names of creditors, the amounts claimed by them, the amount of their claims admitted and the security interest, if any, in respect of such claims;
- (e) particulars of a debt due from or to the corporate debtor with respect to related parties;
- (f) details of guarantees that have been given in relation to the debts of the corporate debtor by other persons, specifying which of the guarantors is a related party;
- (g) the names and addresses of the members or partners holding at least one per cent stake in the corporate debtor along with the size of stake;
- (h) details of all material litigation and an ongoing investigation or proceeding initiated by Government and statutory authorities;
- (i) the number of workers and employees and liabilities of the corporate debtor towards them;
- (j) [\*\*\*]

# (k) [\*\*\*]

- (I) other information, which the resolution professional deems relevant to the committee.
- (3) A member of the committee may request the resolution professional for further information of the nature described in this regulation and the resolution professional shall provide such information to all members within reasonable time if such information has a bearing on the resolution plan.
- (4) The resolution professional shall share the information memorandum after receiving an undertaking from a member of the committee or a prospective resolution applicant to the effect that such member or resolution applicant shall maintain confidentiality of the information and shall not use such information to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person and comply with the requirements under sub-section (2) of section 29.]

# (35A) Invitation of Resolution Plans.

- (1)The resolution professional shall issue an invitation, including evaluation matrix, to the prospective resolution applicants in accordance with clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25, to submit resolution plans at least fifteen days before the last date of submission of resolution plans.
- (2) Where the invitation does not contain the evaluation matrix, the resolution professional shall issue, with the approval of the committee, the evaluation matrix to the prospective resolution applicants at least eight days before the last date for submission of resolution plans.
- (3) The resolution professional may modify the invitation, the evaluation matrix or both with the approval of the committee within the timelines given under sub-regulation (1) or sub-regulation (2) as the case may be.

- (4) The timelines specified under this regulation shall not apply to an ongoing fast track corporate insolvency resolution process-
- (a) where a period of less than twenty-two days is left for submission of resolution plans under sub-regulation (1);
- (b) where a period of less than eleven days is left for submission of resolution plans under sub-regulation (2).
- (5) The resolution professional shall publish brief particulars of the invitation in Form G of the Schedule:
- (a) on the website, if any, of the corporate debtor; and
- (b) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for the purpose.".

# 36. Resolution plan.

- (1) A resolution plan shall provide for the measures, as may be necessary for insolvency resolution of the corporate debtor for maximization of value of its assets, including but not limited to the following:-
- (a) transfer of all or part of the assets of the corporate debtor to one or more persons;
- (b) sale of all or part of the assets whether subject to any security interest or not;
- (c) the substantial acquisition of shares of the corporate debtor, or the merger or consolidation of the corporate debtor with one or more persons;
- (d) satisfaction or modification of any security interest;
- (e) curing or waiving of any breach of the terms of any debt due from the corporate debtor;
- (f) reduction in the amount payable to the creditors;

- (g) extension of a maturity date or a change in interest rate or other terms of a debt due from the corporate debtor;
- (h) amendment of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor;
- (i) issuance of securities of the corporate debtor, for cash, property, securities, or in exchange for claims or interests, or other appropriate purpose;
- (j) change in portfolio of goods or services produced or rendered by the corporate debtor;
- (k) change in technology used by the corporate debtor; and
- (I) obtaining necessary approvals from the Central and State Governments and other authorities.]

# 37. Mandatory contents of the resolution plan.

- (1) A resolution plan shall identify specific sources of funds that will be used to pay the -
- (a) fast track process costs and provide that the fast track process costs will be paid in priority to any other creditor;
- (b) liquidation value due to operational creditors and provide for such payment in priority to any financial creditor which shall in any event be made before the expiry of thirty days after the approval of a resolution plan by the Adjudicating Authority; and (no such time limit in CIRP)
- (c) liquidation value due to dissenting financial creditors and provide that such payment is made before any recoveries are made by the financial creditors who voted in favour of the resolution plan.

- (1A) A resolution plan shall include a statement as to how it has dealt with the Interests of all stakeholders, including financial creditors and operational creditors, of the corporate debtor.]
- (2) A resolution plan shall provide:
- (a) the term of the plan and its implementation schedule;
- (b) the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term; and
- (c) adequate means for supervising its implementation.
- (3) A resolution plan shall contain details of the resolution applicant and other connected persons to enable the committee to assess the credibility of such applicant and other connected persons to take a prudent decision while considering the resolution plan for its approval.

Explanation: For the purposes of this sub-regulation,-

- (i) 'details' shall include the following in respect of the resolution applicant and other connected persons, namely:-
- (a) identity;
- (b) conviction for any offence, if any, during the preceding five years;
- (c) criminal proceedings pending, if any;
- (d) disqualification, if any, under Companies Act, 2013, to act as a director;

- (e) identification as a willful defaulter, if any, by any bank or financial institution or consortium thereof in accordance with the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India;
- (f) debarment, if any, from accessing to, or trading in, securities markets under any order or directions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India,; and
- (g) transactions, if any, with the corporate debtor in the preceding two years.
- (ii) the expression 'connected persons' means-
- (a) persons who are promoters or in the management or control of the resolution applicant;
- (b) persons who will be promoters or in management or control of the business of the corporate debtor during the implementation of the resolution plan;
- (c) holding company, subsidiary company, associate company and related party of the persons referred to in items (a) and (b).

# 38. Approval of resolution plan.

(1) A resolution applicant shall submit resolution plan(s) prepared in accordance with the Code and these regulations to the resolution professional within the time given in the invitation made under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25.

- (2) The resolution professional shall submit to the committee all resolution plans which comply with the requirements of the Code and regulations made there under along with the details of following transactions, if any, observed, found or determined by him:-
- (a) preferential transactions under section 43;
- (b) undervalued transactions under section 45;
- (c) extortionate credit transactions under section 50; and
- (d) fraudèrent transactions Under section 66, and the orders, if any, of the adjudicating authority in respect of such transactions.
- (3) The committee may approve any resolution plan with such modifications as it deems fit.
- (3A) The committee shall, while approving the resolution plan under sub-section (4) of section 30, specify the amounts payable from resources under the resolution plan for the purposes under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 37.
- (4) The resolution professional shall submit the resolution plan approved by the committee to the Adjudicating Authority, at least fifteen days before the expiry of the maximum period permitted under section 56 for the completion of the fast track corporate insolvency resolution process, with the certification that-
- (a) the contents of the resolution plan meet all the requirements of the Code and the Regulations; and
- (b) the resolution plan has been approved by the committee:

Provided that the timeline specified in this sub-regulation shall not apply to an ongoing fast track corporate insolvency resolution process which has completed 50th day from its commencement date.]

- (5) The resolution professional shall forthwith send a copy of the order of the Adjudicating Authority approving or rejecting a resolution plan to the participants and the resolution applicant.
- (6) A provision in a resolution plan which would otherwise require the consent of the members or partners of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, under the terms of the constitutional documents of the corporate debtor, shareholders' agreement, joint venture agreement or other document of a similar nature, shall take effect notwithstanding that such consent has not been obtained.
- (7) No proceedings shall be initiated against the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, for any actions of the corporate debtor, prior to the fast track commencement date.
- (8) A person in charge of the management or control of the business and operations of the corporate debtor after a resolution plan is approved by the Adjudicating Authority, may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for an order seeking the assistance of the local district administration in implementing the terms of a resolution plan.
- 39. Extension of the fast track process period.
- (1) The committee is of the opinion that the fast track process cannot be completed within the stipulated 90 days, it may instruct the resolution professional to make an application to the Adjudicating Authority under section 56 to extend the fast track process period.
- (2) The resolution professional shall, on receiving an instruction from the committee under this Regulation, make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for such extension.

# VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION OF CORPORATE PERSONS

# **CHAPTER V**

# **VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION OF CORPORATE PERSONS Reg 1 & 2**

# 59. Voluntary liquidation of corporate persons. -

- (1) A corporate person who intends to liquidate itself voluntarily and **has not committed any default** may initiate voluntary liquidation proceedings under the provisions of this Chapter.
- (2) The voluntary liquidation of a corporate person under sub-section (1) shall meet such conditions and procedural requirements as may be specified by the Board. Reg 3-41
- (3) Without prejudice to sub-section (2), voluntary liquidation proceedings of a corporate person **registered as a company** shall meet the following conditions, namely: -
  - (a) a declaration from majority of the directors of the company verified by an affidavit stating that
    - (i) they have made a full inquiry into the affairs of the company and they have formed an opinion that either the company has no debt or that it will be able

to pay its debts in full from the proceeds of assets to be sold in the voluntary liquidation; and

- (ii) the company is not being liquidated to defraud any person;
- (b) the declaration under sub-clause (a) shall be accompanied with the following documents, namely: -
  - (i) audited financial statements and record of business operations of the company for the previous two years or for the period since its incorporation, whichever is later;
  - (ii) a report of the valuation of the assets of the company, if any prepared by a registered valuer;
  - (c) within four weeks of a declaration under sub-clause (a), there shall be -
  - (i) a special resolution of the members of the company in a general meeting requiring the company to be liquidated voluntarily and appointing an insolvency professional to act as the liquidator; or
  - (ii) a resolution of the members of the company in a general meeting requiring the company to be liquidated voluntarily as a result of expiry of the period of its duration, if any, fixed by its articles or on the occurrence of any event in respect of which the articles provide that the company shall be dissolved, as the case may be and appointing an insolvency professional to act as the liquidator:

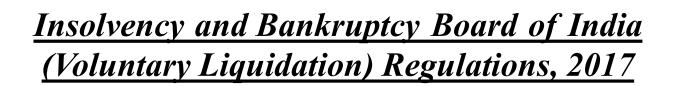
Provided that the company owes any debt to any person, creditors **representing two-thirds in value of the debt of the company** shall approve the resolution passed under sub-clause (c) within seven days of such resolution.

- (4) The company shall notify the **Registrar of Companies and the Board** about the resolution under sub-section (3) to liquidate the company within seven days of such resolution or the subsequent approval by the creditors, as the case may be.
- (5) Subject to approval of the creditors under sub-section (3), the voluntary liquidation proceedings in respect of a company shall be deemed to have commenced from the **date of passing of the resolution** under sub-clause (c) of sub-section (3).
- (6) The provisions of sections 35 to 53 of Chapter III and Chapter VII shall apply to voluntary liquidation proceedings for corporate persons with such modifications as may be necessary.
- (7) Where the affairs of the corporate person have been completely wound up, and its assets completely liquidated, the liquidator shall make an application to the **Adjudicating Authority** for the dissolution of such corporate person.
  - (8) The Adjudicating Authority shall on an application filed by the liquidator under

sub-section (7), pass an order that the corporate debtor <b>shall be dissolved from the date of that order</b> and the corporate debtor shall be dissolved accordingly.
(9) A copy of an order under sub-section (8) <b>shall within fourteen days from the date of such order</b> , be forwarded to the authority with which the corporate person is registered.

Subs. by Act. No 26 of 2018, sec. 29 (a), for the words "bankruptcy of a personal guarantor of such corporate debtor" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018)

Subs. by Act. No 26 of 2018, sec 29 (b), for the words "bankruptcy proceeding of a personal guarantor of the corporate debtor" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). 41 6



# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION PROCESS) REGULATIONS, 2017<sup>1</sup>

[AMENDED UPTO 16.09.2022]

IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG010. -In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 59, 196 and 208 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Board hereby makes the following Regulations, namely: -

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st April, 2017.
- (3) These Regulations shall apply to the voluntary liquidation of corporate persons under Chapter V of Part II of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - (a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
  - (b) "contributory" means a member of a company, partner of a limited liability partnership, and any other person liable to contribute towards the assets of the corporate person in the event of its liquidation;
  - <sup>2</sup>[(ba) "Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account" means the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account operated and maintained by the Board under regulation 39;]
  - (c) "liquidation commencement date" means the date on which the proceedings for voluntary liquidation commence as per section 59(5) and Regulation <sup>3</sup>[3(3)];
  - (d) "Registrar" shall have the same meaning assigned to it under section 2(75) of the Companies Act, 2013 or section 2(1)(s) of the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 or the authority administering the Act under which the corporate person is incorporated, as applicable;

 $<sup>^1</sup>Vide$ Notification No. IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG010, dated  $31^{\rm st}$  March, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, vide No. 130, dated  $31^{\rm st}$  March, 2017 (w.e.f. 01.04.2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG054, dated 15<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2020 (w.e.f. 15.01.2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05-04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "3(4)".

- (e) "section" means a section of the Code; and
- (f) "stakeholders" mean the stakeholders entitled to proceeds from the sale of liquidation assets under section 53.
- (2) The term liquidation in these Regulations refers to voluntary liquidation.
- (3) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

# CHAPTER II COMMENCEMENT OF LIQUIDATION

#### 3. Initiation of Liquidation

- (1) Without prejudice to section 59(2), liquidation proceedings of a corporate person shall meet the following conditions, namely: —
  - (a) a declaration from majority of
    - the designated partners, if a corporate person is a limited liability partnership,
    - individuals constituting the governing body in case of other corporate persons,

as the case may be, verified by an affidavit stating that-

- (i) they have made a full inquiry into the affairs of the corporate person and they have formed an opinion that either the corporate person has no debt or that it will be able to pay its debts in full from the proceeds of assets to be sold in the liquidation; and
- (ii) the corporate person is not being liquidated to defraud any person;
- (b) the declaration under sub-clause (a) shall be accompanied with the following documents, namely:
  - audited financial statements and record of business operations of the corporate person for the previous two years or for the period since its incorporation, whichever is later;
  - a report of the valuation of the assets of the corporate person, if any prepared by a registered valuer;
  - (c) within four weeks of a declaration under sub-clause (a), there shall

- (i) a resolution passed by a special majority of the partners or contributories, as the case may be, of the corporate person requiring the corporate person to be liquidated and appointing an insolvency professional to act as the liquidator; or
- (ii) a resolution of the partners or contributories, as the case may be, requiring the corporate person to be liquidated as a result of expiry of the period of its duration, if any, fixed by its constitutional documents or on the occurrence of any event in respect of which the constitutional documents provide that the corporate person shall be dissolved, as the case may be, and appointing an insolvency professional to act as the liquidator:

Provided that the corporate person owes any debt to any person, creditors representing two-thirds in value of the debt of the corporate person shall approve the resolution passed under sub-clause (c) within seven days of such resolution.

- (2) The corporate person shall notify the Registrar and the Board about theresolution under sub-regulation (1) to liquidate the corporate person within seven days of such resolution or the subsequent approval by the creditors, as the case may be.
- (3) Subject to approval of the creditors under sub-regulation (1), the liquidation proceedings in respect of a corporate person shall be deemed to have commenced from the date of passing of the resolution under sub-clause (c) of subregulation (1):

Explanation: For the purposes of sub-regulations (1) to (3), corporate person means a corporate person other than a company.

- (4) The declaration under sub-regulation (1)(a) or under section 59(3)(a) shall list each debt of the corporate person as on that date and state that the corporate person will be able to pay all its debts in full from the proceeds of assets to be sold in the liquidation.
- (5)4[The declaration under sub-regulation (1)(a) or under section 59(3)(a) shall provide that the corporate person has made provision for preservation of its records after its dissolution.]

# 4. Effect of liquidation.

 The corporate person shall from the liquidation commencement date cease to carry on its business except as far as required for the beneficial winding up of its business.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (1), the corporate person shall continue to exist until it is dissolved under section 59(8).

# **CHAPTER III**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ins. by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG095, dated 16th September, 2022, (w.e.f. 16.09.2022).

#### **APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION OF LIQUIDATOR**

# 5. <sup>5</sup>[Appointment of liquidator.

(1) Subject to regulation 6, the corporate person shall appoint an insolvency professional as liquidator, and, wherever required, may replace him by appointing another insolvency professional as liquidator, by a resolution passed under clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 59 or clause (c) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 3, as the case may be:

Provided that such resolution shall contain the terms and conditions of appointment of the liquidator, including the remuneration payable to him.

(2) The insolvency professional shall, within <sup>6</sup>[seven] days of his appointment as liquidator, intimate the Board about such appointment.]

#### 6. Eligibility for appointment as liquidator.

(1) An insolvency professional shall be eligible to be appointed as a liquidator if he, and every partner or director of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director is independent of the corporate person:

Explanation: A person shall be considered independent of the corporate person, if he-

- (a) is eligible to be appointed as an independent director on the board of the corporate person under section 149 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), where the corporate person is a company;
- (b) is not a related party of the corporate person; or
- (c) has not been an employee or proprietor or a partner-
  - of a firm of auditors or '[secretarial auditors] or cost auditors of the corporate person; or
  - (ii) of a legal or a consulting firm, that has or had any transaction with the corporate person contributing ten per cent or more of the gross turnover of such firm,

(1) An insolvency professional shall not be appointed by a corporate person if he is not eligible under Regulation 6.

 $<sup>^5</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020 -21/GN/REG.063, dated 5th August, 2020 (w.e.f. 05-08-2020). Before substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;5. Appointment of Liquidator.

<sup>(2)</sup> The resolution passed under regulation 3(2)(c) or under section 59(3)(c), as the case may be, shall contain the terms and conditions of the appointment of the liquidator, including the remuneration payable tohim."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05-04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "three".

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019 -20/GN/REG039, dated 15th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 15-01-2019). The words, before substitution stood as: "company secretaries".

at any time in the last three years.

- (2) An insolvency professional shall not be eligible to be appointed as a liquidator if he, or the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director is under a restraint order of the Board.
- (3) A liquidator shall disclose the existence of any pecuniary or personal relationship with the concerned corporate person or any of its stakeholders as soon as he becomes aware of it, to the Board and the Registrar.
- (4) An insolvency professional shall not continue as a liquidator if the insolvency professional entity of which he is a director or partner, or any other partner or director of such insolvency professional entity represents any other stakeholder in the same liquidation.

#### 7. Liquidator's remuneration.

The remuneration payable to the liquidator shall form part of the liquidationcost.

#### CHAPTERIV POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE LIOUIDATOR

#### 8. Reporting.

- (1) The liquidator shall prepare and submit-
  - (a) Preliminary Report;
  - (b) Annual Status Report;
  - (c) Minutes of consultations with stakeholders; and
  - (d) Final Report

in the manner specified under these Regulations.

- (2) Subject to other provisions of these Regulations, the liquidator shall make the reports and minutes referred to sub-regulation (1) available to a stakeholder in either electronic or physical form, on receipt of-
  - (a) an application in writing;
  - (b) cost of making such reports available to it; and
  - (c) an undertaking from the stakeholder that it shall maintain confidentiality of such reports and shall not use these to cause an undue gain or undue loss to itself or any other person.

#### 9. Preliminary Report.

- (1) The liquidator shall submit a Preliminary Report to the corporate person within forty five days from the liquidation commencement date, detailing-
  - (a) the capital structure of the corporate person;
  - (b) the estimates of its assets and liabilities as on the liquidation commencement date based on the books of the corporate person:

*Provided* that if the liquidator has reasons to believe, to be recorded in writing, that the books of the corporate person are not reliable, he shall also provide such estimates based on reliable records and data otherwise available to him;

- (c) Whether he intends to make any further inquiry in to any matter relating to the promotion, formation or failure of the corporate person or the conduct of the business thereof; and
- (d) the proposed plan of action for carrying out the liquidation, including the timeline within which he proposes to carry it out and the estimated liquidation costs.

# 10. Registers and books of account.

- (1) Where the books of account of the corporate person are incomplete on the liquidation commencement date, the liquidator shall have them completed and brought up-to-date, with all convenient speed.
- (2) The liquidator shall maintain the following registers and books, as may be applicable, in relation to the liquidation of the <sup>8</sup>[corporate person]:-
  - (a) Cash Book;
  - (b) Ledger;
  - (c) Bank Ledger;
  - (d) Register of Fixed Assets and Inventories;
  - (e) Securities and Investment Register;
  - (f) Register of Book Debts and Outstanding Debts;
  - (g) Tenants Ledger;

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05 -04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "corporate debtor".

(h)	Suits Register;

- (i) Decree Register;
- (j) Register of Claims and Dividends;
- (k) Contributories Ledger;
- (1) Distributions Register;
- (m) Fee Register;
- (n) Suspense Register;
- (o) Documents Register;
- (p) Books Register;
- (q) 9[Register of unclaimed dividends and undistributed proceeds; and]
- (r) such other books or registers as may be necessary to account for transactions entered into by him in relation to the <sup>10</sup>[corporate person].
- (3) The registers and books under sub-regulation (2) may be maintained in the forms indicated in Schedule II, with such modifications as the liquidator may deem fit in the facts and circumstances of the liquidation.
- (4) The liquidator shall keep receipts for all payments made or expenses incurred by

# 11. Engagement of professionals.

- (1) A liquidator may engage professionals to assist him in the discharge of his duties, obligations and functions for a reasonable remuneration and such remuneration shall form part of the liquidation cost.
- (2) The liquidator shall not engage a professional under sub-regulation (1) who is his relative, is a related party of the corporate person or has served as an auditor to the corporate person at any time during the five years preceding the liquidation commencement date.
- (3) A professional engaged or proposed to be engaged under sub-regulation(1) shall disclose the existence of any pecuniary or personal relationship with any of the stakeholders, or the corporate person as soon as he becomes aware of it, to the liquidator.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG054,dated 15th Jan., 2020 (w.e.f. 15.01.2020). Before substitution, it stood as: "Register of unclaimed dividends and undistributed properties deposited in accordance with Regulation 39; and".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05 -04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "corporate debtor".

# 12. Consultation with stakeholders.

- (1) The stakeholders consulted under section 35(2) shall extend all assistance and cooperation to the liquidator to complete the liquidation of the corporate person.
- (2) The liquidator shall maintain the particulars of any consultation with the stakeholders made under this Regulation.

#### 13. Extortionate credit transactions.

A transaction shall be considered an extortionate credit transaction under section 50(2) where the terms-

- require the corporate person to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
- (b) are unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.

#### 14. Public announcement by the liquidator.

- The liquidator shall make a public announcement in Form A of Schedule I within five days from his appointment.
- (2) The public announcement shall-
  - (a) call upon stakeholders to submit their claims as on the liquidation commencement date; and
  - (b) provide the last date for submission of claim, which shall be thirty days from the liquidation commencement date.
- (3) The announcement shall be published-
  - (a) in one English and one regional language newspaper with wide circulation at the location of the registered office and principal office, if any, of the corporate person and any other location where in the opinion of the liquidator, the corporate person conducts material business operations;
  - (b) on the website, if any, of the corporate person; and
  - (c) on the website, if any, designated by the Board for this purpose.

#### <u>CHAPTERV</u> <u>CLAIMS</u>

#### 15. Proof of claim.

A person, who claims to be a stakeholder, shall prove his claim for debt or dues to him, including interest, if any, as on the liquidation commencement date.

#### 16. Claims by operational creditors.

- (1) A person claiming to be an operational creditor of the corporate person, other than a workman or employee, shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form B of Schedule I.
- (2) The existence of debt due to an operational creditor under this Regulation may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available with an information utility; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the debt, including any of the following -
    - a contract for the supply of goods or services with corporate person, supported by an invoice demanding payment for the goods and services supplied to the corporateperson;
    - (ii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the nonpayment of a debt, if any; and
    - (iii) financial accounts of the corporate person.

# 17. Claims by financial creditors.

- A person claiming to be a financial creditor of the corporate person shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in electronic means in Form C of Schedule I.
- (2) The existence of debt due to the financial creditor may be proved on the basis of-
  - (a) the records available in an information utility; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the debt, including any or all of the following -
    - a financial contract supported by financial statements as evidence of the debt;
    - a record evidencing that the amounts committed by the financial creditor to the corporate person under a facility has been drawn by the corporate person;
    - (iii) financial statements showing that the debt has not been repaid; and
    - (iv) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the nonpayment of a debt, if any.

### 18. Claims by workmen and employees.

- (1) A person claiming to be a workman or an employee of the corporate person shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form D of Schedule I.
- (2) Where there are dues to numerous workmen or employees of the corporate person, an authorized representative may submit one proof of claim for all such dues on their behalf in Form E of Schedule I.
- (3) The existence of dues to workmen or employees may be proved by them, individually or collectively, on the basis of-
  - (a) records available in an information utility; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the dues, including any or all of the following -
    - a proof of employment such as contract of employment for the period for which such workman or employee is claiming dues;
    - evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid amount and any documentary or other proof that payment has not been made; and
    - (iii) an order of a court or tribunal that has adjudicated upon the nonpayment of dues, if any.
- (4) The liquidator shall admit the claims of a workman or an employee on the basis of the books of account of the corporate person if such workman or employee has not made a claim.

### 19. Claims by other stakeholders.

- (1) A person, claiming to be a stakeholder other than those under Regulations 16, 17 or 18 shall submit proof of claim to the liquidator in person, by post or by electronic means in Form F of Schedule I.
- (2) The existence of the claim of the stakeholder may be proved on the basis of -
  - (a) the records available in an information utility; or
  - (b) other relevant documents which adequately establish the claim, including any or all of the following-
    - documentary evidence of notice demanding payment of unpaid amount or bank statements of the claimant showing that the claim has not been paid and an affidavit that the documentary evidence and bank statements are true, valid and genuine;
    - (ii) documentary or electronic evidence of his shareholding; and
    - (iii) an order of a court, tribunal or other authority that has adjudicated upon the non-payment of a claim, if any.

#### 20. Proving security interest.

The existence of a security interest may be proved by a secured creditor on the basis of-

- (a) the records available in an information utility;
- (b) certificate of registration of charge issued by the Registrar of Companies;
- (c) proof of registration of charge with the Central Registry of Securitisation Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest of India; or
- (d) other relevant documents which adequately establish the security interest.

#### 21. Production of bills of exchange and promissory notes.

Where a person seeks to prove a debt in respect of a bill of exchange, promissory note or other negotiable instrument or security of a like nature for which the corporate person is liable, **such bill of exchange**, **not**e, instrument or security, as the case may be, shall be produced before the liquidator before the claim is admitted.

### 22. Substantiation of claims.

The liquidator may call for such other evidence or clarification as he deems fit from a claimant for substantiating the whole or part of its claim.

# 23. Cost of proof.

- (1) A claimant shall bear the cost of proving its claim.
- (2) Costs incurred by the liquidator for verification and determination of a claim shall form part of liquidation cost:

Provided that if a claim or part of the claim is found to be false, the liquidator shall endeavor to recover the costs incurred for verification and determination of claim from such claimant, and shall provide the details of the claimant to the Board.

# 24. Determination of amount of claim.

Where the amount claimed by a claimant is not precise due to any contingency or any other reason, the liquidator shall make the best estimate of the amount of the claim, based on consultation with the claimant and the corporate person and the information available with him.

# 25. Debt in foreign currency.

The claims denominated in foreign currency shall be valued in Indian currency at the official exchange rate as on the liquidation commencement date.

Explanation- "The official exchange rate" is the reference rate published by the Reserve Bank of India or derived from such reference rates.

#### 26. Periodical payments.

In the case of rent, interest and such other payments of a periodical nature, a person may claim only for any amounts due and unpaid up to the liquidation commencement date.

#### 27. Debt payable at future time.

- A person may prove for a claim whose payment was not yet due on the liquidation commencement date and is entitled to distribution in the same manner as any other stakeholder.
- (2) Subject to any contract to the contrary, where a stakeholder has proved for a claim under sub-regulation (1), and the debt has not fallen due before distribution, he is entitled to distribution of the admitted claim reduced as follows-

$$X/(1+r)^{n}$$

where-

- (a) "X" is the value of the admitted claim;
- (b) "r" is the closing yield rate (%) of government securities of the maturity of "n" on the date of distribution as published by the Reserve Bank of India; and
- (C) "n" is the period beginning with the date of distribution and ending with the date on which the payment of the debt would otherwise be due, expressed in years and months in a decimalized form.

### 28. Mutual credits and set-off.

Where there are mutual dealings between the corporate person and another party, the sums due from one party shall be set off against the sums due from the other to arrive at the net amount payable to the corporate person or to the other party.

*Illustration:* X owesRs.100 to the corporate person. The corporate person owes Rs.70 to X. After set off, Rs.30 is payable by X to the corporate person.

#### 29. Verification of claims

(1) The liquidator shall verify the claims submitted within thirty days from the last date for receipt of claims and may either admit or reject the claim, in whole or in part, as the case may be, as per section 40 of the Code.

(2) A creditor may appeal to the Adjudicating Authority against the decision of the liquidator as per section 42 of the Code.

#### 30. List of stakeholders.

- The liquidator shall prepare a list of stakeholders on the basis of proofs of claims submitted and accepted under these Regulations, with-
  - (a) the amounts of claim admitted, if applicable,
  - (b) the extent to which the debts or dues are secured or unsecured, if applicable,
  - (c) the details of the stakeholders, and
  - (d) the proofs admitted or rejected in part, and the proofs wholly rejected.
- (2) The liquidator shall prepare the list of stakeholders within forty-five days from the last date for receipt of claims.

<sup>11</sup>[Provided that where no claim from creditors has been received till the last date for receipt of claims, the liquidator shall prepare the list of stakeholders within fifteen days from the last date for receipt of claims.]

- (3) The list of stakeholders, as modified from time to time, shall be-
  - (a) available for inspection by the persons who submitted proofs of claim;
  - (b) available for inspection by members, partners, directors and guarantors of the corporate person;
  - (c) displayed on the website, if any, of the corporate person;
  - (d) displayed on the website, if any, designated by the Board for this purpose.

### <u>CHAPTER VI</u> REALISATION OFASSETS

### 31. Manner of sale.

The liquidator may value and sell the assets of the corporate person in the manner and mode approved by the corporate person in compliance with provisions, if any, in the applicable statute.

Explanation: "assets" include an asset, all assets, a set of assets or parcel of assets, as the case may be, in relation to sale of assets.

#### 32. Recovery of monies due.

 $<sup>^{11}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081.,\;dated\;5th\;April,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;05-04-2022).$ 

The liquidator shall endeavor to recover and realize all assets of and dues to the corporate person in a time-bound manner for maximization of value for the stakeholders.

#### 33. Liquidator to realize uncalled capital or unpaid capital contribution.

- The liquidator shall realize any amount due from any contributory to the corporate person.
- (2) Notwithstanding any charge or encumbrance on the uncalled capital of the corporate person, the liquidator shall be entitled to call and realize the uncalled capital of the corporate person and to collect the arrears if any due on calls made prior to the liquidation commencement date, by providing a notice to the contributory to make the payments within fifteen days from the receipt of the notice, but shall hold all moneys so realized subject to the rights, if any, of the holder of any such charge or encumbrance.
- (3) No distribution shall be made to a contributory, unless he makes his contribution to the uncalled or unpaid capital as required in the constitutional documents of the corporate person.

# CHAPTER VII PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS

# 34. All money to be paid in to bank account.

- (1) The liquidator shall open a bank account in the name of the corporate person followed by the words 'in voluntary liquidation', in a scheduled bank, for the receipt of all moneys due to the corporate person.
- (2) The liquidator shall pay to the credit of the bank account opened under sub-regulation (1) all moneys, including cheques and demand drafts received by him as the liquidator of the corporate person, and the realizations of each day shall be deposited into the bank account without any deduction not later than the next working day.
- (3) The money in the credit of the bank account shall not be used except in accordance with section 53(1).
- (4) All payments out of the account by the liquidator above five thousand rupees shall be made by cheques drawn or online banking transactions against the bank account.

#### 35. Distribution.

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- (1) The liquidator shall distribute the proceeds from realization within 12[thirty days] from the receipt of the amount to the stakeholders.
- (2) The liquidation costs shall be deducted before such distribution is made.
- (3) The liquidator may, with the approval of the corporate person, distribute amongst the stakeholders, an asset that cannot be readily or advantageously sold due to its peculiar nature or other special circumstances.

#### 36. Return of money.

A stakeholder shall forthwith return any monies received by him in distribution, which he was not entitled to at the time of distribution, or subsequently became not entitled to.

#### 37. Completion of liquidation.

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- (1) The liquidator shall endeavour to complete the liquidation process of the corporate person and submit the Final Report under regulation 38 within: -
  - (a) two hundred and seventy days from the liquidation commencement date where the creditors have approved the resolution under clause (c) of sub- section (3) of section 59 or clause (c) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 3, and
  - (b) ninety days from the liquidation commencement date in all other cases.]
- (2) In the event of the liquidation process continuing for more than twelve months, the liquidator shall-
  - (a) hold a meeting of the contributories of the corporate person within fifteen days from the end of the twelve months from the liquidation commencement date, and at the end every succeeding twelve months till dissolution of the corporate person; and
  - (b) shall present an Annual Status Report(s)indicating progress in liquidation, including-
    - (i) settlement of list of stakeholders,
    - (ii) details of any assets that remains to be sold and realized,
    - (iii) distribution made to the stakeholders, and

<sup>12</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05 -04- 2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "six months".

<sup>13</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022 -23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05 -04- 2022). Before substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) The liquidator shall endeavor to complete the liquidation process of the corporate person within twelve months from the liquidation commencement date".

- (iv) distribution of unsold assets made to the stakeholders;
- developments in any material litigation, by or against the corporate person; and
- (vi) filing of, and developments in applications for avoidance of transactions in accordance with Chapter III of Part II of the Code.
- (3) The Annual Status Report shall enclose the audited accounts of the liquidation showing the receipts and paymentspertaining to liquidation since the liquidation commencement date.

#### 38. Final Report.

- On completion of the liquidation process, the liquidator shall prepare the Final Report consisting of -
  - (a) audited accounts of the liquidation, showing receipts and payments pertaining to liquidation since the liquidation commencement date; and
  - (b) a statement demonstrating that-
    - (i) the assets of the corporate person has been disposed of;
    - (ii) the debt of the corporate person has been discharged to the satisfaction of the creditors;
    - (iii) no litigation is pending against the corporate person or sufficient provision has been made to meet the obligations arising from any pending litigation.
  - (c) a sale statement in respect of all assets containing -
    - (i) the realized value;
    - (ii) cost of realization, if any;
    - (iii) the manner and mode of sale;
    - (iv) an explanation for the shortfall, if the value realized is less than the value assigned by the registered valuer in the report of the valuation of assets under section 59(3)(b)(ii) or Regulation 3(1)(b)(ii), as the case may be;
    - (v) the person to whom the sale is made; and
    - (vi) any other relevant details of the sale.
- (2) The liquidator shall send the Final Report forthwith, to the Registrar and the Board.

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(3) The liquidator shall submit the Final Report and the compliance certificate in Form-H along with the application under sub-section (7) of section 59 to the Adjudicating Authority.]

#### 15[39. Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account.

(1)The Board shall operate and maintain an Account to be called the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account in the Public Accounts of India:

Provided that until the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account is operated as part

of the Public Accounts of India, the Board shall open a separate bank account with a Scheduled bank for the purposes of this regulation.

(2) A liquidator shall deposit the amount of unclaimed dividends, if any, and

undistributed proceeds, if any, in a liquidation process along with any income earned thereon till the date of deposit, into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account before he submits an application under sub-section (7) of section 59.

- (3)A liquidator, who holds any amount of unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds in a liquidation process on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020, shall deposit the same within fifteen days of the date of such commencement, along with any income earned thereon till the date of deposit.
- (4)A liquidator, who fails to deposit any amount into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account under this regulation, shall deposit the same along with interest

- (1) Before the order of dissolution is passed under section 59(8), the liquidator shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for an order to pay into the Companies Liquidation Account in the Public Account of India any unclaimed proceeds of liquidation or undistributed assets or any other balance payable to the stakeholders in his hands on the date of the order of dissolution.
- (2) Any liquidator who retains any money which should have been paid by him into the Companies Liquidation Account under this Regulation shall pay interest on the amount retained at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, and also pay such penalty as may be determined by the Board.
- (3) The liquidator shall, when making any payment referred to in sub-regulation (1), furnish to the Registrar and the Board, a statement setting forth the nature of the sums included, the names and last known addresses of the stakeholders entitled to participate therein, the amount to which each is entitled to and the nature of their claim.
- (4) The liquidator shallbe entitled to a receipt from the Reserve Bank of India for any money paid to it under sub-regulation (2), and such receipt shall be an effectual discharge of the liquidator in respect thereof.
- (5) A person claiming to be entitled to any money paid into the Companies Liquidation Account may apply to the Board for an order for payment of the money claimed; which may, if satisfied that such person is entitled to the whole or any part of the money claimed, make an order for the payment to that person of the sum due to him, after taking such security from him as it may think fit.
- (6) Any money paid into the Companies Liquidation Account in pursuance of this Regulation, which remains unclaimed

thereafter for a period of fifteen years shall be transferred to the general revenue account of the Central Government."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022 -23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05-04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) The liquidator shall submit the Final Report to the Adjudicating Authority along with the application under section 59(7)".

 $<sup>^{15}</sup>$  Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG054, dated  $15^{\rm th}Jan.,2020$  (w.e.f. 15.01.2020). Before substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;39. Unclaimed proceeds of liquidation or undistributed assets.

thereon at the rate of twelve percent per annum from the due date of deposit till the date of deposit.

(5)A liquidator shall submit to the authority with which the corporate person is registered and the Board, the evidence of deposit of the amount into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account under this regulation, and a statement in Form-G setting forth the nature of the amount deposited into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, and the names and last known addresses of the stakeholders entitled to receive the unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds.

(6) The liquidator shall be entitled to a receipt from the Board for any amount deposited

into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account under this regulation.

(7)A stakeholder, who claims to be entitled to any amount deposited into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, may apply to the Board in <sup>16</sup>[Form-I] for an order for withdrawal of the amount:

Provided that if any other person other than the stakeholder claims to be entitled

to any amount deposited to the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, he shall submit evidence to satisfy the Board that he is so entitled.

(8) The Board may, if satisfied that the stakeholder or any other person referred to under

sub-regulation (7) is entitled to withdrawal of any amount from the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, make an order for the same in favour of that stakeholder or that other person.

(9)The Board shall maintain a corporate person-wise ledger of the amount deposited into and the amount withdrawn from the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account

under this regulation.

(10)The Board shall nominate an officer of the level of Executive Director of the Board as the custodian of the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account and no proceeds shall be withdrawn without his approval.

(11) The Board shall maintain proper accounts of the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation

Account and get the same audited annually.

(12)The audit report along with the statement of accounts of the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account referred to in sub-regulation (11) shall be placed before the Governing Board and shall be forwarded to the Central Government.

(13) Any amount deposited into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account in

pursuance of this regulation, which remains unclaimed or undistributed for a period of fifteen years from the date of order of dissolution of the corporate person and any amount of income or interest received or earned in the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account shall be transferred to the Consolidated Fund of India.]

#### 40. Detection of Fraud or Insolvency

- (1) Where the liquidator is of the opinion that the liquidation is being done to defraud a person, he shall make an application to the Adjudicatory Authority to suspend the process of liquidation and pass any such orders as it deems fit.
- (2) Where the liquidator is of the opinion that the corporate person will not be able to pay its debts in full from the proceeds of assets to be sold in the liquidation, he shall make an application to the Adjudicating Authority to suspend the process of liquidation and pass any such orders as it deems fit.

<sup>16</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022 -23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05-04- 2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "Form-H".

#### <sup>17</sup>[41. Preservation of records.

- (1) The liquidator shall preserve copies of all such records which are required to give a complete account of the voluntary liquidation process.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the obligations under sub-regulation (1), the liquidator shall preserve copies of records relating to or forming the basis of:-
  - (a) his appointment as liquidator, including the terms of appointment;
  - (b) handing over / taking over of the assignment;
  - (c) initiation of voluntary liquidation process;
  - (d) public announcement;
  - (e) claims, verification of claims, and list of stakeholders;
  - (f) engagement of professionals, registered valuers, etc. including work done, reports etc., submitted by them;
  - (g) all filings with the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority, High Courts, Supreme Court, whichever applicable and their orders;
  - (h) statutory filings with Board and insolvency professional agencies;
  - (i) correspondence during the voluntary liquidation process;
  - (j) cost of voluntary liquidation process;
  - (k) all reports, registers, documents such as preliminary report, annual status report, final report prior to dissolution, various registers and books, etc. mentioned in Regulation 8 and 10 of principal regulations; and
  - (l) any other records, which is required to give a complete account of the process.
- (3) The liquidator shall preserve:
  - (a) electronic copy of all records (physical and electronic) for a minimum period of eight years; and
  - (b) a physical copy of records for a minimum period of three years;

from the date of dissolution of the corporate person, before the Board, the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Authority or any Court, whichever is later.

(4) In case of replacement of liquidator during the process, the outgoing liquidator shall handover the records under sub-regulation (1) and (2) to the new liquidator.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG095., dated 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (w.e.f. 16-09-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "The liquidator shall preserve a physical or an electronic copy of the reports, registers and books of account referred to in Regulations 8 and 10 for at least eight years after the dissolution of the corporate person, either with himself or with an information utility"

- (5) The liquidator shall preserve the records at a secure place and shall be obliged to produce records as may be required under the Code and the principal regulations.
- (6) The liquidator shall, along with the application filed under sub-section (7) of section 59 to the Adjudicating Authority, provide the details and manner of preservation of records under sub-regulation (1) and (2).

Explanation - The records referred to in this regulation includes records pertaining to the period of a liquidation process during which the liquidator acted as such, irrespective of the fact that he did not take up the assignment from its commencement or continue the assignment till its conclusion.]

## SCHEDULEI FORM A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

(Regulation 14 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017)

## FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE STAKEHOLDERSOF [Name of Corporate person]

1.	NAME OF CORPORATE PERSON	
2.	DATE OF INCORPORATION OF CORPORATE PERSON	
3.	AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH CORPORATE PERSON IS INCORPORATED/ REGISTERED	
4.	CORPORATE IDENTITY NUMBER / LIMITED LIABILITY IDENTITY NUMBER OF CORPORATE PERSON	
5.	ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OFFICEAND PRINCIPAL OFFICE (IF ANY) OF CORPORATE PERSON	
6.	LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT DATE OF CORPORATE PERSON	
7.	NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE LIQUIDATOR	
8.	LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS	

Notice is hereby given that the [name of the corporate person] has commenced voluntary liquidation on [liquidation commencement date].

The stakeholders of [name of the corporate person] are hereby called upon to submit a proof of their claims, on or before <sup>18</sup>[insert the date falling thirty days from the liquidation commencement date], to the liquidator at the address mentioned against item 7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019 -20/GN/REG039, dated 15th January, 2019 (w.e.f. 15-01-2019). The words, before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;insert the date falling thirty days after the liquidation commencement date".

The financial creditors shall submit their proof of claims by electronic means only. All other stakeholders may submit the proof of claims in person, by post or by electronic means

Submission of false or misleading proofs of claim shall attract penalties.

Name and Signature of the Liquidator:

Date and Place:

#### FORM B

## PROOF OF CLAIM BY OPERATIONAL CREDITORS EXCEPT WORKMEN AND EMPLOYEES

(Under Regulation 16 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017)

[Date]

To
The Liquidator
[Name of the Liquidator]
[Address as set out in the public announcement]

#### From

[Name and address of the operational creditor]

**Subject:** Submission of proof of claim in respect of the voluntary liquidation of [name of corporate person] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the operational creditor] hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the voluntary liquidation of [name of corporate person]. The details for the same are set out below:

1.	NAME OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR	
	(IF AN INCORPORATED BODY PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND PROOF OF INCORPORATION, IF A PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION RECORDS* OF ALL THE PARTNERS OR THE INDIVIDUAL)	
2.	ADDRESS OF OPERATIONAL CREDITOR FOR CORRESPONDENCE	
3.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING ANY INTEREST, AS AT VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION PROCESS COMMENCEMENT DATE AND DETAILS OF NATURE OF CLAIM	
4.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THE RECORD OF PENDENCY OF SUIT OR ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS	

5.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED	
6.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE PERSON AND THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE CLAIM	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY RETENTION OF TITLE IN RESPECT OF GOODS OR PROPERTIES TO WHICH THE DEBT REFERS OR ANY OTHER SECURITY	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER OF DEBT IN HIS FAVOUR	
9.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE OPERATIONAL CREDITOR'S SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
10.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	

<sup>\*</sup>PAN, Passport, AADHAAR Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of India.

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2.In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on and the documents specified below:

[Please list out the documents relied on as evidence of debt.]

- 3. The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
- 4.In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have my partners or any of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge or belief, for my/ our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings

between the corporate person and the operat the claim.]		0
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Deponent's signature

#### FORM C PROOF OF CLAIM BY FINANCIAL CREDITORS

(Under Regulation 17 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017)

[Date]

То

The Liquidator

[Name of the Liquidator]

[Address as set out in the public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the registered office and principal office of the financial creditor]

**Subject:** Submission of proof of claim in respect of the voluntary liquidation of [name of corporate person] under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

#### Madam/Sir,

[Name of the financial creditor] hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the voluntary liquidation of [name of corporate person]. The details for the same are set out below:

1.	Name of financial creditor	
	(IF AN INCORPORATED BODY PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION	
	NUMBER AND PROOF OF INCORPORATION, IF A	
	PARTNERSHIP OR INDIVIDUAL PROVIDE	
	IDENTIFICATION RECORDS* OF ALL THE PARTNERS OR	
	THE INDIVIDUAL)	
2.	ADDRESS AND EMAIL OF FINANCIAL CREDITOR FOR	
	CORRESPONDENCE.	
3.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING ANY INTEREST,	
	AS AT THE LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT DATE AND	
	DETAILS OF NATURE OF CLAIM (WHETHER TERM LOAN,	
	SECURED, UNSECURED)	
	SECORED, ONSECORED)	
4.	DETAILS OF ANY ORDER OF A COURT OF TRIBUNAL	
	THAT HAS ADJUDICATED ON THE NON-PAYMENT OF	
	DEBT	
5.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN DEBT INCURRED	
6.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR	
	OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE	
	PERSON AND THE FINANCIAL CREDITOR WHICH MAY BE	
	SET-OFF AGAINST THE CLAIM	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY SECURITY HELD, THE VALUE OF THE	
	SECURITY, AND THE DATE IT WAS GIVEN	
8.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER OF DEBT	
	IN HISFAVOUR	
9.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE	
	FINANCIAL CREDITOR'S SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF	
	LIQUIDATIONCAN BE TRANSFERRED	
10.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS BY	
	REFERENCE TO WHICH THE DEBT CAN BE	
	SUBSTANTIATED AND IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	

Signature of financial creditor or person authorised to act on his	
behalf	i

(please enclose the authority if this is being a financial creditor)	submitted on behalf			
Name in BLOCK LETTERS				
Position with or in relation to creditor	Position with or in relation to creditor			
Address of person signing				
*PAN, Passport, AADHAAR Card or the id Commission of India.	dentity card issued by	the Election		
Affi	DAVIT			
I, [name of deponent], currently residing at [address of deponent], do solemnly affirm and state as follows:				
1.The above named corporate person was, at the voluntary liquidation commencement date, that is, theday of20 and still is, justly and truly indebted to me [or to me and[insert name of co-partners], my co-partners in trade, or, as the case may be] for a sum of Rsfor[please state consideration].				
2.In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of debt and of non-payment.]				
3.The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.				
4.In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have my partners or any of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge or belief, for my/ our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:  [Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate person and the financial creditor which may be set-off against				
the claim.]		,		
Solemnly, affirmed atday of20	on	day, the		
Before me,				
Notary / Oath Commissioner.				

Deponent's signature.

#### VERIFICATION

I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify and affirm that the contents of para to of this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief. Nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at \_\_\_\_\_\_on this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_201\_\_\_.

Deponent's signature.

FORM D

PROOF OF CLAIM BY A WORKMAN OR EMPLOYEE

(Under Regulation 18(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017)

[Date]

То

The Liquidator

[Name of the Liquidator]

[Address as set out in public announcement]

From

[Name and address of the workman / employee]

**Subject:** Submission of proof of claim in respect of voluntary liquidation of (Name of corporate person) under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Madam/Sir,

[Name of the workman / employee], hereby submits this proof of claim in respect of the voluntary liquidation of [name of corporate person]. The details for the same are set out below:

1.	Name of workman / employee	
2.	PAN, PASSPORT, THE IDENTITY CARD ISSUED BY THE	
	ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA OR AADHAAR CARD	
	OF WORKMAN /EMPLOYEE	
3.	ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS (IF ANY) OF WORKMAN /	
	EMPLOYEE FOR CORRESPONDENCE	
4.	TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM	
	(INCLUDING ANY INTEREST AS AT THE VOLUNTARY	
	LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT DATE)	
5.	DETAILS OF ANY DISPUTE AS WELL AS THE RECORD OF	
	PENDENCY OR ORDER OF SUIT OR ARBITRATION	
	PROCEEDINGS	
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6.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN CLAIM AROSE	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS BETWEEN THE CORPORATE	
	PERSON AND THE WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF AGAINST THE CLAIM	
8.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH THE WORKMAN / EMPLOYEE'S SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
9.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE TO WHICH THE DEBT CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED AND RELIED ON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	

Signature of workman / employee or person authorised to act on his behalf [Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of an operational creditor]
Name in BLOCK LETTERS
Position with or in relation to creditor
Address of person signing

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- I, [name of deponent], currently residing at [insert address], do solemnly affirm and state as follows:
- 1.[Name of corporate person], the corporate person was, at the liquidation commencement date, that is, the \_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_20, justly and truly indebted to me for a sum of Rs. [insert amount of claim].
- 2.In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below:

 $[Please\ list\ the\ documents\ relied\ on\ as\ evidence\ of\ claim]$ 

The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

3.In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not nor has any person, by my order, to my knowledge or belief, for my use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual between the corporate person and the workman / enthe claim.]	
Solemnly, affirmed at [insert place] on of20	day, theday
Before me,	
Notary/ Oath Commissioner Deponent's signature	
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	Deponent's signature.
FORM E	
PROOF OF CLAIM BY AUTHORISED REPR OR EMPLOYER	
(Under Regulation 18(2) of the Insolvency and Ba Liquidation Process) Regula	ations, 2017)
То	[Date]
The Liquidator [Name of the Liquidator] [Address as set out in the public announcement]	
From [Name and address of the authorised representative	e of workmen/employees]
<b>Subject</b> : Submission of proof of claim in respect of of corporate person] under the Insolvency and Ban	
Madam/Sir,	
I, [name of duly authorised representative of the residing at [address of duly authorised representati	

behalf of the workmen and employees employed by the above named corporate person, solemnly affirm and say:

- 2. That for which said sums or any part thereof, they have not, nor has any of them, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:

[Please state details of any mutual credits, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate person and the workmen / employees which may be set-off against the claim.]

Signature

#### ANNEXURE

- Particulars of how dues were incurred by the corporate person, including particulars of any dispute as well as the record of pendency of suit or arbitration proceedings.
- Particulars of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate person and the workmen / employee which may be set-off against the claim.
- 3. Please list out and attach the documents relied on to prove the claim.
- 1. Details of Employees/ Workmen

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		AND EMPLOYEE			
		NO.,IF ANY			

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nor h	as any person, red any mann	said sum or any pa by my order, to r er of satisfaction	ny knowledge o	r belief, for m	y use, had or has
betwe		s of any mutual o ate person and th			
Solem	nnly, affirmed day of_	at20	on		day, the
Befor	e me,				
Notar	y / Oath Comn	nissioner.		De	ponent's signature

VERIFICATION 30

I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify of this affidavit are true and correct to my kno nothing material has been concealed therefrom	wledge and belief. Nothing is false and
Verified aton thisday of	201
	Deponent's signature
FORM PROOF OF CLAIM BY ANY C	
(Under Regulation 19of the Insolvency and Liquidation Process) Re	
•	[Date]
To The Liquidator [Name of the Liquidator] [Address as set out in the public announcement	r]
From [Name and address of the other stakeholder]	
<b>Subject</b> : Submission of proof of claim in respect of corporate person] under the Insolvency and	
Madam/Sir,	
[Name of the stakeholder] hereby submits liquidation in the case of [name of corporate pout below:	
1. NAME OF STAKE-HOLDER	
	ATION
2. ADDRESS AND EMAIL OF THE STAKEHOLD	DER

FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

CLAIM

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM, INCLUDING ANY INTEREST AS AT LIQUIDATION COMMENCEMENT AND DETAILS OF NATURE OF

	D	
4.	DETAILS OF HOW AND WHEN CLAIM AROSE	
5.	DETAILS OF ANY MUTUAL CREDIT, MUTUAL	
	DEBTS, OR OTHER MUTUAL DEALINGS	
	BETWEEN THE CORPORATE PERSON AND THE	
	OTHER STAKEHOLDER WHICH MAY BE SET-OFF	
	AGAINST THE CLAIM	
6.	DETAILS OF ANY RETENTION OF TITLE IN	
	RESPECT OF GOODS OR PROPERTIES TO WHICH	
	THE CLAIM REFERS	
7.	DETAILS OF ANY ASSIGNMENT OR TRANSFER	
	OF DEBT IN HIS FAVOUR	
8.	DETAILS OF THE BANK ACCOUNT TO WHICH	
	THE OTHER STAKEHOLDER'S SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS OF LIOUIDATION CAN BE	
	PROCEEDS OF LIQUIDATION CAN BE TRANSFERRED	
	TRANSFERRED	
9.	LIST OUT AND ATTACH THE DOCUMENTS BY	
	REFERENCE TO WHICH THE CLAIM CAN BE	
	SUBSTANTIATED OR WHICH CAN BE RELIED	
	UPON IN SUPPORT OF THE CLAIM.	

Signature of stakeholder or person authorised to act on his behalf (Please enclose the authority if this is being submitted on behalf of the other stakeholder)
Name in BLOCK LETTERS
Position with or in relation to creditor
Address of person signing

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{*PAN}, \mbox{Passport}, \mbox{AADHAAR}$  Card or the identity card issued by the Election Commission of India.

#### AFFIDAVIT

I, [insert full name, address and occupation of deponent to be given] do solemnly affirm and state as follows:
1. The above named corporate person was, at the liquidation commencement date, that is, theday of20 and still is, justly and truly indebted to me [or to me and [insert name of co-partner], my co-partners in trade, or, as the case may be,] for a sum of Rsfor [please state consideration].
2.In respect of my claim of the said sum or any part thereof, I have relied on the documents specified below: [Please list the documents relied on as evidence of proof.]
3.The said documents are true, valid and genuine to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
4.In respect of the said sum or any part thereof, I have not, nor have my partners or any of them, nor has any person, by my/our order, to my/our knowledge or belief, for my/ our use, had or received any manner of satisfaction or security whatsoever, save and except the following:  [Please state details of any mutual credit, mutual debts, or other mutual dealings between the corporate person and the other stakeholder which may be set-off against the claim.]
Solemnly, affirmed atonday, theday of20
Before me,
Notary / Oath Commissioner.  Deponent's signature.
VERIFICATION
I, the Deponent hereinabove, do hereby verify and affirm that the contents of para to of this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief. Nothing is false and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.
Verified aton thisday of201
Deponent's signature.

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#### <sup>19</sup>[FORM-G

#### Deposit of Unclaimed Dividends and/or Undistributed Proceeds

[Under Regulation 39(5) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017]

A Details of Voluntary Liquidation Process

Sl. No.	o. Description Process  Par					
	•	Particulars				
(1)	(2)	(3)				
	Name of the Corporate Person					
2	Identification Number of Corporate Person (CIN/LLPIN)					
3	Voluntary Liquidation Commencement Date					
4	Date of Deposit into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account					
5	Amount deposited into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account (Rs.)					
	Bank Account from which the amount is transferred to Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account					
	a. Account No:					
	b. Name of Bank:					
	c. IFSC:					
	d. MICR:					
	e. Address of Branch of theBank:					
7	Details of the Amount (Rs.) deposited into Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Acc					
	ount					
	a. Unclaimed dividends					
	b. Undistributed proceeds					
	c. Income earned till the due date of deposit					
	d. Interest at the rate of twelve per cent on the amount retained beyond du e date (Please show computation of interest amount)					
	Total					

## B. Details of Stakeholders entitled to Unclaimed Dividends or Undistributed

Sl. No.	Name of stakeholder entitled to receive unclaimed dividends or undistributed proceeds	Address, phone number and email address of the stakeholder	Identification Number of the stakeholder (PAN, CIN/LLPIN/DIN, Aadhaar No.) (Please attach Identification proof.)	Amount due to the stakeholder (Rs.)	Nature of Amount due	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1						
2						
3						

#### C. Details of Deposit made into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account I (Name of Liquidator) have deposited Rs..... (Rupees ....only) into the Corporate

Voluntary Liquidation Account on .... vide acknowledgment no..... dated ......

I (Name of Liquidator) hereby certify that the details provided in this Form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed.

(Signature)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ins. by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG054, dated 15th Jan., 2020 (w.e.f. 15.01.2020).

	Name of the Liquidator
Date:	IP
	Registration No:
Place:	Address as registered with the
Board:	
	Email id as registered with the Board.

#### <sup>20</sup>[FORM-H

#### COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE

[Under Regulation 38(3) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017]

- I, [Name of the Liquidator], an insolvency professional enrolled with [name of insolvency professional agency] and registered with the Board with registration number [registration number], am the Liquidator for the Voluntary Liquidation Process of [name of the corporate person].
- 1. The details of the Voluntary Liquidation Process are as under:

SI.	Particulars	Description
No.		
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Name of the corporate person	
2	CIN/LLPIN of the corporateperson	
3	NCLT Bench	
4	Date of initiation of voluntary liquidation process	
5	Date of appointment of Liquidator	
6	Liquidator's Registration No. as IP	
7	Whether the Liquidator was replaced during the process (Yes /	
	No)	
If yes	Name of previous Liquidator and his registration No.	
	Date of replacement of previous Liquidator	

 $<sup>^{20}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081.,\,dated\,\,5th\,\,April,\,2022\,\,(w.e.f.\,\,05-04-2022).$ 

8	Date of opening of bank account for liquidation (with account			
	details)			
9	Date of notice for uncalled capital/unpaid capital contribution			
10	Date of realization of uncalled capital/unpaid capital			
	contribution			
11	Date of intimation to statutory authority as applicable.			
12	a. PF b. ESI c. Income Tax d. Inspector of Factory e. GST/VAT f. RBI g. Others  Amount deposited into Corporate Voluntary Liquidation			
12	Account:			
	a. Amount of unclaimed dividends			
	b. Amount of undistributed proceeds			
	c. Income referred to in sub-regulation (2) and (3) of			
	regulation 39			
	d. Interest referred to in sub-regulation (4) of regulation 39			
	Total			
13	Remuneration of Liquidator (Rs.)			

#### 3. Details of the corporate person:

Sl.	Particulars	Description
No.		
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Year of Incorporation	
2	Objects in brief	

3	Paid up Share Capital / Capital (Amount in Rs.)	
4	Assets as on Liquidation Commencement date (Amount in	
	Rs.)	
5	Debt payable as on Liquidation Commencement date(Amount	
	in Rs.)	
6	Net-worth of the Corporate Person (Amount in Rs.)	
7	Reasons for initiating voluntary liquidation, in brief	

### 4. Details of realisation during Voluntary Liquidation Process:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs)
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Sale of Assets	
2	Refund from Statutory Authorities	
3	Cash / Bank balance	
4	Realisation of uncalled/unpaid capital contribution	
5	Distribution of unsold asset	
6	Any other (Please specify)	
	Total	

### 5. Details of distribution to stakeholders as per section 52 or 53 of the Code

(Amount in Rs. lakh)

Sl.	Stakeholders*	Amount Claimed	Amount Admitted	Amount Distributed	Amount Distributed	Remarks
No.	52 and 53 (1)	Ciaimeu	Admitted	Distributed	to the	
					Amount	
					Claimed (%)	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	Realization of					
	Security					

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	Interest [Sec.			
	52(1)(b)]			
2	Liquidation			
	Cost [Sec.			
	53(1)(a)]			
3	Workmen's			
	Dues [Sec.			
	53(1)(b)(i)]			
4	Debts of			
	Secured			
	Creditors [Sec.			
	53(1)(b)(ii)]			
5	Wages and			
	Unpaid Dues to			
	Employees			
	[Sec. 53(1)(c)]			
6	Debts of			
	Unsecured			
	Financial			
	Creditors [Sec.			
	53(1)(d)]			
7	Government			
	Dues + Amount			
	Unpaid			
	following			
	Enforcement of			
	Security			
	Interest			
	[Sec.53(1)(e)]			
8	Any remaining			
	Debts and Dues			
	[Sec. 53(1)(f)]			

	9	Preference			
		Shareholders			
		[Sec. 53(1)(g)]			
Ī	10	Equity			
		Shareholders			
		[Sec.53(1)(h)]			
	•	Total			

<sup>\*</sup>If there are sub-categories in a category, please add rows for each sub-category.

## 6. The Voluntary Liquidation Process has been conducted as per the stipulated timeline:

Sl.	Section /	Description of Task	Norm	Compliance	Actual
No.	Regulation		(Number of Days)	Date	Timeline (Number of days)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Section 59(3)(a), Regulation 3(1) (a)	Declaration from majority of directors / partners regarding solvency of corporate person and it not being liquidated to defraud any person			
2	Section 59[(3)(c) and (5)], Regulation 3(1)(c) and 3(3)	Passing of resolution / special resolution by members / partners about commencement of voluntary liquidation process and appointment of insolvency professional as liquidator			
3	Proviso to Section 59(3)(c),	Approval of creditors representing two-third in value of debt, if the corporate person	T + 7		

	Regulation 3(1)(c)	owes any debt, of the resolution passed under section 59(3)(c) or regulation 3(1)(c)		
4	Regulation 5(2)	Intimation by Insolvency Professional regarding his appointment as Liquidator, to the Board	T + 7	
5	Regulation 14 (1)	Public Announcement in Form A by the Liquidator	T + 5	
	Section 59(4), Reg. 3(2)	Notification to Registrar of Companies and Board about the resolution passed under section 59(3)(c) and regulation 3(1)(c) or subsequent approval of creditors thereto, as the case may be, by corporate person		
7	Section 38(1), Regulation 14 (2)	-	T + 30	
8	Section 38(5)	Withdrawal/ modification of claim by stakeholders	T + 44	
	Regulation 9(1)	Submission of preliminary report to the corporate person by the Liquidator	T + 45	
10	Regulation 29(1)	Verification of claims by the Liquidator	T+60	
11	Section 40 (2)	Intimation about decision of acceptance/ rejection of claim to		

		the stakeholders by the Liquidator		
12	Regulation 30(2)	Preparation of list of stakeholders by the Liquidator	T + 45*/75	
13	Section 42	Appeal by creditor against the decision of the Liquidator	T + 81	
14	Regulation 35(1)	Distribution of the proceeds to stakeholders by the Liquidator	Date of realization + 30	
15	Regulation 39(2)	Deposit of amount of unclaimed dividends and undistributed proceeds in Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account by the Liquidator	of	
16	Regulation 38(2)	Submission of Final Report to the Board and Registrar of Companies by the Liquidator	T + 90*/270	
17	Section 59(7), Regulation 38(3)	Submission of Final Report, along with the application for dissolution, to AA	T + 90*/270	
18	Regulation 37(1)	Completion of Voluntary Liquidation Process	T + 90*/270	
19	Regulation 37(2)	Meeting of Contributories and presentation of Annual Status Report	T + 365	

T=Liquidation Commencement Date

- \*Applicable where approval of creditors was not required under section 59(3)(c) or regulation 3(1)(c)
- 7. The following are deviations / non-compliances with the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, regulations made, or circulars issued thereunder (If any deviation/ non- compliances were observed, please state the details and reasons for the same):

Sl. No.	Deviation / Non- compliance observed	Section of the Code / Regulation No. / Circular No.	Reasons	Whether rectified or not
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1				
2				
3				

8. The details of application(s) filed / pending in respect of avoidance of transactions.

Sl. No.	Type of Transaction	Date of Filing with Adjudicating Authority	Date of Order of the Adjudicating Authority	Brief of the Order
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1	Preferential transactions under section 43			
2	Undervalued transactions under section 45			
3	Extortionate credit transactions under section 50			
4	Fraudulent transactions under section 66			

9. If the process has taken more than  $90/270\,\mathrm{days}$ , as the case may be, for completion, please state reasons thereof.

10.All undischarged matters pending, if any, before any Court or Tribunal relating to corporate person have been reported to AA, along with the details of provision made to sufficiently meet the obligations arising from such pending litigations.

- 11. The records referred to in regulations 8 and 10 shall be preserved as mandated under regulation 41.
- 12. Any other information which the Liquidator may like to submit.
- 13.I [Name of Liquidator], hereby certify that the contents of this certificate are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed there from.

# <sup>21</sup>[FORM-I] Withdrawal from Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account [Under Regulation 39(7) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations. 2017]

Sl. No.	Description	Particulars
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Name of the Corporate Person	
2	Identification Number of Corporate Person (CIN/LLPIN)	
3	Voluntary Liquidation Commencement Date	
4	Date of Dissolution Order	
5	Date of Deposit into the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account	
6	Name of the Stakeholder seeking withdrawal	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG.081., dated 5th April, 2022 (w.e.f. 05-04-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: ""Form-H".

7	Identification Number of the Stakeholder	
	a. PAN	
	b. CIN/LLPIN/DIN	
	c. Aadhaar No.	
8	Address and Email Address of Stakeholder	
9	Amount of Claim of the Stakeholder, admitted by the Liquidator	
10	Amount of unclaimed dividends / undistributed proceeds deposited by the Liquidator in the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account against the stakeholder	
11	Amount of unclaimed dividends / undistributed proceeds the Stakeholder seeks to withdraw from the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account	
12	Bank Account to which the amount is to be transferred from the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, if withdrawal is approved  (a) Account No.:  (b) Name of Bank:  (c) IFSC:  (d) MICR:  (e) Address of Branch of the Bank:	
13	Reasons for not taking dividend or proceeds during the Voluntary Liquidation Process	
14	Any legal disability in applying for withdrawal? (Yes / No), If yes, please provide details	

#### DECLARATION

- I, [Name of stakeholder], currently residing at [insert address], hereby declare and state as follows:
  - 1. I am entitled to receive a sum of Rs.... (Rupees ... only) from the Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account, as presented above.

  - 3. I undertake to refund the entire amount with interest as decided by the Board, in case the Board finds that I am not entitled to this amount.
  - 4. I authorise the Board to initiate appropriate legal action against me if my claim is found false at any time.

Date: Place: Stakeholder)

(Signature of the

#### VERIFICATION

I, [Name] the stakeholder hereinabove, do hereby verify that the contents of this Form are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed therefrom.

Verified at ... on this ..... day of ......, 20... (Signature of the Stakeholder)

[Note: In the case of a company or limited liability partnership, the declaration and verification shall be made by the director/manager/secretary/ designated partner and in the case of other entities, an officer authorised for the purpose by the entity]]

#### **SCHEDULE II**

(Under Regulation 10 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017)

The formats contained in this Schedule are indicative in nature, and the liquidator may make such modifications to them as he deems fit in view of the facts and circumstances of the liquidation.

#### **CASH BOOK**

Name of Corporate person.....(in liquidation)

Date	Particulars			Recei	ipt		P	Payme	nts		В	Balanc	e:e
		Folio											
		No.											
			Voucher	Cash	Bank	Total	Voucher	Cash	Bank	Total	Cash	Bank	Total
			No.				No.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Under column 'particulars', the head of account to which the entry relates to should be indicated so that the entry may be posted under the proper head in the General Ledger.

### GENERAL LEDGER

Name of Corporate person.....(in liquidation) ......(Head of account)

Date	Particulars	Dr. (Rs.)	Cr. (Rs.)	Balance (Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5

#### Instructions:

- 1.A General Ledger should be maintained with such heads of account as the liquidator may think necessary and appropriate. The following heads of account may be found suitable:
- (1) Asset account
- (2) Investments account
- (3) Book Debts and Outstandings account
- (4) Calls
- (5) Rent Collected/rent receivable

- (6) Interest on Securities and Deposits
- (7) Advances received
- (8) Miscellaneous receipts payments
- (9) Establishment
- (10) Legal charges
- (11) Rents, Rates and Taxes payable
- (12) Fees and Commission account
- (13) Other expenses
- (14) Suspense account
- (15) Secured creditors
- (16) Dividend account.
- 2. The entries in the General Ledger should be posted from the Cash Book.
- 3.The total of the debit balances and the total of the credit balances of the several heads of account in the General Ledger should agree, after taking into consideration the cash and bank balances as shown in the Cash Book. The totals should be tallied once a month.

BANK LEDGER
Corporate person's (in voluntary liquidation) account with the Scheduled Bank

Date	Particulars	Deposits		Withdrawal	S	Balance
		G1 11	n	- CI	D	D.
		Challan	Rs.	Cheque Number	Rs.	Rs.
		Number		Number		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

#### REGISTER OFASSETS

Sl. No.	Description of assets	Date of taking possession	Serial number of Sales Register	Date of sale	Date of realization	Amount	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.							
2.							

#### Instructions:

1. All the assets of the corporate person except the liquidator's investments in securities and outstanding to be realized should be entered in this Register.

#### SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS REGISTER

Sl. No.	Petition number and name of the corporate person	Date of investment	Nature and particulars of security in which investment is made	Amount Invested (Rs.)	Dividend or interest received with date of receipt (Rs.)	Date of disposal	Rema rks	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.								
2.								

#### REGISTER OF BOOK DEBTS AND OUTSTANDINGS

Sl. No.	Name	Particul	Amo	Date	Amo	Acti	Date of	Refere	Re
	and	ars of	unt	of bar	unt	on	realisat	nce to	ma
	addres	debt	due	by	realis	take	ion	Suits	rks
	S		(Rs.)	limitat	ed	n		Regist	
	of			ion	(Rs.)			er	
	debtor								
1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.									
2.									
3.									

#### Instructions:

1. All debts due to the corporate person, both secured and unsecured, including amounts due for arrears of calls made prior to the liquidation, should be entered in this Register.

#### TENANTS LEDGER

- Description of assets:
   Name and address of tenant:
- 3. Date of tenancy:
- 4. Period of tenancy:
- 5. Rent (monthly or annual):
- 6. Special terms, if any:7. Arrears on date of taking charge of assets:
- 8. Advance received, if any:

Month   Demand   Realization   Balan	ce Remarks
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	Amount (Rs.)	Date	Amount (Rs.)	Amount (Rs.)	
1	2	3	4	5	6
January					
February					

#### SUITS REGISTER

Sl.	Nu	Nam	Name	Amo	Da	Date	Dat	Natu	Amo	Cost	Referen	Re
No.	mb	e and	and	unt	te	s of	e of	re of	unt	S	ce to	mar
	er	addr	addres	of	of	hear	dec	relie	decr	decr	Decree	ks
	of	ess	s of	clai	fili	ing	ree	f	eed	eed	Registe	
	suit	of	defend	m	ng		or	gran			r	
	or	plain	ant/				fina	ted				
	ap	tiff/	respon				l					
	pea	appel	dent				ord					
	l	lant	and				er					
	an	and	his									
	d	his	advoc									
	сои	advo	ate									
	rt	cate										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1.												
2.												

Instructions:

1. Applications made by or against the corporate person which are in the nature of suits should alsobe entered in this Register.

#### DECREE REGISTER

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Number of suit or appeal and court	Name and address of judg- ment debtor	Amoun t Decree d (Rs.)	Date of decree	Action taken	Amount realized (Rs.)	Date of realisa - tion	Referenc e to Suits Register
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.							
2.							

#### Instructions:

- 1. The purpose of the Register is to enable the liquidator to keep watch on the progress of the realization of decrees in favor of the corporate person in his charge.
- 2. Every decree or order for payment of money or delivery of assets in favor of the corporate person including an order for payment of costs whether made in a suit, appeal or application, should be entered in this Register.

#### REGISTER OF CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

		Cl	aims				I	Distrib	nution	s dec	lared	and p	paid		Re
															m
															ar
CI	A7	1 4	3.7	1	1377.	D	1	D.:	n	1	D	n	<u>Γ</u>	D	ks
Sl.	Na	Am	N	A	Wh	D	A	Da	Ra	A	D	Ra	A	Da	
No.	me	ou	at	mo	eth	a	m	te	te	m	at	te	m	te	
	an	nt	ur	unt	er	t	0	an		ou	e		ou	an	
	d	cla	e	ad	or	e	и	d		nt	an		nt	d	
	Ad	im	of	mit	din		n	M		(R	d		(R	mo	
	dre	ed	cl	ted	ary		t	od		s.)	m		s.)	de	
	SS	(Rs	ai	(R	or		(	e			od			of	
	of	(.)	m	s.)	pre		R	of			e			pa	
	cre	′	(	′	fer		S.	Ра			of			ym	
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			′								t				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	1.														
	2.														

#### Instructions:

- 1. Only claims admitted either wholly or in part should be entered in this Register.
- 2.The page on the left side should be reserved for claims and the page on the right side for Distributions.

#### CONTRIBUTORY'S LEDGER

Sl.	Name	Numb	Calls		Rem	Returns of share		Remar		
No.	and	er of				arks	capital		ks	
	address	share	Firs	t call	$2^{nd}$		Da	Date	Amo	
	of	s or			call/		te	of	unt	
	contrib	extent			3 <sup>rd</sup>		of	Pay	paid	
	utory	of			call		ret	ment	(Rs.)	
		intere	Dat	Amo	(Rep	ĺ	ur			
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		held,a	call	paid	colu					
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		атои	amo	date	as					
		nt	unt	of	unde					
		paid	call	pay	r first					
		there	ed	ment	call)					
		on			,					
1	2	3	4	5	6 to	10	11	12	13	14
					9					
1.										
2.										

#### Instructions:

Only contributories settled on the list should be entered in this Register and they should be entered in the same order as in the list.

#### DISTRIBUTIONS REGISTER

Date on which distribution is made:

Total amount payable in this round of distribution:

Date	Number on list of	Particulars	Receipts	
	stakeholders			Payments
1	2	3	4	5
1.				
2.				

#### Instructions:

- 1. Separate pages should be set apart for preferential and ordinary distributions.
- 2. The payments should be entered as and when they are made. Any amount which is returned unpaid should be re-entered in the account under 'Receipts'.
- 3. The number in column 2 should be the number of the stakeholders in the list of stakeholders as finally settled.

4. The total amount of unclaimed distribution payable into the <sup>22</sup>[Corporate Voluntary Liquidation Account], and the amount paid into the Bank with the date of payment, should be shown at the end of the account.

#### FEE REGISTER

Amount realized on which fee are payable	Amount distributed on which fee are payable	Fee payable on the amounts in the two preceding columns	Total fee payable	Date of payment
1	2	3	5	6
1.				
2.				

#### Instructions:

- 1. There should be a fresh opening for each year.
- 2.The fees due to the liquidator should be entered in the Register as soon as the audit of the account for a quarter is completed.

#### SUSPENSE REGISTER

Date	Particulars	Debit (Rs.)	Credit(Rs.)	Balance (Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5
1.				
2.				

#### Instructions:

- 1. Advances made by the liquidator to any person should be entered in this Register.
- 2. There should be a separate opening for each person.

#### **DOCUMENTS REGISTER**

Sl. No.	Description of document	Date of receipt	From whom received	Reference number of shelf in which document is kept	How disposed of	Rema rks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

 $<sup>^{22}</sup>$  Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/ 2019-20/GN/ REG054 dated  $15^{\rm th}$  January, 2020 (w.e.f. 15.01.2020). Before substitution, the words stood as: "Public Account of India"

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*Instruction:* All documents of title like title-deeds, shares, promissory notes, etc., should be entered in this Register.

#### BOOKS REGISTER

Date	From whom received	Serial Number	Description of books, including files	Shelf number	How disposed of	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						

*Instruction*: All books and files of the corporate person which come into the hands of the liquidator should be entered in this Register.

### REGISTER OF UNCLAIMED DIVIDENDS AND UNDISTRIBUTED $^{23} [PROCEEDS] \ DEPOSITED$

	Sl. No.	Name of person entitled to the dividend or return	Whether Creditor or Contributory	Number on list of stakeholders	Date of declaration of dividend or return	Rate of dividend or return	Total amount payable (Rs.)
ı	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ı	1.						
ı	2.						
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Dr. M.S. Sahoo Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Subs. by Notification No. IBBI/ 2019-20/GN/ REG054 dated 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 (w.e.f. 15.01.2020). Before substitution, the words stood as: "ASSETS".

### ADJUDICATING AUTHORITY FOR CORPORATE PERSONS

#### 60. Adjudicating Authority for corporate persons. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority, in relation to insolvency resolution and liquidation for corporate persons including corporate debtors and personal guarantors thereof shall be the National Company Law Tribunal having territorial jurisdiction over the place where the registered office of the corporate person is located.
- (2) Without prejudice to sub-section (1) and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Code, where a corporate insolvency resolution process or liquidation proceeding of a corporate debtor is pending before a National Company Law Tribunal, an application relating to the insolvency resolution or <sup>1</sup>[liquidation or bankruptcy of a corporate guarantor or personal guarantor, as the case may be, of such corporate debtor] shall be filed before such National Company Law Tribunal.
- (3) An insolvency resolution process or <sup>2</sup>[liquidation or bankruptcy proceeding of a corporate guarantor or personal guarantor, as the case may be, of the corporate debtor] pending in any court or tribunal shall stand transferred to the Adjudicating Authority dealing with insolvency resolution process or liquidation proceeding of such corporate debtor.
- (4) The National Company Law Tribunal shall be vested with all the powers of the Debt Recovery Tribunal as contemplated under Part III of this Code for the purpose of sub-section (2).
- (5) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force, the National Company Law Tribunal shall have jurisdiction to entertain or dispose of -
  - (a) any application or proceeding by or against the corporate debtor or corporate

#### person;

- (b) any claim made by or against the corporate debtor or corporate person, including claims by or against any of its subsidiaries situated in India; and
- (c) any question of priorities or any question of law or facts, arising out of or in relation to the insolvency resolution or liquidation proceedings of the corporate debtor or corporate person under this Code.
- (6) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Limitation Act, 1963 or in any other law for the time being in force, in computing the period of limitation specified for any suit or application by or against a corporate debtor for which an order of moratorium has been made under this Part, the period during which such moratorium is in place shall be excluded.

#### 61. Appeals and Appellate Authority. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained under the Companies Act 2013 (18 of 2013), any person aggrieved by the order of the Adjudicating Authority under this part may prefer an appeal to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal.
- (2) Every appeal under sub-section (1) shall be filed within thirty days before the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal:

Provided that the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal may allow an appeal to be filed after the expiry of the said period of thirty days if it is satisfied that there was sufficient cause for not filing the appeal but such period shall not exceed fifteen days.

- (3) An appeal against an order approving a resolution plan under section 31 may be filed on the following grounds, namely: -
  - (i) the approved resolution plan is in contravention of the provisions of any law for the time being in force;
  - (ii) there has been material irregularity in exercise of the powers by the resolution professional during the corporate insolvency resolution period;
  - (iii) the debts owed to operational creditors of the corporate debtor have not been provided for in the resolution plan in the manner specified by the Board;
  - (iv) the insolvency resolution process costs have not been provided for repayment in priority to all other debts; or
  - (v) the resolution plan does not comply with any other criteria specified by the Board.
  - <sup>1</sup>[(4) An appeal against a liquidation order passed under section 33, or sub-section (4)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.9, for sub-section (4) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021). Sub-section (4) before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(4) An appeal against a liquidation order passed under section 33 may be filed on grounds of material irregularity

of section 54L, or sub-section (4) of section 54N, may be filed on grounds of material irregularity or fraud committed in relation to such a liquidation order.

(5) An appeal against an order for initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process passed under sub-section (2) of section 54-O, may be filed on grounds of material irregularity or fraud committed in relation to such an order.]

#### 62. Appeal to Supreme Court. -

- (1) Any person aggrieved by an order of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal may file an appeal to the Supreme Court on a question of law arising out of such order under this Code within forty-five days from the date of receipt of such order.
- (2) The Supreme Court may, if it is satisfied that a person was prevented by sufficient cause from filing an appeal within forty-five days, allow the appeal to be filed within a further period not exceeding fifteen days.

#### 63. Civil court not to have jurisdiction. -

No civil court or authority shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit or proceedings in respect of any matter on which National Company Law Tribunal or the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal has jurisdiction under this Code. Civil court not to have jurisdiction.

#### 64. Expeditious disposal of applications. -

- (1) Where an application is not disposed of or an order is not passed within the period specified in this Code, the National Company Law Tribunal or the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, as the case may be, shall record the reasons for not doing so within the period so specified; and the President of the National Company Law Tribunal or the Chairperson of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, as the case may be, may, after taking into account the reasons so recorded, extend the period specified in the Act but not exceeding ten days.
- (2) No injunction shall be granted by any court, tribunal or authority in respect of any action taken, or to be taken, in pursuance of any power conferred on the National Company Law Tribunal or the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal under this Code.

#### 65. Fraudulent or malicious initiation of proceedings. -

(1) If, any person initiates the insolvency resolution process or liquidation proceedings fraudulently or with malicious intent for any purpose other than for the resolution of insolvency, or liquidation, as the case may be, the Adjudicating Authority may

or fraud committed in relation to such a liquidation order."

impose upon such person a penalty which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees.

- (2) If, any person initiates voluntary liquidation proceedings with the intent to defraud any person, the Adjudicating Authority may impose upon such person a penalty which shall not be less than one lakh rupees but may extend to one crore rupees.
  - <sup>1</sup>[(3) If any person initiates the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process—
  - (a) fraudulently or with malicious intent for any purpose other than for the resolution of insolvency; or
    - (b) with the intent to defraud any person,

the Adjudicating Authority may impose upon such person a penalty which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees.]

#### 66. Fraudulent trading or wrongful trading. -

- (1) If during the corporate insolvency resolution process or a liquidation process, it is found that any business of the corporate debtor has been carried on with intent to defraud creditors of the corporate debtor or for any fraudulent purpose, the Adjudicating Authority may on the application of the resolution professional pass an order that any persons who were knowingly parties to the carrying on of the business in such manner shall be liable to make such contributions to the assets of the corporate debtor as it may deem fit.
- (2) On an application made by a resolution professional during the corporate insolvency resolution process, the Adjudicating Authority may by an order direct that a director or partner of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall be liable to make such contribution to the assets of the corporate debtor as it may deem fit, if-
  - (a) before the insolvency commencement date, such director or partner knew or ought to have known that the there was no reasonable prospect of avoiding the commencement of a corporate insolvency resolution process in respect of such corporate debtor; and
  - (b) such director or partner did not exercise due diligence in minimising the potential loss to the creditors of the corporate debtor.
- <sup>2</sup>[(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, no application shall be filed by a resolution professional under sub-section (2), in respect of such default against which initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process is suspended as per section 10A.]

Explanation. – For the purposes of this section a director or partner of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall be deemed to have exercised due diligence if such diligence

<sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 10 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 17 of 2020, sec. 3 (w.e.f. 05-06-2020).

was reasonably expected of a person carrying out the same functions as are carried out by such director or partner, as the case may be, in relation to the corporate debtor.

#### 67. Proceedings under section 66. -

- (1) Where the Adjudicating Authority has passed an order under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 66, as the case may be, it may give such further directions as it may deem appropriate for giving effect to the order, and in particular, the Adjudicating Authority may—
  - (a) provide for the liability of any person under the order to be a charge on any debt or obligation due from the corporate debtor to him, or on any mortgage or charge or any interest in a mortgage or charge on assets of the corporate debtor held by or vested in him, or any person on his behalf, or any person claiming as assignee from or through the person liable or any person acting on his behalf; and
  - (b) from time to time, make such further directions as may be necessary for enforcing any charge imposed under this section.

Explanation. — For the purposes of this section, "assignee" includes a person to whom or in whose favour, by the directions of the person held liable under clause (a) the debt, obligation, mortgage or charge was created, issued or transferred or the interest created, but does not include an assignee for valuable consideration given in good faith and without notice of any of the grounds on which the directions have been made.

(2) Where the Adjudicating Authority has passed an order under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) of section 66, as the case may be, in relation to a person who is a creditor of the corporate debtor, it may, by an order, direct that the whole or any part of any debt owed by the corporate debtor to that person and any interest thereon shall rank in the order of priority of payment under section 53 after all other debts owed by the corporate debtor.

#### <sup>1</sup>[67A. Fraudulent management of corporate debtor during pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

On and after the pre-packaged insolvency commencement date, where an officer of the corporate debtor manages its affairs with the intent to defraud creditors of the corporate debtor or for any fraudulent purpose, the Adjudicating Authority may, on an application by the resolution professional, pass an order imposing upon any such officer, a penalty which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 11 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

# CHAPTER VII OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

#### 68. Punishment for concealment of property. -

Where any officer of the corporate debtor has, -

- (i) within the twelve months immediately preceding the insolvency commencement date, -
  - (a) wilfully concealed any property or part of such property of the corporate debtor or concealed any debt due to, or from, the corporate debtor, of the value of ten thousand rupees or more; or
  - (b) fraudulently removed any part of the property of the corporate debtor of the value of ten thousand rupees or more; or
  - (c) wilfully concealed, destroyed, mutilated or falsified any book or paper affecting or relating to the property of the corporate debtor or its affairs, or
  - (d) wilfully made any false entry in any book or paper affecting or relating to the property of the corporate debtor or its affairs, or
  - (e) fraudulently parted with, altered or made any omission in any document affecting or relating to the property of the corporate debtor
  - (f) wilfully created any security interest over, transferred or disposed of any property of the corporate debtor which has been obtained on credit and has not been paid for unless such creation, transfer or disposal was in the ordinary course of the business of the corporate debtor, or
  - wilfully concealed the knowledge of the doing by others of any of the acts mentioned in clauses (c), (d) or clause (e); or
- (ii) at any time after the insolvency commencement date, committed any of the acts mentioned in sub-clause (a) to (f) of clause (i) or has the knowledge of the doing by others of any of the things mentioned in sub-clauses (c) to (e) of clause (i); or
- (iii) at any time after the insolvency commencement date, taken in pawn or pledge, or otherwise received the property knowing it to be so secured, transferred or disposed,

such officer shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years but which may extend to five years, or with fine, which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both:

Provided that nothing in this section shall render a person liable to any punishment under this section if he proves that he had no intent to defraud or to conceal the state of affairs of the corporate debtor.

#### 69. Punishment for transactions defrauding creditors. -

- <sup>1</sup>[If] an officer of the corporate debtor or the corporate debtor-
- (a) has made or caused to be made any gift or transfer of, or charge on, or has caused or connived in the execution of a decree or order against, the property of the corporate debtor;
- (b) has concealed or removed any part of the property of the corporate debtor within two months before the date of any unsatisfied judgment, decree or order for payment of money obtained against the corporate debtor,

such officer of the corporate debtor or the corporate debtor, as the case may be, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than one year, but which may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both:

Provided that a person shall not be punishable under this section if the acts mentioned in clause (a) were committed more than five years before the insolvency commencement date; or if he proves that, at the time of commission of those acts, he had no intent to defraud the creditors of the corporate debtor.

#### 70. Punishment for misconduct in course of corporate insolvency resolution process. -

- (1) On or after the insolvency commencement date, where an officer of the corporate debtor
  - (a) does not disclose to the resolution professional all the details of property of the corporate debtor, and details of transactions thereof, or any such other information as the resolution professional may require; or
  - (b) does not deliver to the resolution professional all or part of the property of the corporate debtor in his control or custody and which he is required to deliver; or
  - (c) does not deliver to the resolution professional all books and papers in his control or custody belonging to the corporate debtor and which he is required to deliver; or
  - (d) fails to inform there solution professional the information in his knowledge that a debt has been falsely proved by any person during the corporate insolvency resolution process; or
  - (e) prevents the production of any book or paper affecting or relating to the property or affairs of the corporate debtor; or
  - (f) accounts for any part of the property of the corporate debtor by fictitious losses or expenses, or if he has so attempted at any meeting of the creditors of the corporate debtor within the twelve months immediately preceding the insolvency commencement

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act. No 26 of 2018, sec. 30, for the words "On or after the insolvency commencement date, if" (w.e.f.	. 6-6-2018).
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he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years, but which may extend to five years, or with fine, which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both:

Provided that nothing in this section shall render a person liable to any punishment under this section if he proves that he had no intent to do so in relation to the state of affairs of the corporate debtor.

(2) If an insolvency professional deliberately contravenes the provisions of this Part the shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to five lakhs rupees, or with both.

#### 71. Punishment for falsification of books of corporate debtor. -

On and after the insolvency commencement date, where any person destroys, mutilates, alters or falsifies any books, papers or securities, or makes or is in the knowledge of making of any false or fraudulent entry in any register, books of account or document belonging to the corporate debtor with intent to defraud or deceive any person, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years, but which may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

#### 72. Punishment for wilful and material omissions from statements relating to affairs of corporate debtor. -

Where an officer of the corporate debtor makes any material and wilful omission in any statement relating to the affairs of the corporate debtor, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years but which may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

#### 73. Punishment for false representations to creditors. -

Where any officer of the corporate debtor —

- (a) on or after the insolvency commencement date, makes a false representation or commits any fraud for the purpose of obtaining the consent of the creditors of the corporate debtor or any of them to an agreement with reference to the affairs of the corporate debtor, during the corporate insolvency resolution process, or the liquidation process;
- (b) prior to the insolvency commencement date, has made any false representation, or committed any fraud, for that purpose,

but may extend to five years or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

#### 74. Punishment for contravention of moratorium or the resolution plan. -

- (1) Where the corporate debtor or any of its officer violates the provisions of section 14, any such officer who knowingly or wilfully committed or authorised or permitted such contravention shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years, but may extend to five years or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to three lakh rupees, or with both.
- (2) Where any creditor violates the provisions of section 14, any person who knowingly and wilfully authorised or permitted such contravention by a creditor shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than one year, but may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.
- (3) Where the corporate debtor, any of its officers or creditors or any person on whom the approved resolution plan is binding under section 31, knowingly and wilfully contravenes any of the terms of such resolution plan or abets such contravention, such corporate debtor, officer, creditor or person shall be punishable with imprisonment of not less than one year, but may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

#### 75. Punishment for false information furnished in application. -

Where any person furnishes information in the application made under section 7, which is false in material particulars, knowing it to be false or omits any material fact, knowing it to be material, such person shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to one crore rupees.

#### 76. Punishment for non-disclosure of dispute or 1 [payment] of debt by operational creditor. -

Where-

- (a) an operational creditor has wilfully or knowingly concealed in an application under section 9 the fact that the corporate debtor had notified him of a dispute in respect of the unpaid operational debt or the full and final 2[payment] of the unpaid operational debt; or
- (b) any person who knowingly and wilfully authorised or permitted such concealment under clause (a)

such operational creditor or person, as the case may be, shall be punishable with imprisonment

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act. No. 26 of 2018, sec. 31(a), for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act. No. 26 of 2018, sec. 31(b), for the word "repayment" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

for a term which shall not be less than one year but may extend to five years or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees but may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

#### 77. Punishment for providing false information in application made by corporate debtor. -

Where-

- (a) a corporate debtor provides information in the application under section 10 which is false in material particulars, knowing it to be false and omits any material fact, knowing it to be material; or
- (b) any person who knowingly and wilfully authorised or permitted the furnishing of such information under sub-clause (a) such corporate debtor or person, as the case may be, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years, but which may extend to five years or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but which may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

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#### <sup>2</sup>[77A. Punishment for offences related to pre-packaged insolvency resolution process.

#### (1) Where-

- (a) a corporate debtor provides any information in the application under section 54C which is false in material particulars, knowing it to be false or omits any material fact, knowing it to be material; or
- (b) a corporate debtor provides any information in the list of claims or the preliminary information memorandum submitted under sub-section (1) of section 54G which is false in material particulars, knowing it to be false or omits any material fact, knowing it to be material; or
- (c) any person who knowingly and wilfully authorised or permitted the furnishing of such information under sub-clauses (a) and (b),

such corporate debtor or person, as the case may be, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than three years, but which may extend to five years or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but which may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Omitted by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.12 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021). Before omission, it stood as: "Explanation. – For the purpose of this section and sections 75 and 76, an application shall be deemed to be false in material particulars in case the facts mentioned or omitted in the application, if true, or not omitted from the application as the case may be, would have been sufficient to determine the existence of a default under this Code."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec. 13 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

(2) If a director or partner of the corporate debtor, as the case may be, deliberately contravenes the provisions of Chapter III-A, such person shall be punishable with imprisonment for not less than three years, but which may extend to five years, or with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but which may extend to one crore rupees, or with both.
Explanation.—For the purposes of this section and sections 75, 76 and 77, an application shall be deemed to be false in material particulars in case the facts mentioned or omitted in the application, if true, or not omitted from the application as the case may be, would have been sufficient to determine the existence of a default under this Code.]
(f) a person who is a trustee of a trust in which the beneficiaries of the trust include  484

# PART III INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION AND BANKRUPTCY FOR INDIVIDUALS AND PARTNERSHIP FIRMS

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY Rules 1& 2

#### 78. Application. -

This Part shall apply to matters relating to fresh start, insolvency and bankruptcy of individuals and partnership firms where the amount of the default is not less than one thousand rupees:

Provided that the Central Government may, by notification, specify the minimum amount of default of higher value which shall not be more than one lakh rupees.

#### 79. Definitions. -

In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, -

- (1) "Adjudicating Authority" means the Debt Recovery Tribunal constituted under subsection (1) of section 3 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 (51 of 1993);
  - (2)"associate" of the debtor means
    - (a)a person who belongs to the immediate family of the debtor;
    - (b)a person who is a relative of the debtor or a relative of the spouse of the debtor;
    - (c)a person who is in partnership with the debtor;
  - (d) a person who is a spouse or a relative of any person with whom the debtor is in partnership;
    - (e)a person who is employer of the debtor or employee of the debtor;

a debtor, or the terms of the trust confer a power on the trustee which may be exercised for the benefit of the debtor; and

(g) a company, where the debtor or the debtor along with his associates, own more than fifty per cent. of the share capital of the company or control the appointment of the board of directors of the company.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this sub-section, "relative", with reference to any person, means anyone who is related to another, if-

- (i) they are members of a Hindu Undivided Family;
- (ii) one person is related to the other in such manner as may be prescribed; Rule 4-Section 5(24A)
- (3) "bankrupt" means –
- (a) a debtor who has been adjudged as bankrupt by a bankruptcy order under section 126;
- (b) each of the partners of a firm, where a bankruptcy order under section 126 has been made against a firm; or
  - (c) any person adjudged as an undischarged insolvent;
- (4) "bankruptcy" means the state of being bankrupt;
- (5) "bankruptcy debt", in relation to a bankrupt, means
  - (a) any debt owed by him as on the bankruptcy commencement date;
- (b) any debt for which he may become liable after bankruptcy commencement date but before his discharge by reason of any transaction entered into before the bankruptcy commencement date; and
  - (c) any interest which is a part of the debt under section 171;
- (6) "bankruptcy commencement date" means the date on which a bankruptcy order is passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 126;
- (7) "bankruptcy order" means an order passed by an Adjudicating Authority under section 126;
- (8) "bankruptcy process" means a process against a debtorunder Chapters IV and V of this part;
- (9) "bankruptcy trustee" means the insolvency professional appointed as a trustee for the estate of the bankrupt under section 125;
  - (10) "Chapter" means a chapter under this Part;
  - (11) "committee of creditors" means a committee constituted under section 134;
    - (12) "debtor" includes a judgment-debtor;

- (13) "discharge order" means an order passed by the Adjudicating Authority discharging the debtor under sections 92, 119 and section 138, as the case may be;
  - (14) "excluded assets" for the purposes of this part includes –
  - (a) unencumbered tools, books, vehicles and other equipment as are necessary to the debtor or bankrupt for his personal use or for the purpose of his employment, business or vocation,
  - (b) unencumbered furniture, household equipment and provisions as are necessary for satisfying the basic domestic needs of the bankrupt and his immediate family;
  - (c) any unencumbered personal ornaments of such value, as may be prescribed, of the debtor or his immediate family which cannot be parted with, in accordance with religious usage;
  - (d) any unencumbered life insurance policy or pension plan taken in the name of debtor or his immediate family; and
  - (e) an unencumbered single dwelling unit owned by the debtor of such value as may be prescribed; Rule 5
  - (15) "excluded debt" means -
    - (a) liability to pay fine imposed by a court or tribunal;
  - (b) liability to pay damages for negligence, nuisance or breach of a statutory, contractual or other legal obligation;
  - (c) liability to pay maintenance to any person under any law for the time being in force;
    - (d) liability in relation to a student loan; and
    - (e) any other debt as may be prescribed;
- (16) "firm" means a body of individuals carrying on business in partnership whether or not registered under section 59 of the Indian Partnership Act, 1932 (9 of 1932);
- (17) "immediate family" of the debtor means his spouse, dependent children and dependent parents;
- (18) "partnership debt" means a debt for which all the partners in a firm are jointly liable;
- (19) "qualifying debt" means amount due, which includes interest or any other sum due in respect of the amounts owed under any contract, by the debtor for a liquidated sum either immediately or at certain future time and does not include  $\frac{1}{2}$ 
  - (a) an excluded debt;
  - (b) a debt to the extent it is secured; and

- (c) any debt which has been incurred three months prior to the date of the application for fresh start process;
- (20) "repayment plan" means a plan prepared by the debtor in consultation with the resolution professional under section 105 containing a proposal to the committee of creditors for restructuring of his debts or affairs;
- (21) "resolution professional" means an insolvency professional appointed under this part as a resolution professional for conducting the fresh start process or insolvency resolution process;
- (22) "undischarged bankrupt" means a bankrupt who has not received a discharge order under section 138.

## <u>CHAPTER II</u> <u>FRESH START PROCESS</u>

#### 80. Eligibility for making an application. -

- (1) A debtor, who is unable to pay his debt and fulfils the conditions specified in subsection (2), shall be entitled to make an application for a fresh start for discharge of his qualifying debt under this Chapter.
- (2) A debtor may apply, either personally or through a resolution professional, for a fresh start under this Chapter in respect of his qualifying debts to the Adjudicating Authority if -
  - (a)the gross annual income of the debtor does not exceed sixty thousand rupees;
  - (b) the aggregate value of the assets of the debtor does not exceed twenty thousand rupees;
  - (c) the aggregate value of the qualifying debts does not exceed thirty -five thousand rupees;
    - (d)he is not an undischarged bankrupt;
  - (e)he does not own a dwelling unit, irrespective of whether it is encumbered or not;
  - (f) a fresh start process, insolvency resolution process or bankruptcy process is not subsisting against him; and

(g) no previous fresh start order under this Chapter has been made in relation to him in the preceding twelve months of the date of the application for fresh start.

#### 81. Application for fresh start order. -

- (1) When an application is filed under section 80 by a debtor, an interim-moratorium shall commence on the date of filing of said application in relation to all the debts and shall cease to have effect on the date of admission or rejection of such application, as the case may be.
  - (2) During the interim-moratorium period, -
  - (i) any legal action or legal proceeding pending in respect of any of his debts shall be deemed to have been stayed; and
    - (ii) no creditor shall initiate any legal action or proceedings in respect of such debt.
- (3) The application under section 80 shall be in such form and manner and accompanied by such fee, as may be prescribed.
- (4) The application under sub-section (3) shall contain the following information supported by an affidavit, namely: -
  - (a) a list of all debts owed by the debtor as on the date of the said application along with details relating to the amount of each debt, interest payable thereon and the names of the creditors to whom each debt is owed;
    - (b) the interest payable on the debts and the rate thereof stipulated in the contract;
    - (c) a list of security held in respect of any of the debts,
  - (d) the financial information of the debtor and his **immediate family** up to two years prior to the date of the application;
    - (e) the particulars of the debtor's personal details, as may be prescribed;
    - (f) the reasons for making the application;
  - (g) the particulars of any legal proceedings which, to the debtor's knowledge has been commenced against him;
  - (h) the confirmation that no previous fresh start order under this Chapter has been made in respect of the qualifying debts of the debtor in the preceding twelve months of the date of the application.

#### 82. Appointment of resolution professional. -

(1) Where an application under section 80 is filed by the debtor through a resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of the date of receipt of the application and shall seek confirmation from the Board that there are no disciplinary proceedings against the resolution professional who has submitted such

#### application.

- (2) The Board shall communicate to the Adjudicating Authority in writing either –
- (a) confirmation of the appointment of the resolution professional who filed an application under sub-section (1); or
- (b) rejection of the appointment of the resolution professional who filed an application under sub-section (1) and nominate a resolution professional suitable for the fresh start process.
- (3) Where an application under section 80 is filed by the debtor himself and not through the resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of the date of the receipt of an application to nominate a resolution professional for the fresh start process.
- (4) The Board shall nominate a resolution professional within ten days of receiving the direction issued by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (3).
- (5) The Adjudicating Authority shall by order appoint the resolution professional recommended or nominated by the Board under subsection (2) or sub-section (4), as the case may be.
- (6) A resolution professional appointed by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (5) shall be provided a copy of the application for fresh start.

#### 83. Examination of application by resolution professional. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall examine the application made under section 80 within ten days of his appointment, and submit a report to the Adjudicating Authority, either recommending acceptance or rejection of the application.
- (2) The report referred to in sub-section (1) shall contain the details of the amounts mentioned in the application which in the opinion of the resolution professional are—
  - (a) qualifying debts; and
  - (b) liabilities eligible for discharge under sub-section (3) of section 92.
- (3) The resolution professional may call for such further information or explanation in connection with the application as may be required from the debtor or any other person who, in the opinion of the resolution professional, may provide such information.
- (4) The debtor or any other person, as the case may be, shall furnish such information or explanation within seven days of receipt of the request under sub-section (3).
- (5) The resolution professional shall presume that the debtor is unable to pay his debts at the date of the application if -

- (a) in his opinion the information supplied in the application indicates that the debtor is unable to pay his debts and he has no reason to believe that the information supplied is incorrect or incomplete; and
- (b) he has reason to believe that there is no change in the financial circumstances of the debtor since the date of the application enabling the debtor to pay his debts.
  - (6) The resolution professional shall reject the application, if in his opinion -
    - (a) the debtor does not satisfy the conditions specified under section 80; or
  - (b) the debts disclosed in the application by the debtor are not qualifying debts; or
- (c) the debtor has deliberately made a false representation or omission in the application or with respect to the documents or information submitted.
- (7) The resolution professional shall record the reasons for recommending the acceptance or rejection of the application in the report to the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (1) and shall give a copy of the report to the debtor.

#### 84. Admission or rejection of application by Adjudicating Authority. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority may within fourteen days from the date of submission of the report by the resolution professional, pass an order either admitting or rejecting the application made under sub-section (1) of section 81.
- (2) The order passed under sub-section (1) accepting the application shall state the amount which has been accepted as qualifying debts by the resolution professional and other amounts eligible for discharge under section 92 for the purposes of the fresh start order.
- (3) A copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (1) along with a copy of the application shall be provided to the creditors mentioned in the application within seven days of the passing of the order.

#### 85. Effect of admission of application. -

- (1) On the date of admission of the application, the moratorium period shall commence in respect of all the debts.
  - (2) During the moratorium period -
  - (a) any pending legal action or legal proceeding in respect of any debt shall be deemed to have been stayed; and
  - (b) subject to the provisions of section 86, the creditors shall not initiate any legal action or proceedings in respect of any debt.
  - (3) During the moratorium period, the debtor shall –
  - (a) not act as a director of any company, or directly or indirectly take part in or be concerned in the promotion, formation or management of a company;

- (b) ) not dispose of or alienate any of his assets;
- (c) inform his business partners that he is undergoing a fresh start process;
- (d) be required to inform prior to entering into any financial or commercial transaction of such value as may be notified by the Central Government, either individually or jointly, that he is undergoing a fresh start process;
- (e) disclose the name under which he enters into business transactions, if it is different from the name in the application admitted under section 84;
- (f) not travel outside India except with the permission of the Adjudicating Authority.
- (4) The moratorium ceases to have effect at the end of the period of one hundred and eighty days beginning with the date of admission unless the order admitting the application is revoked under sub-section (2) of section 91.

#### 86. Objections by creditor and their examination by resolution professional. -

- (1) Any creditor mentioned in the order of the Adjudicating Authority under section 84 to whom a qualifying debt is owed may, within a period of ten days from the date of receipt of the order under section 84, object only on the following grounds, namely:
  - (a) inclusion of a debt as a qualifying debt; or
  - (b) incorrectness of the details of the qualifying debt specified in the order under section 84.
- (2) A creditor may file an objection under sub-section (1) by way of an application to the resolution professional.
- (3) The application under sub-section (2) shall be supported by such information and documents as may be prescribed.
  - (4) The resolution professional shall consider every objection made under this section.
- (5) The resolution professional shall examine the objections under sub-section (2) and either accept or reject the objections, within ten days of the date of the application.
- (6) The resolution professional may examine any matter that appears to him to be relevant to the making of a final list of qualifying debts for the purposes of section 92.
- (7) On the basis of the examination under sub-section (5) or sub-section (6), the resolution professional shall -
  - (a) prepare an amended list of qualifying debts for the purpose of the discharge order;
    - (b) make an application to the Adjudicating Authority for directions under section

(c) take such other steps as he considers necessary in relation to the debtor.

#### 87. Application against decision of resolution professional. -

- (1) The debtor or the creditor who is aggrieved by the action taken by the resolution professional under section 86, may, within ten days of such decision, make an application to the Adjudicating Authority challenging such action on any of the following grounds, namely:
  - (a) that the resolution professional has not given an opportunity to the debtor or the creditor to make a representation; or
  - (b) that the resolution professional colluded with the other party in arriving at the decision; or
  - (c) that the resolution professional has not complied with the requirements of section 86.
  - (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall decide the application referred to in sub-section
- (1) within fourteen days of such application and make an order as it deems fit.
- (3) Where the application under sub-section (1) has been allowed by the Adjudicating Authority, it shall forward its order to the Board and the Board may take such action as may be required under Chapter VI of Part IV against the resolution professional.

#### 88. General duties of debtor. -

The debtor shall -

- (a) make available to the resolution professional all information relating to his affairs, attend meetings and comply with the requests of the resolution professional in relation to the fresh start process.
  - (b) inform the resolution professional as soon as reasonably possible of -
  - (i) any material error or omission in relation to the information or document supplied to the resolution professional; or
  - (ii) any change in financial circumstances after the date of application, where such change has an impact on the fresh start process.

#### 89. Replacement of resolution professional. -

(1) Where the debtor or the creditor is of the opinion that the resolution professional

appointed under section 82 is required to be replaced, he may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for the replacement of such resolution professional.

- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall within seven days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (1) make a reference to the Board for replacement of the resolution professional.
- (3) The Board shall, within ten days of the receipt of a reference from the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2), recommend the name of an insolvency professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall appoint another resolution professional for the purposes of the fresh start process on the basis of the recommendation by the Board.
- (5) The Adjudicating Authority may give directions to the resolution professional replaced under sub-section (4) -
  - (a) to share all information with the new resolution professional in respect of the fresh start process; and
  - (b) to co-operate with the new resolution professional as may be required.

#### 90. Directions for compliances of restrictions, etc. -

- (1) The resolution professional may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for any of the following directions, namely: -
  - (a) compliance of any restrictions referred to in sub-section (3) of section 85, in case of non-compliance by the debtor; or
  - (b) compliance of the duties of the debtor referred to in section 88, in case of non-compliance by the debtor.
- (2) The resolution professional may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for directions in relation to any other matter under this Chapter for which no specific provisions have been made.

#### 91. Revocation of order admitting application. -

- (1) The resolution professional may submit an application to the Adjudicating Authority seeking revocation of its order made under section 84 on the following grounds, namely: -
  - (a) if due to any change in the financial circumstances of the debtor, the debtor is ineligible for a fresh start process; or
  - (b) non-compliance by the debtor of the restrictions imposed under sub-section (3) of section 85; or

(c) if the debtor has acted in a mala fide manner and has wilfully failed to comply

with the provisions of this Chapter.

- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within fourteen days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (1), may by order admit or reject the application.
- (3) On passing of the order admitting the application referred to in sub-section (1), the moratorium and the fresh start process shall cease to have effect.
- (4) A copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under this section shall be provided to the Board for the purpose of recording an entry in the register referred to in section 196.

#### 92. Discharge order. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall prepare a final list of qualifying debts and submit such list to the Adjudicating Authority at least seven days before the moratorium period comes to an end.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall pass a discharge order at the end of the moratorium period for discharge of the debtor from the qualifying debts mentioned in the list under sub-section (1).
- (3) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-section (2), the Adjudicating Authority shall discharge the debtor from the following liabilities, namely: -
  - (a) penalties in respect of the qualifying debts from the date of application till the date of the discharge order;
  - (b) interest including penal interest in respect of the qualifying debts from the date of application till the date of the discharge order; and
    - (c) any other sums owed under any contract in respect of the qualifying debts from the date of application till the date of the discharge order.
- (4) The discharge order shall not discharge the debtor from any debt not included in sub-section (2) and from any liability not included under sub-section (3).
- (5) The discharge order shall be forwarded to the Board for the purpose of recording an entry in the register referred to in section 196.
- (6) A discharge order under sub-section (2) shall not discharge any other person from any liability in respect of the qualifying debts.

#### 93.Standard of conduct. -

The resolution professional shall perform his functions and duties in compliance with the code of conduct provided under section 208.

# CHAPTER III INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS

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#### **INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS Regulations 1-2**

#### 94. Application by debtor to initiate insolvency resolution process. -

- (1) A debtor who commits a default may apply, either personally or through a resolution professional, to the Adjudicating Authority for initiating the insolvency resolution process, by submitting an application.
- (2) Where the debtor is a partner of a firm, such debtor shall not apply under this Chapter to the Adjudicating Authority in respect of the firm unless all or a majority of the partners of the firm file the application jointly.
- (3) An application under sub-section (1) shall be submitted only in respect of debts which are not excluded debts.
  - (4) A debtor shall not be entitled to make an application under sub-section (1) if he is
    - (a) an undischarged bankrupt;
    - (b) undergoing a fresh start process;
    - (c)undergoing an insolvency resolution process; or (d) undergoing a bankruptcyprocess.
- (5) A debtor shall not be eligible to apply under sub-section (1) if an application **under this Chapter** has been admitted in respect of the debtor during the period of twelve months preceding the date of submission of the application under this section.
- (6) The application referred to in sub-section (1) shall be in such form and manner and accompanied with such fee as may be prescribed. Rule 6,10,11

#### 95. Application by creditor to initiate insolvency resolution process. - Rule 7

- (1) A creditor may apply either by himself, or jointly with other creditors, or through a resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority for initiating an insolvency resolution process under this section by submitting an application.
- (2) A creditor may apply under sub-section (1) in relation to any partnership debt owed to him for initiating an insolvency resolution process against-
  - (a) any one or more partners of the firm; or
  - (b) the firm.
- (3) Where an application has been made against one partner in a firm, any other application against another partner in the same firm shall be presented in or transferred to the Adjudicating Authority in which the first mentioned application is pending for adjudication and such Adjudicating Authority may give such directions for consolidating the proceedings under the applications as it thinks just.
  - (4) An application under sub-section (1) shall be accompanied with details and

#### documents relating to-

- (a) the debts owed by the debtor to the creditor or creditors submitting the application for insolvency resolution process as on the date of application;
- (b) the failure by the debtor to pay the debt within a period of fourteen days of the service of the notice of demand; and
  - (c) relevant evidence of such default or non-repayment of debt.
- (5) The creditor shall also provide a copy of the application made under sub-section
- (1) to the debtor.
- (6) The application referred to in sub-section (1) shall be in such form and manner and accompanied by such fee as may be prescribed. **Rules 7,10,11**
- (7) The details and documents required to be submitted under sub-section (4) shall be such as may be specified.

#### 96. Interim- moratorium. -

- (1) When an application is filed under section 94 or section 95 –
- (a) an interim-moratorium shall commence on the date of the application in relation to all the debts and shall cease to have effect on the date of admission of such application; and
  - (b) during the interim-moratorium period -
    - (i) any legal action or proceeding pending in respect of any debt shall be deemed to have been stayed; and
    - (ii) the creditors of the debtor shall not initiate any legal action or proceedings in respect of any debt.
- (2) Where the application has been made in relation to a firm, the interim- moratorium under sub-section (1) shall operate against all the partners of the firm as on the date of the application.
- (3) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall not apply to such transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

#### 97. Appointment of resolution professional. -

- (1) If the application under section 94 or 95 is filed through a resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of the date of the application to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against resolution professional. Reg 4
- (2) The Board shall within **seven days** of receipt of directions under sub-section (1) communicate to the Adjudicating Authority in writing either –

- (a) confirming the appointment of the resolution professional; or
- (b) rejecting the appointment of the resolution professional and nominating another resolution professional for the insolvency resolution process. Rule 8
- (3) Where an application under section 94 or 95 is filed by the debtor or the creditor himself, as the case may be, and not through the resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board, within seven days of the filing of such application, to nominate a resolution professional for the insolvency resolution process.
- (4) The Board shall nominate a resolution professional within ten days of receiving the direction issued by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (3).
- (5) The Adjudicating Authority shall by order appoint the resolution professional recommended under sub-section (2) or as nominated by the Board under sub-section (4).
- (6) A resolution professional appointed by the Adjudicating Authority under subsection (5) shall be provided a copy of the application for insolvency resolution process. **Rule 9**

#### 98. Replacement of resolution professional. -

- (1) Where the debtor or the creditor is of the opinion that the resolution professional appointed under section 97 is required to be replaced, he may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for the replacement of the such resolution professional.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within seven days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (1) make a reference to the Board for replacement of the resolution professional.
- (3) The Board shall, within tendays of the receipt of areference from the Adjudicating Authority under subsection (2), recommend the name of the resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending. **Rule 8**
- (4) Without prejudice to the provisions contained in sub-section (1), the creditors may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for replacement of the resolution professional where it has been decided in the meeting of the creditors, to replace the resolution professional with a new resolution professional for implementation of the repayment plan.
- (5) Where the Adjudicating Authority admits an application made under sub-section (1)or sub-section (4), it shall direct the Board to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against the proposed resolution professional.
- (6) The Board shall send a communication within ten days of receipt of the direction under sub-section (5) either-
  - (a) confirming appointment of the nominated resolution professional; or
  - (b) rejecting appointment of the nominated resolution professional and recommend a new resolution professional.

- (7) On the basis of the communication of the Board under sub-section (3) or sub-section (6), the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order appointing a new resolution professional.
- (8) The Adjudicating Authority may give directions to the resolution professional replaced under sub-section (7) -
  - (a) to share all information with the new resolution professional in respect of the insolvency resolution process; and
  - (b) to co-operate with the new resolution professional in such matters as may be required.

# 99. Submission of report by resolution professional. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall examine the application referred to in section 94 or section 95, as the case may be, within ten days of his appointment, and submit a report to the Adjudicating Authority recommending for approval or rejection of the application.
- (2) Where the application has been filed under section 95, the resolution professional may require the debtor to prove repayment of the debt claimed as unpaid by the creditor by furnishing -
  - (a) evidence of electronic transfer of the unpaid amount from the bank account of the debtor;
    - (b) evidence of encashment of a cheque issued by the debtor; or
    - (c) a signed acknowledgment by the creditor accepting receipt of dues.
- (3) Where the debt for which an application has been filed by a creditor is registered with the information utility, the debtor shall not be entitled to dispute the validity of such debt.
- (4) For the purposes of examining an application, the resolution professional may seek such further information or explanation in connection with the application as may be required from the debtor or the creditor or any other person who, in the opinion of the resolution professional, may provide such information.
- (5) The person from whom information or explanation is sought under sub-section (4) shall furnish such information or explanation within seven days of receipt of the request.
  - (6) The resolution professional shall examine the application and ascertain that (a) the application satisfies the requirements set out in section 94 or 95;
    - (b) the applicant has provided information and given explanation sought by the resolution professional under sub-section (4).
  - (7) After examination of the application under sub-section (6), he may recommend

acceptance or rejection of the application in his report.

- (8) Where the resolution professional finds that the debtor is eligible for a fresh start under Chapter II, the resolution professional shall submit a report recommending that the application by the debtor under section 94 be treated as an application under section 81 by the Adjudicating Authority.
- (9) The resolution professional shall record the reasons for recommending the acceptance or rejection of the application in the report under subsection (7).
- (10) The resolution professional shall give a copy of the report under sub-section (7) to the debtor or the creditor, as the case may be.

#### Regulation 5

#### 100. Admission or rejection of application. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority shall, within fourteen days from the date of submission of the report under section 99 pass an order either admitting or rejecting the application referred to in section 94 or 95, as the case may be.
- (2) Where the Adjudicating Authority admits an application under sub-section (1), it may, on the request of the resolution professional, issue instructions for the purpose of conducting negotiations between the debtor and creditors and for arriving at a repayment plan.
- (3) The Adjudicating Authority shall provide a copy of the order passed under subsection (1) along with the report of the resolution professional and the application referred to in section 94 or 95, as the case may be, to the creditors within seven days from the date of the said order.
- (4) If the application referred to in section 94 or 95, as the case may be, is rejected by the Adjudicating Authority on the basis of report submitted by the resolution professional that the application was made with the intention to defraud his creditors or the resolution professional, the order under sub-section (1) shall record that the creditor is entitled to file for a **bankruptcy order under Chapter IV**.

#### 101. Moratorium. -

- (1) When the application is admitted under section 100, a moratorium shall commence in relation to all the debts and shall cease to have effect at the end of the period of one hundred and eighty days beginning with the date of admission of the application or on the date the Adjudicating Authority passes an order on the repayment plan under section 114, whichever is earlier.
  - (2) During the moratorium period-
    - (a) any pending legal action or proceeding in respect of any debt shall be deemed to have been stayed;

- (b) the creditors shall not initiate any legal action or legal proceedings in respect of any debt; and
- (c) the debtor shall not transfer, alienate, encumber or dispose of any of his assets or his legal rights or beneficial interest therein;
- (2) Where an order admitting the application under section 96 has been made in relation to a firm, the moratorium under sub-section (1) shall operate against all the partners of the firm.
- (3) The provisions of this section shall not apply to such transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

# 102. Public notice and claims from creditors. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority shall issue a public notice within seven days of passing the order under section 100 inviting claims from all creditors within **twenty- one days** of such issue.
  - (2) The notice under sub-section (1) shall include-
    - (a) details of the order admitting the application;
  - (b) particulars of the resolution professional with whom the claims are to be registered; and
    - (c) the last date for submission of claims.
  - (3) The notice shall be -
  - (a) published in at least one English and one vernacular newspaper which is in circulation in the state where the debtor resides;
    - (b) affixed in the premises of the Adjudicating Authority; and
    - (c) placed on the website of the Adjudicating Authority.

#### 103. Registering of claims by creditors. -

- (1) The creditors shall **register claims** with the resolution professional by sending details of the claims by way of electronic communications or through courier, speed post or registered letter.
- (2) In addition to the claims referred to in sub-section (1), the creditor shall provide to the resolution professional, personal information and such particulars as may be prescribed. Regulation 7

# 104. Preparation of list of creditors. -

(1) The resolution professional shall prepare a list of creditors on the basis of -

- (a) the information disclosed in the application filed by the debtor under section 94 or 95, as the case may be;
  - (b) claims received by the resolution professional under section 102.
- (2) The resolution professional shall prepare the list mentioned in sub-section (1) within thirty days from the date of the notice. Regulation 9

#### 105. Repayment plan. -

- (1) The debtor shall prepare, in consultation with the resolution professional, a repayment plan containing a proposal to the creditors for restructuring of his debts or affairs.
  - (2) The repayment plan may authorise or require the resolution professional to -
    - (a) carry on the debtor's business or trade on his behalf or in his name; or
    - (b) realise the assets of the debtor; or
    - (c) administer or dispose of any funds of the debtor.
  - (3) The repayment plan shall include the following, namely: -
    - (a)justification for preparation of such repayment plan and reasons on the basis of which the creditors may agree upon the plan;
    - (b) provision for payment of fee to the resolution professional;
    - (c) such other matters as may be specified. Regulation 17 and Reg 8

# 106. Report of resolution professional on repayment plan. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall submit the repayment plan under section 105 along with his report on such plan to the Adjudicating Authority within a period of twenty-one days from the last date of submission of claims under section 102. **Reg 19** 
  - (2) The report referred in sub-section (1) shall include that-
  - (a) the repayment plan is in compliance with the provisions of any law for the time being in force;
  - (b) the repayment plan has a reasonable prospect of being approved and implemented; and
  - (c) there is a necessity of summoning a meeting of the creditors, if required, to consider the repayment plan:

Provided that where the resolution professional recommends that a meeting of the creditors is not required to be summoned, reasons for the same shall be provided.

(3) The report referred to in sub-section (2) shall also specify the date on which, and the time and place at which, the meeting should be held if he is of the opinion that a meeting of the creditors should be summoned.

- (4) For the purposes of sub-section (3) -
- (a) the date on which the meeting is to be held shall be not less than fourteen days and not more than twenty-eight days from the date of submission of report under sub-section(1);
- (b) the resolution professional shall consider the **convenience of creditors** in fixing the date and venue of the meeting of the creditors.

#### 107. Summoning of meeting of creditors. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall issue a notice calling the meeting of the creditors at least fourteen days before the date fixed for such meeting.
- (2) The resolution professional shall send the notice of the meeting to the list of creditors prepared under section 104.
- (3) The notice sent under sub-section (1) shall state the address of the Adjudicating Authority to which the repayment plan and report of the resolution professional on the repayment plan has been submitted and shall be accompanied by -
  - (a) a copy of the repayment plan;
  - (b) a copy of the statement of affairs of the debtor; Reg 10
  - (c) a copy of the said report of the resolution professional; and
  - (d) forms for proxy voting.
- (4) The proxy voting, including electronic proxy voting shall take place in such manner and form as may be specified. Reg 12

#### 108. Conduct of meeting of creditors. -

- (1) The meeting of the creditors shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 109,110 and 111. Reg 11,13,14
- (2) In the meeting of the creditors, the creditors may decide to approve, modify or reject the repayment plan.
- (3) The resolution professional shall ensure that if modifications are suggested by the creditors, **consent of the debtor shall be obtained** for **each modification**.
- (4) The resolution professional may for a sufficient cause adjourn the meeting of the creditors for a period of not more than seven days at a time. Reg 6

# 109. Voting rights in meeting of creditors. -

- (1) A creditor shall be entitled to vote at every meeting of the creditors in respect of the repayment plan in accordance with the voting share assigned to him.
  - (2) The resolution professional shall determine the voting share to be assigned to each creditor in the manner specified by the Board.Reg 15

- (3) A creditor shall not be entitled to vote in respect of a debt for an unliquidated amount.
  - (4) A creditor shall not be entitled to vote in a meeting of the creditors if he (a) is not a creditor mentioned in the list of creditors under section 104; or
    - (b) is an associate of the debtor.

# 110. Rights of secured creditors in relation to repayment plan. -

- (1) Secured creditors shall be entitled to participate and vote in the meetings of the creditors.
- (2) A secured creditor participating in the meetings of the creditors and voting in relation to the repayment plan shall forfeit his right to enforce the security during the period of the repayment plan in accordance with the terms of the repayment plan.
- (3) Where a secured creditor does not forfeit his right to enforce security, he shall submit an affidavit to the resolution professional at the meeting of the creditors stating -
  - (a) that the right to vote exercised by the secured creditor is only in respect of the unsecured part of the debt; and
    - (b) the estimated value of the unsecured part of the debt.
- (4) In case a secured creditor participates in the voting on the repayment plan by submitting an affidavit under sub-section (3), the secured and unsecured parts of the debt shall be treated as separate debts.
- (5) The concurrence of the secured creditor shall be obtained if he does not participate in the voting on repayment plan but provision of the repayment plan affects his right to enforce security.

*Explanation.* – For the purposes of this section, "period of the repayment plan" means the period from the date of the order passed under section 114 till the date on which the notice is given by the resolution professional under section 117 or report submitted by the resolution professional under section 118, as the case may be.

#### 111. Approval of repayment plan by creditors. -

The repayment plan or any modification to the repayment plan shall be approved by a majority of **more than three-fourth in value** of the creditors present in person or by proxy and voting on the resolution in a meeting of the creditors. Approval of repayment plan by creditors.

# 112. Report of meeting of creditors on repayment plan. -

(1) The resolution professional shall prepare a report of the meeting of the creditors on

repayment plan.

- (2) The report under sub-section (1) shall contain -
- (a) whether the repayment plan was approved or rejected and if approved, the list the modifications, if any;
- (b) the resolutions which were proposed at the meeting and the decision on such resolutions;
- (c) list of the creditors who were present or represented at the meeting, and the voting records of each creditor for all meetings of the creditors; and
- (d) such other information as the resolution professional thinks appropriate to make known to the Adjudicating Authority.

#### 113. Notice of decisions taken at meeting of creditors. -

The resolution professional shall provide a copy of the report of the meeting of creditors prepared under section 99 to -

- (a) the debtor;
- (b) the creditors, including those who were not present at the meeting; and
- (c) the Adjudicating Authority.

# 114. Order of Adjudicating Authority on repayment plan. -

(1) The Adjudicating Authority shall by an order approve or reject the repayment plan on the basis of the report of the meeting of the creditors submitted by the resolution professional under section 112:

Provided that where a meeting of creditors is not summoned, the Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order on the basis of the report prepared by the resolution professional under section 106.

- (2) The order of the Adjudicating Authority approving the repayment plan may also provide for directions for implementing the repayment plan.
- (3) Where the Adjudicating Authority is of the opinion that the repayment plan requires modification, it may direct the resolution professional to re-convene a meeting of the creditors for reconsidering the repayment plan.

# 115. Effect of order of Adjudicating Authority on repayment plan. -

- (1) Where the Adjudicating Authority has approved the repayment plan under section 114, such repayment plan shall
  - (a) take effect as if proposed by the debtor in the meeting; and
  - (b) be binding on creditors mentioned in the repayment plan and the debtor.

- (2) Where the Adjudicating Authority rejects the repayment plan under section 114, the debtor and the creditors shall be entitled to file an application for bankruptcy under Chapter IV.
- (3) A copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2) shall be provided to the Board, for the purpose of recording an entry in the register referred to in section 196.

# 116. Implementation and supervision of repayment plan. - Reg 18,20 and 22

- (1) The resolution professional appointed under section 97 or under section 98 shall supervise the implementation of the repayment plan.
- (2) The resolution professional may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for directions, if necessary, in relation to any particular matter arising under the repayment plan.
- (3) The Adjudicating Authority may issue directions to the resolution professional on the basis of an application under sub-section (2).

# 117. Completion of repayment plan. -

- (1) The resolution professional shall within fourteen days of the completion of the repayment plan, forward to the persons who are bound by the repayment plan under section 115 and the Adjudicating Authority, the following documents, namely -
- (a) a notice that the repayment plan has been fully implemented; and
- (b) a copy of a report by the resolution professional summarising all receipts and payments made in pursuance of the repayment plan and extent of the implementation of such plan as compared with the repayment plan approved by the meeting of the creditors.
  - (2) The resolution professional may apply to the Adjudicating Authority to extend the time mentioned in sub-section (1) for such further period not exceeding seven days.

# 118. Repayment plan coming to end prematurely. -

- (1) A repayment plan shall be deemed to have come to an end prematurely if it has not been fully implemented in respect of all persons bound by it within the period as mentioned in the repayment plan.
- (2) Where a repayment plan comes to an end prematurely under this section, the resolution professional shall submit a report to the Adjudicating Authority which shall state
- (a) the receipts and payments made in pursuance of the repayment plan;
- (b) the reasons for premature end of the repayment plan; and
- (c) the details of the creditors whose claims have not been fully satisfied.

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- (3) The Adjudicating Authority shall pass an order on the basis of the report submitted under sub-section (2) by the resolution professional that the repayment plan has not been completely implemented.
- (4) The debtor or the creditor, whose claims under repayment plan have not been fully satisfied, shall be entitled to apply for a bankruptcy order under Chapter IV.
- (5) The Adjudicating Authority shall forward to the persons bound by the repayment plan under section 115, a copy of the -
  - (a) report submitted by the resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2); and
    - (b) order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (3).
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority shall forward a copy of the order passed under subsection (4) to the Board, for the purpose of recording entries in the register referred to in section 196.

# 119. Discharge order. - Reg 21

- (1) On the basis of the repayment plan, the resolution professional shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for a discharge order in relation to the debts mentioned in the repayment plan and the Adjudicating Authority may pass such discharge order.
  - (2) The repayment plan may provide for -
    - (a) early discharge; or
    - (b) discharge on complete implementation of the repayment plan.
- (3) The discharge order shall be forwarded to the Board, for the purpose of recording entries in the register referred to in section 196.
- (4) The discharge order under sub-section (3) shall not discharge any other person from any liability in respect of his debt.

# 120. Standard of conduct. -

The resolution professional shall perform his functions and duties in compliance with the code of conduct provided under section 208.

# **CHAPTER IV**

# BANKRUPTCY ORDER FOR INDIVIDUALS AND PARTNERSHIP FIRMS

#### 121. Application for bankruptcy. -

- (1) An application for bankruptcy of a debtor may be made, by a creditor individually or jointly with other creditors or by a debtor, to the Adjudicating Authority in the following circumstances, namely;
  - (a) where an order has been passed by an Adjudicating Authority under sub-section 4 of section 100; or
  - (b) where an order has been passed by an Adjudicating Authority under sub-section 2 of section 115; or
  - (c) where an order has been passed by an Adjudicating Authority under sub-section 3 of section 118.
- (2) An application for bankruptcy shall be filed within a period of three months of the date of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under the sections referred to in sub-section (1).
- (3) Where the debtor is a firm, the application under sub-section (1) may be filed by any of its partners.

#### 122. Application by debtor. -

- (1) The application for bankruptcy by the debtor shall be accompanied by -
- (a) the records of insolvency resolution process undertaken under Chapter III of Part III;
- (b) the statement of affairs of the debtor in such form and manner as may be prescribed, on the date of the application for bankruptcy; and
- (c) a copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under Chapter III of Part III permitting the debtor to apply for bankruptcy.
- (2) The debtor may propose an insolvency professional as the bankruptcy trustee in the application for bankruptcy.
- (3) The application referred to in sub-section (1) shall be in such form and manner and accompanied by such fee as may be prescribed. Rule 6 & 16
- (4) An application for bankruptcy by the debtor shall not be withdrawn without the leave of the Adjudicating Authority.

# 123. Application by creditor. -

- (1) The application for bankruptcy by the creditor shall be accompanied by-
  - (a) the records of insolvency resolution process undertaken under Chapter III;
- (b) a copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under Chapter III permitting the creditor to apply for bankruptcy;
- (c) details of the debts owed by the debtor to the creditor as on the date of the application for bankruptcy; and
  - (d) such other information as may be prescribed.

- (2) An application under sub-section (1) made in respect of a debt which is secured, shall be accompanied with -
  - (a) a statement by the creditor having the right to enforce the security that he shall, in the event of a bankruptcy order being made, give up his security for the benefit of all the creditors of the bankrupt; or
    - (b) a statement by the creditor stating-
    - (i) that the application for bankruptcy is only in respect of the unsecured part of the debt; and
      - (ii) an estimated value of the unsecured part of the debt.
- (3) If a secured creditor makes an application for bankruptcy and submits a statement under clause (b) of sub-section (2), the secured and unsecured parts of the debt shall be treated as separate debts.
- (4) The creditor may propose an insolvency professional as the bankruptcy trustee in the application for bankruptcy.
- (5) An application for bankruptcy under sub-section (1), in case of a deceased debtor, may be filed against his legal representatives.
- (6) The application for bankruptcy shall be in such form and manner and accompanied by such fee as may be prescribed. Rule 7 & 16
- (7) An application for bankruptcy by the creditor shall not be withdrawn without the permission of the Adjudicating Authority.

# 124. Effect of application. -

- (1) When an application is filed under sections 122 or 123 –
- (a) an interim-moratorium shall commence on the date of the making of the application on all actions against the properties of the debtor in respect of his debts and such moratorium shall cease to have effect on the bankruptcy commencement date; and
  - (b) during the interim-moratorium period -
  - (i) any pending legal action or legal proceeding **against any property of the debtor** in respect of any of his debts shall be deemed to have been stayed;
  - (ii) the creditors of the debtor shall not be entitled to initiate any legal action or legal proceedings against any property of the debtor in respect of any of his debts.
- (2) Where the application has been made in relation to a firm, the interim- moratorium under sub-section (1) shall operate against all the partners of the firm as on the date of the making of the application.

(3) The provisions of this section shall not apply to such transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

#### 125. Appointment of insolvency professional as bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) If an insolvency professional is proposed as the bankruptcy trustee in the application for bankruptcy under section 122 or section 123, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of receiving the application for bankruptcy to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against such professional. **Reg 3 & 5** 
  - (2) The Board shall within ten days of the receipt of the direction under sub-section
- (3) in writing either
  - (a) confirm the appointment of the proposed insolvency professional as the bankruptcy trustee for the bankruptcy process; or
  - (b) reject the appointment of the proposed insolvency professional as the bankruptcy trustee and nominate another bankruptcy trustee for the bankruptcy process. **Rule 8**
- (3) Where a bankruptcy trustee is not proposed by the debtor or creditor under section 122 or 123, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of receiving the application to nominate a bankruptcy trustee for the bankruptcy process.
- (4) The Board shall nominate a bankruptcy trustee within ten days of receiving the direction of the Adjudicating Authority under subsection (3). Rule 8
- (5) The bankruptcy trustee confirmed or nominated under this section shall be appointed as the bankruptcy trustee by the Adjudicating Authority in the bankruptcy order under section 126. **Regulation 6**

# 126. Bankruptcy order. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority shall pass a bankruptcy order within fourteen days of receiving the confirmation or nomination of the bankruptcy trustee under section 125.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall provide the following documents to bankrupt, creditors and the bankruptcy trustee within seven days of the passing of the bankruptcy order, namely: -
  - (a) a copy of the application for bankruptcy; and
  - (b) a copy of the bankruptcy order. Rule 14

# 127. Validity of bankruptcy order.

The bankruptcy order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 126 shall continue to have effect till the debtor is discharged under section 138.

# 128. Effect of bankruptcy order. -

(1) On the passing of the bankruptcy order under section 126, -

- (a) the estate of the bankrupt shall vest in the bankruptcy trustee as provided in section 154;
  - (b) the estate of the bankrupt shall be divided among his creditors;
- (c) subject to provisions of sub-section (2), a creditor of the bankrupt indebted in respect of any debt claimed as a bankruptcy debt shall not-
  - (i) initiate any action against the property of the bankrupt in respect of such debt; or
  - (ii) commence any suit or other legal proceedings except with the leave of the Adjudicating Authority and on such terms as the Adjudicating Authority may impose.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of section 123, the bankruptcy order shall not affect the right of any secured creditor to realise or otherwise deal with his security interest in the same manner as he would have been entitled if the bankruptcy order had not been passed:

Provided that no secured creditor shall be entitled to any interest in respect of his debt after the bankruptcy commencement date if he does not take any action to realise his security within thirty days from the said date.

- (3) Where a bankruptcy order under section 126 has been passed against a firm, the order shall operate as if it were a bankruptcy order made against each of the individuals who, on the date of the order, is a partner in the firm.
- (4) The provisions of sub-section (1) shall not apply to such transactions as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

#### 129. Statement of financial position. -

- (1) Where a bankruptcy order is passed on the application for bankruptcy by a creditor under section 123, the bankrupt shall submit his statement of financial position to the bankruptcy trustee within seven days from the bankruptcy commencement date.
- (2) The statement of financial position shall be submitted in the such form and manner as may be prescribed. Rule 11
- (3) Where the bankrupt is a firm, its partners on the date of the order shall submit a joint statement of financial position of the firm, and each partner of the firm shall submit a statement of his financial position.
- (4) The bankruptcy trustee may require the bankrupt or any other person to submit in writing further information explaining or modifying any matter contained in the statement of financial position.

# 130. Public notice inviting claims from creditors. -

(1) The Adjudicating Authority shall-

- (a) send notices within ten days of the bankruptcy commencement date, to the creditors mentioned in -
  - (i) the statement of affairs submitted by the bankrupt under section 129; or
  - (ii) the application for bankruptcy submitted by the bankrupt under section 122.
  - (b) issue a public notice inviting claims from creditors.
- (2) The public notice under clause (b) of sub-section (1) shall include the last date up to which the claims shall be submitted and such other matters and details as may be prescribed and shall be **Rule 9** 
  - (a) published in leading newspapers, one in English and another in vernacular having sufficient circulation where the bankrupt resides;
    - (b) affixed on the premises of the Adjudicating Authority; and
    - (c) placed on the website of the Adjudicating Authority.
- (3) The notice to the creditors referred to under clause (a) of sub-section (1) shall include such matters and details as may be prescribed. **Rule** 10

#### 131. Registration of claims. -

- (1) The creditors shall **register** claims with the bankruptcy trustee within seven days of the publication of the public notice, by sending details of the claims to the bankruptcy trustee in such manner as may be prescribed. **Rule 12**
- (2) The creditor, in addition to the details of his claims, shall provide such other information and in such manner as may be prescribed. **Rule** 14-20

# 132. Preparation of list of creditors. -

The bankruptcy trustee shall, within fourteen days from the bankruptcy commencement date, prepare a list of creditors of the bankrupt on the basis of -

- (a) the information disclosed by the bankrupt in the application for bankruptcy filed by the bankrupt under section 118 and the statement of affairs filed under section 125; and
  - (b) claims received by the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (2) of section 130.

# 133. Summoning of meeting of creditors. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall, within twenty-one days from the bankruptcy commencement date, issue a notice for calling a meeting of the creditors, to every creditor of the bankrupt as mentioned in the list prepared under section 132.
  - (2) The notices issued under sub-section (1) shall -

- (a) state the date of the meeting of the creditors, which shall not be later than twentyone days from the bankruptcy commencement date;
  - (b) be accompanied with forms of proxy voting;
  - (c) specify the form and manner in which the proxy voting may take place.
- (3) The proxy voting, including electronic proxy voting shall take place in such manner and form as may be specified. **Reg 21 and 26**

#### 134. Conduct of meeting of creditors. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall be the convener of the meeting of the creditors summoned under section 133.
- (2) The bankruptcy trustee shall decide the quorum for the meeting of the creditors, and conduct the meeting only if the quorum is present.
- (3) The following business shall be conducted in the meeting of the creditors in which regard a resolution may be passed, namely:
  - (a) the establishment of a committee of creditors;
  - (b) any other business that the bankruptcy trustee thinks fit to be transacted.
- (4) The bankruptcy trustee shall cause the minutes of the meeting of the creditors to be recorded, signed and retained as a part of the records of the bankruptcy process.
  - (5) The bankruptcy trustee shall not adjourn the meeting of the creditors for any purpose for more than seven days at a time. **Reg 22**

# 135. Voting rights of creditors. -

- (1) Every creditor mentioned in the list under section 132 or his proxy shall be entitled to vote in respect of the resolutions in the meeting of the creditors in accordance with the voting share assigned to him.
- (2) The resolution professional shall determine the voting share to be assigned to each creditor in the manner specified by the Board. Reg 24,25
- (3) A creditor shall not be entitled to vote in respect of a debt for an unliquidated amount.
  - (4) The following creditors shall not be entitled to vote under this section, namely: -
  - (a) creditors who are not mentioned in the list of creditors under section 132 and those who have not been given a notice by the bankruptcy trustee;
    - (b) creditors who are associates of the bankrupt.

# 136. Administration and distribution of estate of bankrupt. -

The bankruptcy trustee shall conduct the administration and distribution of the estate of

the bankrupt in accordance with the provisions of Chapter V. Reg 27-36 with Schedule 1 and II

#### 137. Completion of administration. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall convene a meeting of the committee of creditors on completion of the administration and distribution of the estate of the bankrupt in accordance with the provisions of Chapter V.
- (2) The bankruptcy trustee shall provide the committee of creditors with a report of the administration of the estate of the bankrupt in the meeting of the said committee.
- (3) The committee of creditors shall approve the report submitted by the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (2) within seven days of the receipt of the report and determine whether the bankruptcy trustee should be released under section 148.
- (4) The bankruptcy trustee shall retain sufficient sums from the estate of the bankrupt to meet the expenses of convening and conducting the meeting required under this section during the administration of the estate. **Reg 7-13**

# 138. Discharge order. -

(1) The bankruptcy trustee shall apply to the Adjudicating Authority for a discharge order -

# (a) on the expiry of one year from the bankruptcy commencement date; or

- (b) within seven days of the approval of the committee of creditors of the completion of administration of the estates of the bankrupt under section 137, where such approval is obtained prior to the period mentioned in clause (a).
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall pass a discharge order on an application by the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (1).
- (3) A copy of the discharge order shall be provided to the Board, for the purpose of recording an entry in the register referred to in section 196.

# 138. Effect of discharge. -

The discharge order under sub-section (2) of section 138 shall release the bankrupt from all the bankruptcy debt:

Provided that discharge shall not -

- (a) affect the functions of the bankruptcy trustee; or
- (b) affect the operation of the provisions of Chapters IV and V of Part III:

- (c) release the bankrupt from any debt incurred by means of fraud or breach of trust to which he was a party; or
  - (d) discharge the bankrupt from any excluded debt.

# 140. Disqualification of bankrupt.-

- (1) The bankrupt shall, from the bankruptcy commencement date, be subject to the disqualifications mentioned in this section.
- (2) In addition to any disqualification under any other law for the time being in force, a bankrupt shall be disqualified from-
  - (a) being appointed or acting as a trustee or representative in respect of any trust, estate or settlement;
    - (b) being appointed or acting as a public servant;
  - (c) being elected to any public office where the appointment to such office is by election; and
    - (d) being elected or sitting or voting as a member of any local authority.
- (3) Any disqualification to which a bankrupt may be subject under this section shall cease to have effect, if
  - (a) the bankruptcy order against him is modified or recalled under section 142; or
  - (b) he is discharged under section 138.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this section, the term "public servant" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in section 21 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (45 of 1860).

# 141. Restrictions on bankrupt. -

- (1) A bankrupt, from the bankruptcy commencement date, shall, -
- (a) not act as a director of any company, or directly or indirectly take part in or be concerned in the promotion, formation or management of a company;
- (b) without the previous sanction of the bankruptcy trustee, be prohibited from creating any charge on his estate or taking any further debt;
- $(c) \ \ be\ required\ to\ inform\ his\ business\ partners\ that\ he\ is\ undergoing\ a\ bankruptcy\ \ process;$
- (d) prior to entering into any financial or commercial transaction of such value as may be prescribed, either individually or jointly, inform all the parties involved in such transaction that he is undergoing a bankruptcy process; **Rule 15**
- (e) without the previous sanction of the Adjudicating Authority, be incompetent to maintain any legal action or proceedings in relation to the bankruptcy debts; and

- (f) not be permitted to travel overseas without the permission of the Adjudicating Authority.
- (2) Any restriction to which a bankrupt may be subject under this section shall cease to have effect, if -
  - (a) the bankruptcy order against him is modified or recalled under section 142; or
  - (b) he is discharged under section 138.

#### 142. Modification or recall of bankruptcy order. -

- (1) The Adjudicating Authority may, on an application or *suo motu*, modify or recall a bankruptcy order, whether or not the bankrupt is discharged, if it appears to the Adjudicating Authority that
  - (a) there exists an error apparent on the face of such order; or
  - (b) both the bankruptcy debts and the expenses of the bankruptcy have, after the making of the bankruptcy order, either been paid for or secured to the satisfaction of the Adjudicating Authority.
- (2) Where the Adjudicating Authority modifies or recalls the bankruptcy order under this section, any sale or other disposition of property, payment made or other things duly done by the bankruptcy trustee shall be valid except that the property of the bankrupt shall vest in such person as the Adjudicating Authority may appoint or, in default of any such appointment, revert to the bankrupt on such terms as the Adjudicating Authority may direct.
- (3) A copy of the order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (1) shall be provided to the Board, for the purpose of recording an entry in the register referred to in section 191.
- (4) The modification or recall of the order by the Adjudicating Authority under subsection (1) shall be binding on all creditors so far as it relates to any debts due to them which form a part of the bankruptcy.

#### 143. Standard of conduct. -

The bankruptcy trustee shall perform his functions and duties in compliance with the code of conduct provided under section 208.

# 144. Fees of bankruptcy trustee. -Reg 4

- (1) A bankruptcy trustee appointed for conducting the bankruptcy process shall charge such fees as may be specified in proportion to the value of the estate of the bankrupt.
- (2) The fees for the conduct of the bankruptcy process shall be paid to the bankruptcy trustee from the distribution of the estate of the bankrupt in the manner provided in section 178.

# 145. Replacement of bankruptcy trustee. - Rule 8

- (1) Where Committee of creditors is of the opinion that at any time during the bankruptcy process, a bankruptcy trustee appointed under section 125 is required to be replaced, it may replace him with another bankruptcy trustee in the manner provided under this section.
- (2) The Committee of creditors may, at a meeting, by a vote of seventy-five per cent. of voting share, propose to replace the bankruptcy trustee appointed under section 125 with another bankruptcy trustee.
- (3) The Committee of creditors may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for the replacement of the bankruptcy trustee.
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall within seven days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (3) direct the Board to recommend for replacement of bankruptcy trustee.
- (5) The Board shall, within ten days of the direction of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (4), recommend a bankruptcy trustee for replacement against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority shall, by an order, appoint the bankruptcy trustee as recommended by the Board under sub-section (5) within fourteen days of receiving such recommendation.
- (7) The earlier bankruptcy trustee shall deliver possession of the estate of the bankrupt to the bankruptcy trustee appointed under sub-section (6), on the date of his appointment.
  - (8) The Adjudicating Authority may give directions to the earlier bankruptcy trustee- (a) to share all information with the new bankruptcy trustee in respect of the

bankruptcy process; and

- (b) to co-operate with the new bankruptcy trustee in such matters as may be required.
- (9) The earlier bankruptcy trustee replaced under this section shall be released in accordance with the provisions of section 148.
- (10) The bankruptcy trustee appointed under this section shall give a notice of his appointment to the bankrupt within seven days of his appointment.

# 146. Resignation by bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) A bankruptcy trustee may resign if -
  - (a) he intends to cease practising as an insolvency professional; or
- (b) there is conflict of interest or change of personal circumstances which preclude the further discharge of his duties as a bankruptcy trustee.
- (2)T he Adjudicating Authority shall, within seven days of the acceptance of the

resignation of the bankruptcy trustee, direct the Board for his replacement.

- (3) The Board shall, within ten days of the direction of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2) recommend another bankruptcy trustee as a replacement. **Rule 8**
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall appoint the bankruptcy trustee recommended by the Board under sub-section (3) within fourteen days of receiving the recommendation.
- (5) The replaced bankruptcy trustee shall deliver possession of the estate of the bankrupt to the bankruptcy trustee appointed under subsection (4), on the date of his appointment.
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority may give directions to the bankruptcy trustee who has resigned -
  - (a) to share all information with the new bankruptcy trustee in respect of the bankruptcy process; and
  - (b) to co-operate with the new bankruptcy trustee in such matters as may be required.
- (7) The bankruptcy trustee appointed under this section shall give a notice of his appointment to the committee of creditors and the bankrupt within seven days of his appointment.
- (8) The bankruptcy trustee replaced under this section shall be released in accordance with the provisions of section 148.

# 147. Vacancy in office of bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) If a vacancy occurs in the office of the bankruptcy trustee for any reason other than his replacement or resignation, the vacancy shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of this section.
- (2) In the event of the occurrence of vacancy referred to in sub-section (1), the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board for replacement of a bankruptcy trustee.
- (3) The Board shall, within ten days of the direction of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2), recommend a bankruptcy trustee as a replacement. **Rule 8**
- (4) The Adjudicating Authority shall appoint the bankruptcy trustee recommended by the Board under sub-section (3) within fourteen days of receiving the recommendation.
- (5) The earlier bankruptcy trustee shall deliver possession of the estate of the bankrupt to the bankruptcy trustee appointed under subsection (4), on the date of his appointment.
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority may give directions to the bankruptcy trustee who has vacated the office -
  - (a) to share all information with the new bankruptcy trustee in respect of the

#### bankruptcy;

- (b) to co-operate with the new bankruptcy trustee in such matters as may be required.
- (7) The bankruptcy trustee appointed under sub-section (4) shall give a notice of his appointment to the committee of creditors and the bankrupt within seven days of his appointment.
- (8) The earlier bankruptcy trustee replaced under this section shall be released in accordance with the provisions of section 148:

Provided that this section shall not apply if the vacancy has occurred due to temporary illness or temporary leave of the bankruptcy trustee.

# 148. Release of bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) A bankruptcy trustee shall be released from his office with effect from the date on which the Adjudicating Authority passes an order appointing a new bankruptcy trustee in the event of replacement, resignation or occurrence of vacancy under sections 145, 146 or section 147, as the case may be.
- (2) Notwithstanding the release under sub-section (1), the bankruptcy trustee who has been so released, shall share all information with the new bankruptcy trustee in respect of the bankruptcy process and co-operate with the new bankruptcy trustee in such matters as may be required.
- (3) A bankruptcy trustee who has completed the administration of the bankruptcy process shall be released of his duties with effect from the date on which the committee of creditors approves the report of the bankruptcy trustee under section 137.

# CHAPTER V

# ADMINISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE ESTATE OF THE BANKRUPT

# 149. Functions of bankruptcy trustee. -

The bankruptcy trustee shall perform the following functions in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter –

- (a) investigate the affairs of the bankrupt;
- (b) realise the estate of the bankrupt; and
- (c) distribute the estate of the bankrupt.

#### 150. Duties of bankrupt towards bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) The bankrupt shall assist the bankruptcy trustee in carrying out his functions under this Chapter by -
  - (a) giving to the bankruptcy trustee the information of his affairs;
  - (b) attending on the bankruptcy trustee at such times as may be required;
  - (c) giving notice to the bankruptcy trustee of any of the following events which have occurred after the bankruptcy commencement date, -
    - (i) acquisition of any property by the bankrupt;
    - (ii) devolution of any property upon the bankrupt;
    - (iii) increase in the income of the bankrupt;
    - (d) doing all other things as may be prescribed.
- The bankrupt shall give notice of the increase in income or acquisition or devolution of property under clause (c) of sub-section (1) within seven days of such increase, acquisition or devolution.-No format for notice
- The bankrupt shall continue to discharge the duties under sub-section (1) other than the duties under clause (c) even after the discharge under section 138.

#### 151. Rights of bankruptcy trustee. -

For the purpose of performing his functions under this Chapter, the bankruptcy trustee may, by his official name -

- (a) hold property of every description;
- (b) make contracts;
- (c) sue and be sued;
- (d) enter into engagements in respect of the estate of the bankrupt;
- (e) employ persons to assist him;
- (f) execute any power of attorney, deed or other instrument; and
- (g) do any other act which is necessary or expedient for the purposes of or in connection with the exercise of his rights.

# 152. General powers of bankruptcy trustee. -

The bankruptcy trustee may while discharging his functions under this Chapter, -

- (a) sell any part of the estate of the bankrupt;
- (b) give receipts for any money received by him;
- (c) prove, rank, claim and draw a dividend in respect of such debts due to the bankrupt as are comprised in his estate; 531

- (d) where any property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt is held by any person by way of pledge or hypothecation, exercise the right of redemption in respect of any such property subject to the relevant contract by giving notice to the said person;
- (e) where any part of the estate of the bankrupt consists of securities in a company or any other property which is transferable in the books of a person, exercise the right to transfer the property to the same extent as the bankrupt might have exercised it if he had not become bankrupt; and
- (f) deal with any property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt to which the bankrupt is beneficially entitled in the same manner as he might have dealt with it.

#### 153. Approval of creditors for certain acts. -

The bankruptcy trustee for the purposes of this Chapter may after procuring the approval of the committee of creditors, -

- (a) carry on any business of the bankrupt as far as may be necessary for winding it up beneficially;
- (b) bring, institute or defend any legal action or proceedings relating to the property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt;
- (c) accept as consideration for the sale of any property a sum of money due at a future time subject to certain stipulations such as security;
- (d) mortgage or pledge any property for the purpose of raising money for the payment of the debts of the bankrupt;
- (e) where any right, option or other power forms part of the estate of the bankrupt, make payments or incur liabilities with a view to obtaining, for the benefit of the creditors, any property which is the subject of such right, option or power;
- (f) refer to arbitration or compromise on such terms as may be agreed, any debts subsisting or supposed to subsist between the bankrupt and any person who may have incurred any liability to the bankrupt;
- (g) make compromise or other arrangement as may be considered expedient, with the creditors;
- (h) make compromise or other arrangement as he may deem expedient with respect to any claim arising out of or incidental to the bankrupt's estate;

# (i) appoint the bankrupt to -

- (A) supervise the management of the estate of the bankrupt or any part of it;
- (B) carry on his business for the benefit of his creditors;
- (C) assist the bankruptcy trustee in administering the estate of the bankrupt.

#### 154. Vesting of estate of bankrupt in bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) The estate of the bankrupt shall vest in the bankruptcy trustee immediately from the date of his appointment.
- (2) The vesting under sub-section (1) shall take effect without any conveyance, assignment or transfer.

#### 155. Estate of bankrupt. -

- (1) The estate of the bankrupt shall include, -
- (a) all property belonging to or vested in the bankrupt at the bankruptcy commencement date;
- (b) the capacity to exercise and to initiate proceedings for exercising all such powers in or over or in respect of property as might have been exercised by the bankrupt for his own benefit at the bankruptcy commencement date or before the date of the discharge order passed under section 138; and
- (c) all property which by virtue of any of the provisions of this Chapter is comprised in the estate.

#### (2) The estate of the bankrupt shall not include -

- (a) excluded assets;
- (b) property held by the bankrupt on trust for any other person;
- (c) all sums due to any workman or employee from the provident fund, the pension fund and the gratuity fund; and
- (d) such assets as may be notified by the Central Government in consultation with any financial sector regulator.

# 156. Delivery of property and documents to bankruptcy trustee. -

The bankrupt, his banker or agent or any other person having possession of any property, books, papers or other records which bankruptcy trustee is required to take possession for the purposes of the bankruptcy process shall deliver the said property and documents to the bankruptcy trustee.

# 157. Acquisition of control by bankruptcy trustee. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall take possession and control of all property, books, papers and other records relating to the estate of the bankrupt or affairs of the bankrupt which belong to him or are in his possession or under his control.
  - (2) Where any part of the estate of the bankrupt consists of things in actionable claims,

they shall be deemed to have been assigned to the bankruptcy trustee without any notice of the assignment.

#### 158. Restrictions on disposition of property. –

- (1) Any disposition of property made by the debtor, during the period between the date of filing of the application for bankruptcy and the bankruptcy commencement date shall be void.
- (2) Any disposition of property made under sub-section (1) shall not give rise to any right against any person, in respect of such property, even if he has received such property before the bankruptcy commencement date in
  - (a) good faith;
  - (b) for value; and
  - (c) without notice of the filing of the application for bankruptcy.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, the term "property" means all the property of the debtor, whether or not it is comprised in the estate of the bankrupt, but shall not include property held by the debtor in trust for any other person.

#### 159. After-acquired property of bankrupt. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall be entitled to claim for the estate of the bankrupt, any after-acquired property by giving a notice to the bankrupt.
  - (2) A notice under sub-section (1) shall not be served in respect of -
    - (a) excluded assets, or
  - (b) any property which is acquired by or devolves upon the bankrupt after a discharge order is passed under section 138.
- (3) The notice under sub-section (2) shall be given within fifteen days from the day on which the acquisition or devolution of the after-acquired property comes to the knowledge of the bankruptcy trustee.
  - (4) For the purposes of sub-section (3)-
  - (a) anything which comes to the knowledge of the bankruptcy trustee shall be deemed to have come to the knowledge of the successor of the bankruptcy trustee at the same time; and
  - (b) anything which comes to the knowledge of a person before he is appointed as a bankruptcy trustee shall be deemed to have come to his knowledge on the date of his appointment as bankruptcy trustee.
- (5) The bankruptcy trustee shall not be entitled, by virtue of this section, to claim from any person who has acquired any right over after-acquired property, in good faith, for value

and without notice of the bankruptcy.

(6) A notice may be served after the expiry of the period under sub-section (3) only with the approval of the Adjudicating Authority.

Explanation. – For the purposes of this section, the term "after-acquired property" means any property which has been acquired by or has devolved upon the bankrupt after the bankruptcy commencement date.

#### 160. Onerous property of bankrupt. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee may, by giving notice to the bankrupt or any person interested in the onerous property, disclaim any onerous property which forms a part of the estate of the bankrupt.
- (2) The bankruptcy trustee may give the notice under sub-section (1) notwithstanding that he has taken possession of the onerous property, endeavoured to sell it or has exercised rights of ownership in relation to it.
  - (3) A notice of disclaimer under sub-section (1) shall -
  - (a) determine, as from the date of such notice, the rights, interests and liabilities of the bankrupt in respect of the onerous property disclaimed;
  - (b) discharge the bankruptcy trustee from all personal liability in respect of the onerous property as from the date of appointment of the bankruptcy trustee.
- (4) A notice of disclaimer under sub-section (1) shall not be given in respect of the property which has been claimed for the estate of the bankrupt under section 155 without the permission of the committee of creditors.
- (5) A notice of disclaimer under sub-section (1) shall not affect the rights or liabilities of any other person, and any person who sustains a loss or damage in consequence of the operation of a disclaimer under this section shall be deemed to be a creditor of the bankrupt to the extent of the loss or damage.

Explanation. – For the purposes of this section, the term "onerous property" means -

- (i) any unprofitable contract; and
- (ii) any other property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt which is unsaleable or not readily saleable, or is such that it may give rise to a claim.

161. Notice to disclaim onerous property. -

- (1) No notice of disclaimer under section 160 shall be necessary if -
- (a) a person interested in the onerous property has applied in writing to the bankruptcy trustee or his predecessor requiring him to decide whether the onerous property should be disclaimed or not; and
- (b) a decision under clause (a) has not been taken by the bankruptcy trustee within seven days of receipt of the notice.
- (2) Any onerous property which cannot be disclaimed under sub-section (1) shall be deemed to be part of the estate of the bankrupt.

*Explanation.* – For the purposes of this section, an onerous property is said to be disclaimed where notice in relation to that property has been given by the bankruptcy trustee under section 160.

#### 162. Disclaimer of leaseholds. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall not be entitled to disclaim any leasehold interest, unless a notice of disclaimer has been served on every interested person and
  - (a) no application objecting to the disclaimer by the interested person, has been filed with respect to the leasehold interest, within fourteen days of the date on which notice was served; and
  - (b) where the application objecting to the disclaimer has been filed by the interested person, the Adjudicating Authority has directed under section 163 that the disclaimer shall take effect.
- (2) Where the Adjudicating Authority gives a direction under clause (b) of sub-section (1), it may also make order with respect to fixtures, improvements by tenant and other matters arising out of the lease as it may think fit.

# 163. Challenge against disclaimed property. -

- (1) An application challenging the disclaimer may be made by the following persons under this section to the Adjudicating Authority-
  - (a) any person who claims an interest in the disclaimed property; or
  - (b) any person who is under any liability in respect of the disclaimed property; or
  - (c) where the disclaimed property is a dwelling house, any person who on the date of application for bankruptcy was in occupation of or entitled to occupy that dwelling house.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority may on an application under sub-section (1) make an order for the vesting of the disclaimed property in, or for its delivery to any of the persons mentioned in sub-section (1).

- (3) The Adjudicating Authority shall not make an order in favour of a person who has made an application under clause (b) of sub-section (1) except where it appears to the Adjudicating Authority that it would be just to do so for the purpose of compensating the person.
- (4) The effect of an order under this section shall be taken into account while assessing loss or damage sustained by any person in consequence of the disclaimer under sub-section (5) of section 160.
- (5) An order under sub-section (2) vesting property in any person need not be completed by any consequence, assignment or transfer.

#### 164. Undervalued transactions. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for an order under this section in respect of an undervalued transaction between a bankrupt and any person.
  - (2) The undervalued transaction referred to in sub-section (1) should have -
  - (a) been entered into during the period of two years ending on the filing of the application for bankruptcy; and
    - (b) caused bankruptcy process to be triggered.
- (3) A transaction between a bankrupt and his associate entered into during the period of two years preceding the date of making of the application for bankruptcy **shall be deemed** to be an undervalued transaction under this section.
- (4) On the application of the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (1), the Adjudicating Authority may -
  - (a) pass an order declaring an undervalued transaction void;
  - (b) pass an order requiring any property transferred as a part of an undervalued transaction to be vested with the bankruptcy trustee as a part of the estate of the bankrupt; and
  - (c) pass any other order it thinks fit for restoring the position to what it would have been if the bankrupt had not entered into the undervalued transaction.
- (5) The order under clause (a) of sub-section (4) shall not be passed if it is proved by the bankrupt that the transaction was undertaken in the ordinary course of business of the bankrupt:

Provided that the provisions of this sub-section shall not be applicable to undervalued transaction entered into between a bankrupt and his associate under sub-section (3) of this section.

(6) For the purposes of this section, a bankrupt enters into an undervalued transaction with any person if -

- (a) he makes a gift to that person;
- (b) no consideration has been received by that person from the bankrupt;
- (c) it is in consideration of marriage; or
- (d) it is for a consideration, the value of which in money or money's worth is significantly less than the value in money or money's worth of the consideration provided by the bankrupt.

#### 165. Preference transactions. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for an order under this section if a bankrupt has given a preference to any person.
- (2) The transaction giving preference to an associate of the bankrupt under sub-section (3)should have been entered into by the bankrupt with the associate during the period of two years ending on the date of the application for bankruptcy.
- (3) Any transaction giving preference not covered under sub-section (2) should have been entered into by the bankrupt during the period of six months ending on the date of the application for bankruptcy.
- (4) The transaction giving preference under sub-section (2) or under sub-section (3) should have caused the bankruptcy process to be triggered.
- (5) On the application of the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (1), the Adjudicating Authority may
  - (a) pass an order declaring a transaction giving preference void;
  - (b) pass an order requiring any property transferred in respect of a transaction giving preference to be vested with the bankruptcy trustee as a part of the estate of the bankrupt; and
  - (c) pass any other order it thinks fit for restoring the position to what it would have been if the bankrupt had not entered into the transaction giving preference.
- (6) The Adjudicating Authority shall not pass an order under sub-section (5) unless the bankrupt was influenced in his decision of giving preference to a person by a desire to produce in relation to that person an effect under clause (b) of sub-section (8).
- (7) For the purpose of sub-section (6), if the person is an associate of the bankrupt, (otherwise than by reason only of being his employee), at the time when the preference was given, it shall be presumed that the bankrupt was influenced in his decision under that sub-section.
- (8) For the purposes of this section, a bankrupt shall be deemed to have entered into a transaction giving preference to any person if –

- (a) the person is the creditor or surety or guarantor for any debt of the bankrupt; and
- (b) the bankrupt does anything or suffers anything to be done which has the effect of putting that person into a position which, in the event of the debtor becoming a bankrupt, will be better than the position he would have been in, if that thing had not been done.

#### 166. Effect of order. -

- (1) Subject to the provision of sub-section (2), an order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under section 164 or section 165 shall not, -
  - (a) give rise to a right against a person interested in the property which was acquired in an undervalued transaction or a transaction giving preference, whether or not he is the person with whom the bankrupt entered into such transaction; and
  - (b) require any person to pay a sum to the bankruptcy trustee in respect of the benefit received from the undervalued transaction or a transaction giving preference, whether or not he is the person with whom the bankrupt entered into such transaction.
- (2) The provision of sub-section (1) shall apply only if the interest was acquired or the benefit was received -
  - (a) in good faith;
  - (b) for value;
  - (c) without notice that the bankrupt entered into the transaction at an undervalue or for giving preference;
  - (d) without notice that the bankrupt has filed an application for bankruptcy or a bankruptcy order has been passed; and
  - (e) by any person who at the time of acquiring the interest or receiving the benefit was not an associate of the bankrupt.
  - (3) Any sum required to be paid to the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (1) shall be included in the estate of the bankrupt.

#### 167. Extortionate credit transactions. -

- (1) Subject to sub-section (6), on an application by the bankruptcy trustee, the Adjudicating Authority may make an order under this section in respect of extortionate credit transactions to which the bankrupt is or has been a party.
- (2) The transactions under sub-section (1) should have been entered into by the bankrupt during the period of two years ending on the bankruptcy commencement date.
  - (3) An order of the Adjudicating Authority may -

- (a) set aside the whole or part of any debt created by the transaction;
- (b) vary the terms of the transaction or vary the terms on which any security for the purposes of the transaction is held;
- (c) require any person who has been paid by the bankrupt underany transaction, to pay a sum to the bankruptcy trustee;
- (d) require any person to surrender to the bankruptcy trustee any property of the bankrupt held as security for the purposes of the transaction
- (1) Any sum paid or any property surrendered to the bankruptcy trustee shall be included in the estate of the bankrupt.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, an extortionate credit transaction is a transaction for or involving the provision of credit to the bankrupt by any person-
  - (a) on terms requiring the bankrupt to make exorbitant payments in respect of the credit provided; or
    - (b) which is unconscionable under the principles of law relating to contracts.
- (3) Any debt extended by a person regulated for the provision of financial services in compliance with the law in force in relation to such debt, shall not be considered as an extortionate credit transaction under this section.

#### 168. Obligations under contracts. -

- (1) This section shall apply where a contract has been entered into by the bankrupt with a person before the bankruptcy commencement date.
- (2) Any party to a contract, other than the bankrupt under sub-section (1), may apply to the Adjudicating Authority for
  - (a) an order discharging the obligations of the applicant or the bankrupt under the contract; and
  - (b) payment of damages by the party or the bankrupt, for non-performance of the contract or otherwise.
- (3) Any damages payable by the bankrupt by virtue of an order under clause (b) of sub-section (2) shall be provable as bankruptcy debt.
- (4) When a bankrupt is a party to the contract under this section jointly with another person, that person may sue or be sued in respect of the contract without joinder of the bankrupt.

# 169. Continuance of proceedings on death of bankrupt. -

If a bankrupt dies, the bankruptcy proceedings shall, continue as if he were alive.

# 170. Administration of estate of deceased bankrupt. -

- (1) All the provisions of Chapter V relating to the administration and distribution of the estate of the bankrupt shall, so far as the same are applicable, apply to the administration of the estate of a deceased bankrupt.
- (2) While administering the estate of a deceased bankrupt, the bankruptcy trustee shall have regard to the claims by the legal representatives of the deceased bankrupt to payment of the proper funeral and testamentary expenses incurred by them.
- (3) The claims under sub-section (2) shall rank equally to the secured creditors in the priority provided under section 178.
- (4) If, on the administration of the estate of a deceased bankrupt, any surplus remains in the hands of the bankruptcy trustee after payment in full of all the debts due from the deceased bankrupt, together with the costs of the administration and interest as provided under section 178, such surplus shall be paid to the legal representatives of the estate of the deceased bankrupt or dealt with in such manner as may be prescribed.

#### 171. Proof of debt. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee shall give notice to each of the creditors to submit proof of debt within fourteen days of preparing the list of creditors under section 132.
  - (2) The proof of debt shall -
  - (a) require the creditor to give full particulars of debt, including the date on which the debt was contracted and the value at which that person assesses it;
  - (b) require the creditor to give full particulars of the security, including the date on which the security was given and the value at which that person assesses it;
    - (c) be in such form and manner as may be prescribed.
- (3) In case the creditor is a decree holder against the bankrupt, a copy of the decree shall be a valid proof of debt.
- (4) Where a debt bears interest, that interest shall be provable as part of the debt except in so far as it is owed in respect of any period after the bankruptcy commencement date.
- (5) The bankruptcy trustee shall estimate the value of any bankruptcy debt which does not have a specific value.
- (6) The value assigned by the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (5) shall be the amount provable by the concerned creditor.
- (7) A creditor may prove for a debt where payment would have become due at a date later than the bankruptcy commencement date as if it were owed presently and may receive dividends in a manner as may be prescribed.
- (8) Where the bankruptcy trustee serves a notice under sub-section (1) and the person on whom the notice is served does not file a proof of security within thirty days after the date

of service of the notice, the bankruptcy trustee may, with leave of the Adjudicating Authority, sell or dispose of any property that was subject to the security, free of that security.

#### 172. Proof of debt by secured creditors. -

- (1) Where a secured creditor realises his security, he may produce proof of the balance due to him.
- (2) Where a secured creditor surrenders his security to the bankruptcy trustee for the general benefit of the creditors, he may produce proof of his whole claim.

#### 173. Mutual credit and set-off. -

- (1) Where before the bankruptcy commencement date, there have been mutual dealings between the bankrupt and any creditor, the bankruptcy trustee shall -
  - (a) take an account of what is due from each party to the other in respect of the mutual dealings and the sums due from one party shall be set off against the sums due from the other; and
  - (b) only the balance shall be provable as a bankruptcy debt or as the amount payable to the bankruptcy trustee as part of the estate of the bankrupt.
- (2) Sums due from the bankrupt to another party shall not be included in the account taken by the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (1), if that other party had notice at the time they became due that an application for bankruptcy relating to the bankrupt was pending.

#### 174. Distribution of interim dividend. -

- (1) Whenever the bankruptcy trustee has sufficient funds in his hand, he may declare and distribute interim dividend among the creditors in respect of the bankruptcy debts which they have respectively proved.
- (2) Where the bankruptcy trustee has declared any interim dividend, he shall give notice of such dividend and the manner in which it is proposed to be distributed.
- (3) In the calculation and distribution of the interim dividend, the bankruptcy trustee shall make provision for -
  - (a) any bankruptcy debts which appear to him to be due to persons who, by reason of the distance of their place of residence, may not have had sufficient time to tender and establish their debts; and
  - (b) any bankruptcy debts which are subject of claims which have not yet been determined;
    - (c) disputed proofs and claims; and
    - (d) expenses necessary for the administration of the estate of the bankrupt.

#### 175. Distribution of property. -

- (1) The bankruptcy trustee may, with the approval of the committee of creditors, divide in its existing form amongst the creditors, according to its estimated value, any property in its existing form which from its peculiar nature or other special circumstances cannot be readily or advantageously sold.
- (2) An approval under sub-section (1) shall be sought by the bankruptcy trustee for each transaction, and a person dealing with the bankruptcy trustee in good faith and for value shall not be required to enquire whether any approval required under sub-section (1) has been given.
- (3) Where the bankruptcy trustee has done anything without the approval of the committee of creditors, the committee may, for the purpose of enabling him to meet his expenses out of the estate of the bankrupt, ratify the act of the bankruptcy trustee.
- (4) The committee of the creditors shall not ratify the act of the bankruptcy trustee under sub-section (3) unless it is satisfied that the bankruptcy trustee acted in a case of urgency and has sought its ratification without undue delay.

#### 176. Final dividend. -

- (1) Where the bankruptcy trustee has realised the entire estate of the bankrupt or so much of it as could be realised in the opinion of the bankruptcy trustee, he shall give notice -
  - (a) of his intention to declare a final dividend; or
  - (b) that no dividend or further dividend shall be declared.
- (2) The notice under sub-section (1) shall contain such particulars as may be prescribed and shall require all claims against the estate of the bankrupt to be established by a final date specified in the notice. **Rule 13**
- (3) The Adjudicating Authority may, on the application of any person interested in the administration of the estate of the bankrupt, postpone the final date referred to in sub-section (2).
  - $(4) \ After \ the \ final \ date \ referred \ to \ in \ sub-section \ (2), \ the \ bankruptcy \ trustee \ shall \ -$
  - $(a) \ \ defray \ any \ outstanding \ expenses \ of the \ bankruptcy \ out \ of the \ estate \ of the \ bankrupt; \ and$
  - (b) if he intends to declare a final dividend, declare and distribute that dividend among the creditors who have proved their debts, without regard to the claims of any other persons.
- (5) If a surplus remains after payment in full with interest to all the creditors of the bankrupt and the payment of the expenses of the bankruptcy, the bankrupt shall be entitled to the surplus.

(6) Where a bankruptcy order has been passed in respect of one partner in a firm, a creditor to whom the bankrupt is indebted jointly with the other partners in the firm or any of them shall not receive any dividend out of the separate property of the bankrupt until all the separate creditors have received the full amount of their respective debts.

#### 177. Claims of creditors. -

- (1) A creditor who has not proved his debt before the declaration of any dividend is not entitled to disturb, by reason that he has not participated in it, the distribution of that dividend or any other dividend declared before his debt was proved, but
  - (a) when he has proved the debt, he shall be entitled to be paid any dividend or dividends which he has failed to receive, out of any money for the time being available for the payment of any further dividend; and
  - (b) any dividend or dividends payable to him shall be paid before that money is applied to the payment of any such further dividend.
- (2) No action shall lie against the bankruptcy trustee for a dividend, but if the **bankruptcy trustee refuses to pay a dividend payable under sub-section (1),** the Adjudicating Authority may order him to
  - (a) pay the dividend; and

#### (b)pay, out of his own money -

- (i) interest on the dividend; and
- (ii) the costs of the proceedings in which the order to pay has been made.

#### 178. Priority of payment of debts. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any law enacted by the Parliament or the State Legislature for the time being in force, in the distribution of the final dividend, the following debts shall be paid in priority to all other debts
  - (a) firstly, the costs and expenses incurred by the bankruptcy trustee for the bankruptcy process in full;
    - (b) secondly, -
  - (i) the workmen's dues for the period of twenty-four months preceding the bankruptcy commencement date; and
    - (ii) debts owed to secured creditors
  - (c) thirdly, wages and any unpaid dues owed to employees, other than workmen, of the bankrupt for the period of twelve months preceding the bankruptcy commencement date;

- (d) fourthly, any amount due to the Central Government and the State Government including the amount to be received on account of Consolidated Fund of India and the Consolidated Fund of a State, if any, in respect of the whole or any part of the period of two years preceding the bankruptcy commencement date;
- (e) lastly, all other debts and dues owed by the bankrupt including unsecured debts.
- (2) The debts in each class specified in sub-section (1) shall rank in the order mentioned in that sub-section but debts of the same class shall rank equally amongst themselves, and shall be paid in full, unless the estate of the bankrupt is insufficient to meet them, in which case they shall abate in equal proportions between themselves.
- (3) Where any creditor has given any indemnity or has made any payment of moneys by virtue of which any asset of the bankrupt has been recovered, protected or preserved, the Adjudicating Authority may make such order as it thinks just with respect to the distribution of such asset with a view to giving that creditor an advantage over other creditors in consideration of the risks taken by him in so doing.
- (4) Unsecured creditors shall rank equally amongst themselves unless contractually agreed to the contrary by such creditors.
- (5) Any surplus remaining after the payment of the debts under sub-section (1) shall be applied in paying interest on those debts in respect of the periods during which they have been outstanding since the bankruptcy commencement date.
- (6) Interest payments under sub-section (5) shall rank equally irrespective of the nature of the debt.
- (7) In the case of partners, the partnership property shall be applicable in the first instance in payment of the partnership debts and the separate property of each partner shall be applicable in the first instance in payment of his separate debts.
- (8) Where there is a surplus of the separate property of the partners, it shall be dealt with as part of the partnership property; and where there is a surplus of the partnership property, it shall be dealt with as part of the respective separate property in proportion to the rights and interests of each partner in the partnership property.

## CHAPTER VI

## ADJUDICATING AUTHORITY FOR INDIVIDUALS AND PARTNERSHIP FIRMS

#### 179. Adjudicating Authority for individuals and partnership firms. -

- (1) Subject to the provisions of section 60, the Adjudicating Authority, in relation to insolvency matters of individuals and firms shall be the Debt Recovery Tribunal having territorial jurisdiction over the place where the individual debtor actually and voluntarily resides or carries on business or personally works for gain and can entertain an application under this Code regarding such person.
- (2) The Debt Recovery Tribunal shall, notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, have jurisdiction to entertain or dispose of -
  - (a) any suit or proceeding by or against the individual debtor;
  - (b) any claim made by or against the individual debtor;
  - (c) any question of priorities or any other question whether of law or facts, arising out of or in relation to insolvency and bankruptcy of the individual debtor or firm under this Code.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Limitation Act, 1963 (14 of 1963) or in any other law for the time being in force, in computing the period of limitation specified for any suit or application in the name and on behalf of a debtor for which an order of moratorium has been made under this Part, the period during which such moratorium is in place shall be excluded.

#### 180. Civil court not to have jurisdiction. -

- (1) No civil court or authority shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit or proceedings in respect of any matter on which the Debt Recovery Tribunal or the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal has jurisdiction under this Code.
- (2) No injunction shall be granted by any court, tribunal or authority in respect of any action taken, or to be taken, in pursuance of any power conferred on the Debt Recovery Tribunal or the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal by or under this Code.

#### 181. Appeal to Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal. -

- (1) An appeal from an order of the Debt Recovery Tribunal under this Code shall be filed within thirty days before the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal.
- (2) The Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal may, if it is satisfied that a person was prevented by sufficient cause from filing an appeal within thirty days, allow the appeal to be filed within a further period not exceeding fifteen days.

#### 182. Appeal to Supreme Court. -

- (1) An appeal from an order of the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal on a question of law under this Code shall be filed within forty-five days before the Supreme Court.
- (2) The Supreme Court may, if it is satisfied that a person was prevented by sufficient cause from filing an appeal within forty-five days, allow the appeal to be filed within a further period not exceeding fifteen days.

#### 183. Expeditious disposal of applications. -

Where an application is not disposed of or order is not passed within the period specified in this Code, the Debt Recovery Tribunal or the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal, as the case may be, shall record the reasons for not doing so within the period so specified; and the Chairperson of the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal, after taking into account the reasons so recorded, extend the period specified in this Code, but not exceeding ten days.

## **CHAPTER VII**

## OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

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### 184. Punishment for false information etc. by creditor in insolvency resolution process. -

- (1) If a debtor or creditor provides information which is false in any material particulars to the resolution professional, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both.
- (2) If a creditor promises to vote in favour of the repayment plan dishonestly by accepting any money, property or security from the debtor, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine which may extend to three times the amount or its equivalent of such money, property or security accepted by such creditor, as the case may be, or with both:

Provided that where such amount is not quantifiable, the total amount of fine shall not exceed five lakh rupees.

#### 185. Punishment for contravention of provisions. -

If an insolvency professional deliberately contravenes the provisions of this Part, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, which shall not be less than one lakh rupees, but may extend to five lakhs rupees, or with both.

#### 186. Punishment for false information, concealment, etc., by bankrupt. -

If the bankrupt -

(a) knowingly makes a false representation or wilfully omits or conceals any material information while making an application for bankruptcy under section 122 or while providing any information during the bankruptcy process, he shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both;

Explanation. – For the purposes of clause (a), a false representation or omission includes non-disclosure of the details of disposal of any property, which but for the disposal, would be comprised in the estate of the bankrupt, other than dispositions made in the ordinary course of business carried on by the bankrupt;

- (b) fraudulently has failed to provide or deliberately withheld the production of, destroyed, falsified or altered, his books of account, financial information and other records under his custody or control, he shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year, or with fine, which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both;
- (c) has contravened the restrictions under section 140 or the provisions of section 141, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both;
- (d) has failed to deliver the possession of any property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt under his possession or control, which he is required to deliver under section 156, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both;
- (e) has failed to account, without any reasonable cause or satisfactory explanation, for any loss incurred of any substantial part of his property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt from the date which is twelve months before the filing of the bankruptcy application, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, or with fine, which may extend to three times of the value of the loss, or with both:

Provided that that where such loss is not quantifiable, the total amount of fine imposed shall not exceed five lakh rupees;

(f) has absconded or attempts to absconds after the bankruptcy commencement date, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine, which may extend to five lakh rupees, or with both;

Explanation. – For the purposes of this clause, a bankrupt shall be deemed to have absconded if he leaves, or attempts to leave the country without delivering the possession of any property which he is required to deliver to the bankruptcy trustee under section 156.

#### 187. Punishment for certain actions. -

- (1) If a bankruptcy trustee, -
- (a) has fraudulently misapplied, retained or accounted for any money or property comprised in the estate of the bankrupt; or
- (b) has wilfully acted in a manner that the estate of the bankrupt has suffered any loss in consequence of breach of any duty of the bankruptcy trustee in carrying out his functions under section 149,

he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, which shall not be less than three times the amount of the loss caused, or likely to have been caused, to persons concerned on account of such contravention, or with both:

Provided that where such loss or unlawful gain is not quantifiable, the total amount of fine imposed shall not exceed five lakh rupees:

Provided further that the bankruptcy trustee shall not be liable under this section if he seizes or disposes of any property which is not comprised in the estate of the bankrupt and at that time had reasonable grounds to believe that he is entitled to seize or dispose that property.

## PART IV

# REGULATION OF INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS, AGENCIES AND INFORMATION UTILITIES

#### **CHAPTER I**

#### THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA

#### 188. Establishment and incorporation of Board. -

- (1) With effect from such date as the Central Government may, by notification, appoint, there shall be established, for the purposes of this Code, a Board by the name of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India.
- (2) The Board shall be a body corporate by the name aforesaid, having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power, subject to the provisions of this Code, to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall, by the said name, sue or be sued.
- (3) The head office of the Board shall be at such place in the National Capital Region, as the Central Government may, by notification, specify.

*Explanation.* - For the purposes of this section, the expression "National Capital Region" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (f) of section 2 of the National Capital Region Planning Board Act, 1985 (2 of 1985).

(4) The Board may establish offices at other places in India.

#### 189. Constitution of Board. -

- (1) The Board shall consist of the following members who shall be appointed by the Central Government, namely: -
  - (a)a Chairperson;
  - (b) three members from amongst the officers of the Central Government not below the rank of Joint Secretary or equivalent, one each to represent the Ministry of Finance,

the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and Ministry of Law, ex -officio;

- (c) one member to be nominated by the Reserve Bank of India, ex-officio;
- (d) five other members to be nominated by the Central Government, of whom at least three shall be the whole-time members.
- (2) The Chairperson and the other members shall be persons of ability, integrity and standing, who have shown capacity in dealing with problems relating to insolvency or bankruptcy and have special knowledge and experience in the field of law, finance, economics, accountancy or administration.
- (3) The appointment of the Chairperson and the members of the Board other than the appointment of an *ex-officio* member under this section shall be made after obtaining the recommendation of a selection committee consisting of -
  - (a) Cabinet Secretary-Chairperson;
  - (b)Secretary to the Government of India to be nominated by the Central Government-Member;
  - (c) Chairperson of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (in case of selection of members of the Board)- Member;
  - (d)three experts of repute from the field of finance, law, management, insolvency and related subjects, to be nominated by the Central Government- Members.
- (4) The term of office of the Chairperson and members (other than *ex-officio* members) shall be five years or till they attain the age of sixty-five years, whichever is earlier, and they shall be eligible for reappointment.
- (5) The salaries and allowances payable to, and other terms and conditions of service of, the Chairperson and members (other than the *ex-officio* members) shall be such as may be prescribed. **Salary Regulations 1-20**

#### 190. Removal of member from office. -

The Central Government may remove a member from office if he-

- (a) is an undischarged bankrupt as defined under Part III;
- (b) has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a member;
- (c) has been convicted of an offence, which in the opinion of the Central Government involves moral turpitude;
- (d) has, so abused his position as to render his continuation in office detrimental to the public interest:

Provided that no member shall be removed under clause (d) unless he has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard in the matter.

#### 191. Powers of Chairperson. -

Save as otherwise determined by regulations, the Chairperson shall have powers of general superintendence and direction of the affairs of the Board and may also exercise such other powers as may be delegated to him by the Board.

#### 192. Meetings of Board. -(GBM Reg 3-18)

- (1) The Board shall meet at such times and places, and observe such rules of procedure in regard to the transaction of business at its meetings (including quorum at such meetings) as may be determined by regulations.
- (2) The Chairperson, or if, for any reason, the Chairperson is unable to attend any meeting of the Board, any other member chosen by the members present at the meeting shall preside at the meeting.
- (3) All questions which come up before any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority votes of the members present and voting, and, in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairperson, or in his absence, the person presiding, shall have a second or casting vote.

#### 193. Member not to participate in meetings in certain cases. -

Any member, who is a director of a company and who as such director has any direct or indirect pecuniary interest in any matter coming up for consideration at a meeting of the Board, shall, as soon as possible after relevant circumstances have come to his knowledge, disclose the nature of his interest at such meeting and such disclosure shall be recorded in the proceedings of the Board, and the member shall not take any part in any deliberation or decision of the Board with respect to that matter.

#### 194. Vacancies etc., not to invalidate proceedings of Board, and Officers and employees of Board. -

- (1) No act or proceeding of the Board shall be invalid merely by reason of -
  - (a) any vacancy in, or any defect in the constitution of, the Board; or
  - (b) any defect in the appointment of a person acting as a member of the Board; or
- (c) any irregularity in the procedure of the Board not affecting the merits of the case.
- (2) The Board may appoint such other officers and employees as it considers necessary for the efficient discharge of its functions in such manner as may be specified. (ERA Reg 3-9)
- (3) The salaries and allowances payable to, and other terms and conditions of service of, officers and employees of the Board appointed under sub-section (2) shall be such as may be specified by regulations. (ES Reg 3-63)

#### 195. Power to designate financial sector regulator. -

Until the Board is established, the Central Government may by notification, designate any financial sector regulator to exercise the powers and functions of the Board under this Code.

## **CHAPTER II**

## POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD

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#### 196. Powers and functions of Board. -

- (1) The Board shall, subject to the general direction of the Central Government, perform all or any of the following functions namely: -
  - (a) register insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities and renew, withdraw, suspend or cancel such registrations;
  - <sup>1</sup>[(aa) promote the development of, and regulate, the working and practices of, insolvency professionals, insolvency professional agencies and information utilities and other institutions, in furtherance of the purposes of this Code;]
  - (b) specify the minimum eligibility requirements for registration of insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities;
  - (c) levy fee or other charges <sup>2</sup>[for carrying out the purposes of this Code, including fee for registration and renewal] of insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities;
  - (d) specify by regulations standards for the functioning of insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities;
  - (e) lay down by regulations the minimum curriculum for the examination of the insolvency professionals for their enrolment as members of the insolvency professional agencies;
  - (f) carry out inspections and investigations on insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities and pass such orders as may be required for compliance of the provisions of this Code and the regulations issued hereunder;
  - (g) monitor the performance of insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities and pass any directions as may be required for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 32 (i) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 32 (ii), for the words "for the registration" (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

compliance of the provisions of this Code and the regulations issued hereunder;

- (h) call for any information and records from the insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities;
- (i) publish such information, data, research studies and other information as may be specified by regulations;
- (j) specify by regulations the manner of collecting and storing data by the information utilities and for providing access to such data;
- (k) collect and maintain records relating to insolvency and bankruptcy cases and disseminate information relating to such cases;
- (1) constitute such committees as may be required including in particular the committees laid down in section 197;
  - (m) promote transparency and best practices in its governance;
- (n) maintain websites and such other universally accessible repositories of electronic information as may be necessary;
  - (o) enter into memorandum of understanding with any other statutory authorities;
- (p) issue necessary guidelines to the insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities;
- (q) specify mechanism for redressal of grievances against insolvency professionals, insolvency professional agencies and information utilities and pass orders relating to complaints filed against the aforesaid for compliance of the provisions of this Code and the regulations issued hereunder;
- (r) conduct periodic study, research and audit the functioning and performance of to the insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities at such intervals as may be specified by the Board;
- (s) specify mechanisms for issuing regulations, including the conduct of public consultation processes before notification of any regulations;
- (t) make regulations and guidelines on matters relating to insolvency and bankruptcy as may be required under this Code, including mechanism for time bound disposal of the assets of the corporate debtor or debtor; and
  - (u) perform such other functions as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Board may make model bye-laws to be to adopted by insolvency professional agencies which may provide for -
  - (a) the minimum standards of professional competence of the members of insolvency professional agencies;

- (b) the standards for professional and ethical conduct of the members of insolvency professional agencies;
- (c) requirements for enrolment of persons as members of insolvency professional agencies which shall be non-discriminatory;

*Explanation.* - For the purposes of this clause, the term "non-discriminatory" means lack of discrimination on the grounds of religion, caste, gender or place of birth and such other grounds as may be specified;

- (d) the manner of granting membership;
- (e) setting up of a governing board for internal governance and management of insolvency professional agency in accordance with the regulations specified by the Board;
- (f) the information required to be submitted by members including the form and the time for submitting such information;
- (g) the specific classes of persons to whom services shall be provided at concessional rates or for no remuneration by members;
- (h) the grounds on which penalties may be levied upon the members of insolvency professional agencies and the manner thereof;
- (i) a fair and transparent mechanism for redressal of grievances against the members of insolvency professional agencies;
- (j) the grounds under which the insolvency professionals may be expelled from the membership of insolvency professional agencies;
- (k) the quantum of fee and the manner of collecting fee for inducting persons as its members;
- (1) the procedure for enrolment of persons as members of insolvency professional agency;
- (m) the manner of conducting examination for enrolment of insolvency professionals;
- (n) the manner of monitoring and reviewing the working of insolvency professional who are members;
  - (o) the duties and other activities to be performed by members;
- (p) the manner of conducting disciplinary proceedings against its members and imposing penalties;
- (q) the manner of utilising the amount received as penalty imposed against any insolvency professional.

- (3) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, while exercising the powers under this Code, the Board shall have the same powers as are vested in a civil court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (5 of 1908), while trying a suit, in respect of the following matters, namely:
  - (i) the discovery and production of books of account and other documents, at such place and such time as may be specified by the Board;
  - (ii) summoning and enforcing the attendance of persons and examining them on oath;
  - (iii) inspection of any books, registers and other documents of any person at any place;
  - (iv) issuing of commissions for the examination of witnesses or documents.

#### 197. Constitution of advisory committee, executive committee or other committee. - (Advisory Committee Reg 1-7)

The Board may, for the efficient discharge of its functions, may constitute advisory and executive committees or such other committees, as it may deem fit, consisting of a Chairperson and such other members as may be specified by regulations.

#### 198. Condonation of delay. -

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Code, where the Board does not perform any act within the period specified under this Code, the relevant Adjudicating Authority may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, condone the delay.

## INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (EMPLOYEES' SERVICE) REGULATIONS, 2017

### INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (EMPLOYEES' SERVICE) REGULATIONS, 2017<sup>1</sup>

#### [AMENDED UPTO 06-07-2022]

**No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG 15.** - In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 194 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following regulations, namely: -

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1)These regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Employees' Service) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) These shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,-
  - (a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
  - (b) "decide" means decision by the Board through a circular and decided shall be construed accordingly;
  - (c) "dependent" means-
    - (i) parents and step parents (a female employee can have either her parents or her parents-in-law as dependent);
    - (ii) sisters, widowed sister, widowed daughter, minor brother;
    - (iii) children and step-children (son upto the age of 25 or till his marriage, whichever is earlier, and daughter till she gets married, and handicapped son);
    - (iv) divorced / abandoned or separated sisters and divorced / abandoned or separated daughters,

whose income from all sources doesn't exceed Rs. 10,000/- per month or such other amount, as may be decided by the Board from time to time;

- (d) "duty" includes-
  - (i) service as a probationer;
  - (ii)period during which an employee is on joining time or training authorized by the Board;
  - (iii) period spent on causal leave duly authorized by the Board;
- (e)"employee" means an Officer, a Personal Assistant or a General Assistant, as referred in sub-regulation (1) of regulation 3, employed by the Board under these regulations;
- (f) "family" means spouse of the employee and includes dependent, if any;
- (g)"initial appointment" means an appointment of an individual for the first time in the services of the Board;
- (h)"relative" means employee's father, mother, son, son's wife, brother, sister, daughter, daughter's husband and includes step-father, step-mother, step-son, step-daughter, step-brother and step-sister;
- (i) "service" includes the period during which an employee is on duty as well as on leave duly authorised by a competent authority, but does not include any period during which

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Vide Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG15, dated  $24^{th}$  August, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec. 4, vide No. 327, dated  $24^{th}$  August, 2017 (w.e.f. 24.08.2017).

an employee is absent from duty without permission or overstays his leave, unless specifically permitted by the competent authority.

(2) The words and expressions used herein and not defined in these Regulations, but defined in the Code shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Code.

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### APPOINTMENT, PROBATION AND TERMINATION OF SERVICE

#### 3. Classification and appointment of employees.

- (1) The Board may have employees in the following Positions and Grades:-
  - (a) Officers (Grades A, B, C, D, E, F and Executive Director);
  - (b) Personal Assistant (Grade-I, Grade-II and Grade-III);
  - (c) General Assistant (Grade -I, Grade-II and Grade-III).
- (2) The Board shall decide from time to time the maximum number of employees in each Grade and each position.
- (3) An appointment in any Grade shall be made by the Board at its discretion and no individual shall have a right to be appointed to any particular Grade or Position.

#### 4. Recruitment.

- (1)Recruitments, including promotions under regulation 13, shall be made against vacant positions.
- (2)The method of recruitment to and eligibility for various Grades and Positions shall be as specified in the Schedule-I:

Provided that the Board may relax any or all specifications in the Schedule-I, for reasons to be recorded in writing.

#### 5. Initial Appointments to be made on minimum pay.

An initial appointment shall be made at the minimum pay of the Grade to which the appointment is made.

#### 6. Probation.

- (1) An employee shall be on probation for two years on initial appointment in the Grade. (2)The Board may, if it considers it necessary, extend the period of probation up to one year for unsatisfactory performance or reduce or dispense with period of probation for reasons to be recorded in writing.
- (3)Save as otherwise provided in this regulation, an employee shall be deemed to have been confirmed in the post to which he has been appointed on successful completion of the period of probation.
- (4)An employee on initial appointment may be discharged without assigning any reason at one day's notice during the first month of his probation and at one month's notice or on payment of pay of the notice period in lieu thereof thereafter.

#### 7. Commencement of service.

Except as otherwise provided by or under these Regulations, "service" of an employee shall be deemed to commence from the working day on which an employee reports for duty:

Provided that if he reports in the afternoon, his service shall commence from the next following working day.

#### 8. Resignation from service.

- (1)An employee may resign from the services of the Board by giving notice to the Board, in writing of his intention to leave or discontinue the service.
- (2) The period of notice under sub-regulation (1) shall be one month for an employee, if he is on probation on initial appointment, and three months in all other cases.
- (3)An employee shall not be entitled to set off any leave in his credit against the period of such notice.

- (4) The Board may allow an employee to resign without giving notice under sub-regulation
- (1)or (2), if the employee pays to the Board a sum equal to his pay for the period of notice: Provided that the Board may waive or reduce the period of notice or payment under this regulation, for reasons to be recorded in writing.
- (5)Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-regulation (1), the resignation of an employee shall not be effective unless it is accepted by the Board.
- (6) Resignation of the employee may be refused-
  - (a) if any disciplinary proceeding is pending or is proposed to be instituted against him;
  - (b) if he is under an obligation to serve the Board for a certain period which has not yet expired;
  - (c) if he owes the Board any sums of money; or
  - (d) for any other sufficient ground to be recorded in writing.

#### 9. Superannuation and retirement.

(1)An employee shall retire on the last day of the month when he completes 60 years of age:

Provided that in case he attains the age of superannuation on the first day of a calendar month, he shall retire on the last day of the preceding month.

(2)Notwithstanding sub-regulation (1), the Board may retire an employee on or at any time after the completion of 55 years of age or 30 years of service, whichever is earlier, by giving him three months' notice in writing:

Provided that a due process given in Schedule-II shall be followed to decide to retire an employee.

- (3) An employee may, if he so desires, and subject to terms of appointment to the contrary, if any, retire from service on completion of 50 years of age or 20 years of service in the Board, by giving three months' notice to the Board in writing.
- (4)The Board may offer a scheme, subject to such terms and conditions as it may decide, to its employees for voluntary retirement from the services of the Board.

#### 9. Liquidated damages.

Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, the Board may require an employee to pay liquidated damages, if he fails to serve the required number of years after acquiring a training.

### CHAPTER III RECORD OF SERVICE, SENIORITY AND PROMOTION

#### 11. Record of service.

A record of service of service of employees shall be maintained in such form and shall contain such information as may be decided by the Board.

#### 12. Seniority.

- (1)An employee confirmed in the services of the Board shall rank for seniority in his Grade, according to the date of his appointment in that Grade.
- (2) On direct recruitment or on promotion, an employee shall rank for seniority among the employees selected along with him in the same batch according to the ranking assigned to him at the time of selection or promotion as the case may be.
- (3)Every year the Board shall prepare a list of the employees in its service showing their names in the order of their seniority and a copy of such list shall be made available to each employee.

#### 13. Promotion.

- (1)Promotion of an employee shall be made at the discretion of the Board and notwithstanding his seniority in a Grade, no employee shall have a right to be promoted to any particular Position or Grade.
- (2)Promotions of Officers to a higher Grade shall be made on consideration of merit-cumseniority
- (3)Promotions of Assistants to a higher Grade shall be made on consideration of senioritycum- merit.

## CHAPTER IV PAY, ALLOWANCES AND OTHER BENEFFITS

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#### 15. Pay, allowances and other benefits.

- (1) The Board, shall at its discretion, decide from time to time the pay and allowances of employees in each Position and each Grade.
- (2) The Board, may at its discretion, from time to time frame such schemes and allow such other benefits for the welfare of the employees on such terms and conditions as it may decide
- (3)Allowances shall be payable to employees for the duration who fulfill the conditions subject to which they are admissible.

#### 15. Gratuity.

- (1) An employee shall be eligible for gratuity on -
  - (a) retirement;
  - (b) death;
  - (c) disablement rendering him unfit for further service;
  - (d) resignation after completing five years of continuous service; or
  - (e)termination of service in any other way (except by way of punishment) after completion of five years of service.
- (2)The amount of gratuity payable to an employee shall be such as may be decided by the Board.

#### 16. Pension.

- (1) An employee shall subscribe to the National Pension System.
- (2)The Board shall contribute such amount for each employee to the National Pension System as decided by it from time to time.

#### 17. Cessation of pay and allowances.

- (1)Pay and allowances shall cease to accrue from the date the employee ceases to be in service of the Board.
- (2) In the case an employee is dismissed, removed or compulsorily retired from the Board's service, the pay and allowances shall cease from the date of his dismissal, removal or compulsory retirement.

#### "14. Entitlement.

(1)An employee on deputation to the Board shall have option to draw either pay, allowances and other benefits applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Regulation 14 omitted by Notification no. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG 026, dated 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 (w.e.f.26-03-2018) published in Gazette of India, Extra., Part III, Sec.4, 118, dated 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Regulation 14, before omission, stood as under:

to the Grade he is appointed or the pay, allowances and other benefits applicable to him in his parent organization.

<sup>(2)</sup> An employee other than an employee on deputation to the Board shall be entitled to pay, allowances and other benefits provided in this chapter."

(3) In the case of an employee who dies while in service, the pay and allowances shall cease from the day following the day on which the death occurs.

#### 19. Increments.

- (1)Every employee shall be entitled to an annual increment in the scale of pay applicable to the Grade.
- (2)The increment shall be admissible on 1st January in case of an employee appointed or promoted during 2nd January and 1st July (both inclusive) of the previous year and on 1st July, in case of other employees.
- (3)An increment shall not be withheld except as a disciplinary measure under regulation 51.
- (4) The Board may grant stagnation increments to an employee who has reached the last stage in the scale of pay.

#### 20. Fixation of pay on promotion.

The pay of an employee promoted to a higher Grade shall be fixed at the stage in the higher scale of pay which is next above his pay he was drawing in the earlier scale.

#### 21. Hometown.

- (1)Every employee shall on his appointment declare his hometown in writing to the Board and if such hometown is not his place of birth, he must establish the same to the satisfaction of the Board.
- (2)No employee shall be allowed to alter the hometown declared under sub-regulation (1) unless he satisfies the Board that the change is bonafide:

Provided that the hometown cannot be changed more than once in entire service.

#### CHAPTER V LEAVE AND JOINING TIME

#### 22. Leave not a matter of right.

- (1) Leave cannot be claimed as a matter of right.
- (2)The Board may refuse to grant leave to an employee, may revoke leave already granted to an employee or may recall an employee on leave when the exigencies of the service so require.

#### 23. Kinds of leave.

- (1)Subject to the provisions of these Regulations, the following kinds of leave may be granted to an employee:
  - (a) Casual leave and Special casual leave,
  - (b) Ordinary leave,
  - (c) Sick leave,
  - (d) Maternity leave or Paternity leave, as the case may be,
  - (e) Extraordinary leave,
  - (f) Accident leave, and
  - (g) Any other leave, as may be allowed by the Board from time to time.
- (2)Full pay is admissible in case of leave of the kind mentioned in clauses (a), (b) or (d) of sub-regulation (1).
- (3) Half-pay is admissible in case of leave of the kind mentioned in clause (c) of sub-regulation (1).
- (4)No pay is admissible in case of leave of the kind mentioned in clause (e) of sub-regulation (1).
- (5) Full pay is admissible for the first four months and half pay for the rest of the period in case of leave of the kind mentioned in clause (f) of sub-regulation (1).

#### 24. Lapse of leave on cessation of service.

Save as otherwise specifically provided in these Regulations, leave at the credit of an employee lapses on the date on which he ceases to be in service.

#### 25. Obligation to furnish Leave address.

An employee shall, before proceeding on leave, intimate to the Board his address with telephone number while on leave, and shall keep the Board informed of any change in the address previously furnished.

#### 26. Leave not admissible to an employee under suspension.

Leave may not be granted to an employee under suspension or against whom disciplinary proceedings are pending.

#### 27. Casual leave.

- (1)An employee shall be eligible for casual leave up to a maximum of 12 working days in a year.
- (2) When an employee is employed for part of a year, he shall be eligible for casual leave at the rate of one day for each completed month during that year.
- (3)No casual leave may be availed of, except with prior sanction of the authority competent to sanction:

Provided that if for any genuine reason, it is not possible for an employee to obtain such permission in advance, he shall intimate his absence within 24 hours.

- (4)Casual leave cannot be suffixed or prefixed with any other kind of leave except with special casual leave.
- (5) An employee shall not take casual leave for less than half day or more than 5 days at a time.
- (6)The casual leave, which has not been availed of at the end of the Calendar year, shall be credited to the extent of 50% of such leave not availed of, to the ordinary leave account of the concerned employee and fraction, if any, in such cases shall be ignored.

#### 27. Special casual leave.

- (1) An employee may be granted special casual leave for not more than 45 days-
  - (i)when the absence from duty is necessitated by quarantine orders of the Board in consequence of any infectious disease in the family or household of any employee; or (ii)when the absence of an employee is due to him having sustained a bodily injury while on duty and the absence is supported by certificate from the Medical Officer authorized by the Board; or
  - (iii)when there are other exceptional circumstances necessitating the grant of special casual leave.
- (1) An employee may be granted special leave for undergoing family planning operation, subject to production of Medical Certificate-
  - (a) in case of female employees:
    - (i) 14 days for tubectomy / laparoscopy
    - (ii) 1 day on the day on which the husband undergoes vasectomy
    - (iii) 1 day on the day of IUD insertion / reinsertion; and
  - (b) in case of male employees:
    - (i) 6 days for vasectomy operation
    - (ii) 7 days when the wife undergoes tubectomy / laparoscopy: Provided that special casual leave sanctioned under this clause may be clubbed with any other leave, except casual leave.

#### 29. Ordinary leave.

(1)An employee shall be entitled to ordinary leave at the rate of 30 days for every year of service subject to a maximum accumulation of 300 days and the leave so earned shall be credited to the ordinary leave account of the employee half yearly on 1st January and 1st

July respectively in each year at the rate of 15 days for every 6 months of service rendered by such employee:

Provided that if an employee renders less than 6 month of service in any half year, he shall be credited with one day for every 12 days of service.

- (2)No employee shall earn ordinary leave for the period when he is on leave for a continuous period of more than 6 months.
- (3) The period of ordinary leave, which can be taken at one time by an employee shall not be less than five days in case he has balance of casual leave sufficient to cover the leave period.
- (4)An application for grant of ordinary leave shall be submitted to the Board fifteen days in advance from the date of availing the leave.
- (5)An employee may encash ordinary leave once in two years for a minimum period of 10 days and a maximum period of 30 days:

Provided that at the time of such encashment, the balance of leave at his credit after the leave is availed shall not be less than the leave so encashed.

- (6)If an employee dies during the service or is declared by a Medical Officer authorized by the Board, to be completely and permanently incapacitated for further service, his legal heirs, in case of death of an employee, shall be entitled to cash equivalent to unavailed ordinary leave to his credit as on the date of death, incapacitation, as the case may be, by the Board.
- (7)Notwithstanding sub-regulation (5), an employee, who resigns from service after giving notice of resignation in terms of regulation 8, shall be entitled to encashment of half of the period of ordinary leave at his credit as on the date of resignation subject to a maximum of five months ordinary leave.
- (8) Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, where an employee has ordinary leave but not availed of as on the date of retirement, he shall, at his option be permitted to avail the leave or be paid a lump sum amount equivalent to the pay as on the date of his retirement, for a maximum period of 10 months.

#### 30. Sick leave.

- (1)An employee shall be entitled to sick leave on half pay, on production of medical certificate, at the rate of 20 days for every Calendar year of service subject to a maximum of 540 days during the entire service.
- (2)An employee may be granted sick leave during the first year of his service at the rate of one day for every 18 days of service.
- (3) Production of a medical certificate may not be insisted upon if sick leave to be granted does not exceed three days.
- (4)An employee who has availed sick leave for more than three days for reasons of health shall produce a medical certificate of fitness before he resumes duty even though such leave was not actually granted on a medical certificate.
- (5)An employee, who has served the Board for at least a period of three years, may be permitted to avail, during the full period of his service, sick leave on full pay up to a maximum period of nine months and such leave shall be entered in his sick leave account as twice the amount of leave taken by him.

#### 30. Maternity leave and paternity leave.

- (1) A female employee shall be entitled to maternity leave for a period not exceeding-
  - (a) 180 days at a time for birth of a child;
  - (b) 20 days (including stay in hospital) for undergoing hysterectomy operation;
  - (c) 45 days during the entire service in case of miscarriage, including abortion, on production of medical certificate.

- (2)The Board may grant leave of any other kind admissible to the female employee in combination with, or in continuation of maternity leave under sub-regulation (1), if the request for its grant is supported by requisite medical certificate.
- (3)A male employee with less than two surviving children shall be entitled to leave for a period of fifteen days per child in a single instance, from fifteen days prior to the delivery or up to six months from the date of such delivery or six months from the date of adoption in case he has adopted a child through proper legal process.
- (4)The Board may grant leave of any other kind admissible to the male employee in combination with, or in continuation of leave under sub-regulation (3) other than casual leave and special casual leave.

#### 32. Accident leave.

Accident Leave may be granted to an employee who sustains an injury in the course of the performance of his duties, including while on tour, for the period for which leave is certified by the Medical Officer authorized by the Board to be necessary for recovery from the injury.

#### 33. Extraordinary leave.

(1)Extraordinary Leave may be granted in exceptional circumstances to an employee when no other leave is due or admissible to him:

Provided that the duration of extraordinary leave shall not exceed 90 days on any one occasion and 360 days during the entire service.

- (2)Extraordinary leave may be granted in combination with, or in continuation of leave of any other kind admissible to the employee.
- (3) The period of Extraordinary leave shall not counted for service benefits and increments: Provided that, in cases where the authority competent to sanction leave is satisfied that the leave was taken because of illness or for any other cause beyond the employee's control, it may direct that the period of extraordinary leave may count for increments.

#### 34. Joining time.

- (1) Joining time up to 7 days may be granted to an employee to enable him to join a new office to which he is posted which involves change of headquarters.
- (2) Where an employee does not avail the entire joining time, the un-availed joining time shall be added to the ordinary leave account of the employee.

#### CHAPTER – VI CONDUCT, DISCIPLINE AND APPEALS

#### 35. Definitions.

For the purpose of this Chapter, -

- (a) "Competent Authority" means-
  - (i) Chairperson, in the case of Executive Directors,
  - (ii) Whole Time Member, in the case of officers in Grades D to F,
  - (iii) Executive Director, in the case of officer in Grades A to C, and
  - (iv) Chief General Manager (Human Resources), in the case of other employees;
- (b) "Appellate Authority" means-
  - (i) the Board, where the Chairperson is the Competent Authority,
  - (ii) the Chairperson, where the Whole Time Member is the Competent Authority,
  - (iii)the Whole Time Member, where Executive Director is the Competent Authority, and
  - (iv) the Executive Director, where Chief General Manager (Human Resources) is the competent authority.

#### 36. Scope of an employee's service.

- (1)Unless distinctly provided, an employee shall be at the disposal of the Board and shall serve the Board in such capacity and at such place as he may be directed from time to time.
- (2)An employee shall not absent from his station overnight or absent from his duties without having obtained prior permission of the Board.
- (3)An employee, who absents from duty without leave or overstays leave or joining time, shall not be entitled to draw any pay and allowances during such absence or over stay, and shall further be liable to disciplinary measures and the period of such absence or overstay may, if not followed by discharge under sub-regulation (4) of regulation 6 or compulsory retirement or removal or dismissal under regulation 52, be treated as period spent on extraordinary leave.
- (4)An employee, who is habitually late in attendance, shall forfeit half day casual leave for each day he is late, in addition to such other penalty as the Board may deem fit to impose:

Provided that where such an employee has no casual leave due to him, the period of leave to be so forfeited may be treated as ordinary or extraordinary leave by the Board.

#### 37. Liability to abide by regulations and directions.

An employee shall conform to and abide by these regulations and shall observe and comply with all directions of the Board.

#### 38. Obligation to maintain secrecy.

- (1)An employee shall maintain strictest secrecy regarding the Board's affairs and shall not divulge or disclose, directly or indirectly, any information of a confidential nature or relating to the working of the Board to a member of the public or of the Board's employees or to his friends or relatives, unless compelled to do so by judicial or other authority, or unless instructed to do so by the Board in the discharge of his duties.
- (2)No employee shall make use of any information emanating from the Board or otherwise which has come to his knowledge in the discharge of his official duties for his personal benefit or for the benefit of his friends or relatives.

#### 39. Employees to promote Board's interest.

- (1)An employee shall serve the Board honestly and faithfully and shall use his utmost endeavor to promote the interests of the Board and shall show utmost courtesy and attention in all transactions and dealings with the public, officers of Government and the Board.
- (2) Every employee shall at all times-
  - (a) maintain absolute integrity, good conduct and discipline;
  - (b) maintain devotion and diligence to duty; and
  - (c) do nothing which is unbecoming of an employee/ public servant.
- (3)No employee shall in his official dealings with the public or otherwise adopt dilatory tactics or willfully cause delays in disposal of the work assigned to him.
- (4) No employee shall, in the performance of his official duties or in the exercise of powers conferred on him, act otherwise than in his best judgment except when he is acting under the direction of the Board.
- (5)An employee shall take all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all employees for the time being under his control and supervision.
- (6)No employee shall bring or attempt to bring any political or other outside influence to bear upon any officers of the Board to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his services in the Board.
- (7)No employee shall address any appeal, representation or petition to any outside authority or person in respect of a matter pertaining to the employees' service in the Board.

- (8)No employee shall make any statement of fact or opinion which has the effect of an adverse criticism of any current or recent policy or action of the Board or Government in any media, including social media.
- (9)No employee shall engage himself or participate in any demonstration or join or be a member of an association, the objects or activities which is prejudicial to the interests of the Board, sovereignty and integrity of India, the security of the State, friendly relations with foreign States, public order and safety, decency or morality, or which involves contempt of court, defamation or incitement of an offence.
- (10)No employee shall, except with the prior approval of the Board, ask for or accept a contribution to or otherwise associate himself with the raising of any funds or other collections in cash or in kind in pursuance of any objective whatsoever.
- (11)An employee shall not use his official position for any personal favour for himself or his family members or his relatives or friends.
- (12)An employee shall strictly abide by any law relating to intoxicants or drugs in force in any area in which he may happen to be posted for the time being. It is also the duty of the employee to see that the performance of his duty is not affected in any way by the influence of any intoxicant or drug and he does not appear in public place in a state of intoxication.
- (13)An employee shall so manage his private affairs as to avoid habitual indebtedness or insolvency.
- (14) An employee, against whom any legal proceeding is instituted for the recovery of any debt due from him or for adjudging him as an insolvent, shall forthwith report the full facts of the legal proceedings.

#### 40. Prohibition against participation in politics and standing for election.

No employee shall take active part in politics or in any political demonstration, or stand for election as a member of a municipal council, district board or any other local body or any legislative body.

#### 41. Prohibition against joining certain associations and strikes.

No employee shall-

- (a)become be a member or office-bearer of, or be otherwise directly or indirectly associated with, any trade union; or
- (b)resort to, or in any way abet, any form of strike or participate in any violent, unseemly or indecent demonstration.

#### 42. Contributions to the press.

(1)No employee shall contribute to the press or make public or publish any document, paper or information which may come in his possession in his official capacity without the prior sanction of the Board.

(2)No employee shall, except with the prior approval of the Board, publish or cause to be published any book or any similar printed matter of which he is the author or not, or deliver talk or lecture in any public meeting or otherwise:

Provided that no such approval is required, if such broadcast or contribution or publication is of a purely literary, artistic, scientific, professional, cultural, educational, religious or social character.

#### 43. Employee not to seek outside employment.

No employee shall accept, solicit, or seek any outside employment or office, whether stipendiary or honorary, without the previous sanction of the Board.

#### 44. Employment after retirement.

(1)No employee, who has retired from service, shall, within a period of two years from the date when he ceases to be in the Board's service, accept or undertake a commercial employment except with the previous approval of the Board:

Provided, however, before refusing approval, the employee shall be given a hearing and a copy of the decision taken shall be communicated to him.

- (2) While granting approval under sub-regulation (1), the Board reserves the right to impose such conditions as may be necessary having regard to circumstances.
- (3)The approval or notice for hearing before refusal under this regulation shall be communicated to the employee by the Board within a period of 90 days from the date of receipt of the application for such approval, failing which the approval shall be deemed to have been granted.

## 45. Employment with a service provider.

(1)No employee shall use his position or influence directly or indirectly to secure employment in any service provider registered with the Board, for any person.

(2)An employee shall report to the Board in case any of his relatives accepts employment in any service provider registered with the Board.

### 46. Giving evidence.

- (1)No employee shall, except with the previous approval of the Board, give evidence in connection with any enquiry conducted by any person, committee or Board.
- (2) Where any approval has been accorded under sub-regulation (1), no employee giving such evidence shall criticize the policy or any action of the Central Government or State Government or the Board.
- (3) Nothing in this regulation shall apply to any evidence given-
  - (a)at any enquiry before an authority appointed by the Central Government, State Government, Parliament or a State Legislature; or
  - (b) in any judicial enquiry; or
  - (c) at any enquiry ordered by the Board.

#### 45. Acceptance of gifts.

(1)An employee shall not solicit or accept any gift or permit any member of his family or any person acting in his behalf to accept any gift from any person with whom the employee is likely to have official dealings either directly or indirectly or from any subordinate employee. Trivial gifts like small packets of sweets, diaries, calendars on the occasion of Diwali and New Year or a casual meal, lift or other social hospitality may, however, be exempted.

**Explanation**. -The expression "gift" shall include free transport, boarding, lodging or other service or any other pecuniary advantage, unless it is provided by a near relative or a personal friend having no official dealings with the employee or with the Board.

(2)On occasions such as marriages, anniversaries, funerals or religious functions when the making of gifts is in conformity with the prevailing religious or social practice, an employee may accept gifts from his personal friends having no official dealing with the employee or with the Board but he shall report to the Board within 30 days if the value of any of such gift exceeds Rs.10,000.

#### 45. Movable, immovable and valuable property.

- (1)An employee shall comply with the directions issued by the Central Government in accordance with the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act, 2013.
- (2)No employee shall, except with the previous intimation to the Board, acquire or dispose of any immovable property by lease, mortgage, purchase, sale, gift or otherwise either in his own name or of any member of his family.
- (3)Where an employee enters into a transaction in respect of a movable property, either in his own name or in the name of the member of his family, he shall within 30 days from the date of such transaction, report the same to the Board, if the value of such property exceeds two months basic pay of the employee:

Provided that that the prior approval shall be obtained by the employee, if any such transaction under sub-regulation (2) or (3) is with a person having official dealings with the employee.

(4) The Board may, at any time, by general or special order require an employee to furnish a full and complete statement of such movable or immovable property held or acquired by him or on his behalf or by any member of his family and source from which, such property was acquired as may be specified in the order.

#### 49. Conviction.

- (1)An employee shall be liable to dismissal or to any of the other penalties referred to in regulation 51, if he is committed to prison or is convicted for an offence which, in the opinion of the Board, either involves gross moral turpitude or has a bearing on any of the affairs of the Board or on the discharge by the employee of his duties with the Board and the opinion in this respect of the Board shall be conclusive and binding on the employee, and such dismissal or other penalty may be imposed as from the date of his committal to prison or conviction and nothing in Regulation 52 and 54 shall apply to such imposition.
- (2) Where an employee has been dismissed in pursuance of sub-regulation (1) and the related conviction is set aside by a higher court and the employee is acquitted, he shall be reinstated in service.

#### 50. Prohibition of sexual harassment of women employee at work place.

- (1)No employee shall indulge in any act of sexual harassment of any women employee at the work place.
- (2) For the purpose of sub-regulation (1), sexual harassment shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.
- (3)Any complaint of violation of sub-regulation (1) shall be dealt with by the Internal Complaints Committee set up by the Board in accordance with the Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 and the rules framed thereunder, provisions of which shall prevail in case of any conflict with these regulations.
- (4)The Internal Complaints Committee may evolve its own procedure for dealing with complaints received by it.
- (5) When the Internal Complaints Committee is of the opinion that there are grounds for inquiring into the truth of any such complaint, it shall initiate an inquiry into the truth thereof, after recording the reasons therefor.
- (6)Any inquiry initiated by the Internal Complaints Committee under sub-regulation (5) pursuant to any such complaint shall be deemed to be an inquiry within the meaning of regulation 52 and accordingly the Internal Complaints Committee shall be deemed to be an inquiry officer appointed with respect to such complaint and shall have all the powers, functions and duties of an inquiry officer as provided in that regulation.

## 51. Penalties.

- (1)Without prejudice to the other provisions of these Regulations, an employee who commits a breach of any regulation of the Board or who displays negligence, inefficiency or indolence, or who knowingly does anything detrimental to the interests of the Board or in conflict with its instructions, or who commits a breach of discipline or is guilty of any other act of misconduct, shall be liable to the following penalties:-
  - (a) censure;
  - (b) withholding of promotion;
  - (c)recovery from pay of the whole or part of any pecuniary loss caused to the Board by the employee by negligence or breach of orders;

- (d)reduction to a lower stage in the time scale of pay for a period not exceeding three years without cumulative effect;
- (e) withholding of increments of pay;
- (f)save as provided for in clause (d), reduction to a lower stage in the time scale of pay for a specified period with further directions as to whether or not the employee shall earn increments of pay during the period of such reduction and whether on the expiry of such period, the reduction shall or shall not have the effect of postponing the future increments of his pay;
- (g) reduction to a lower time scale of pay, grade, post or service which shall ordinarily be a bar to the promotion of the employee to the time scale of pay, grade, post or service from which he was reduced, with or without further directions regarding conditions of restoration to the grade or post or service from which the employee was reduced and his seniority and pay on such restoration to that scale of pay, grade, post or service;
- (h) compulsory retirement;
- (i) removal from service which shall not be a disqualification for future employment;
- (j)dismissal from service which shall ordinarily be a disqualification for future employment.
- (2) Penalties under clauses (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of sub-regulation (1) shall be classified as minor penalties, while under sub clauses (f), (g), (h), (i) and (j) shall be classified as major penalties:

Provided that the following shall not amount to a penalty within the meaning of this regulation, namely:

- (i)withholding of one or more increments of an employee on account of his failure to pass a specified departmental test or examination in accordance with the terms of appointment to the post which he holds;
- (ii)stoppage of pay of an employee at the efficiency bar in a time scale, on the ground of his unfitness to cross the bar;
- (iii) non-promotion whether in an officiating capacity or otherwise, of an employee, to a higher grade or post for which he may be eligible for consideration but for which he is found unsuitable after consideration of his case; (iv)reversion to a lower grade or post, of an employee officiating in higher grade or post, on the ground that he is considered to be unsuitable for such higher grade or post, or on administrative grounds unconnected with his conduct;
- (v)reversion to his previous grade or post, of an employee appointed on probation to another grade or post, during or at the end of the period of probation, in accordance with the terms of his appointment or regulations or orders governing such probation;
- (vi) termination of the service of an employee appointed on probation, during or at the end of the period of probation, in accordance with the terms of his appointment, or the regulations or orders governing such probation;
- (vii)termination of employment of an employee on medical grounds, if he is declared unfit to continue in the Board's service by the Medical Officer authorized by the Board; and
- (viii) retirement of an employee in accordance with the proviso to sub-regulation (2) of regulation 9.

## 52. Procedure for imposing major penalties.

(1)No order imposing any of the major penalties specified in regulation 51 shall be made except after an inquiry is held in accordance with this regulation.

- (2)Where it is proposed to hold an inquiry, the Competent Authority shall frame definite and distinct charges on the basis of the allegations against the employee and the articles of charge, together with a statement of the allegations, on which they are based, shall be communicated in writing to the employee, who shall be required to submit his statement of defence within such time as may be specified by the Competent Authority.
- (3)On receipt of the written statement of the employee, or if no such statement is received within the time specified, if it has been considered that there are grounds for inquiring into the truth of any imputation of misconduct or misbehavior against an employee, the Competent Authority may himself inquire into or appoint an inquiry officer to inquire into the truth thereof:

Provided that it may not be necessary to hold an inquiry in respect of the articles of charge admitted by the employee in his written statement but it shall be necessary to record its findings on each such charge.

- (4)The Competent Authority shall, where it is not the Inquiry Officer, forward to the Inquiry Officer-
  - (a) a copy of the articles of charges and statements of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior;
  - (b) a copy of the written statement of defence, if any submitted by the employee;
  - (c) a list of documents by which and list of witnesses by whom the articles of charge are proposed to be substantiated;
  - (d) a copy of statements of the witnesses, if any;
  - (e) evidence providing the delivery of articles of charge under sub-regulation (2);
  - (f) a copy of the order appointing the 'Presenting Officer' in terms of sub-regulation (5).
- (5) The Competent Authority may appoint an officer to be known as the "Presenting Officer" to present on its behalf the case in support of the articles of charge.
- (6)The employee may take the assistance of any other employee for his defence but may not engage a legal practitioner, for the purpose, unless the presenting officer appointed by the Competent Authority is a legal practitioner or Competent Authority having regard to the circumstances of the case, so permits.
- (7)The Inquiry Officer shall by notice in writing specify the day on which the employee shall appear in person before the Inquiry Officer.
- (8) The employee shall appear before the Inquiry Officer at the time, place and date specified in the notice and the Inquiry Officer shall ask the employee whether he pleads guilty or as any defence to make and, if he pleads guilty to any of the articles of charge, the Inquiry Officer shall record the plea, sign the record and obtain the signature of the employee concerned thereon.
- (9) The Inquiry Officer shall return a finding of guilt in respect of those articles of charge to which the employee concerned pleads guilty.
- (10) If the employee does not plead guilty, the Inquiry Officer shall adjourn the case to a later date not exceeding 30 days.
- (11)The Inquiry Officer shall, where the employee does not admit all or any of the articles of charge, furnish to such employee a list of documents by which, and a list of witness by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be proved.
- (12)The Inquiry Officer shall also record an order that the employee may for the purpose of preparing his defence-
- (a) inspect within five days of the order or within such further time not exceeding five days as the inquiring officer may allow, the documents listed;
- (b) submit a list of documents and witness that he wants for the inquiry;

- (c) be supplied with copies of statements or witnesses to be relied upon, if any, recorded earlier and the Inquiry Officer shall furnish such copies not later than three days before the commencement of the examination of the witnesses by the Inquiry Officer;
- (d) give a notice within ten days of the order or within such further time not exceeding ten days as the inquiring officer may allow for the discovery or production of the documents referred to in sub-clause (b).

NOTE: The relevancy of the documents and the examination of the witnesses referred to in sub-clause (b) shall be given by the employee concerned.

- (13) The inquiry officer shall, on receipt of the notice for the discovery or production of the documents, forward the same or copies thereof to the officer in whose custody or possession the documents are kept with a requisition for the production of the documents on such date as may be specified.
- (14) On the receipt of the requisition under sub regulation (11), the officer having the custody or possession of the requisitioned documents shall arrange to produce the same before the Inquiry Officer on the date, place and time specified in the requisition:

Provided that the officer having the custody or possession of the requisitioned documents may claim privilege if the production of such documents will be against the public interest or the interest of the Board. In that event, it shall inform the Inquiry Officer accordingly.

- (15)On the date fixed for the inquiry, the oral or documentary evidence by which the articles of charge are proposed to be proved shall be produced by or on behalf of the Competent Authority.
- (16)The witnesses produced by the Presenting Officer shall be examined by the Presenting Officer and may be cross-examined by or on behalf of the employee.
- (17) The Presenting Officer shall be entitled to re-examine his witnesses on any points on which they have been cross examined, but not on a new matter, without the leave of the inquiry officer and the inquiry officer may also put such questions to the witnesses.
- (18)Before the close of the case, in support of the charges, the Inquiry Officer may, in its discretion, allow the Presenting Officer to produce evidence not included in charge sheet or may itself call for new evidence or recall or re-examine any witness and in such case the employee shall be given opportunity to inspect the documentary evidence before it is taken on record, or to cross-examine a witness, who has been so summoned.
- (19)The Inquiry Officer may also allow the employee to produce new evidence, if it is of opinion that the production of such evidence is necessary in the interests of justice.
- (20) When the case in support of the charges is closed, the employee may be required to state his defence, orally or in writing, as he may prefer and if the defence is made orally, it shall be recorded and the employee shall be required to sign the record:

Provided that in either case, a copy of the statement of defence shall be given to the Presenting officer, if any, appointed.

- (21) The evidence on behalf of the employee shall then be produced.
- (22)The employee may examine himself in his own behalf, if he so prefers and the witnesses produced by the employee shall then be examined by the employee and may be cross-examined by the Presenting Officer.
- (23)The employee shall be entitled to re-examine any of his witnesses on any points on which they have been cross-examined, but not on any new matter without the leave of the Inquiry Officer.
- (24) The inquiry officer may, after the employee closes his evidence, and shall, if the employee has not got himself examined, generally question him on the circumstances appearing against him in the evidence for the purpose of enabling the employee to explain any circumstances appearing in the evidence against him.

(25)After the completion of the production of the evidence, the employee and the Presenting Officer may file written briefs of their respective cases within 15 days of the date of completion of the production of evidence.

(26)If the employee does not submit the written statement of defence referred to in subregulation (2) on or before the date specified for the purpose or does not appear in person, or through the assisting officer or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with any of the provisions of these regulations, the Inquiry Officer may hold the inquiry ex-parte.

(27)Whenever any Inquiry Officer, after having heard and recorded the whole or any part of the evidence in an inquiry ceases to exercise jurisdiction therein, and is succeeded by another Inquiry Officer which has, and which exercises, such jurisdiction, the Inquiry Officer so succeeding may act on the evidence so recorded by its predecessor, or partly recorded by its predecessor and partly recorded by itself:

Provided that if the succeeding Inquiry Officer is of the opinion that further examination of any of the witnesses whose evidence has already been recorded is necessary in the interest of justice, it may recall, examine, cross-examine and reexamine any such witnesses as herein before provided.

(28)On the conclusion of the inquiry, the Inquiry Officer shall prepare a report which shall contain the following:-

- (a) a gist of the articles of charge and the statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior:
- (b) a gist of the defence of the employee in respect of each article of charge;
- (c) an assessment of the evidence in respect of each article of charge; and
- (d) the findings on each article of charge and the reasons therefor.

**Explanation**: If, in the opinion of the Inquiry Officer the proceedings of the inquiry establish any article of charge different from the original article of charge, it may record its findings on such article of charge:

Provided that the findings on such article of charge shall not be recorded unless the employee has either admitted the facts on which such article of charge is based or has had a reasonable opportunity of defending himself against such article of charge.

(29)The Inquiry Officer, where it is not himself the Competent Authority, shall forward to the Competent Authority the records of inquiry which shall include -

- (a) the report of the inquiry prepared by it under sub-regulation (28);
- (b) the written statement of defence, if any, submitted by the employee referred to in sub regulation (20):
- (c) the oral and documentary evidence produced in the course of the inquiry;
- (d) written briefs referred to in sub-regulation (25), if any, and
- (e) the orders, if any, made by the Competent Authority and the Inquiry Officer in regard to the inquiry.

#### 53. Action on the inquiry report.

(1) The Competent Authority, if it is not itself the Inquiry Officer, may, for reasons to be recorded by it in writing, remit the case to the inquiry for fresh or further inquiry and report and the Inquiry Officer shall thereupon proceed to hold the further inquiry according to the provisions of regulation 52 as far as may be.

(2) The Competent Authority, shall, if it disagrees with the findings of the Inquiry Officer on any article of charge, record its reasons for such disagreement and record its own findings on such charge, if the evidence on record is sufficient for the purpose.

(3)If the Competent Authority, having regard to the findings on all or any of the articles of charge, is of the opinion that any of the penalties specified in regulation 51 should be

imposed on the employee it shall notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 54, make an order imposing such penalty.

(4) If the Competent Authority having regard to its findings on all or any of the articles of charge, is of the opinion that no penalty is called for, it may pass an order exonerating the employee concerned.

### 54. Procedure for imposing minor penalties.

- (1)Where it is proposed to impose any of the minor penalties specified in clauses (a) to (e) of regulation 51, the employee concerned shall be informed in writing of the imputations of lapses against him and given an opportunity to submit his written statement of defence within a specified period not exceeding 15 days or such extended period as may be granted by the Competent Authority and the defence statement, if any, submitted by the employee shall be taken into consideration by the Competent Authority before passing orders.
- (2) The record of the proceedings in such cases shall include-
  - (a) a copy of the statement of imputations of lapses furnished to the employee;
  - (b) the defence statement, if any, of the employee; and
  - (c) the orders of the Competent Authority together with the reasons therefor.
- (3)Where the Competent Authority is satisfied that an inquiry is necessary, it shall follow the procedure for imposing a major penalty as laid down in regulation 52.

#### 55. Communication of orders.

Orders made by the Competent Authority under regulation 53 or regulation 54 shall be communicated to the employee concerned, who shall also be supplied with a copy of the report of inquiry, if any.

### 56. Common proceedings.

Where two or more employees are concerned in a case, the Competent Authority may make an order directing that the disciplinary proceedings against all of them may be taken in a common proceeding.

## 57. Special procedure in certain cases.

Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 52 or regulation 53 or regulation 54, the Competent Authority may impose any of the penalties specified in regulation 51, if the facts on the basis of which action is to be taken, have been established in a Court of Law or where the employee has absconded or where it is for any other reason impracticable to communicate with him or where there are other difficulties in observing the requirements contained in regulation 52, 53 and 54 and the requirements can be waived without doing injustice to the employee:

Provided that in every case where all or any of the requirements of regulation 52, 53 and 54 are waived, the reasons for so doing shall be recorded in writing.

#### 58. Suspension.

- (1) An employee may be placed under suspension by the Competent Authority-
  - (a) where a disciplinary proceeding against him is contemplated or is pending; or
  - (b)where a case against him in respect of any criminal offence is under investigation, inquiry or trial.
- (2)An employee shall be deemed to have been placed under suspension by an order of the Competent Authority -
- (a) with effect from the date of his detention, if he is detained in custody, whether on a criminal charge or otherwise, for a period exceeding 48 hours;

(b) with effect from the date of his conviction, if, in the event of a conviction for an offence, he is sentenced to a term of imprisonment and is forthwith not dismissed or removed or compulsorily retired consequent to such conviction.

**Explanation**: The period of 48 hours referred to in clause (b) of this sub-regulation shall be computed from the commencement of the imprisonment after the conviction and for that purpose, intermittent periods of imprisonment, if any, shall be taken into account.

- (3) Where a penalty of dismissal, removal or compulsory retirement from service imposed upon an employee under suspension is set aside in appeal under these regulations and the case is remitted for further enquiry or action or with any other directions, the order of his suspension shall be deemed to have been continued in force on and from the date of original order of dismissal, removal or compulsory retirement and shall remain in force until further orders.
- (4) Where a penalty of dismissal or removal or compulsory retirement from service imposed upon an employee is set aside or declared or rendered void in consequence of or by a decision of a court of law, and the Competent Authority, on a consideration of a circumstances of the case, decides to hold a further enquiry against him on the allegations on which a penalty of dismissal, removal or compulsory retirement was originally imposed, the employee shall be deemed to have been placed under suspension by the Competent Authority from the date of the original order of dismissal, removal or compulsory retirement and shall continue to remain under suspension until further orders:

  Provided that no such further enquiry shall be ordered unless it is intended to meet a situation where the Court has passed an order purely on technical grounds without going into the merits of the case.
  - (5)An order of suspension made or deemed to have been made under these regulations may at any time be modified or revoked by the Competent Authority which made or is deemed to have made the order.

## 59. Subsistence allowance.

- (1) During suspension, an employee shall receive subsistence allowance equal to-
  - (a) fifty percent of his pay for the first six months of suspension; and
  - (b) seventy-five per cent of his pay for the period of suspension beyond six months: Provided that the enhanced rate of subsistence allowance specified under sub- clause (b) shall be admissible only if the enquiry is not delayed for reasons attributable to the concerned employee or any of his representatives:

Provided further that if no penalty under regulation 51 is imposed, the employee shall be refunded the difference between the subsistence allowance and the emoluments which he would have received but for such suspension, for the period he was under suspension, and that, if a penalty is imposed on him under Regulation 51, no order shall be passed which shall have the effect of compelling him to refund such subsistence allowance.

(2) The period during which an employee is under suspension shall, if he is not dismissed or removed or compulsorily retired from service, be treated as period spent on duty or leave as the Competent Authority who passes the final order may direct.

#### 60. Vigilance cases.

Notwithstanding anything contained in regulations 51 to 59, the following additional provisions shall apply where it is alleged that an employee has been guilty of corrupt practices, namely:-

(a)where it is alleged that an employee is possessed of disproportionate assets or that he has committed an act of criminal misconduct or where the investigation and proof of the allegation would require the evidence of persons, who are not employees of the Board or where, in the opinion of the competent authority, the investigation into the allegations may be entrusted to the Central Bureau of Investigation or the Central Vigilance Commission or any other such agency as may be approved by the Board;

(b)if after considering the report of the investigation, the Competent Authority is satisfied that there is a prima facie case for instituting disciplinary proceedings against the employee, it may send the investigation report to the Central Vigilance Commission or such other authority as may be decided, for its advice whether disciplinary proceedings should be taken against the employee concerned;

(c)if after considering the advice of the Central Vigilance Commission or other authority, as the case may be, the Competent Authority is of the opinion that disciplinary proceedings should be instituted against the employee concerned, then notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation(3) of regulation 52, the enquiry under this regulation may be entrusted to a Commissioner for Departmental Inquiries or other person who may be nominated by the Central Vigilance Commission for this purpose;

(d)the Inquiry Officer shall submit his report to the competent authority and the report shall be forwarded to the Central Vigilance Commission for its advice as to whether the charge or charges as the case may be, can be considered to have been established and the penalty or penalties to be imposed under regulation 51 thereof;

(e)the penalty or penalties to be imposed shall be decided by the competent authority after considering the advice of the Central Vigilance Commission.

## 61. Appeal.

- (1)An employee may appeal against an order imposing upon him any of the penalties specified in regulation 51 or order of suspension under regulation 58 which shall lie before an Appellate Authority.
- (2)An appeal shall be preferred to the Appellate Authority within 45 days from the date of receipt of the order appealed against.
- (3) The Appellate Authority shall consider whether the findings are justified or whether the penalty is excessive or inadequate and pass appropriate orders.
- (4)The Appellate Authority may pass an order confirming, enhancing, reducing or setting aside the penalty or remitting the case to the authority which imposed the penalty or to any other authority with such direction as it may deem fit in the circumstances of the case:

  Provided that -
  - (i)if the enhanced penalty which the Appellate Authority proposed to impose is a major penalty specified in regulation 51 and an inquiry as provided in regulation 52 has not already been held in the case, the Appellate Authority shall direct that such an inquiry be held in accordance with the provisions of regulation 52 and thereafter consider the record of the inquiry and pass such orders as it may deem proper; or
  - (ii) if the Appellate Authority decides to enhance the punishment but an inquiry has already been held as provided in regulation 52, the Appellate Authority shall

give a show cause notice to the employee as to why the enhanced penalty should not be imposed upon him and shall pass final order after taking into account the representation, if any, submitted by the employee.

## CHAPTER – VII MISCELLANEOUS

## 62. Deputation of employees to other services.

(1)No employee of the Board may be deputed to serve under any other employer without the approval of the Board for the duration of such deputation and the terms and conditions on which the deputation shall take effect:

Provided that no employee may be deputed to foreign service against his will.

(2)Where the services of an employee of the Board are placed at the disposal of a foreign employer, it shall be a condition of the deputation that the foreign employer shall, during the periods of such deputation, bear the entire cost of the services of the employee.

## 62. Redressal of grievances.

- (1)The Board shall constitute a Grievance Redressal Committee, consisting of 3 members, at least one of which shall be a woman.
- (2)All the grievances received from employees will be placed before the Grievance Redressal Committee within a period of 30 days.
- (3)The Grievance Redressal Committee may further, if it considers necessary, summon the employee and/or any other officer of the Board or ask for written clarification from any officer of the Board.
- (4)The Grievance Redressal Committee shall recommend follow-up action on the grievances, which shall be placed before appropriate authority for decision.

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1. **Promotion Note**: Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying or eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying or eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period for promotion to the next higher grade along with their juniors who have already completed such qualifying or eligibility service.

#### 2. Deputation Note:

- (a) The departmental officers in the feeder category who are in the direct line of promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation. Similarly, deputationists shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion.
- (b)The period of deputation including period of deputation in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organisation or department of the Central Government, shall ordinarily not exceed three years. It may be extendable for another two years and the maximum period of deputation shall be as per Department of Personnel and Training Guidelines.
- 3. For filling up Direct Recruit posts, written examination to be conducted by engaging a recognised or reputed and experienced professional agency after following due procedure.
- 4. In the event of non-availability of adequate number of internal candidates for promotion, the minimum eligible service for promotion to the next higher grade or post may be relaxed by the Board up to a period not exceeding six months.
- 5. The crucial date for determining the upper age-limit specified in the Schedule shall be the date indicated in the advertisement.
- 6. Reservation, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for candidates belonging to the Scheduled Caste, the Scheduled Tribes, the other backward classes, Ex-service men and other special categories of persons shall be as applicable in terms of orders or guidelines issued by the Central Government from time to time.
- 7. In every selection or promotion committee constituted for the purpose of the recruitment or promotion, an officer of appropriate rank belonging to the Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe may be inducted as a member in case no member of such committee belongs to the Scheduled Caste or the Scheduled Tribe.
- 8. A candidate, except in the case of appointments by deputation or by promotion, will be required to undergo medical tests to satisfy the Board of his medical fitness by a Government Medical Officer or Medical Officer of a Government undertaking authorised by board.
- 9. The antecedents of a candidate, except in the case of appointments by deputation or by promotion, will be verified by the Board and the said verification shall be completed during the period of probation.]

#### **SCHEDULE II**

(See regulation 9)

1. The cases of employees will be reviewed at least 3 months before they attain 55 years of age or complete 30 years of service, whichever is earlier.

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1.	January to March	July to September of the same year
2.	April to June	October to December of the same year
3.	July to September	January to March of the next year
4.	October to December	April to June of the next year

- 3. A review committee of 3 officers will be constituted as under: -
  - (a) For Officers, under the chairmanship of a Whole Time Member, and two other members who are senior to the employee being reviewed.
  - (b) For Other Employees, under the Chairmanship of Executive Director
- 4. The criteria to be followed by the committee in making their recommendations would be as follows: -
  - (a) Employees whose integrity is doubtful, will be retired.
  - (b) Employees who are found to be ineffective will also be retired. The basic consideration in identifying such employee should be the fitness/competence of the employee to continue in the post which he/she is holding.
  - (c) While the entire service record of an officer should be considered at the time of review, no employee should ordinarily be retired on grounds of ineffectiveness if his service during the preceding 5 years, or where he has been promoted to a higher post during that 5 years period, his service in the highest post, has been found satisfactory.
  - (d) Consideration is ordinarily to be confined to the preceding 5 years or to the period in the higher post, in case of promotion within the period of 5 years, only when retirement is sought to be made on grounds of ineffectiveness. There is no such stipulation, however where the employee is to be retired on grounds of doubtful integrity.
- 5. The recommendations of the committee will be placed before an appropriate authority as decided by the Board, which shall not be below the rank of chairman of the review committee.

(Dr. M. S. Sahoo) Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India



# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (GRIEVANCE AND COMPLAINT HANDLING PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS, 2017<sup>1</sup>

#### [AMENDED UPTO 14-06-2022]

IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG/21.—In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 196, 217, read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely

### **CHAPTER I** PRELIMINARY

#### 1. Short title, commencement and application.

- (1) These regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Grievance and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) These regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) These regulations shall apply to grievances and complaints against service providers.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) Unless the context otherwise requires-
- (a) "aggrieved" means a stakeholder who has filed a grievance with the Board on failing to get his grievance redressed from the concerned service provider;
- (b) "associated person" means a proprietor, partner, director, officer, or an employee of a service provider, a professional or a valuer engaged by a service provider or any other person acting for or on behalf of a service provider;
- (c) "Board" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established under sub-section of section 188 of the Code;
- (d) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
- (e) "complaint" means a written expression by a stakeholder alleging contravention of any provision of the Code or rules, regulations, or guidelines made thereunder or circulars or directions issued by the Board by a service provider or any of its associated persons and includes a complaint-cumgrievance;
- (f) "complaint-cum-grievance" means a complaint and grievance in the same matter.
- (g) "complainant" means a stakeholder who has filed a complaint or a complaintcum-grievance with the Board;
- (h) "grievance" means a written expression by a stakeholder of his suffering on account of conduct of a service provider or its associated persons;
- (i) "service provider" means an insolvency professional agency, an insolvency professional, an insolvency professional entity or an information utility;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vide Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG/21, dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, dated 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2016 (w.e.f. 07.12.2016).

- (j) "stakeholder" means a debtor, a creditor, a claimant, a service provider, a resolution applicant and any other person having an interest in the insolvency, liquidation, voluntary liquidation, or bankruptcy transaction under the Code.
- (2) The words and expressions used and not defined in these regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Code.

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### FILING OF GRIEVANCE AND COMPLAINT

#### 3. Filing of grievance and complaint.

- (1) A stakeholder, who wishes to file a grievance, shall file it with the Board.
- (2) A grievance shall state:-
  - (i) details of identity of the aggrieved;
  - (ii) details of identity of the service provider;
  - (iii) details of the conduct of the service provider that has caused the suffering to the aggrieved;
  - (iv) details of suffering, whether pecuniary or otherwise, the aggrieved has undergone;
  - how the conduct of the service provider has caused the suffering of the aggrieved;
  - (vi) details of his efforts to get the grievance redressed from the service provider and why the response, if any, of the service provider is not satisfactory; and
  - (vii) how the grievance may be redressed.
- (3) A stakeholder, who wishes to file a complaint, shall file it with the Board in Form A along with a demand draft for two thousand and five hundred rupees drawn in favour of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India payable at New Delhi or an online acknowledgement of two thousand and five hundred rupees paid to the credit of the Board towards fee.
- (4) A grievance or a complaint, as the case may be, shall be filed within forty-five days of the occurrence of the cause of action for the grievance or the complaint:
  - Provided that a grievance or a complaint may be filed after the aforesaid period, if there are sufficient reasons justifying the delay, but such period shall not exceed 30 days.
- (5)<sup>2</sup>[A grievance or a complaint shall be filed with the Board on its dedicated portal www.ibbi.gov.in.]

Provided that a grievance or complaint shall be filed by mail at <a href="mailto:complaintsandgrievances@ibbi.gov.in">complaintsandgrievances@ibbi.gov.in</a> or by post or hand delivery at the Office of the Board, until the Board provides a facility for online filing of grievances and complaints."

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Subregulation (5), before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(5) A grievance or a complaint shall be filed with the Board online.

#### 4. Identity of the stakeholder.

- (1) A stakeholder filing a grievance, or a complaint shall disclose its identity in the grievance or the complaint, as the case may be, and also the identity of the authorised representative, who is authorised to file it.
- (2) A stakeholder filing a grievance or a complaint, as the case may be, may request the Board to keep its identity confidential and in that case the Board shall keep it confidential unless its disclosure is necessary for processing the grievance or complaint or under any law.

#### 5. Registration number.

- (1) Where the Board is in receipt of more than one grievance or more than one complaint in the same matter, it may club such grievances or such complaints together for their disposal.
- (2) The Board shall assign a unique registration number to every grievance and every complaint and communicate the said registration number to the aggrieved or the complainant within a week of its receipt.
- (3) The Board shall not take any cognizance of any anonymous grievance or complaint.

#### **CHAPTER III**

#### DISPOSAL OF GRIEVANCE

#### **6.** <sup>3</sup>[Disposal of grievance by the Board].

- (1) The Board may seek additional information and records from the aggrieved and information and records from the concerned service provider to decide if the grievance requires any redress by the service provider.
- (2) The aggrieved and the service provider shall submit the information and records sought under sub- regulation (1) within <sup>4</sup>[seven] days thereof.
  - <sup>5</sup>[Provided that an additional time not exceeding seven days may be granted by the Board for submitting the information and records sought under sub-regulation (2) on the request of the service provider.]
- (3) The Board shall close the grievance within <sup>6</sup>[thirty] days of its receipt if it does not require any redress.
- (4) The Board shall direct the service provider to redress the grievance within <sup>7</sup>[thirty] days of its receipt if it requires any redress.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). The short title, before substitution stood as: "Disposal of grievance".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). The words, before substitution stood as: "fifteen".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Inserted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). The words, before substitution stood as: "forty-five".

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). The words, before substitution stood as: "forty-five".

#### <sup>8</sup>[6A. Disposal of grievance by Insolvency Professional Agency.

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 6, the Board may forward a grievance against an insolvency professional for disposal by the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member.

(2)On receipt of the grievance under sub-regulation (1), the insolvency professional agency shall dispose of the grievance in accordance with its bye-laws and intimate the Board within thirty days of receipt of grievance.]

#### CHAPTER IV

#### DISPOSAL OF COMPLAINT

#### 7. Disposal of complaint.

(1) The Board may seek additional information and records from the complainant and information and records from the concerned service provider to form a prima facie view whether the contravention alleged in the complaint is correct.

- (2) The complainant and the service provider shall submit the information and records sought under sub-regulation (1) within <sup>9</sup>[seven] days thereof.
  - <sup>10</sup>[Provided that an additional time, not exceeding seven days, may be granted by the Board on request of the service provider.]
- (3)<sup>11</sup>[The Board shall investigate the information and records and form an opinion whether there exists a prima facie case within thirty days of the receipt of the
- (4) The Board shall close the complaint where it is of the opinion under subregulation (3) that there does not exist a prima facie case and communicate the same to the complainant.
- (5) If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the Board under subregulation (4), he may request a review of such decision <sup>12</sup>[within thirty days].
- (6) The Board shall dispose of the review under sub-regulation (5) within thirty days of the receipt of the request for review by an order with an opinion whether there exists a prima facie case.
- (7) 13 [Where the Board is of the opinion that there exists a prima facie case, it may issue

<sup>8</sup> Inserted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). The words, before substitution stood as: "fifteen"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Inserted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Subregulation (3), before substitution stood as under:" The Board shall form an opinion whether there exists a prima facie case within forty-five days of the receipt of the complaint".

12 Inserted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG086, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Subregulation (7), before substitution stood as: "Where the Board is of the opinion under this regulation that there exists a prima facie case, it may order an inspection under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 3, order an investigation under subregulation (2) of regulation 7 or issue a show cause notice under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 11 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017, as may be warranted".

- a show cause notice under regulation 11 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017 or order an investigation under Chapter III of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017].
- (8) Where the Board is of the opinion that the complaint is not frivolous, it shall refund the fee of two thousand five hundred rupees received under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 3.

#### CHAPTERV

#### STATISTICS

8. The Board shall periodically disclose summary statistics about receipt and disposal of grievances and complaints on its web site.

#### Form A

[Under sub-regulation (3) of regulation (3) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Grievance and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017]

Data						
Date						

То

Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board

of India (Write here the address of

the Board)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Subject: Complaint against [name of the service provider / associated person]

I, hereby submit a complaint against [name of the service provider / associated person]. The details of the same are set out as under:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
1	Name of the complainant	
2	Identity of the complainant	Aadhaar No / CIN
3	Name of the authorised representative, if complaint is filed on behalf of the complainant	
4	Identity of the authorised representative	Aadhaar No.
5	Complete address for correspondence with complainant / authorised representative: (Along with Email ID & Phone No.)	
6	Name of the service provider / its associated persons complained	

	against	
7	Identity of the service provider	Aadhaar No / CIN (If known)
8	Complete address of the service provider (Along with Email ID & Phone No)	
9	Details of the alleged contravention of any provision of the Code or rules, regulations, or guidelines made thereunder or circulars or directions issued by the Board by a service provider or its associated persons.	Please quote the exact section, sub-section, rules, regulation, or clause, as the case may be.
10	Details of alleged conduct or activity of the service provider or its associated persons, along with date and place of such conduct or activity, which contravenes the provision of the law.	Please narrate details.
11	Details of suffering, whether pecuniary or otherwise, the complainant has undergone.	
12	How the conduct or activity of the service provider or its associated persons has caused the suffering of the complainant or to any other stakeholder.	
13	Details of evidence in support of alleged contravention.	
14	Does the complainant have a grievance? If so, how it may be redressed?	
15	Is complaint being filed within forty-five days of the occurrence of the cause of action for the complaint?  If not explain the reasons for delay.	
16	Whether the fee of Rs.2500 has been paid	Yes / No
17	The Bank account No. and details of the complainant to which the fee can be refunded	
18	Whether the complainant wishes to keep its identity confidential	Yes / No.
19	List of documents attached in support of the complaint:	a. Authorisation, if it is filed by an authorised representative;

20	Any other details in support of the	b. Demand draft for Rs.2500 / Online acknowledgement of credit of Rs.2500 to the account of the Board; c. d
20	Any other details in support of the complaint.	
		Yours faithfully
		Signature
	Name of	f the Complainant / Authorised Representative
	Verific	ation
I,		thorised representative of the complainant do
hereby d	eclare that what is stated above is true to	the best of my knowledge and belief.
Verified	today, the day of	, 20xx, at
	Name	Signature of the Complainant / Authorised Representative
	Date:	
]	Place:	Dr. M. S. SAHOO, Chairperson
		[ADVTIII/4/Exty./330/17/(482)]

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSPECTION AND INVESTIGATION) REGULATIONS, 2017

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSPECTION AND INVESTIGATION) REGULATIONS, 2017<sup>1</sup>

[AMENDED UPTO 14-06-2022]

No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG011 - In exercise of the powers conferred under sections 196, 217, 218, 219, 220 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following regulations, namely-

#### **CHAPTER I**

#### **PRELIMINARY**

#### 1. Short title, commencement and application.

- (1)These regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017.
- (2)These regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) These regulations shall apply to inspection and investigation of service providers.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires
  - (a) "associated person" means a proprietor, partner, director, officer, or an employee of a service provider, a professional or a valuer engaged by a service provider or any other person acting for or on behalf of a service provider under inspection or investigation;
  - (b) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
  - (c) "Disciplinary Committee" means a committee of whole time member(s) constituted by the Board under sub-section (1) of section 220 of the Code: Provided that the whole time member(s) in the Disciplinary Committee shall not be associated with the investigation or inspection;
  - (d) "electronic form" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (r) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Vide Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG011, dated 12th June, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, vide No.239, dated 14th June, 2017 (w.e.f. 14.06.2017).

- (e) "Investigating Authority" means an officer or a team of officers of the Board, which has been directed by the Board, to conduct the investigation of a service provider;
- (f) "Inspecting Authority" means an officer or a team of officers of the Board, which has been directed by the Board, to conduct the inspection of a service provider;
- (g) "noticee" means a service provider or an associated person who is alleged to have contravened any provision of the Code, or the rules, regulations or guidelines made thereunder;
- (h) "record" means the books of accounts, registers, documents, call records and other records, whether maintained in electronic form or otherwise, of a service provider and its associated person;
- (i) "section" means section of the Code; <sup>2</sup>[\*]
- (j) "service provider" means insolvency professional agency, insolvency professional, insolvency professional entity or information utility <sup>3</sup>[; and]
- <sup>4</sup>[(k) "stakeholder" means a stakeholder as defined in clause (j) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 2 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Grievance and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017.]
- (2) The words and expressions used and not defined in these regulations, but defined in the Code, shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Code.

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### INSPECTION

#### 3. Inspection by the Board.

- (1) The Board shall conduct inspection of such number of service providers every year, as may be decided by the Board from time to time.
- (2)Without prejudice to provisions of sub-regulation (1), the Board may conduct inspection of a service provider under section 218.
- (3)The Board may, for the purposes of this regulation, by an order, direct an Inspecting Authority to conduct an inspection of records of a service provider for purposes specified under sub-regulation (4).
- (4) The purposes under sub-regulation (3) include -

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to omission, the word stood as: "and".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022).

- (a) to ensure that the records are being maintained by a service provider in the manner required under the relevant regulations;
- (b) to ascertain whether adequate internal control systems, procedures and safeguards have been established and are being followed by a service provider to fulfill its obligations under the relevant regulations;
- (c) to ascertain whether any circumstance exists which would render a service provider unfit or ineligible;
- (d) to ascertain whether the provisions of the Code, or the rules, regulations and guidelines made thereunder and the directions issued by the Board, if any, are being complied with;
- (e) to inquire into the complaints received from <sup>5</sup>[stakeholders] or any other person on any matter having a bearing on the activities of a service provider; and
- (f) such other purpose as may be deemed fit by the Board in furtherance of the objectives of the Code.
- (5) The order referred to in sub-regulation (3) shall contain-
  - (a) scope of inspection;
  - (b) composition of Inspecting Authority;
  - (c) timelines for conducting the inspection;
  - (d) reporting of progress in inspection;
  - (e) submission of interim inspection report, if any; and
  - (f) submission of inspection report.

(6)The Board and the Inspecting Authority shall make every effort to keep the inspection confidential and to cause the least burden on, or disruption to, the business of the service provider under inspection.

#### 4. Conduct of Inspection.

(1)The Inspecting Authority shall serve a notice of inspection to the service provider at least 10 days before the commencement of inspection:

Provided that where the Inspecting Authority is satisfied that the notice will cause undue delay in inspection or there is an apprehension that records of the service provider may be destroyed, mutilated, altered, falsified or secreted, after the notice is served, it may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, dispense with such notice.

- (2) The Inspecting Authority may require the service provider or an associated person to submit records, as may be required, before the commencement of inspection.
- (3)The Inspecting Authority may visit the offices of the service provider for conducting the on-site inspection.
- (4)It shall be the duty of the service provider and an associated person to produce before the Inspecting Authority such records in his custody or control and furnish to the

 $<sup>^5</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{th}$ June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, the word stood as: "clients".

Inspecting Authority such statements and information relating to its activities within such time as the Inspecting Authority may require.

- (5)The service provider shall allow the Inspecting Authority to have access to the premises occupied by such service provider or by any other person on its behalf and extend facility for examination of any records in the possession of the service provider or any such other person and provide copies of records or other material which in the opinion of the Inspecting Authority are relevant for the inspection.
- (6)The Inspecting Authority shall, in the course of inspection, may examine and record statements of any associated person of the service provider in relation to the affairs of his business.
- (7)It shall be the duty of the service provider and an associated person to give to the Inspecting Authority all assistance which the Inspecting Authority may reasonably require in connection with the inspection.

#### 5. Interim Inspection Report.

- (1)The Inspecting Authority may submit an interim inspection report to the Board, if it considers appropriate, keeping in view the nature and progress of inspection.
- (2) The Inspecting Authority shall submit an interim inspection report, if required by the Board.
- (3)If the Board is satisfied from the interim inspection report that there is a gross violation of the provisions of the Code, or the rules, regulations made thereunder, by the service provider and an immediate action under sub-section (2) of section 220 is warranted, the Board shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee for an appropriate action.
- (4)On consideration of the interim inspection report, the Disciplinary Committee may pass an interim order with appropriate directions to the service provider.
- (5) The interim order referred to sub-regulation (4) shall lapse on expiry of 90 days.

#### 6. Inspection Report.

- (1)The Inspecting Authority shall send a copy of the draft inspection report to the service provider requiring comments of the service provider within 15 days from receipt of the draft inspection report.
- (2)The Inspecting Authority shall submit a copy of the draft inspection report to the
- (3)The Board shall examine the draft inspection report as to whether inspection is complete and satisfactory or requires further inspection and advise the Inspecting Authority accordingly within 15 days of receipt of draft inspection report.

(4) After considering the comments of the service provider and taking into account advice of the Board, the Inspecting Authority shall prepare the inspection report and submit it to the Board.

#### **CHAPTER III**

#### INVESTIGATION

#### 7. Investigation by the Board.

- (1) The Board may conduct investigation of a service provider under section 218.
- (2)The Board may, for the purposes of this regulation, by an order, direct an Investigating Authority to conduct an investigation of the affairs of the service provider and to report thereon to the Board.
- (3) The order referred to in sub-regulation (2) shall contain the following particulars: -
  - (a) scope of investigation in terms of records, activities, places, and persons;
  - (b) composition of Investigating Authority;
  - (c) timelines for conducting investigation;
  - (d) reporting of progress in investigation;
  - (e) submission of interim investigation report, if any; and
  - (f) submission of investigation report.
- (4)The Board and the Investigating Authority shall make every effort to keep investigation confidential and to cause the least burden on, or disruption to, the business of the service provider under investigation.
- (5)The Board may, at any time, modify the order referred to under sub-regulation (2) to enlarge the scope of investigation or other terms of investigation, for reasons to be recorded in writing.

#### 8. Conduct of Investigation.

(1)The Investigating Authority shall serve a notice of investigation to the service provider at least 10 days before the commencement of investigation:

Provided that where the Investigating Authority is satisfied that the notice will cause undue delay in investigation or there is an apprehension that records of the service provider may be destroyed, mutilated, altered, falsified or secreted, after the notice is served, it may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, dispense with such notice.

- (2) The Investigating Authority may require the service provider or an associated person to submit records as may be required, before the commencement of investigation.
- (3)The Investigating Authority may visit the offices of the service provider for conducting the on-site investigation.
- (4)It shall be the duty of the service provider and an associated person to produce before the Investigating Authority such records in his custody or control and furnish to

the Investigating Authority such statements and information relating to its activities within such time as the Investigating Authority may require.

- (5)The service provider shall allow the Investigating Authority to have access to the premises occupied by such service provider or by any other person on its behalf and extend facility for examination of any records in the possession of the service provider or any such other person and provide copies of records or other material which in the opinion of the Investigating Authority are relevant for the investigation.
- (6)The Investigating Authority shall, in the course of investigation, may examine and record statements of any associated person of the service provider in relation to the affairs of his business and for that purpose may require any of those persons to appear before it personally.
- (7)Notes of any examination referred to in sub-regulation (6) shall be recorded and shall be read over to, or by, and signed by, the person examined.
- (8)It shall be the duty of the service provider and an associated person to give to the Investigating Authority all assistance which the Investigating Authority may reasonably require in connection with the investigation.
- (9) The Investigating Authority may keep in its custody any record produced to it up to six months and thereafter shall return the same to the person by whom or on whose behalf the records were produced:

Provided that it may call for these records again if it considers necessary and shall give certified copies of these to the person by whom or on whose behalf these were produced, if required by him.

- (10)Where in the course of investigation, the Investigating Authority has reasonable grounds to believe that the records of, or relating to, a service provider or an associated person in any manner, may be destroyed, mutilated, altered, falsified or secreted, the Investigating Authority may make an application to the competent court having jurisdiction for an order for the seizure of such records.
- (11)After considering the application under sub-regulation (10) and hearing the Investigating Authority, if necessary, the competent court may, by order, authorise the Investigating Authority
  - (a) to enter, with such assistance, as may be required, the place or places where such records are kept;
  - (b) to search that place or those places in the manner specified in the order; and
  - (c) to seize records, it considers necessary, for the purposes of the investigation.
- (10)The Investigating Authority may requisition the services of any police officer or any officer of the Central Government, or of both to assist him in search and seizure under the order under sub-regulation (11) and it shall be the duty of every such officer to comply with such requisition.

(13) Every search or seizure shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) relating to searches or seizures made under that Code.

#### 9. Interim Investigation Report.

- (1) The Investigating Authority may submit an interim investigation report to the Board, if it considers appropriate, keeping in view the nature and progress of investigation.
- (2) The Investigating Authority shall submit an interim investigation report, if required by the Board.
- (3)If the Board is satisfied from the interim investigation report that *prima facie*, there is a gross violation of the provisions of the Code, or the rules or regulations made thereunder, by the service provider and an immediate action under sub-section (2) of section 220 is warranted, the Board shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee for an appropriate action.
- (4)On consideration of the interim investigation report, the Disciplinary Committee may pass an interim order with appropriate directions to the service provider.
- (5) The interim order referred to sub-regulation (4) shall lapse on expiry of 90 days.

#### 10. Investigation Report.

- (1) The Investigating Authority shall submit <sup>6</sup>[the investigation report] to the Board.
- (2)The Board shall examine the 7[\*] investigation report as to whether investigation is complete and satisfactory or requires further investigation and advise the Investigating Authority accordingly within 15 days of receipt of the 8[\*] investigation report.
- (3)After taking into account advice of the Board, the Investigating Authority shall prepare the investigation report and submit it to the Board.

#### <sup>9</sup>[CHAPTER III-A INVESTIGATION DURING DISPOSAL OF COMPLAINT OR GRIEVANCE

10A. Investigation during disposal of complaint or grievance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, the words stood as:" a copy of the draft investigation report".

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to omission, the word stood as: "draft".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to omission the word stood as: "draft"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022).

Notwithstanding anything contained in Chapter III, the processing of a complaint or grievance or material available on record under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Grievance and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017, shall mean investigation under this regulation and in such case the processing papers shall mean the investigation report under regulation 10:

Provided that nothing in this regulation shall restrict the Board to appoint an inspecting authority under Chapter-II or an investigating authority under Chapter-III.

#### CHAPTER III-B INTERIM ORDER ON MATERIALAVAILABLE ON RECORD

#### 10B. Interim order on material available on record.

(1)If based on material available on record, the Board is satisfied that prima facie, there is a violation of the provisions of the Code or the rules or regulations made thereunder by the service provider, and an immediate action under sub-section (2) of section 220 is warranted, the Board shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee for an appropriate action.

(2)On consideration of the matter referred under sub-regulation (1), the Disciplinary Committee may pass an interim order with appropriate directions.

(3)The interim order referred to sub-regulation (2) shall lapse on expiry of ninety days from the date of the order.]

#### **CHAPTER IV**

#### CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

#### 11. Consideration of Report.

(1)The Board shall consider the inspection report received under regulation 6 or investigation report received under regulation 10, as the case may be, expeditiously.

(2)If the Board, after consideration of the report under sub-regulation (1) <sup>10</sup>[or on the basis of material otherwise available on record], is of the *prima facie* opinion that sufficient cause exists to take actions under section 220 or sub-section (2) of section 236, it shall issue a show-cause notice in accordance with regulation 12 to the service provider or an associated person and in any other case, close the inspection or investigation, as the case may be.

#### 12. Show-cause notice.

- (1) The show-cause notice shall be in writing and shall state-
  - (a) the provisions of the Code under which it has been issued;
  - (b) the details of the alleged facts;
  - (c) the details of the evidence in support of the alleged facts;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022)

- (d) "[the provisions of the Code, rules, regulations and guidelines thereunder allegedly violated, or the manner in which the public interest is allegedly affected;]
- (e) the actions or directions that the Board proposes to take or issue, if the allegations are established; 12[\*]
- (f) the time within which the noticee may make written submission.
- <sup>13</sup>[(g) the manner in which service provider is required to respond to the show cause notice; and (h) consequences of failure to respond to the show-cause notice.]
- (2)For the purposes of clause (e) of sub-regulation (1), the Board shall take into account, but not limited to, the following factors: -
  - (a) the nature and seriousness of the alleged contraventions, including whether it was deliberate, reckless or negligent on the part of the noticee;
  - (b) the consequences and impact of the alleged contravention, including -
    - (i) unfair advantage gained by the noticee as a result of the alleged contravention;
    - (ii) loss caused, or likely to be caused, to <sup>14</sup>[stakeholders] or any other person as a result of the alleged contravention; and
    - (iii) the conduct of the noticee after the occurrence of the alleged contravention, and prior to the alleged contraventions.
- (2) The show-cause notice shall provide 15 [fifteen] days to the noticee to make a written submission.
- (3) The show-cause notice shall state, if a noticee fails to respond under sub-regulation
- (3) within the given time, it shall be disposed of based on the material available on record.
- (5)The show-cause notice shall enclose copies of relevant documents and extracts of relevant portions from the report of investigation or inspection, or other records.
- (6)<sup>16</sup>[A show-cause notice shall be served on the service provider in electronic form at the email address provided by the service provider to the Board and a copy shall also be sent by registered post.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "(d) the provisions of the Code, or the rules, regulations or guidelines made thereunder, allegedly violated;".

<sup>12</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to omission, the word stood as: "and".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, the words stood as: "clients".

<sup>15</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, the words stood as: "at least 21".

(7) The Board shall refer the show-cause notice to the Disciplinary Committee alongwith all the relevant records including the written submissions, if any, made by the noticee in the matter.

#### 13. Disposal of Show-cause notice.

- (1)The Disciplinary Committee, after providing an opportunity of being heard to the noticee, shall dispose of the show-cause notice by a reasoned order.
- (2) <sup>17</sup>[The Disciplinary Committee shall endeavour to dispose of the show-cause notice within a period of thirty-five days of the date of the issuance of the show-cause notice.]
- (3) The order under sub-regulation (1) may provide for-
  - (a) closure of show-cause notice without any direction;
  - (b) warning;
  - <sup>18</sup>[(ba) suspension or cancellation of authorisation for assignment of an insolvency professional;]
  - (c) any of the actions under sub-sections (2), (3) and (4) of section 220;
  - (d) a reference to the Board to take any action under sub-section (5) of section 220 or sub-section (2) of section 236; or
  - (e) any other action or direction as may be considered appropriate.
- (1)The order under sub-regulation (1) shall not become effective until thirty days have elapsed from the date of issue of the order, unless the Disciplinary Committee states otherwise in the order along with the reasons for the same.
- (2) <sup>19</sup>[The order passed under sub-regulation (1) shall be served upon the service provider in an electronic form and be published on the website of the Board:

Provided that where the service provider is an insolvency professional, a copy of the order shall be sent to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member.]

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(6) A show-cause notice issued shall be served on the noticee-

<sup>(</sup>a) by sending it to the noticee at its registered office, by registered post with acknowledgement due; and

<sup>(</sup>b) by an appropriate electronic form to the email address provided by the service provider to the Board." <sup>17</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "(2) The Disciplinary Committee shall dispose of the show-cause notice within a period of 180 days of the issue of the show-cause notice."

<sup>18</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022).

 $<sup>^{19}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(5) The order under sub-regulation (1) shall be issued to the noticee immediately, and be published on the website of the Board."

 $^{20}$ [(6) The Disciplinary Committee shall in the order passed under sub-regulation (1) require the service provider-

- (a) to discharge pending obligations, if any;
- (b)to continue its functions till such time as may be directed, only to enable stakeholders to shift to another service provider; and
- (c) to comply with any other directions.
- (7) In case where the service provider is an insolvency professional, the Board shall intimate the order to all the members of committee of creditors of the insolvency resolution processes in which he is acting as an interim resolution professional or resolution professional, as the case may be, and to the Adjudicating Authority.]

#### CHAPTER V

#### RESTITUTION

#### 14. Restitution.

- (1)Where a direction has been issued, to any person to disgorge the amount under subsection (4) of section 220, the Board shall endeavour to realize the amount of disgorgement expeditiously.
- (2)The Board shall, as soon as after the realization of the amount of disgorgement, invite claims by a public announcement from persons, who have suffered loss on account of the contravention underlying the direction under sub-section (4) of section 220, seeking restitution from the disgorged amount.
- (3)The persons referred to in sub-regulation (2) shall submit claims in Form A within 30 days of the public announcement.
- (4)The Board shall scrutinise the claims and prepare a list of valid claims within 30 days of the last date for receipt of claims.
- (5)The Board shall disburse such amount proportionately among the claimants within 30 days of preparation of the list of valid claims.

#### FORM A

(Under Regulation 14(3) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017)

 $<sup>^{20}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG087, dated  $14^{\rm th} June,\,2022$  (w.e.f. 14.06.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(6) If the order under sub-regulation (1) suspends or cancels the registration of a service provider, the Disciplinary Committee may, if it considers fit, require the service provider to-

<sup>(</sup>a) discharge pending obligations, if any;

 <sup>(</sup>b) continue its functions till such time as may be directed, only to enable clients to shift to another service provider; and

<sup>(</sup>c) comply with any other directions."

#### Claim under Order No... dated ...... under section 220(4) of the Code

Sl.	Description	Particulars
No.	_	
1.	Name and Address of the Claimant	
2.	Identity of the Claimant	
	(a) Aadhaar No	
	(b) PAN	
	(c) Bank account no, name of the bank, branch to	
	which money is to be remitted and IFSC code	
3.	Please explain how you have lost money on account of	
	contravention as mentioned under section 220(4)	
4.	Please show computation of loss suffered by you	

#### Verification

I hereby verify and affirm that the contents as stated above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and no material fact has been concealed.

(Signature of the Claimant)

Note: If the amount of claim exceeds Rs. 10,000, this verification shall be done before a Notary for the purpose of submission of claim.

Dr. M. S. Sahoo Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Engagement of Research Associates and Consultants) Regulations, 2017

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Engagement of Research Associates and Consultants) Regulations, 2017<sup>1</sup>

[AMENDED UPTO 01-06-2022]

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 240 read with section 194 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following regulations, namely: –

#### 1. Short title and commencement.

- (1) These regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Engagement of Research Associates and Consultants) Regulations, 2017.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### 2. Definitions.

- (1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, -
  - (a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
  - (b) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Board;
  - (c) "Board" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established under section 188(1) of the Code;
  - (d) "Executive Director" means an officer of the Board appointed as such and having the responsibility to manage human resources of the Board and includes an officer of the Board authorized by the Chairperson to function as Executive Director (Human Resources);
  - (2) Words and expressions used but not defined in these regulations shall have the same meanings respectively assigned to them in the Code.

#### 3. Research Associates and Consultants.

- (1) The Board may decide, from time to time, the number of the Research Associates and Consultants to be engaged.
- (2) The Board may engage such number of Research Associates and Consultants, as it may deem fit.

#### 4. Functions of Research Associates and Consultants.

The Research Associates and Consultants engaged by the Board shall discharge such functions, as may be assigned to them by the Board.

 $<sup>^1 \</sup> Vide \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG006 \ dated \ 30^{th} January, \ 2017 \ published \ in the \ Gazette \ of \ India \ Extraordinary, \ Part \ III, Sec. \ 4, vide \ no. \ 424, \ dated \ 31^{st} \ January, \ 2017 \ (w.e.f. \ 31.01.2017).$ 

#### Qualifications, experience and remuneration.

(1) The eligibility for Research Associates and Consultants for different disciplines shall be as given in Schedule I:

Provided that the Board may also engage Research Associates and Consultants from any other discipline as deemed necessary to assist the Board in the discharge of its functions under the Code.

- (2) Depending upon the experience in respective discipline, a person shall be engaged as Research Associate or Consultant in one of five levels given in Schedule II.
- (3) The Research Associates and Consultants of different levels shall be paid a consolidated remuneration in accordance with Schedule II.

<sup>2</sup>[Provided that the Chairperson may amend the consolidated remuneration given in Schedule II for reasons to be recorded in writing.]

(4) A Research Associate or Consultant shall not be entitled to any other compensation or facility in any form except an annual leave of 12 days.

#### 6. Evaluation of performance.

- (1) The performance of each Research Associate and Consultant shall be reviewed every six months with reference to tasks assigned and output delivered.
- (2) If performance is unsatisfactory, the engagement of the Research Associate or Consultant, as the case may be, shall be discontinued forthwith.

#### 7. Selection of Research Associates and Consultants.

(1) The Executive Director shall publish discipline-wise and level-wise number of the Research Associates and Consultants to be engaged with details of qualifications and experience required and the remuneration payable on the website of the Board and invite applications for each discipline and level by a stipulated date:

Provided that the Executive Director may also invite the applications by suitable public notice, for each discipline and level of Research Associates and Consultants.

- (2) On expiry of the last date for receipt of applications under sub-regulation (1), the Executive Director shall scrutinise the applications in accordance with these regulations and prepare lists of eligible candidates for each discipline and level to be called for interview.
- (3) In case the number of candidates in a list of eligible candidates prepared under subregulation (2) is more than four times the number of Research Associates or Consultants to be engaged in that discipline and or level, a committee of officers will prepare a short list of candidates based on higher standards of eligibility, as may be approved by the Board, for interview.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG083, dated 1<sup>st</sup> June., 2022 (w.e.f. 01.06.2022).

- (4) For selecting Research Associates and Consultants for each discipline and level, the Board shall constitute a selection committee comprising:
  - a) Chairperson or Whole Time Member,
  - Executive Director or a Senior Officer of the Board, if the position of Executive Director is vacant, and
  - c) An External expert.
- (5) The selection committee mentioned in sub-regulation (4) shall interview the candidates in the list of eligible candidates prepared under sub-regulation (2) or in the short list of candidates prepared under sub-regulation (3), as the case may be, and based on the interview, submit to the Board a panel of candidates for engagement as Research Associates and Consultants.
- (6) On approval of the panel of candidates by the Board, the Executive Director shall inform each candidate in writing by an offer letter of engagement giving not less than ten days' time to accept the offer of engagement.
- (7) After receipt of acceptance from the selected candidates as per sub-regulation (7), the Executive Director shall issue a letter of engagement to each candidate giving not less than thirty days' time to join:

Provided that the joining time may be extended by the Executive Director on being satisfied that extension is sought on circumstances beyond the control of the candidate.

#### 8. Terms and condition of engagement.

(1) [A selected candidate shall ordinarily be engaged as a Research Associate or Consultant, as the case may be, on contractual basis for a period not less than one year and up to three years:

Provided that the Chairperson may extend the term of such engagement, one year at a time, up to a maximum of total five years.]

- (2) The engagement of a Research Associate or a Consultant may be discontinued by giving one months' notice or one month's salary in lieu of the notice, to the other party.
- (3) A selected candidate at the time of joining the Board shall enter into a contract which details the terms and conditions of engagement, including the confidentiality, with the Executive Director acting on behalf of the Board.
- (4) The terms and conditions of engagement may be modified, in a specific case, where the Board deems it necessary.
- (5) Without prejudice and in addition to the legal remedies available to the Board, the breach of agreement executed under sub-regulation (2) by or on behalf of any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG083., dated 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 01-06-2022). Before substitution, it stood as: "(1) A selected candidate shall be engaged as Research Associates or Consultants on contractual basis for not less than six months and not more two years."3

Research Associate or Consultant shall be considered a sufficient ground for termination of the engagement made under the contract and may further debar such person from future engagement by the Board.

#### 9. Power to relax.

The Board may relax any of these regulations as may be deemed necessary, after recording the reasons for the same, in the discharge of its functions under the Code.

# <sup>4</sup>[Schedule I (See regulation 5)

Discipline of	Qualifications				
Research	Essential	Desirable			
Associate/					
Consultant					
(1)	(2)	(3)			
a. Economics /	Post Graduate degree in Economics or	(a) Consistent high academic performance;			
Public Policy	Public Policy from a recognised	(b)Doctoral degree from a reputed			
	University or Institution.	University or Institution in Economics or a			
		closely related area;			
		(c)Degree / Diploma / Certification in			
		Regulatory / Business Law / Economics.			
b. Law	(i)LL. B or equivalent from a	(a) Consistent high academic performance;			
	recognised University or Institution, and	(b)LL. M. / Doctoral degree from a reputed			
	(ii)Qualified to be enrolled as an	University or Institution in Law or a closely related area:			
	Advocate in a Bar Council constituted	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
	under the Advocate's Act, 1961 (25 of 1961).	(c)Degree / Diploma / Certification in			
c. Business	Post graduate degree / Post graduate	Regulatory / Business Law / Economics.			
C. Business	diploma / Master of Business	(a)More than one of the qualifications mentioned in the essential column:			
Management	Management from a recognised	(b) Consistent high academic performance;			
	University or Institute / A Member of the	(c)Doctoral degree from a reputed			
	Institute of Chartered Accountants of	University / Institution in law /			
	India / A Member of Institute of Cost	management / accounts/ finance / a closely			
	Accountants of India / A Member of	related area:			
	Institute of Company Secretaries ofIndia.	(d)Degree / Diploma / Certification in			
		Regulatory / Business Law / Economics.			
d. Insolvency	(i)Qualifications and experience as required under regulation 5(c) of the	(a) Consistent high academic performance;			
		(b)Degree / Diploma / Certification in			
	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of	Regulatory / Business Law / Economics;			
	India (Insolvency Professionals)	(c) Experience as an insolvency			
	Regulations, 2016; and	professional.			
	(ii)Pass in the Limited Insolvency				
	Examination.				

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG041 dated 23  $^{\rm ad}$  July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019) .  ${\bf 4}$ 

e. Valuation	(i)Qualification and experience as	(a) Consistent high academic performance;	
	required under rule 4 of the Companies	(b)Degree / Diploma / Certification in	
	(Registered Valuers and Valuation)	Regulatory / Business Law / Economics;	
	Rules, 2017; and	(c) Experience as a registered valuer of the	
	(ii)Pass in the Valuation Examination of	relevant asset class.	
	the relevant asset class (Land and		
	Building / Plant and Machinery /		
	Securities or Financial Assets)		

# <sup>5</sup>[SCHEDULE II (See regulation 5)

Level	Experience (Employment / Practice/ Research) in the relevant discipline (Years)	Consolidated Monthly Remuneration + 10 percent annual increase	
Level I (Research Associate)	Up to three years	Rs. 60,000	
Level II (Research Associate)	Minimum three years	Rs. 80,000	
Level III (Research Associate)	Minimum five years	Rs. 1,05,000	
Level IV (Consultant)	Minimum ten years	Rs. 1,30,000	
Level V (Consultant)	Minimum fifteen years	Rs. 1,55,000]	

Dr. M. S. Sahoo Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG083., dated 1st June, 2022 (w.e.f. 01-06-2022).

# CHAPTER III INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AGENCIES

#### 199. No person to function as insolvency professional agency without valid certificate of registration. -

Save as otherwise provided in this Code, no person shall carry on its business as insolvency professional agencies under this Code and enrol insolvency professionals as its members except under and in accordance with a certificate of registration issued in this behalf by the Board.

#### 200. Principles governing registration of insolvency professional agency. -

The Board shall have regard to the following principles while registering the insolvency professional agencies under this Code, namely: –

- (a) to promote the professional development of and regulation of insolvency professionals;
- (b) to promote the services of competent insolvency professionals to cater to the needs of debtors, creditors and such other persons as may be specified;
- (c) to promote good professional and ethical conduct amongst insolvency professionals;
- (d) to protect the interests of debtors, creditors and such other persons as may be specified;
- (e) to promote the growth of insolvency professional agencies for the effective resolution of insolvency and bankruptcy processes under this Code.

#### 201. Registration of insolvency professional agency. – (Reg 1-3)

(1) Every application for registration shall be made to the Board in such form and manner, containing such particulars, and accompanied by such fee, as may be specified by regulations: (Reg 4,10)

Provided that every application received by the Board shall be acknowledged within seven days of its receipt.

(2) On receipt of the application under sub-section (1), the Board may, on being satisfied that the application conforms with all requirements specified under sub-section (1), grant a certificate of registration to the applicant or else, reject, by order, such application:

Provided that no order rejecting the application shall be made without giving an opportunity of being heard to the applicant: Reg 6

Provided further that every order so made shall be communicated to the applicant within a period of fifteen days.

- (3) The Board may issue a certificate of registration to the applicant in such form and manner and subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified. Reg 5
- (4) The Board may renew the certificate of registration from time to time in such manner and on payment of such fee as may be specified. Reg 4,5
- (5) The Board may, by order, suspend or cancel the certificate of registration granted to an insolvency professional agency on any of the following grounds, namely:
  - (a) that it has obtained registration by making a false statement or misrepresentation or by any other unlawful means;
  - (b) that it has failed to comply with the requirements of the regulations made by the Board or bye-laws made by the insolvency professional agency;
    - (c) that it has contravened any of the provisions of the Act or the rules or the

regulations made thereunder;

(d) on any other ground as may be specified by regulations: Reg 7

Provided that no order shall be made under this sub-section unless the insolvency professional agency concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard: Reg 8

Provided further that no such order shall be passed by any member except whole-time members of the Board.

#### 202. Appeal to National Company Law Appellate Tribunal. -

Any insolvency professional agency which is aggrieved by the order of the Board made under section 201 may prefer an appeal to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal in such form, within such period, and in such manner, as may be specified by regulations. Reg 9

#### 203. Governing Board of insolvency professional agency. -

The Board may, for the purposes of ensuring that every insolvency professional agency takes into account the objectives sought to be achieved under this Code, make regulations to specify- Reg 5-7

- (a) the setting up of a governing board of an insolvency professional agency;
- (b) the minimum number of independent members to be onthe governing board of the insolvency professional agency; and
- (c) the number of the insolvency professionals being its members who shall be on the governing board of the insolvency professional agency.

#### 204. Functions of insolvency professional agencies. -

An insolvency professional agency shall perform the following functions, namely: -

- (a) grant membership to persons who fulfil all requirements set out in its bye-laws on payment of membership fee;
  - (b) lay down standards of professional conduct for its members;
  - (c) monitor the performance of its members;
- $(d) \ \ safeguard \ the \ rights, privileges \ and \ interests \ of \ insolvency \ professionals \ who \ \ are \ its \ members;$
- (e) suspend or cancel the membership of insolvency professionals who are its members on the grounds set out in its bye-laws;
- (f) redress the grievances of consumers against insolvency professionals who are its members; and
- (g) publish information about its functions, list of its members, performance of its members and such other information as may be specified by regulations.

#### 205. Insolvency professional agencies to make bye-laws. -

Subject to the provisions of this Code and any rules or regulations made thereunder and after obtaining the approval of the Board, every insolvency professional agency shall make bye-laws consistent with the model bye-laws specified by the Board under sub-section (2) of section 196.**Reg 3-30** 

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016

[Amended upto 04.07.2022]

IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG002.- In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 196, 201, 202, 219, and 220 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Board hereby makes the following Regulations to provide a framework for regulation of insolvency professional agencies in terms hereof, namely-

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

#### Short title and commencement.

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### Definitions.

- 2. (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -
  - (a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016;
  - (b) "control" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in section 2(27) of the Companies Act, 2013;
  - (c) "certificate of registration" means a certificate of registration granted or renewed by the Board under these Regulations;
  - (d) "net worth" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it under section 2(57) of the Companies Act, 2013.
  - (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

#### CHAPTER II REGISTRATION

#### <sup>1</sup>[ Eligibility for registration.

- 3. (1) No person shall be eligible for registration as an insolvency professional agency unless it is a company registered under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, and
  - (a)its sole object is to carry on the functions of an insolvency professional agency under the Code;
  - (b)it has bye-laws and governance structure in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016;
  - (c) it has a minimum net worth of ten crore rupees;
  - (d) it has a paid-up share capital of five crore rupees;
  - (e) it is not under the control of any person resident outside India;
  - (f)not more than forty-nine per cent. of its share capital is held, directly or indirectly, by persons resident outside India;
  - (g) it is not a subsidiary of a body corporate through more than one layer; and
  - (h)the applicant, its promoters, its directors and its shareholders are fit and proper persons.

 $^1$  Substituted vide Notification no. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG33 dated 11.10.2018 (w.e.f. 11.10.2018). Prior to substitution, it stood as -

- No person shall be eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional agency unless it is a company registered under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, and -
- (a) its sole object is to carry on the functions of an insolvency professional agency under the Code;
- (b) it has bye-laws and governance structure in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies), 2016;
- (c) it has a minimum net worth of ten crore rupees;
- (d) it has a paid-up share capital of five crore rupees,
- (e) it is not under the control of person(s) resident outside India,
- (f) not more than 49% of its share capital is held, directly or indirectly, by persons resident outside India; and
- (g) it is not a subsidiary of a body corporate through more than one layer:
   Explanation: "layer" in relation to a body corporate means its subsidiary;
- (h) itself, its promoters, its directors and persons holding more than 10% of its share capital are fit and proper persons.
  - Explanation: For determining whether a person is fit and proper under these Regulations, the Board may take account of any consideration as it deems fit, including but not limited to the following criteria-
  - (i) integrity, reputation and character,
  - (ii) absence of convictions and restraint orders, and
  - (iii) competence including financial solvency and net worth.

Explanation 1.- For the purposes of clause (g), "layer" in relation to a body corporate means its subsidiary.

Explanation 2.- For determining whether a person is fit and proper under clause (h), the Board may take into account any consideration as it deems fit, including but not limited to the following criteria, namely: -

- (i) integrity, reputation and character,
- (ii) absence of conviction and restraint orders,
- (iii) competence including financial solvency and net worth.
- (2) No person shall at any time, directly or indirectly, either individually or together with persons acting in concert, acquire or hold more than five per cent. of the paid-up equity share capital in an insolvency professional agency:

Provided that-

- (i) a stock exchange;
- (ii) a depository;
- (iii) a banking company;
- (iv) an insurance company;
- (v) a public financial institution; and
- (vi) a multilateral financial institution,

may, acquire or hold, directly or indirectly, either individually or together with persons acting in concert, up to fifteen per cent. of the paid-up equity share capital of an insolvency professional agency:

Provided further that-

- (i) the Central Government;
- (ii) a State Government; and
- (iii) a statutory regulator,

may, acquire or hold, directly or indirectly, up to hundred per cent. of the paid-up equity share capital of an insolvency professional agency.]

Application for registration or renewal thereof.

- 4. (1) A company eligible for registration as an insolvency professional agency, may make an application to the Board in Form A of the Schedule to these Regulations, along with a non-refundable application fee of ten lakh rupees.
  - (2)An insolvency professional agency who has been granted registration under Regulation 5, may six months before the expiry of such registration, make an application for renewal in Form A of the Schedule to these Regulations, along with a non-refundable application fee of five lakh rupees.
  - (3)The Board shall acknowledge an application made under this Regulation within seven days of its receipt.
  - (4)The Board shall examine the application, and give an opportunity to the applicant to remove the deficiencies, if any, in the application.
  - (5)The Board may require the applicant to submit, within reasonable time, additional documents, information or clarification that it deems fit.
  - (6)The Board may require the applicant to appear, within reasonable time, before the Board in person, or through its authorised representative for clarifications required for processing the application.

#### Grant of certificate of registration.

- 5. (1) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary and having regard to the principles specified in section 200 of the Code, that the applicant-
  - (a) is eligible under Regulation 3;
  - (b) has adequate infrastructure to perform its functions under the Code;
  - (c) has in its employment, persons having adequate professional and other relevant experience, to enable it to perform its functions under the Code; and
  - (d) has complied with the conditions of the certificate of registration, if he has submitted an application for renewal under Regulation 4(2)

it may grant or renew a certificate of registration to the applicant to carry on the activities of an insolvency professional agency in Form B of the Schedule to these Regulations, within sixty days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for removing the deficiencies, or presenting additional documents, information or clarification, or appearing in person, as the case may be.

- (2)The registration shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional agency shall -
- (a) abide by the Code, rules, regulations, and guidelines thereunder and its bye-laws;
- (b) at all times after the grant of the certificate continue to satisfy the requirements under sub-regulation (1);

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(c) pay an annual fee of five lakh rupees to the Board, within fifteen days from the date of commencement of the financial year:

Provided that no annual fee shall be payable in the financial year in which an insolvency professional agency is granted registration or renewal, as the case may be:

Provided further that without prejudice to any other action which the Board may take as permissible under the Code, any delay in payment of fee by an insolvency professional agency shall attract simple interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum until paid.

#### Illustration

(a)Where an insolvency professional agency is registered on 1st December, 2016 upon receipt of an application fee of ten lakh rupees along with the application for registration, no further fee is required to be paid for the financial year 2016-17. The annual fee of five lakh rupees becomes due on 1st April, 2017 and shall be paid by 15th April, 2017 for the financial year 2017-18. It becomes similarly due on 1st April, 2018 to be paid by 15th April, 2018, on 1st April, 2019 to be paid by 15th April, 2019, on 1st April, 2020 to be paid by 15th April, 2020 and on 1st April, 2021 to be paid by 15th April, 2021. Thereafter, the insolvency professional agency may apply for renewal of registration along with an application fee of five lakh rupees. If renewal is granted, there will be no annual fee for 2021-22.

- (b) Where the annual fee is paid on 20th April, 2017, interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum shall be paid for the delay of five days.]
- (d) seek approval of the Board when a person, other than a statutory body, seeks to hold more than ten per cent, directly or indirectly, of the share capital of the insolvency professional agency;

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Substituted vide Notification no. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG044 dated 23.07.2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019). Prior to substitution, it stood as - (c) Pay a fee of five lakh rupees to the Board, payable every year after the year in which the certificate is granted or renewed.

- (e) take adequate steps for redressal of grievances; and
- (f) abide by such other conditions as may be specified.
- (3) The certificate of registration shall be valid for a period of five years from the date of issue.

#### Procedure for rejecting application.

- 6. (1) If, after considering an application made under Regulation 4, the Board is of the prima facie opinion the registration ought not be granted or renewed, or be granted or renewed with additional conditions, it shall communicate the reasons for forming such an opinion and give the applicant an opportunity to explain why its application should be accepted, within fifteen days of the receipt of the communication from the Board, to enable it to form a final opinion.
  - (2)The communication under sub-regulation (1) shall be made to the applicant within forty five days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for removing the deficiencies, presenting additional documents, information or clarifications, or appearing in person, as the case may be.
  - (3)After considering the explanation, if any, given by the applicant under subregulation (1), the Board shall communicate its decision to-
  - (a) accept the application, along with the certificate of registration, or
  - (b)reject the application by an order, giving reasons thereof

within thirty days of receipt of explanation.

- (4)The order rejecting an application for renewal of registration shall require the insolvency professional agency to-
- (a) discharge pending obligations;
- (b) continue its functions till such time as may be specified, to enable the enrolment of its members with another insolvency professional agency; and
- (c) comply with any other directions as considered appropriate.

### CHAPTER III SURRENDER OR CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

Surrender of registration.

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- (1) An insolvency professional agency may submit an application for surrender of a certificate of registration to the Board, providing -
  - (a) the reasons for such surrender;
  - (b) the details of all the pending or on-going engagements under the Code of the insolvency professionals enrolled with it;
  - (c) details of its pending or on-going activities; and
  - (d) the manner in which it seeks to wind-up its affairs as an insolvency professional agency.
  - (2) The Board shall within seven days of receipt of the application, publish a notice of receipt of such application on its website and invite objections to the surrender of registration, to be submitted within fourteen days of the publication of the notice.
  - (3)After considering the application and the objections submitted under sub-regulation (2), if any, the Board may within thirty days from the last date of submission of objections, approve the application for surrender of registration subject to such conditions as it deems fit.
  - (4)The approval under sub-regulation (3) may require the insolvency professional agency to-
  - (a) discharge any pending obligations; or
  - (b) continue its functions till such time as may be specified, to enable the enrolment of its members with another insolvency professional agency.
  - (5) The Board, after being satisfied that the requirements of sub-regulation (4) have been complied with, shall publish a notice on its website stating that the surrender of registration by the insolvency professional agency has taken effect.

#### <sup>3</sup> Disciplinary proceedings.

 $^3$  Substituted vide Notification no. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG089 dated 04.07.2022 (w.e.f. 04.07.2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as -

#### Disciplinary proceedings.

(1)Based on the findings of an inspection or investigation, or on material otherwise available on record, if the Board is of the *prima facie* opinion that sufficient cause exists to take actions permissible under section 220, it shall issue a show-cause notice to the insolvency professional agency.

- (2) The show-cause notice shall be in writing, and shall state-
- (i) the provisions of the Code under which it has been issued;
- $(j) \quad \text{ the details of the alleged facts;} \\$

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 The disciplinary proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017.

#### Appeal.

- (k) the details of the evidence in support of the alleged facts;
- the provisions of the Code, rules, regulations or guidelines thereunder allegedly violated, or the manner in which the public interest is allegedly affected;
- (m) the actions or directions that the Board proposes to take or issue if the allegations are established;
- (n) the manner in which the insolvency professional agency is required to respond to the show-cause notice;
- (o) consequences of failure to respond to the show-cause notice; and
- (p) procedure to be followed for disposal of the show-cause notice.
- (3)The show- cause notice shall enclose copies of relevant documents and extracts of relevant portions from the report of investigation or inspection, or other records.
- (4)A show-cause notice issued shall be served on the insolvency professional agency in the following manner-
- (a) by sending it to the insolvency professional agency at its the registered office, by registered post with acknowledgement due; or
- (b) by an appropriate electronic means to the email address provided by the insolvency professional agency to the Board.
- (5) The Board shall constitute a Disciplinary Committee for disposal of the show- cause notice.
- (6)The Disciplinary Committee shall dispose of the show-cause notice assigned under (5) by a reasoned order in adherence to principles of natural justice.
- (7)The Disciplinary Committee shall endeavour to dispose of the show-cause notice within a period of six months of the assignment.
- (8)The Disciplinary Committee shall consider the submissions, if any, made by the insolvency professional agency.
- (9)After considering the relevant material facts and circumstances and material on record, the Disciplinary Committee shall dispose of the show-cause notice by a reasoned order.
- (10) The order in disposal of as how-cause notice may provide for-
- (a) no action;
- (b) warning;
- (c) any of the actions under section 220(2) to (4); or
- (d) a reference to the Board to take any action under section 220(5).
- (11) The order passed under sub-regulation (10) shall not become effective until thirty days have elapsed from the date of issue of the order unless the Disciplinary Committee states otherwise in the order along with the reason for the same.
- (12)The order passed under sub-regulation (10) shall be issued to the insolvency professional agency immediately, and published on the website of the Board.
- (13)If the order passed under sub-regulation (10) suspends or cancels the registration of the insolvency professional agency, the Disciplinary Committee shall require the insolvency professional agency to-
- (a) discharge pending obligations;
- (b) continue its functions till such time as may be specified, to enable the enrolment of its members with another insolvency professional agency; and
- (c) comply with any other directions as considered appropriate.

 An appeal may be preferred under section 202 of the Code, within a period of thirty days of receipt the impugned order in the manner prescribed in Part III of the National Company Law Tribunal Rules, 2016.

#### <u>CHAPTER IV</u> <u>IN-PRINCIPLE APPROVAL</u>

#### Grant of in-principle approval.

- 10. (1) Any person who seeks to establish an insolvency professional agency may make an application for an in-principle approval, demonstrating that the conditions in subregulation (2) are satisfied, along with a non-refundable application fee of ten lakh rupees.
  - (2) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary, that
  - (a) the applicant is a fit and proper person; and
  - (b) the proposed or existing company which may receive registration would be able to meet the requirements for grant of registration under Regulation 5(1),

it may grant in-principle approval which shall be valid for a period not exceeding one year and be subject to such conditions as it deems fit.

(3)During the validity of in-principle approval, the company referred to sub-regulation 2(b) may make an application for a certificate of registration as an insolvency professional agency to the Board in accordance with Regulation 4(1), but shall not be required to pay the application fees for registration.

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### FORM A

#### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

(Under Regulation 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016)

To
The Chairperson
The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
[Insert address]

From

[Name and address]

Subject: Application for grant or renewal of certificate of registration as insolvency professional agency

#### Madam/Sir,

- 1. I, being duly authorized for the purpose, hereby apply on behalf of [name and address of the applicant] for
  - (a) grant of certificate of registration as insolvency professional agency, or
  - (b) renewal of certificate of registration as insolvency professional agency,

and enclose a copy of the board resolution authorizing me to make this application and correspond with the Board in this respect.

- Copies of the memorandum of association, articles of association and the bye-laws, as applicable, of the applicant are enclosed.
- 3. I, on behalf of [insert name], affirm that the applicant is eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional agency.
- 4. I, on behalf of [insert name], hereby affirm that
  - (a) all information contained in this application is true and correct in all material respects,

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- (b) no material information relevant for the purpose of this application has been suppressed, and
- (c) registration granted or renewed in pursuance of this application may be cancelled summarily if any information submitted is found to be false or misleading in material respects at any stage.
- 5. If granted registration, I, on behalf of [insert name],undertake to comply with the requirements of the Code, the rules, regulations or guidelines issued thereunder, and such other conditions and terms as may be contained in the certificate of registration or be specified or imposed by the Board subsequently.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-Authorized Signatory (Name) (Designation)

Date :

#### ANNEXURE TO FORM A

#### PART I GENERAL

- 1. Name of the applicant.
- $2. \quad \text{Address of registered office and principal place of business of the applicant.} \\$
- 3. Corporate Identification Number (CIN).
- 4. PAN.
- 5. Name, designation and contact details of the person authorized to make this application and correspond with the Board in this respect.

#### PART II MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION, ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND BYE-LAWS

6. Please state if the memorandum of association, articles of association and bye-laws provide for all matters as required in, and are consistent with the Insolvency and

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Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016, and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016.

(Yes/No)

 Please specify the clause number of the provisions of the bye-laws which are in addition to the provisions of the model bye-laws specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016 (if any).

# PART III SHAREHOLDING AND FINANCIAL STRENGTH

 Please provide details of the persons holding more than <sup>4</sup>[5%], directly or indirectly, of the share capital of the applicant.

Sl.	Name	and	PAN / Pass	sport No	and	Percentage		of
No.	address of	the	country	of	issue/	shareholding	in	the
	shareholder		company	regi	stration	applicant com	pany	and/
			number			or holding com	pany	

- Do persons resident outside India in aggregate hold more than 49% of the share capital of the applicant? Please provide details.
- 10. Who exercises control over the applicant? Please provide details.
- 11. Do persons resident outside India exercise control over the management or policy decisions of the applicant? If so, please provide details.
- 12. Please provide audited financial statements of:
  - (a) a company holding more than 10% of the share capital of the applicant (if any),
  - (b) a company who is in control of the applicant (if any),
  - (c) promoter company (if any),
  - (d) the applicant,

of the last three years or from the date of incorporation of the company, whichever is

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Substituted vide Notification no. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG33 dated 11.10.2018 (w.e.f. 11.10.2018). Prior to substitution, it stood as - 10%.

13. Please provide any other information to demonstrate that the persons holding more than <sup>5</sup>[5%] of the share capital of the company, and the promoters of the company are fit and proper persons.

# PART IV DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

14. Please state the details of the applicant's Board of Directors:

Sl. No.	Name and address of the	DIN and	Details of any pending or			
	director	PAN	concluded criminal			
			proceedings against the directors			

- 15. Please provide any other information to demonstrate that the directors are fit and proper persons.
- 16. Please provide number of employees, category-wise.

#### PART V INFRASTRUCTURE

- 17. Please state the infrastructure the applicant currently has and proposes to have to enable it to discharge its functions as an insolvency professional agency, including:
  - (a) the number and locations of offices,
  - (b) infrastructure in respect of enrolment, monitoring, grievance redressal and disciplinary proceedings,
  - (c) IT and other computer facilities, and
  - (d) library and training facilities.

#### PART VI COMPLIANCE

[For applications for renewal of registration]

18. Please provide details of the insolvency professional agency's compliance with the conditions of its certificate of registration.

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 $<sup>^5</sup>$  Substituted vide Notification no. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG33 dated 11.10.2018 (w.e.f. 11.10.2018). Prior to substitution, it stood as -10%.

- 19. Please provide details of the insolvency professional agency's compliance with the Board's requirements in respect of reporting.
- 20. Please provide details of any grievance redressal proceedings instituted against the insolvency professional agency or by it under its bye-laws, any regulations of the Board or the Code.

Please provide any other details you consider relevant in support of the application.

Sd/-Authorized Signatory (Name) (Designation)

Date : Place :

#### **SCHEDULE**

#### FORM B

#### THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA

#### CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION NO. \_

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby grants/ renews this certificate of registration to/of [insert name and address] to act as an insolvency professional agency in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

The certificate of registration shall be valid from [insert start date] to [insert end date] and may be renewed.

Sd/(Name and Designation)
(For and on behalf of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India)

Place : Date :

Dr. M. S. Sahoo Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (MODEL BYE- LAWS AND GOVERNING BOARD OF INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AGENCIES) REGULATIONS, 2016<sup>1</sup>

[Amended upto 31-10-2022]

**IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG001.-** In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 196, 203 and 205 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby makes the following Regulations, namely -

#### <u>CHAPTER I</u> PRELIMINARY

#### Short title and commencement.

- (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

#### Definitions.

- 2. (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - <sup>2</sup>[(a) "Board" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established under section 188 of the Code;]
  - <sup>3</sup>[(aa) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);]
  - (b) "Governing Board" means the Board of Directors, as defined under section 2(10) of Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), of the company registered as an insolvency professional agency;
  - (c)"model bye-laws" means the model bye-laws as contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.

 $<sup>^1</sup>Vide\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG001,\ dated\ 21^{st}November,\ 2016,\ published\ in\ Gazette\ of\ India,\ Extraordinary,\ Part\ III,\ Sec.4,\ vide\ No.\ 421,\ dated\ 22^{nd}\ November,\ 2016\ (w.e.f.\ 22.11.2016).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG35, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11-10-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Renumbered by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG35, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11-10-2018). Before renumbered, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(a) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016)."

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

#### CHAPTER II BYE LAWS

#### Insolvency professional agencies to have Bye-Laws.

- 3. (1) A company shall submit to the Board its bye-laws along with the application for its registration as an insolvency professional agency.
  - (2) The bye-laws shall provide for all matters specified in the model bye-laws.
  - (3) The bye-laws shall at all times be consistent with the model bye-laws.
  - (4)The insolvency professional agency shall publish its bye-laws, the composition of all committees formed, and all policies created under the bye-laws on its website.

#### Amendment of Bye-Laws.

- 4. (1) The Governing Board may amend the bye-laws by a resolution passed by votes in favour being not less than three times the number of the votes, if any, cast against the resolution, by the directors.
  - (2)A resolution passed in accordance with sub-regulation(1) shall be filed with the Board within seven days from the date of its passing, for its approval.
  - (3)The amendments to the bye-laws shall come into effect on the seventh day of the receipt of the approval, unless otherwise specified by the Board.
  - (4) The insolvency professional agency shall file a printed copy of the amended bye-laws with the Board within fifteen days from the date when such amendment is made effective.

#### CHAPTERIII **GOVERNING BOARD**

#### Composition of the Governing Board.

- <sup>4</sup>[5. Composition of the Governing Board.-(1) The Governing Board shall consist of-
  - (a) managing director;
  - (b) independent directors; and
  - (c) shareholder directors:

Provided that the Governing Board shall have minimum seven directors.

- (2) The managing director shall not be considered either an independent director or a shareholder director.
- (3) Any employee of an insolvency professional agency may be appointed as a director on its Governing Board in addition to the managing director, but such director shall be deemed to be a shareholder director.
- (4) More than half of the directors shall be persons resident in India at the time of their appointment, and at all times during their tenure as directors.
- <sup>5</sup>[(4A) A shareholder director shall be an individual, who satisfies the eligibility norms, including experience and qualification, as decided by the Governing Board.]

(5) An independent director shall be an individual-

- (a) who is a person of ability and integrity;
- (b) who has expertise in the field of finance, law, management or insolvency.
- (c) who is not an insolvency professional;
- (d) who is not a relative of the directors of the Governing Board;
- who had or has no pecuniary relationship with the insolvency professional agency, or any of its directors, or any of its shareholders holding more than ten percent of its share capital, during the two immediately preceding financial years or during the current financial year;
- who is not a shareholder of the insolvency professional agency;
- who is not a member of a governing council of any of the shareholders holding more than ten percent of the share capital of the insolvency professional agency; and
- (6) The directors shall elect an independent director as the Chairperson of the Governing Board.

Explanation - For the purposes of this Regulation, any fraction contained in

'more than half' shall be rounded off to the next higher number; and

(a) 'not more than one- fourth' shall be rounded down to the next lower number."

 $^5$ Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-2021/GN/REG068,dated 14th January, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-01-2021). Page 3 of 25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG35, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11-10-2018). Regulation 5, before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;5.(1) The Governing Board shall have a minimum of seven directors.

<sup>(2)</sup>More than half of the directors shall be persons resident in India at the time of their appointment, and at all times during their tenure as directors.

<sup>(3)</sup> Not more than one fourth of the directors shall be insolvency professionals.

<sup>(4)</sup>More than half of the directors shall be independent directors at the time of their appointment, and at all times during their tenure as directors:

Provided that no meeting of the Governing Board shall be held without the presence of at least one independent director.

- (5) The number of independent directors shall not be less than the number of shareholder directors:
  - Provided that no meeting of the Governing Board shall be held without the presence of at least one independent director.
- (6) An independent director shall be an individual-
  - (a) who is a person of ability and integrity;
  - <sup>6</sup>[(b) who has expertise in the field of finance, law, economics, accountancy, valuation, management or insolvency;]
  - (c) who is not an insolvency professional;
  - (d) who is not a relative of the directors of the Governing Board;
  - (e) who had or has no pecuniary relationship with the insolvency professional agency, or any of its directors, or any of its shareholders holding more than ten per cent. of its share capital, during the immediately preceding two financial years or during the current financial year;
  - (f) who is not a shareholder of the insolvency professional agency;
  - (g)who is not a member of the Board of Directors of any of the shareholders holding more than ten percent. of the share capital of the insolvency professional agency.
- (7) An independent director shall be nominated by the Board from amongst the list of names proposed by the insolvency professional agency.
- (8) An individual may serve as an independent director for a maximum of two terms of three years each or part thereof, or up to the age of <sup>7</sup>[seventy-five years], whichever is earlier.
- (9) The second term referred to in sub-regulation (8) may be subject to a satisfactory performance review of the first term by the Governing Board.
- (10) A cooling off period of three years shall be applicable for an independent director to become a shareholder director in the same or another insolvency professional agency.
- (11) Not more than one fourth of the directors shall be insolvency professionals.
- (12)The directors shall elect an independent director as the Chairperson of the Governing Board.
- (13)A director, who has, any interest, direct or indirect, pecuniary or otherwise, in any matter coming up for consideration at a meeting of the Governing Board or any of its Committees, shall as soon as possible after relevant circumstances have come to his knowledge, disclose the nature of his interest at such meeting and such disclosure shall be recorded in the proceedings of the Governing Board or the Committee, as the case may be, and the director shall not take part in any deliberation or decision of the Governing Board or the Committee with respect to that matter.

<sup>°</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-2021/GN/REG068 dated 14th January, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-01-2021). The words before substitution stood as "who has expertise in the field of finance, law, management or insolvency;" 'Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043 dated 23rd July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23-07-2019). The words before substitution stood as "seventy years".

<sup>8</sup>[(14) A director shall disclose any order of any authority that affects his character or reputation, to the insolvency professional agency, within one week of issue of such order: Provided that a copy of the order shall be placed forthwith on the website of the insolvency professional agency;

Provided further that such director shall forthwith cease to be a director of the insolvency professional agency where the order disqualifies him to be a director of a company.]

- **5A. Managing director.**-(1) An insolvency professional agency shall, subject to the guidelines issued by the Board from time to time, determine the qualification and experience, manner of appointment, terms and conditions of appointment and other procedural formalities associated with the selection and appointment of the managing director, subject to the condition that-
- (a)an individual shall be selected as managing director through an open advertisement in all editions of at least one national daily newspaper;
- (b) an individual at the time joining as managing director shall not be above the age of fifty-five years, which may be relaxed by the Governing Board up to sixty years, after recording reasons therefor; and
- (c)an individual shall not serve as managing director after he attains the age of sixty-five years.
- (2) The appointment of an individual as the managing director shall be for a tenure of not less than three years but not exceeding five years.
- (3) An individual may serve as managing director for a maximum of two terms.
- (4)The process of appointment for the second term of an individual asmanaging director shall be conducted afresh.
- (5)The appointment and remuneration payable to the managing director shall be approved by a compensation committee constituted by the Governing Board.
- (6)The appointment, renewal of appointment and termination of service of the managing director shall be subject to prior approval of the Board.
- (7)The managing director shall be liable for removal or termination of services by the Governing Board, with the prior approval of the Board, for failure to give effect to the directions, guidelines and other orders issued by the Governing Board or the Board, or the rules, the articles of association or bye-laws of the insolvency professional agency or on the ground of misconduct or incapacity to continue in office.
- (8)The Board may *suo motu* remove or terminate the services of the managing director, if it deems fit, in the interest of stakeholders of the insolvency resolution process or in the public interest, after giving a reasonable opportunity of being heard.
- (9) The managing director shall be an *ex-officio* member of Membership Committee, Monitoring Committee, Grievance Redressal Committee and Disciplinary Committee.

 $<sup>^8</sup> Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2020-2021/GN/REG068\ dated\ 14^{th} January,\ 2021\ (w.e.f.\ 14-01-2021).$ 

**5B. Compliance.** -Every insolvency professional agency registered as on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018, shall comply with regulations 5 and 5A within one year from the date of such commencement.]

#### <sup>9</sup>[6.Self-evaluation.

- (1) The Governing Board shall evaluate its performance in a financial year within three months of the closure of the year, in the manner decided by it.
- (2) The insolvency professional agency shall publish a report on self-evaluation referred to in sub-regulation (1) on its website.

#### 7. Compliance Officer.

- (1)An insolvency professional agency shall designate or appoint a compliance officer who shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Code and regulations, circulars, guidelines, and directions issued thereunder.
- (2)The compliance officer shall, immediately and independently, report to the Board any non-compliance of the provisions referred to in sub-regulation (1).
- <sup>10</sup>[(3) The compliance officer shall submit to the Board, a compliance certificate annually in the format issued by the Board, verifying that the insolvency professional agency has complied with the provisions referred to in sub-regulation (1):

Provided that the annual compliance certificate shall also be signed by the managing director of the insolvency professional agency.]

(4) The Governing Board shall appoint or remove the compliance officer only by means of a resolution passed in its meeting.]

 $<sup>^9</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/Notification No. IBBI/2020-2021/GN/REG068 dated 14th January, 2021 (w.e.f. 14-01-2021).  $^{10}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG101 dated 31st October, 2022 (w.e.f. 31-10-2022). The

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG101 dated 31st October, 2022 (w.e.f. 31-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "(3) The compliance officer shall submit a compliance certificate to the Board annually, verifying that the insolvency professional agency has complied with the provisions referred to in subregulation (1):

Provided that the annual compliance certificate shall also be signed by the managing director of the insolvency professional agency.".

#### **SCHEDULE**

# MODEL BYE-LAWS OF AN INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AGENCY [Under Regulation 3 read with Regulation 2(1)(c)]

#### I. GENERAL

1.	The name of the Insolvency Professional Agency is " " (hereinafter referred to as the	;
	Agency').	

- 2. The Agency is registered as a company under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 with its registered office situated at \_\_\_\_\_\_ [provide full address].
- These bye-laws may not be amended, except in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016.

#### II. DEFINITIONS

4. (1) In these bye-laws, unless the context otherwise requires -

- <sup>11</sup>[(a) "assignment" means any assignment of an insolvency professional as interim resolution professional, resolution professional, liquidator, bankruptcy trustee, authorised representative or in any other role under the Code;
- (aa) "authorisation for assignment" means an authorisation to undertake an assignment, issued by an insolvency professional agency to an insolvency professional, who is its professional member, in accordance with its bye-laws;
- (ab) "certificate of membership" means the certificate of membership of the Agency granted under bye-law 10;]
- (b) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
- (c)"Governing Board" means the Board of Directors of the Agency as defined under section 2(10) of Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- (d) "professional member" means an insolvency professional who has been enrolled as such, in accordance with Part VI of these bye-laws;
- (e) "relative" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in section 2(77) of the Companies Act, 2013.

 $<sup>^{11}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated  $23^{rd} July,\ 2019$  (w.e.f. 23-07-2019). Item (a), before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&#</sup>x27;(a) "certificate of membership" means the certificate of membership of the Agency granted under bye-law 10;"

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these bye-laws shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

#### III. OBJECTIVES

- 5. (1) The Agency shall carry on the functions of the insolvency professional agency under the Code, and functions incidental thereto.
  - (2) The Agency shall not carry on any function other than those specified in sub-clause (1), or which is inconsistent with the discharge of its functions as an insolvency professional agency.

#### IV. DUTIES OF THE AGENCY

- 6. (1) The Agency shall maintain high ethical and professional standards in the regulation of its professional members.
  - (2) The Agency shall -
    - (a) ensure compliance with the Code and rules, regulations and guidelines issued thereunder governing the conduct of insolvency professional agencies and insolvency professionals;
  - (b) employ fair, reasonable, just, and non-discriminatory practices for the enrolment and regulation of its professional members;
  - (c) be accountable to the Board in relation to all bye-laws and directions issued to its professional members;
  - (d) develop the profession of insolvency professionals;
  - (e) promote continuous professional development of its professional members;
  - (f) continuously improve upon its internal regulations and guidelines to ensure that high standards of professional and ethical conduct are maintained by its professional members; and
  - (g) provide information about its activities to the Board.

<sup>12</sup>[(3) The Agency shall-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG101 dated 31st October, 2022 (w.e.f. 31-10-2022).

(a)facilitate receipt of relationship disclosures from its professional members in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;

(b) disseminate the disclosures on its website in the following format, within three working days of the receipt of the disclosures from its professional member:

#### DISCLOSURE OF RELATIONSHIP BY AN INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL

Disclosures by the insolvency professionals and other professionals appointed by the insolvency professionals conducting resolution processes of ..... (name of the corporate debtor)

Insolvency	Name	Professi	Per	Relationship with						
profession al / other profession al engaged by the insolvency profession al	of profess ional	onal member ship number	man ent acco unt num ber (PA N)	Inter im resol ution profe ssion al / resol ution profe ssion al	Other professio nal (registere d valuer / accounta nt / advocate / any other profession al)	Corpo rate debtor	Name of financi al credito r (s)	Interi m financ e provid er(s)	Name of prospect ive resolutio n applican t(s)	
Interim resolution profession al / resolution profession al				NA						
Registere dvaluer					NA					
Accountan t					NA		A			
Advocate					NA					
Any other profession al (write kind of profession )					NA					

#### Notes:

(i) NA: Not Applicable.

(ii)Additional rows and columns to be inserted, as required, where there are more than one professional, financial creditor, interim finance provider or prospective resolution applicant.

- (iii) Where an accountant has relationship of kind A with a financial creditor, relevant cell will display 'A', as indicated in the above table. One may click on 'A' to find details of relationship.
- (c) ensure receipt of confirmation from its professional member to the effect that the appointment of every other professional has been made at arm's length relationship.]

#### V. COMMITTEES OF THE AGENCY

#### **Advisory Committee of Professional Members.**

- (1) The Governing Board may form an Advisory Committee of professional members of the Agency to advise it on any matters pertaining to-
  - (h) the development of the profession;
  - (i) standards of professional and ethical conduct; and
  - (j) best practices in respect of insolvency resolution, liquidation and bankruptcy.
  - (2) The Advisory Committee may meet at such places and times as the Governing Board may provide.

#### Other Committees of the Agency.

- 8. (1) The Governing Board shall constitute-
  - (a) one or more Membership Committee(s) consisting of such members as it deems fit;
  - (b) a Monitoring Committee consisting of such members as it deems fit;
  - (c) one or more Grievance Redressal Committee(s), with not less than three members, at least one of whom shall be a professional member of the Agency;
  - (d) one or more Disciplinary Committee(s) consisting of at least one member nominated by the Board.
  - (2) The Chairperson of each of these Committees shall be an independent director of the Agency.

#### VI. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Eligibility for Enrolment.

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9. (1) No individual shall be enrolled as a professional member if he is not eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional with the Board:

Provided that the Governing Board may provide additional eligibility requirements for enrolment:

*Provided* further that such additional requirements shall not discriminate on the grounds of religion, race, caste, gender, place of birth or professional affiliation.

<sup>13</sup>[(2) No insolvency professional entity, recognised by the Board under regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016, shall be enrolled as a professional member if it is not eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional with the Board.]

#### **Process of Enrolment as Professional Member.**

- 10. (1) <sup>14</sup>[An individual or an insolvency professional entity recognised by the Board under regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016] may apply for enrolment as a professional member by submitting an application in such form, in such manner and with such fees as may be specified by the Agency.
  - (2)The Agency shall examine the application in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Code, and rules, regulations and guidelines thereunder.
  - (3)On examination of the application, the Agency shall give an opportunity to the applicant to remove the deficiencies, if any, in the application.
  - (4)The Agency may require an applicant to submit additional documents, information or clarification that it deems fit, within reasonable time.
  - (5)The Agency may reject an application if the applicant does not satisfy the criteria for enrolment or does not remove the deficiencies or submit additional documents or information to its satisfaction, for reasons recorded in writing.
  - (6)The rejection of the application shall be communicated to the applicant stating the reasons for such rejection, within thirty days of the receipt of the application, excluding the time given for removing the deficiencies or presenting additional documents or clarification by the Agency, as the case may be.

 $<sup>^{13}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100\;dated\;3^{rd}October,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;03-10-2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "an individual".

(7) The acceptance of the application shall be communicated to the applicant, along with a certificate of membership in Form A of the Annexure to these bye-laws.

(8)An applicant aggrieved of a decision rejecting 15[its]application may appeal to the Membership Committee of the Agency within thirty days from the receipt of such decision.

(9)The Membership Committee shall pass an order disposing of the appeal in the manner it deems expedient, within thirty days of the receipt of the appeal.

#### Professional Membership Fee.

11. The Agency may require the professional members to pay a fixed sum of money as its annual membership fee.

#### Register of Professional Members.

- 12. (1) The Agency shall maintain a register of its professional members, containing their-
  - (a) name;
  - (b) proof of identity;
  - (c) contact details;
  - (d) address;
  - (e) date of enrolment and professional membership number;
  - (f) date of registration with the Board and registration number;

 $^{16}$ [(fa) date of issue, renewal, suspension, revocation of suspension, cancellation and acceptance of surrender of authorisation for assignment and authorisation number;]

<sup>17</sup>[(fb) details of the partners or directors, as the case may be, where the professional member is an insolvency professional entity,]

(g) details of grievances pending against 18[it] with the Agency;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

l6Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated 23rd July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23-07-2019).

words before substitution stood as "him".

- (h) details of disciplinary proceedings pending against 19[it] with the Agency; and
- (i) details of orders passed against <sup>20</sup>[it] by the Board or Disciplinary Committee of the Agency.
- (2)The records relating to a professional member shall be made available for inspection to-
- (a) the Board,
- (b) the Adjudicating Authority,
- (c) the committee of creditors in a corporate insolvency resolution process where the professional member has been appointed as an interim resolution professional, or
- (d) any other person who has obtained the consent of the member for such inspection.

#### <sup>21</sup>[12A. Authorisation for Assignment.

- (1) The Agency, on an application by its professional member, may issue or renew an authorisation for assignment.
- (2) A professional member shall be eligible to obtain an authorisation for assignment, if <sup>22</sup>[the professional member]-
  - (a) is registered with the Board as an insolvency professional;
  - (b) is a fit and proper person in terms of the *Explanation* to clause (g) of regulation 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
  - (c) is not in employment;
  - (d)is not debarred by any direction or order of the Agency or the Board;
  - (e) has not attained the age of seventy years;
  - (f) has no disciplinary proceeding pending against <sup>23</sup>[it] before the Agency or the Board;
  - (g)complies with requirements, as on the date of application, with respect to-
    - (i) payment of fee to the Agency and the Board;
    - (ii) filings and disclosures to the Agency and the Board;
    - (iii) continuous professional education; and

 $^{19}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "him".

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "him"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "he".

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(iv) other requirements, as stipulated under the Code, regulations, circulars, directions or guidelines issued by the Agency and the Board, from time to time.

<sup>24</sup>[Provided that the item (c), item (e) and item (g)(iii) shall not be applicable for a professional member, which is an insolvency professional entity registered as an insolvency professional.]

- (3) An application for issue or renewal of anauthorisation for assignment, shall be in such form, manner and with such fee, as may be provided by the Agency:
- Provided that an application for renewal of anauthorisation for assignment shall be made any time before the date of expiry of the authorisation, but not earlier than forty-five days before the date of expiry of the authorisation.
- (4) The Agency shall consider the application in accordance with the bye-laws and either issue or renew, as the case may be, an authorisation for assignment to the professional member in Form B or reject the application with a reasoned order.
- (5) If the authorisation for assignment is not issued, renewed or rejected by the Agency within fifteen days of the date of receipt of application, the authorisation shall be deemed to have been issued or renewed, as the case may be, by the Agency.
  - <sup>25</sup>[Provided that, for an application received on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye- Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 and ending on the 30th September 2020, if the authorisation for assignment is not issued, renewed or rejected by the Agency within thirty days of the date of receipt of application, the authorisation shall be deemed to have been issued or renewed, as the case may be, by the Agency.]
  - <sup>26</sup> [Provided further that, for an application received on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2021 and ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021, if the authorisation for assignment is not issued, renewed or rejected by the Agency within thirty days of the date of receipt of application, the authorisation shall be deemed to have been issued or renewed, as the case may be, by the Agency.]
- (6) An authorisation for assignment issued or renewed by the Agency shall be valid for a period of one year from the date of its issuance or renewal, as the case may be, or till the date on which the professional member attains the age of seventy years, whichever is earlier.

 $<sup>^{24}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100\;dated\;3^{rd}\,October,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;03-10-2022).$ 

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG058, dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 28.03.2020).
 <sup>26</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG074, dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).

(7) An applicant aggrieved of an order of rejection of <sup>27</sup>[its]application by the Agency may appeal to the Membership Committee within <sup>28</sup>[fifteen days] from the date of receipt of the order.

<sup>29</sup>[Provided that, where an application for issue of authorisation for assignment has been rejected by an insolvency professional agency, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye- Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 and ending on the 30th September, 2020, the applicant aggrieved of an order of rejection may appeal to the Membership Committee within thirty days from the date of receipt of order.]

 $^{30}\mbox{[Provided further that, where an application for issue of authorisation for assignment}$ has been rejected by an insolvency professional agency, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2021 and ending on the 31st October, 2021, the applicant aggrieved of an order of rejection may appeal to the Membership Committee within thirty days from the date of receipt of order.]

(8) The Membership Committee shall pass an order disposing of the appeal by a reasoned order, within fifteen days of the date of receipt of the appeal.]

#### VII. DUTIES OF MEMBERS

- 13. (1) In the performance of <sup>31</sup>[its] functions, a professional member shall-
  - (a) act in good faith in discharge of <sup>32</sup>[its] duties as an insolvency professional;
  - (b) endeavour to maximize the value of assets of the debtor;
  - (c) discharge <sup>33</sup>[its] functions with utmost integrity and objectivity;
  - (d) be independent and impartial;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG074, dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021). The words before substitution stood as "seven days".

<sup>29</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG058, dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 (w.e.f. 28.03.2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG074, dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).
<sup>31</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>33</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3rd October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

- (e) discharge <sup>34</sup>[its] functions with the highest standards of professional competence and professional ethics;
- (f) continuously upgrade 35[its] professional expertise;
- (g) perform duties as quickly and efficiently as reasonable, subject to the timelines under the Code;
- (h) comply with applicable laws in the performance of <sup>36</sup>[its] functions; and
- (i) maintain confidentiality of information obtained in the course of <sup>37</sup>[its] professional activities unless required to disclose such information by law.
- 14. The Agency shall have a Code of Conduct that shall be consistent with, and that shall provide for all matters in the Code of Conduct as specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

#### VIII. MONITORING OF MEMBERS

- 15. The Agency shall have a Monitoring Policy to monitor the professional activities and conduct of professional members for their adherence to the provisions of the Code, rules, regulations and guidelines issued thereunder, these bye-laws, the Code of Conduct and directions given by the Governing Board.
- 16. A professional member shall submit information, including records of ongoing and concluded engagements as an insolvency professional, in the manner and format specified by the Agency, at least twice a year.
- 17. The Monitoring Committee shall review the information and records submitted by the professional members in accordance with the Monitoring Policy.
- 18. The Monitoring Policy shall provide for the following -
  - (a) the frequency of monitoring;
  - (b) the manner and format of submission or collection of information and records of the professional members, including by way of inspection;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{35}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{36}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $^{3rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

- (c) the obligations of professional members to comply with the Monitoring Policy;
- (d) the use, analysis and storage of information and records;
- (e) evaluation of performance of members; and
- (f) any other matters that may be specified by the Governing Board.
- 19. The Monitoring Policy shall -
  - (a) have due regard for the privacy of members,
  - (b) provide for confidentiality of information received, except when disclosure of information is required by the Board or by law, and
  - (c) be non-discriminatory.
- 20. The Agency shall submit a report to the Board in the manner specified by the Board with information collected during monitoring, including information pertaining to -
  - (a) the details of the appointments made under the Code,
  - (b) the transactions conducted with stakeholders during the period of <sup>38</sup>[its]appointment;
  - (c) the transactions conducted with third parties during the period of <sup>39</sup> [its] appointment; and
  - (d) the outcome of each appointment.

#### IX. GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL MECHANISM

- 21. (1) The Agency shall have a Grievance Redressal Policy providing the procedure for receiving, processing, redressing and disclosing grievances against the Agency or any professional member of the Agency by-
  - (a) any professional member of the Agency;
  - (b) any person who has engaged the services of the concerned professional members of the Agency; or

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

- (c) any other person or class of persons as may be provided by the Governing Board.
- (2) The Grievance Redressal Committee, after examining the grievance, may-
  - (a) dismiss the grievance if it is devoid of merit; or
- (b) initiate a mediation between parties for redressal of grievance.
- (3)The Grievance Redressal Committee shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee, wherever the grievance warrants disciplinary action.
- 22. The Grievance Redressal Policy shall provide for-
  - (a) the format and manner for filing grievances;
  - (b) maximum time and format for acknowledging receipt of a grievance;
  - (c) maximum time for the disposal of the grievance by way of dismissal, reference to the Disciplinary Committee or the initiation of mediation;
  - (d) details of the mediation mechanism
  - (e) provision of a report of the grievance and mediation proceedings to the parties to the grievance upon dismissal or resolution of the grievance;
  - (f) action to be taken in case of malicious or false complaints;
  - (g) maintenance of a register of grievances made and resolutions arrived at; and
  - (h) periodic review of the Grievance Redressal Mechanism.

#### X. DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

- The Agency may initiate disciplinary proceedings by issuing a show-cause notice against professional members-
  - (a) based on a reference made by the Grievances Redressal Committee;
  - (b) based on monitoring of professional members;
  - (c) following the directions given by the Board or any court of law; or
  - (d) suo moto, based on any information received by it.

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<sup>40</sup>[23A. The authorisation for assignment shall stand suspended upon initiation of disciplinary proceedings by the Agency or by the Board, as the case may be.]

<sup>41</sup> [Explanation.- A disciplinary proceeding shall be considered as pending against the professional member from the date he has been issued a show cause notice by the Agency or the Board, as the case may be, till its disposal by the Disciplinary Committee of the Agency or the Board, as the case may be.]

- 24. (1) The Agency shall have a Disciplinary Policy, which shall provide for the following-
  - (a) the manner in which the Disciplinary Committee may ascertain facts;
  - (b) the issue of show-cause notice based on the facts;
  - (c) disposal of show-cause notice by a reasoned order, following principles of natural justice;
  - (d) timelines for different stages of disposal of show cause notice; and
  - (e) rights and obligations of the parties to the proceedings.
  - (2) The orders that may be passed by the Disciplinary Committee shall include-
  - (a) expulsion of the professional member;
  - (b) suspension of the professional member for a certain period of time;
  - <sup>42</sup>[(ba) cancellation of authorisation for assignment;]
  - (c) admonishment of the professional member;

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(d) imposition of monetary penalty as per Table below:

Sl.	Contraction	Monetary Penalty
No.		
1.	Fails to submit disclosures, returns, etc. to	Up to ₹1,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is
	Agency or submits inadequate or incorrect	higher, subject to a minimum ₹50,000.
	disclosures, returns, etc., relating to any	

 $<sup>^{40}\,</sup>Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated\,\,23^{rd}July,\,2019\,(w.e.f.\,23-07-2019).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG101 dated 31st October, 2022 (w.e.f. 31-10-2022).

 $<sup>^{42}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated\;23^{rd}\,July,\;2019\;(w.e.f.\;23-07-2019).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG101 dated 31st October, 2022 (w.e.f. 31-10-2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "(d) imposition of monetary penalty;"

	assignment, as required under the Code and Regulations made thereunder or bye-laws of the Agency or called upon by the Board or the Agency.	
2.	Accepts an assignment having conflict of interests with the stakeholders.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
3.	Fails to maintain records properly relating to any of his assignments.	Up to ₹1,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹50,000.
4.	Rejects a claim(s) without giving any proper reason while undertaking an assignment or fails to exercise due diligence in claim verification.	
5.	Fails to comply with directions issued by Adjudicating Authority or the Appellate Authority.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
6.	Outsources his duties and obligations.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
7.	Fails to appoint registered valuers, wherever required, under the Code or Regulations made thereunder, for conducting valuation.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
8.	Fails to supply the information called for or to comply with the requirements of information sought by the Agency, Board, Adjudicating Authority or the Appellate Authority or does not cooperate with the inspection or investigating authority.	
9.	Fails to make public announcement in the manner provided for in the relevant Regulations.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
10.	Fails to provide notice regarding meetings of creditors.	Up to ₹1,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹50,000.
11.	Fails to reject resolution plan from ineligible resolution applicants.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
12.	Fails to take action in respect of preferential, undervalued, fraudulent or extortionate credit transactions.	Up to ₹2,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹1,00,000.
13.	Enters into contract or agreement with professionals in an incomplete and improper manner.	Up to ₹1,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹50,000.
14.	Contravenes any provision of the bye-laws, or regulations for which no specific penalty has been provided.	Up to ₹1,00,000 or 25% of fee, whichever is higher, subject to a minimum ₹50,000.

- (e) reference of the matter to the Board, which may include, in appropriate cases, recommendation of the amount of restitution or compensation that may be enforced by the Board; and
- (f) directions relating to costs.
- (3)The Disciplinary Committee may pass an order for expulsion of a professional member if it has found that the professional member has committed-
  - (a) an offence under any law for the time being in force, punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months, or an offence involving moral turpitude;
- (b) a gross violation of the Code, rules, regulations and guidelines issued thereunder, bye-laws or directions given by the Governing Board which renders him not a fit and proper person to continue acting as an insolvency professional.

Explanation: The violations referred to in sub-clause (b) include-

- making a false representation or indulging in fraud for the purpose of obtaining creditors' approval under sections 28, 31, 111or153 of the Code;
- (ii) contravening provisions of the Code in a manner which is actionable in accordance with sections 70(2) or 185 of the Code;
- (iii) knowingly or wilfully committing or authorizing or permitting contravention of sections 14, 96, 101 or 124 of the Code;
- (iv) contravening provisions of the Code inviting action in accordance with sections 71 or 187 of the Code;
- (v) aiding or abetting any activity which is actionable in accordance with Chapter VII of Part II or Chapter VII of Part III of the Code,
- (vi) providing unequal or differential treatment to the disadvantage of a party which cannot be justified with reference to the interests of the insolvency resolution, liquidation or bankruptcy process; or
- (vii) in any other case it deems fit.
- (4) Any order passed by the Disciplinary Committee shall be placed on the website of the Agency within seven days from passing of the said order, and a copy of the order shall be provided to each of the parties to the proceeding.

- <sup>44</sup> [(5) The Agency shall promptly realise the monetary penalty imposed by the Disciplinary Committee and credit the same to the Fund constituted under section 222 of the Code.]
- 25. (1) The Governing Board shall constitute an Appellate Panel consisting of one independent director of the Agency, one member from amongst the persons of eminence having experience in the field of law, and one member nominated by the Board.
  - (2)Any person aggrieved of an order of the Disciplinary Committee may prefer an appeal before the Appellate Panel within thirty days from the receipt of a copy of the final order.
  - (3) The Appellate Panel shall dispose of the appeal in the manner it deems expedient, within thirty days of the receipt of the appeal.

# XI. SURRENDER OF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND EXPULSION FROM PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

### <sup>45</sup>[Surrender of Authorisation for Assignment.

26. (1) A professional member shall make an application to surrender <sup>46</sup>[its] authorisation

for assignment to the Agency at least thirty days before he-

- (a) becomes a person not resident in India;
- (b) takes up employment; or
- (c) starts any business, except as specifically permitted under the Code of Conduct;

and upon acceptance of such temporary surrender and on completion of thirty days from the date of application for temporary surrender, the name of the professional member shall be temporarily struck from the registers of the Agency, and the same shall be intimated to the Board.

(2) No application for temporary surrender of professional membership of the Agency shall be accepted if - (a)there is a grievance or disciplinary proceeding pending against the professional member before the Agency or the Board, and he has not given an undertaking to cooperate in such proceeding; or (b)the professional member has been appointed as a resolution professional, liquidator or bankruptcy trustee for a process under the Code, and the appointment of another insolvency professional may be detrimental to such process.

(3)A professional member may make an application to revive his temporarily surrendered membership when the conditions for temporary surrender as provided in sub-clause (1) cease to be applicable, and upon acceptance of the application for revival, the name of the professional member shall be re-inserted in the register of the Agency, and the same shall be intimated to the Board."

 $^{46}$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG076, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22-07-2021). Clause 24(5), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(5) Monetary penalty received by the Agency under the orders of the Disciplinary Committee shall be credited to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Fund constituted under section 224 of the Code."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23-07-2019). Clause 26, before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Temporary Surrender of Professional Membership.

<sup>26 (1)</sup> A professional member shall make an application for temporary surrender of his membership of the Agency at least thirty days before he-

- (a) becomes a person resident outside India;
- (b) takes up an employment; or
- (c) starts any business, except as specifically permitted under the Code of Conduct, and upon acceptance of such surrender, the same shall be intimated to the Board by the Agency within one working day of acceptance of surrender.
- (2)No application for surrender of authorisation for assignments shall be accepted by the Agency, if -
  - (a) the authorisation for assignment has been suspended;
  - (b) an assignment is continuing; or
- (c)name of the professional member is included in any panel prepared by the Board for undertaking assignment.]

### 27. Surrender of Professional Membership

- (1)A professional member who wishes to surrender <sup>47</sup>[its] membership of the Agency may do so by submitting an application for surrender of <sup>48</sup>[its] membership.
  - (2)Upon acceptance of such surrender of <sup>49</sup>[its] membership, and completion of thirty days from the date of such acceptance, the name of the professional member shall be struck from the registers of the Agency, and the same shall be intimated to the Board.
- 28.Any fee that is due to the Agency from a professional member surrendering <sup>50</sup>[its] membership shall be cleared prior to <sup>51</sup>[its] name being struck from the registers of the Agency.
- 29. The Agency may refuse to accept the surrender of membership by any professional member if-
  - (a) there is any grievance or disciplinary proceeding pending against the professional member before the Agency or the Board; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{48}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{49}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{50}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

 $<sup>^{51}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated  $3^{\rm rd}$  October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "his".

(b) the professional member has been appointed as a resolution professional, liquidator or bankruptcy trustee for a process under the Code, and the appointment of another insolvency professional may be detrimental to such process.

### **Expulsion from Professional Membership.**

- 30. A professional member shall be expelled by the Agency
  - (a) if he becomes ineligible to be enrolled under bye-law9;
  - (b) on expiry of thirty days from the order of the Disciplinary Committee, unless set aside or stayed by the Appellate Panel;
  - (c) upon non-payment of professional membership fee despite at least two notices served in writing;
  - (d) upon the cancellation of 52[its] certificate of registration by the Board;
  - (e) upon the order of any court of law.

### ANNEXURE

### FORM A

### CERTIFICATE OF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

(Under bye-law 10of the Agency's bye-laws)

No. .....

- 1. This is to certify that [insert name] residing at [insert address] is enrolled as a professional member of [insert name of insolvency professional agency] with professional membership no. [insert number].
- 2. This certificate shall be valid from [insert date].

Sd/-

For and on behalf of [name of insolvency professional agency]

Place:

Date:

### <sup>53</sup>[FORM B AUTHORISATIONFOR ASSIGNMENT

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG100 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022 (w.e.f. 03-10-2022). The words before substitution stood as "hie"

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53 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated 23rd July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23-07-2019).

(Under bye-law 12A of the Agency's Bye-laws)		
No	Date	
member of the [insert name or no. [insert number] and regist	nent is issued to [insert name], who is enrolled as a professional f insolvency professional agency] with professional membership tered with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India as an a registration no. [insert number]under the Insolvency and	
	from [insert date] to [insert date]. / This authorisation is renewed l [insert date]. (Strike off if not applicable).	
Place: Date:]	Sd/- For and on behalf of [name of insolvency professional agency]	
	Dr. M. C. Sakaa	

Dr. M. S. Sahoo Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# **CHAPTER IV**

# **INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS**

### 206. Enrolled and registered persons to act as insolvency professionals. -

No person shall render his services as insolvency professional under this Code without being enrolled as a member of an insolvency professional agency and registered with the Board.

### 207. Registration of insolvency professionals. -

- (1) Every insolvency professional shall, after obtaining the membership of any insolvency professional agency, register himself with the Board within such time, in such manner and on payment of such fee, as may be specified by regulations. **Reg 6-14 alongwith First Schedule**
- (2) The Board may specify the categories of professionals or persons possessing such qualifications and experience in the field of finance, law, management, insolvency or such other field, as it deems fit.

### 208. Functions and obligations of insolvency professionals. -

- (1) Where any insolvency resolution, fresh start, liquidation or bankruptcy process has been initiated, it shall be the function of an insolvency professional to take such actions as may be necessary, in the following matters, namely:
  - (a) a fresh start order process under Chapter II of Part III;
  - (b) individual insolvency resolution process under Chapter III of Part III
  - (c) corporate insolvency resolution process under Chapter II of Part II.
  - <sup>1</sup>[(ca) pre-packaged insolvency resolution process under Chapter III-A of Part II;]
  - (d) individual bankruptcy process under Chapter IV of Part III; and
  - (e) liquidation of a corporate debtor firm under Chapter III of Part II.
- <sup>2</sup>[(1A) Where the name of the insolvency professional proposed to be appointed as a resolution professional, is approved under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 54A, it shall be the function of such insolvency professional to take such actions as may be necessary to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.14 (i) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.14 (ii) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

perform his functions and duties prior to the initiation of the pre-packaged insolvency resolution process under Chapter III-A of Part II.]

- (2) Every insolvency professional shall abide by the following code of conduct:
  - (a) to take reasonable care and diligence while performing his duties;
- (b) to comply with all requirements and terms and conditions specified in the bye- laws of the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member;
  - (c) to allow the insolvency professional agency to inspect his records;
- (d) to submit a copy of the records of every proceeding before the Adjudicating Authority to the Board as well as to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member; and
- (e) to perform his functions in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be specified.

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS) REGULATIONS, 2016

### INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS) REGULATIONS, 20161

### [AMENDED UPTO 28-09-2022]

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 196, 207 and 208 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Board hereby makes the following Regulations, namely-

### **CHAPTER I GENERAL**

### Short title and commencement.

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.
  - (2) These Regulations shall come into force on 29th November, 2016.

### Definitions.

- 2. (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -
  - <sup>2</sup>[(a) "assignment" means any assignment of an insolvency professional as interim resolution professional, resolution professional, liquidator, bankruptcy trustee, authorised representative or in any other role under the Code;
  - (aa) "authorisation for assignment" means an authorisation to undertake an assignment, issued by an insolvency professional agency to an insolvency professional, who is its professional member, in accordance with its bye-laws;
  - (ab) "Bar Council" means a Bar Council constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961 (25 of 1961);]
  - (b)"certificate of registration" means a certificate of registration granted by the Board under section 207 of the Code read with these Regulations;
  - (c) "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
  - (d)"Institute of Chartered Accountants of India" means the Institute constituted under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 (38 of 1949);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vide Notification No. IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG003, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2016 published in the Gazette of India,

Extraordinary, Part III, Sec. 4, vide No. 424, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2016 (w.e.f. 29.11.2016).

<sup>2</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019). Clause (a), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&#</sup>x27;(a) "Bar Council" means a Bar Council constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961 (25 of 1961);'

- (e) "Institute of Cost Accountants of India" means the Institute constituted under the Cost and Works Accountants Act, 1959 (23 of 1959);
- (f)"Institute of Company Secretaries of India" means the Institute constituted under the Institute of the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 (56 of 1980); and
- (g)"professional member" means <sup>3</sup>[an individual or an insolvency professional entity recognised by the Board under regulation 13] who has been enrolled as a member of an insolvency professional agency;
- (2)Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

# CHAPTER II INSOLVENCY EXAMINATIONS

- 3. (1) The Board shall, either on its own or through a designated agency, conduct a 'National Insolvency Examination' in such a manner and at such frequency, as may be specified, to test the knowledge and practical skills of individuals in the areas of insolvency, bankruptcy and allied subjects.
  - (2) The Board shall, either on its own or through a designated agency, conduct a 'Limited Insolvency Examination' to test the knowledge and application of knowledge of individuals in the areas of insolvency, bankruptcy and allied subjects.
  - <sup>4</sup>[(3) The syllabus, format, qualifying marks and frequency of the Limited Insolvency Examination shall be published on the website of the Board at least three months before the examination.]

# CHAPTER III REGISTRATION OF INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS

### Eligibility.

- 4. (1) No individual shall be eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional if he-
  - (a) is a minor;
  - (b) is not a person resident in India;

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;an individual".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018). Sub Regulation (3), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(3) The syllabus, format and frequency of the 'Limited Insolvency Examination', including qualifying marks, shall be published on the website of the Board at least one month before the examination."

(c)does not have the qualification and experience specified in Regulation 5 or Regulation 9, as the case may be;

(d)has been convicted by any competent court for an offence punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or for an offence involving moral turpitude, and a period of five years has not elapsed from the date of expiry of the sentence:

Provided that if a person has been convicted of any offence and sentenced in respect thereof to imprisonment for a period of seven years or more, he shall not be eligible to be registered;

- (e) he is an undischarged insolvent, or has applied to be adjudicated as an insolvent;
- (f) he has been declared to be of unsound mind; or
- (g) he is not a fit and proper person;

Explanation: For determining whether an individual is fit and proper under these Regulations, the Board may take account of any consideration as it deems fit, including but not limited to the following criteria-

- (i) integrity, reputation and character,
- (ii) absence of convictions and restraint orders, and
- (iii) competence, including financial solvency and net worth.

<sup>5</sup>[(2) No insolvency professional entity, recognised by the Board under regulation 13, shall be eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional, if the entity and/or any of its partner or director, as the case may be, is not fit and proper person under clause (g) of sub-regulation (1).]

### <sup>6</sup>[Qualifications and experience.

5. Subject to the other provisions of these regulations, an individual shall be eligible for registration, if he -

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018). Regulation 5, before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;5. Subject to the other provisions of these Regulations, an individual shall be eligible for registration, if he-

<sup>(</sup>a) has passed the National Insolvency Examination;

<sup>(</sup>b)has passed the Limited Insolvency Examination, and has fifteen years of experience in management, after he received a Bachelor's degree from a university established or recognized by law; or

<sup>(</sup>c) has passed the Limited Insolvency Examination and has ten years of experience as -

<sup>(</sup>i) a chartered accountant enrolled as a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India,

<sup>(</sup>ii) a company secretary enrolled as a member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India,

<sup>(</sup>iii) a cost accountant enrolled as a member of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, or

<sup>(</sup>iv) an advocate enrolled with a Bar Council.".

- (a)has passed the Limited Insolvency Examination within twelve months before the date of his application for enrolment with the insolvency professional agency;
- (b)has completed a pre-registration educational course, as may be required by the Board, from an insolvency professional agency after his enrolment as a professional member; and
- (c) has-
  - (i)successfully completed the National Insolvency Programme, as may be approved by the Board;
  - (ii)successfully completed the Graduate Insolvency Programme, as may approved by the Board;
  - 7[(iii) experience of -
    - (a) ten years in the field of law, after receiving a Bachelor's degree in law;
    - (b) ten years in management, after receiving a Master's degree in Management or two-year full time Post Graduate Diploma in Management; or
    - (c) fifteen years in management, after receiving a Bachelor's degree,

from a university established or recognised by law or an Institute approved by All India Council of Technical Education; or] (iv) ten years' of experience as –

- (a)chartered accountant registered as a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India,
- (b)company secretary registered as a member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India,
- (c)cost accountant registered as a member of the Institute of CostAccountants of India, or
- (d) advocate enrolled with the Bar Council.]

<sup>8</sup>[Explanation 1.- For the purposes of this regulation, only professional and managerial experience shall be considered.

Explanation 2.- For the purpose of computing,-

- (a) the total experience of 10 or 15 years under sub-clause (iii), there shall be included experience of any period under sub-clause (iv);
- (b) the total experience of 10 years under sub-clause (iv), there shall be included experience of any period under any of the items of that sub-clause.

### Illustration 1

Where an individual has experience of nine years under sub-clause (iii) and experience of six years under sub-clause (iv), he shall be considered having experience of fifteen years for the purposes of sub-clause (iii).

### Illustration 2

Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22nd July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). Regulation 5(c)(iii), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(iii) fifteen years' of experience in management, after receiving a Bachelor's degree from a university established or recognised by law; or"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021).

Where an individual has experience of 6 years under item (a) of sub-clause (iv) and experience of four years under item (d) of sub-clause (iv), he shall be considered as having total experience of 10 years for the purposes of sub-clause (iv).]

### Application for certificate of registration.

- 6. (1) An individual enrolled with an insolvency professional agency as a professional member may make an application to the Board in Form A of the Second Schedule to these Regulations, along with a non-refundable application fee of <sup>9</sup>[twenty] thousand rupees to the Board.
  - <sup>10</sup>[(1A) An insolvency professional entity eligible for registration as an insolvency professional under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 4 may make an application to the Board in Form AA of Second Schedule along with a non-refundable application fee of two lakh rupees.]
  - (2)The Board shall acknowledge an application made under this Regulation within seven days of its receipt.
  - (3)The Board may require the applicant to submit, within reasonable time, additional documents, information or clarification that it deems fit.
  - (4)The Board may require the applicant to appear, within reasonable time, before the Board in person, or through <sup>11</sup>[its] authorised representative for clarifications required for processing the application.

### Certificate of registration.

- 7. (1) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary that the applicant is eligible under these Regulations, it may grant a certificate of registration to the applicant to carry on the activities of an insolvency professional in Form B of the Second Schedule to these Regulations, within sixty days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for presenting additional documents, information or clarification, or appearing in person, as the case may be.
  - (2) The registration shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional shall -
    - (a)at all times abide by the Code, rules, regulations, and guidelines thereunder and the byelaws of the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022). Words before substitution stood as: "ten".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022).

 $<sup>^{11}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under: "his".

- (b) at all times continue to satisfy the requirements under Regulation 4;
- <sup>12</sup>[(ba) undergo continuing professional education, as may be required by the Board;
- (bb) not outsource any of <sup>13</sup>[its] duties and responsibilities under the Code, except those specifically permitted by the Board.]

<sup>14</sup>[(c) pay to the Board, a fee of twenty thousand rupees, in case the insolvency professional is an individual or a fee of two lakh rupees, in case the insolvency professional is an insolvency professional entity, every five years after the year in which the certificate is granted and such fee shall be paid on or before the 30th April of the year it falls due.

### Illustration

Where registration is granted on  $2^{nd}$  February, 2022 in the year 2021-22, the fee shall become due on  $1^{st}$  April, 2027, after five years (2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25, 2025-26 and 2026-27) and it shall be paid on or before the  $30^{th}$  April, 2027]

(ca) pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of <sup>15</sup>[one per cent] of the professional fee earned for the services rendered by <sup>16</sup>[it] as an insolvency professional in the preceding financial year, on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> of April every year, along with a statement in Form E of the Second Schedule;]

<sup>17</sup>[Provided that for the financial year 2019-2020, an insolvency professional shall pay the fee under this clause on or before the 30th June, 2020.]

<sup>18</sup>[Provided further that for the financial year 2020-2021, an insolvency professional shall pay the fee under this clause on or before the 30th June, 2021.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his".

 $<sup>^{14}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated  $20^{\rm th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022). Clause (c) before substitution stood as:

<sup>&</sup>quot;pay to the Board, a fee of ten thousand rupees, every five years after the year in which the certificate is granted and such fee shall be paid on or before the 30th April of the year it falls due;

Illustration

Where registration is granted on 2nd February, 2018 in the year 2017-18, the fee shall become due on 1st April, 2023, after five years (2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23) and it shall be paid on or before the 30th April, 2023."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022). Words before substitution stood as: "0.25 percent".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{17}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG057, dated\;20th\;April,\;2020\;(w.e.f.\;28.03.2020).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG073 dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).

<sup>19</sup>[Provided further that where the insolvency professional is an insolvency professional entity, it shall pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of one per cent. of professional fee earned for the services rendered as an insolvency professional in the preceding financial year on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April every year, along with a statement in Form G of the Second Schedule.]

<sup>20</sup>[(cb) pay to the Board, a fee specified under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 31A of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, within a period of thirty days, after end of each quarter or upon closure of the processes whichever is earlier, along with a statement in Form EA of the Second Schedule.

Explanation: "quarter" means the period of three months commencing on the first day of January. April, July or October of a financial year.]

(d)not render services as an insolvency professional unless he becomes a partner or director of an insolvency professional entity recognised by the Board under Regulation 13, if he is not a citizen of India;

(e)take prior permission of the Board for shifting <sup>21</sup>[its] professional membership from one insolvency professional agency to another, after receiving no objection from both the concerned insolvency professional agencies;

(f) take adequate steps for redressal of grievances;

(g)maintain records of all assignments undertaken by <sup>22</sup>[it] under the Code for at least three years from the completion of such assignment;

- (h) abide by the Code of Conduct specified in the First Schedule to these Regulations; and
- <sup>23</sup>[(ha) in case an insolvency professional entity is an insolvency professional, it shall allow only a partner or director, as the case may be, who is an insolvency professional and holds a valid authorisation for assignment to sign and act on behalf of it,]
- (i) abide by such other conditions as may be imposed by the Board.

 $<sup>^{19} \;\;</sup> Inserted \; by \; Notification \; No. \; IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated \; 20^{th} \; September, 2022 \; (w.e.f. \; 01.10.2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022).

 $<sup>^{21}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{23}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated\;28^{th}\,September,\;2022\;(w.e.f.28.09.2022).$ 

<sup>24</sup>[Provided that clause (ba) and clause (d) shall not be applicable to an insolvency professional which is insolvency professional entity.]

### <sup>25</sup>[Authorisation for assignment.

7A. An insolvency professional shall not accept or undertake an assignment after 31st December, 2019 unless <sup>26</sup>[it] holds a valid authorisation for assignment on the date of such acceptance or commencement of such assignment, as the case may be:

Provided that provisions of this regulation shall not apply to an assignment which an insolvency professional is undertaking as on-

- (a) 31st December, 2019; or
- (b) the date of expiry of his authorisation for assignment.]

### Refusal to grant certificate.

- 8. (1) If, after considering an application made under Regulation 6, the Board is of the *prima facie* opinion that the registration ought not be granted, it shall communicate the reasons for forming such an opinion and give the applicant an opportunity to explain why <sup>27</sup>[its] application should be accepted, within fifteen days of the receipt of the communication from the Board, to enable it to form a final opinion.
  - (2)The communication under sub-regulation (1) shall be made to the applicant within forty five days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for presenting additional documents, information or clarifications, or appearing in person, as the case may be.
  - (3)After considering the explanation, if any, given by the applicant under sub-regulation (1), the Board shall communicate its decision to-
    - (a) accept the application, along with the certificate of registration, or
  - (b)reject the application by an order, giving reasons thereof,

within thirty days of receipt of the explanation.

 $<sup>^{24}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated\;28^{th}\,September,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;28.09.2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;it"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under: "his"

9. 28[\*\*\*]

### <sup>29</sup>[CHAPTER IV ISSUE AND SURRENDER OF AUTHORISATION FOR ASSIGNMENT AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS]

10.30[(1) An insolvency professional agency shall inform the Board when it-

- (a) issues or renews an authorisation for assignment;
- (b) suspends or cancels an authorisation for assignment;
- (c) revokes the suspension of an authorisation for assignment; or
- (d) accepts the surrender of an authorisation for assignment,

within one working day of taking such action.]

(2) The Board shall take note of the information received under sub-regulation (1).

<sup>28</sup> Omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). Prior to omission, Regulation 9 stood as under:

### "9. Registration for a limited period.

(1)Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Regulation 5, an individual shall be eligible to be registered for a limited period as an insolvency professional if he-

- a. has been 'in practice' for fifteen years as-
- (i) a chartered accountant enrolled as a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India,
- (ii) a company secretary enrolled as a member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India,
- (iii) a cost accountant enrolled as a member of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, or
- (iv) an advocate enrolled with a Bar Council; and

b.submits an application for registration in Form A of the Second Schedule to these Regulations to the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled on or before 31st December, 2016 along with a non-refundable application fee of five thousand rupees which shall be collected by such insolvency professional agency on behalf of the Board.

- (2)The insolvency professional agency shall submit to the Board the fee collected and the details of the applications received under sub-regulation (1)(b).
- (3) An individual referred to sub-regulation (1) shall be registered for a limited period upon submission of the details and fee to the Board under sub-regulation (2), which shall be valid for a period of six months from the date of such submission.
- (4)An insolvency professional registered under sub-regulation (3) shall not undertake any assignment as an insolvency professional after the expiry of his registration:

Provided that he may complete the pending assignments undertaken before the expiry of his registration, and his registration shall be deemed to be valid for this limited purpose."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019). Before substitution, it stood as -"TEMPORARY SURRENDER AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS".

 $<sup>^{30}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated  $23^{\rm rd}$  July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019). Before substitution, it stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) An insolvency professional agency shall inform the Board if any of its professional members has temporarily surrendered his certificate of membership or revived his certificate of membership after temporary surrender, not later than seven days from approval of the application for temporary surrender or revival, as the case may be."

### 31 [ Disciplinary proceedings.

31 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG088, dated 4th July, 2022 (w.e.f. 04.07.2022), Regulation 11 before substitution, stood as under:

is of the prima facie opinion that sufficient cause exists to take actions permissible under section 220, it shall issue a show-cause notice to the insolvency professional.

- (2) The show-cause notice shall be in writing, and shall state
  - a. the provisions of the Code under which it has been issued;
  - b. the details of the alleged facts;
  - c. the details of the evidence in support of the alleged facts;
  - d. the provisions of the Code, rules, regulations and guidelines thereunder allegedly violated, or the manner in which the public interest is allegedly affected;
  - e. the actions or directions that the Board proposes to take or issue if the allegations are established;
  - f. the manner in which the insolvency professional is required to respond to the show-cause notice;
  - g. consequences of failure to respond to the show-cause notice; and
  - h. procedure to be followed for disposal of the show-cause notice.
- (3)The show-cause notice shall enclose copies of documents relied upon and extracts of relevant portions from the report of investigation or inspection, or other records.
- (4) A show-cause notice issued shall be served on the insolvency professional in the following manner-
  - (a)by sending it to the insolvency professional, at the address provided by him or provided by the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled, by registered post with acknowledgement due; or
  - (b)by an appropriate electronic means to the email address of the insolvency professional, provided by him or provided by the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled.
- (5) The Board shall constitute a Disciplinary Committee for disposal of the show-cause notice.
- (6)The Disciplinary Committee shall endeavour to dispose of the show-cause notice within a period of six months of the assignment.
- (7) The Disciplinary Committee shall dispose of the show-cause notice assigned under sub-regulation (5) by a reasoned order in adherence to principles of natural justice, and after considering the submissions, if any, made by the insolvency professional, the relevant material facts and circumstances, and the material on record.
- (8) The order disposing of a show-cause notice may provide for-
  - (a) no action;
  - (b) warning;
  - [(ba) suspension or cancellation of authorisation for assignment;]
  - (c) any of the actions under section 220(2) to (4); or
  - (d) a reference to the Board to take any action under section 220(5).
- (8)The order passed under sub-regulation (7) shall not become effective until thirty days have elapsed from the date of issue of the order unless the Disciplinary Committee states otherwise in the order along with the reason for the same.
- (9) The order passed under sub-regulation (7) shall be issued to the insolvency professional, with a copy issued to the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled immediately, and be published on the website of the Board."

<sup>&</sup>quot;11. (1) Based on the findings of an inspection or investigation, or on material otherwise available on record, if the Board

11. The disciplinary proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017.]

# <u>CHAPTER V</u> RECOGNITION OF INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL ENTITIES

### Recognition of Insolvency Professional Entities.

12.32[(1)] A company, a registered partnership firm or a limited liability partnership may be recognised as an insolvency professional entity, if –

- <sup>33</sup>[(a) its objective is to provide support services to insolvency professionals or to carry on the activities of an insolvency professional or both.]
- (b) it has a net worth of not less than one crore rupees;
- <sup>34</sup>[(c) majority of its equity shares and voting rights are held by insolvency professionals, who are its directors, in case it is a company,]
- (d)majority of capital contribution is made by insolvency professionals, who are its partners, in case it is a limited liability partnership firm or a registered partnership firm;
- (e) majority of its partners or directors, as the case may be, are insolvency professionals;
- (f)majority of its whole time directors are insolvency professionals, in case it is a company; and
- (g)none of its partners or directors is a partner or a director of another insolvency professional entity:
- <sup>35</sup>[Provided that the insolvency professional entities recognised before the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency

 $<sup>^{32}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018). Sub regulation (1) of Regulation 12, before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;A limited liability partnership, a registered partnership firm or a company may be recognised as an insolvency professional entity if-

<sup>(</sup>a)a majority of the partners of the limited liability partnership or registered partnership firm are registered as insolvency professionals; or

<sup>(</sup>b)a majority of the whole-time directors of the company are registered as insolvency professionals, as the case may be."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;its sole objective is to provide support services to insolvency professionals."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;majority of 34[its equity shares] is held by insolvency professionals, who are its directors, in case it is a company;"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). The proviso, before substitution stood as under:

Professionals) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2021 shall comply with the provisions of clauses (b) and (c) on or before 31st December 2021.

Explanation.- For the purposes of clause (b) of this sub-regulation, 'net worth' means-

- (i)the net worth as defined under section 2(57) of the Companies Act, 2013 in case of a company;
- (ii)sum of partners' contribution in the capital account and their undistributed profits net of accumulated losses, if any, in case of a registered partnership firm or limited liability partnership.]
- <sup>36</sup>[(2) A person eligible under sub-regulation (1) may make an application for recognition as an insolvency professional entity to the Board in Form C of the Second Schedule along with an application fee of <sup>37</sup>[two lakh] rupees.]
- <sup>38</sup>[(3) The Board shall acknowledge an application made under this regulation within seven days of its receipt.
- (4) The Board may, after examination of the application,-
  - (i)require the applicant to submit, within reasonable time, additional documents, information or clarification:
  - (ii) inspect or inquire the applicant;
  - (iii) require any of the directors or partners of the applicant to appear, within a reasonable time, before it in person for any clarifications,

as may be necessary for the purpose of considering the application.]

13.39[ (1)(a) Where the Board, after consideration of the application under sub-regulation (4) of regulation 12,-

(i) is satisfied that the applicant is eligible under these Regulations, it may grant a certificate of recognition as an insolvency professional entity within sixty days of receipt of the

<sup>&</sup>quot;Provided that the insolvency professional entities recognised as on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) (Amendment) Regulations, 2018 shall comply with the provisions of clauses (a), (b) (c) and (d) on or before 30th September, 2018 and the provisions of clauses (e), (f) and (g) on or before

<sup>30</sup>th June. 2018."

Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG036, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f.11.10.2018). Sub-regulation (2), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;(2) A person eligible under sub-regulation (1) may make an application for recognition as an insolvency professional entity to the Board in Form C of the Second Schedule to these Regulations."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022). Words before substitution stood as: "fifty thousand".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Inserted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021).

 $<sup>^{39}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated  $^{22^{nd}}$  July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). Sub-regulation (1), before substitution stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;13(1) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary that the applicant is eligible under these Regulations, it may grant a certificate of recognition as an insolvency professional entity in Form D of the Second Schedule to these Regulations."

application, excluding the time taken by the applicant for submitting additional documents, information or clarification, or appearing in person, as the case may be, under sub-regulation (4) of regulation 12;

- (ii) is of the *prima facie* opinion that the recognition ought not be granted, it shall communicate such opinion along with reasons thereof and provide the applicant an opportunity to submit its explanation within fifteen days of the receipt of the communication from the Board, to enable it to form a final opinion.
- (b) The Board shall, within thirty days of receipt of the explanation, if any, submitted by the applicant under clause (a), -
  - (i) grant a certificate of recognition as an insolvency professional entity; or
  - (ii) reject the application by an order, after recording reasons thereof.
- (c)The Board shall grant a certificate of recognition as an insolvency professional entity under clause (a) or (b) in Form D of the Second Schedule.]
- (2) The recognition shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional entity shall-
- (a) at all times continue to satisfy the requirements under Regulation 12;
- <sup>40</sup>[(b) inform the Board, within <sup>41</sup>[thirty] days, when an individual ceases to be its director or partner, as the case may be, in Form F of the Second Schedule along with a fee of two thousand rupees;
- <sup>42</sup>[Provided that when an individual ceases to be its director or partner, as the case may be, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 and ending on the 31st December 2020, the insolvency professional entity shall inform the Board, within thirty days of such cessation;]
- <sup>43</sup>[Provided further that when an individual ceases to be its director or partner, as the case may be, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021 and ending on the 31st December

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG036, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f.11.10.2018). Clauses (b) & (c) of sub -regulation (2), before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>(</sup>a)inform the Board, within seven days, when an insolvency professional ceases to be its director or partner, as the case may be.

<sup>(</sup>b)inform the Board, within seven days, when an insolvency professional joins as its director or partner, as the case may be, and"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). The word, before substitution stood as under:

Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG057, dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 28.03.2020).
 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG073 dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).

2021, the insolvency professional entity shall inform the Board, within thirty days of such cessation.]

44[Provided further that in case the insolvency professional entity is enrolled with an insolvency professional agency, the intimation under this clause shall also be made to such insolvency professional agency to update its register of professional members.]

(c) inform the Board, within 45[thirty] days, when an individual joins as its director or partner, as the case may be, in Form F of the Second Schedule along with a fee of two thousand rupees;

<sup>46</sup>[Provided that when an individual joins as its director or partner, as the case may be, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 and ending on the 31st December 2020, the insolvency professional entity shall inform the Board, within thirty days of such joining;]

<sup>47</sup>[Provided further that when an individual joins as its director or partner, as the case may be, on and from the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021 and ending on the 31st December 2021, the insolvency professional entity shall inform the Board, within thirty days of such joining.]

<sup>48</sup>[Provided further that in case the insolvency professional entity is enrolled with an insolvency professional agency, the intimation under this clause shall also be made to such insolvency professional agency to update its register of professional members.]

(ca) pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of <sup>49</sup>[one per cent] of the turnover from the services rendered by it in the preceding financial year, on or before the 30th of April every year, along with a statement in Form G of the <sup>50</sup>[Second Schedule:

Provided that for the financial year 2019-2020, an insolvency professional entity shall pay the fee under this clause on or before the 30th June, 2020; and]

<sup>51</sup>[Provided further that for the financial year 2020-2021, an insolvency professional entity shall pay the fee under this clause on or before the 30th June, 2021; and]

<sup>44</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Substituted by Notification No IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22nd July, 2021 (w.e.f. 22.07.2021). The word, before substitution stood as under: 'seven'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG057, dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 28.03.2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG073 dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).  $^{48}\,Inserted\,by\,Notification\,No.\,IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated\,\,28^{th}\,September,\,2022\,(w.e.f.\,28.09.2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022). Words before substitution, stood as: "0.25".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG057, dated 20th April, 2020 (w.e.f. 28.03.2020). Before

Substitution, it stood as "Second Schedule and;".

51 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG073 dated 27th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 27.04.2021).

<sup>52</sup>[Provided further that in case the insolvency professional entity is registered as an insolvency professional, the services for the purpose of this sub-regulation shall not include the services rendered as an insolvency professional provided under third proviso to clause (ca) of subregulation (2) of regulation 7.]

<sup>53</sup>[(cb) submit to the Board, by 15th day of October every year, a compliance certificate in Form H, for the preceding financial year:

Provided that an insolvency professional entity recognised as on 31st March, 2019 shall submit to the Board, by 31st December 2019, a compliance certificate in Form H for the financial year 2018-19.]

- (d) abide by such other conditions as may be specified.
- (3) An insolvency professional entity shall be jointly and severally liable for all acts or omissions of its partners or directors as insolvency professionals committed during such partnership or directorship.
- 14. Where the Board is of the opinion that sufficient cause exists for de-recognition of an insolvency professional entity, it may do so by passing a reasoned order.
- <sup>54</sup>[15. Interest.- Without prejudice to any other action which the Board may take as deemed fit under the Code or any regulations made thereunder, any delay in payment of fee by an insolvency professional or an insolvency professional entity, a simple interest at the rate of 12% per annum on the amount of fee unpaid shall be paid to the Board after the last date of payment of fee under these regulations.]

### FIRST SCHEDULE

[55Under Regulation 7(2)(h)]

### CODE OF CONDUCT FOR INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS

### Integrity and objectivity.

1. An insolvency professional must maintain integrity by being honest, straightforward, and forthright in all professional relationships.

 $<sup>^{52}</sup> Inserted \ by \ Notification \ No. \ IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated \ 20^{th} \ September, 2022 \ (w.e.f. 01.10.2022).$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG049, dated 25th October, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.10.2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG036, dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f.11.10.2018).

<sup>55</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018). Before substitution, it stood as under:
"[Under regulation 7(2) (g)]"

- An insolvency professional must not misrepresent any facts or situations and should refrain from being involved in any action that would bring disrepute to the profession.
- 3. An insolvency professional must act with objectivity in <sup>56</sup>[its] professional dealings by ensuring that his decisions are made without the presence of any bias, conflict of interest, coercion, or undue influence of any party, whether directly connected to the insolvency proceedings or not.
  - <sup>57</sup>[3A. An insolvency professional must disclose the details of any conflict of interests to the stakeholders, whenever he comes across such conflict of interest during an assignment.]
- 4. An insolvency professional appointed as an interim resolution professional, resolution professional, liquidator, or bankruptcy trustee should not <sup>58</sup>[itself] acquire, directly or indirectly, any of the assets of the debtor, nor knowingly permit any relative to do so.

### Independence and impartiality.

- 5. An insolvency professional must maintain complete independence in <sup>59</sup>[its] professional relationships and should conduct the insolvency resolution, liquidation or bankruptcy process, as the case may be, independent of external influences.
- 6. In cases where the insolvency professional is dealing with assets of a debtor during liquidation or bankruptcy process, he must ensure that he or his relatives do not knowingly acquire any such assets, whether directly or indirectly unless it is shown that there was no impairment of objectivity, independence or impartiality in the liquidation or bankruptcy process and the approval of the Board has been obtained in the matter.
- 7. An insolvency professional shall not take up an assignment under the Code if he, any of his relatives, any of the partners or directors of the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director, or the insolvency professional entity of which he is a partner or director is not independent, in terms of the Regulations related to the processes under the Code, in relation to the corporate person/ debtor and its related parties.
- 8. An insolvency professional shall disclose the existence of any pecuniary or personal relationship with any of the stakeholders entitled to distribution under sections 53 or 178 of the Code, and the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;himself".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under: "his".

concerned corporate person/ debtor as soon as he becomes aware of it, by making a declaration of the same to the applicant, committee of creditors, and the person proposing appointment, as applicable.

<sup>60</sup>[**8A.** An insolvency professional shall disclose as to whether he was an employee of or has been in the panel of any financial creditor of the corporate debtor, to the committee of creditors and to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member and the agency shall publish such disclosure on its website.]

<sup>61</sup>[8B. An insolvency professional shall disclose <sup>62</sup>[its] relationship, if any, with the corporate debtor, other professionals engaged by <sup>63</sup>[it], financial creditors, interim finance providers, and prospective resolution applicants to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member, within the time specified hereunder:

Relationship of the insolvency professional	Disclosure to be made within three days
with	of
(1)	(2)
Corporate debtor	his appointment.
Registered valuers / accountants/ legal	appointment of the professionals.
professionals/ other professionals appointed	
by him	
Financial creditors	the constitution of committee of creditors.
Interim finance providers	the agreement with the interim finance
	provider.
Prospective resolution applicants	the supply of information memorandum to
	the prospective resolution applicant.
If relationship with any of the above,	of such notice or arising.
comes to notice or arises subsequently	_

8C. An insolvency professional shall ensure disclosure of the relationship, if any, of the other professionals engaged by <sup>64</sup>[it] with <sup>65</sup>[itself], the corporate debtor, the financial creditor, the

<sup>60</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG088, dated 4th July, 2022 (w.e.f. 04.07.2022).

 $<sup>^{62}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his".

 $<sup>^{63}</sup> Substituted$  by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{64}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{65}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

interim finance provider, if any, and the prospective resolution applicant, to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member, within the time specified as under:

Relationship of the other professional with	Disclosure to be made within three days
	of
(1)	(2)
Insolvency professional	the appointment of the other professional.
Corporate debtor	the appointment of the other professional.
Financial creditors	constitution of committee of creditors.
Interim finance providers	the agreement with the interim finance
	provider or three days of the appointment
	of the other professional, whichever is
	later.
Prospective resolution applicants	the supply of information memorandum
	to the prospective resolution applicant or
	three days of the appointment of the other
	professional, whichever is later.
If relationship with any of the above, comes	of such notice or arising.
to notice or arises subsequently	

Explanation: For the purposes of clause 8B and 8C above, 'relationship' shall mean any one or more of the following four kinds of relationships at any time or during the three years preceding the appointment of other professionals:

Kind of	Nature of relationship
relationship	
(1)	(2)
A	Where the insolvency professional or the other professional, as the case may
	be, has derived 5% or more of his / its gross revenue in a year from
	professional services to the related party.
В	Where the insolvency professional or the other professional, as the case
	may be, is a shareholder, director, key managerial personnel or partner of
	the related party.
С	Where a relative (spouse, parents, parents of spouse, sibling of self and
	spouse, and children) of the insolvency professional or the other
	professional, as the case may be, has a relationship of kind A or B with the
	related party.
D	Where the insolvency professional or the other professional, as the case may
	be, is a partner or director of a company, firm or LLP, such as, an
	insolvency professional entity or registered valuer, the relationship of kind
	A, B or C of every partner or director of such company, firm or LLP with
	the related party.

<sup>&</sup>quot;himself".

- **8D.** An insolvency professional shall ensure timely and correct disclosures by <sup>66</sup>[it], and other professionals appointed by <sup>67</sup>[it] and shall provide a confirmation to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member to the effect that the appointment, if any, of every other professional has been made at arms' length relationship.]
- 9. An insolvency professional shall not influence the decision or the work of the committee of creditors or debtor, or other stakeholders under the Code, so as to make any undue or unlawful gains for <sup>68</sup>[itself] or <sup>69</sup>[its] related parties, or cause any undue preference for any other persons for undue or unlawful gains and shall not adopt any illegal or improper means to achieve any mala fide objectives.

### Professional competence.

10. An insolvency professional must maintain and upgrade his professional knowledge and skills to render competent professional service.

### Representation of correct facts and correcting misapprehensions.

- 11. An insolvency professional must inform such persons under the Code as may be required, of a misapprehension or wrongful consideration of a fact of which he becomes aware, as soon as may be practicable.
- 12. An insolvency professional must not conceal any material information or knowingly make a misleading statement to the Board, the Adjudicating Authority or any stakeholder, as applicable.

### Timeliness.

13. An insolvency professional must adhere to the time limits prescribed in the Code and the rules, regulations and guidelines thereunder for insolvency resolution, liquidation or bankruptcy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{67}</sup>$ Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;himself".

<sup>69</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

process, as the case may be, and must carefully plan <sup>70</sup>[its] actions, and promptly communicate with all stakeholders involved for the timely discharge of <sup>71</sup>[its] duties.

14. An insolvency professional must not act with *mala fide* or be negligent while performing <sup>72</sup>[its] functions and duties under the Code.

### Information management.

- 15. An insolvency professional must make efforts to ensure that all communication to the stakeholders, whether in the form of notices, reports, updates, directions, or clarifications, is made well in advance and in a manner which is simple, clear, and easily understood by the recipients.
- <sup>73</sup>[15A. An insolvency professional shall prominently state in all <sup>74</sup>[its] communications to a stakeholder, <sup>75</sup>[its] name, address, e-mail, registration number and validity of authorisation for assignment, if any, issued by the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member.]
- 16. An insolvency professional must ensure that he maintains written contemporaneous records for any decision taken, the reasons for taking the decision, and the information and evidence in support of such decision. This shall be maintained so as to sufficiently enable a reasonable person to take a view on the appropriateness of <sup>76</sup>[its] decisions and actions.
- 17. An insolvency professional must not make any private communication with any of the stakeholders unless required by the Code, rules, regulations and guidelines thereunder, or orders of the Adjudicating Authority.

"his"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under: "his"

 $<sup>^{72}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>73</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG088, dated 4th July, 2022 (w.e.f. 04.07.2022)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

 $<sup>^{75}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

- 18. An insolvency professional must appear, co-operate and be available for inspections and investigations carried out by the Board, any person authorised by the Board or the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled.
- 19. An insolvency professional must provide all information and records as may be required by the Board or the insolvency professional agency with which he is enrolled.
- 20. An insolvency professional must be available and provide information for any periodic study, research and audit conducted by the Board.

### Confidentiality.

21. An insolvency professional must ensure that confidentiality of the information relating to the insolvency resolution process, liquidation or bankruptcy process, as the case may be, is maintained at all times. However, this shall not prevent <sup>77</sup>[it] from disclosing any information with the consent of the relevant parties or required by law.

### Occupation, employability and restrictions.

- 22. An insolvency professional must refrain from accepting too many assignments, if he is unlikely to be able to devote adequate time to each of his assignments.
- <sup>78</sup>[Clarification: An insolvency professional may, at any point of time, not have more than ten assignments as resolution professional in corporate insolvency resolution process, of which not more than three shall have admitted claims exceeding one thousand crore rupees each.]
- <sup>79</sup>[23. An insolvency professional must not engage in any employment when he holds a valid authorisation for assignment or when he is undertaking an assignment.
- 23A. Where an insolvency professional has conducted a corporate insolvency resolution process, he and his relatives shall not accept any employment, other than an employment secured through open competitive recruitment, with, or render professional services, other than services under the Code, to a creditor having more than ten percent voting power, the successful resolution applicant, the corporate debtor or any of their related parties, until a period of one year has elapsed from the date of his cessation from such process.
- 23B. An insolvency professional shall not engage or appoint any of his relatives or related parties, for or in connection with any work relating to any of his assignment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG077, dated 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021 (w.e.f. 21.07.2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG045, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23.07.2019). Before substitution, clause 23, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;An insolvency professional must not engage in any employment, except when he has temporarily surrendered his certificate of membership with the insolvency professional agency with which he is registered."

23C. An insolvency professional shall not provide any service for or in connection with the assignment which is being undertaken by any of his relatives or related parties.

Explanation.- For the purpose of clauses 23A to 23C, "related party" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (24A) of section 5, but does not include an insolvency professional entity of which the insolvency professional is a partner or director.]

24. An insolvency professional must not conduct business which in the opinion of the Board is inconsistent with the reputation of the profession.

### Remuneration and costs.

25. An insolvency professional must provide services for remuneration which is charged in a transparent manner, is a reasonable reflection of the work necessarily and properly undertaken, and is not inconsistent with the applicable regulations.

<sup>80</sup>[25A. An insolvency professional shall disclose the fee payable to <sup>81</sup> [it], the fee payable to the insolvency professional entity, and the fee payable to professionals engaged by <sup>82</sup>[it] to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member and the agency shall publish such disclosure on its website.]

<sup>83</sup>[25B. An insolvency professional shall raise bills or invoices in <sup>84</sup>[its] name towards <sup>85</sup>[its] fees, and such fees shall be paid to <sup>86</sup>[it] through banking channel.

25C. An insolvency professional shall ensure that the insolvency professional entity or the professional engaged by <sup>87</sup>[it] raises bills or invoices in their own name towards their fees, and such fees shall be paid to them through banking channel.]

<sup>80</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG027, dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01.04.2018).

<sup>81</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{82}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

 $<sup>^{83}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG088, dated\;4^{th}\,July,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;04.07.2022).$ 

 $<sup>^{84}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated  $28^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;him".

- 26. An insolvency professional shall not accept any fees or charges other than those which are disclosed to and approved by the persons fixing <sup>88</sup>[its] remuneration.
- <sup>89</sup>[26A. An insolvency professional shall not accept /share any fees or charges from any professional and/or support service provider who are appointed under the processes.]
- 27. An insolvency professional shall disclose all costs towards the insolvency resolution process costs, liquidation costs, or costs of the bankruptcy process, as applicable, to all relevant stakeholders, and must endeavour to ensure that such costs are not unreasonable.
  - <sup>90</sup>[27A. An insolvency professional shall, while undertaking assignment or conducting processes, exercise reasonable care and diligence and take all necessary steps to ensure that the corporate person complies with the applicable laws.
  - 27B. An insolvency professional shall not include any amount towards any loss, including penalty, if any, in the insolvency resolution process cost or liquidation cost, incurred on account of non-compliance of any provision of the laws applicable on the corporate person while conducting the insolvency resolution process, fast track insolvency resolution process, liquidation process or voluntary liquidation process, under the Code.]

### Gifts and hospitality.

- 28. An insolvency professional, or his relative must not accept gifts or hospitality which undermines or affects his independence as an insolvency professional.
- 29. An insolvency professional shall not offer gifts or hospitality or a financial or any other advantage to a public servant or any other person, intending to obtain or retain work for himself, or to obtain or retain an advantage in the conduct of profession for himself.

# SECOND SCHEDULE 91 [FORM A

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022). The words before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;his"

<sup>89</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG092, dated 13th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 13.09.2022).

<sup>90</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG088, dated 4th July, 2022 (w.e.f. 04.07.2022).

<sup>91</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG049, dated 25th October, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.10.2019).

[Under regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To

The Executive Director (IP Division)
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Please affix a recent passport size photo

Subject: Application for registration as an insolvency professional.

Sir / Madam

I, having been enrolled as a professional member with the [name of the insolvency professional agency] on [date of enrolment] with [professional membership number], hereby apply for registration as an insolvency professional under section 207 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with regulation 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 [IP Regulations]. My details are as under:

### A. PERSONAL DETAILS

- 1. Title (Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Other):
- 2. Name (as per PAN / Aadhaar):
- 3. Father's Name:
- 4. Mother's Name:
- 5. Date of Birth:
- 6. Place of Birth:
- 7. PAN:
- 8. AADHAAR No. (if available):
- 9. Passport No. (if available):
- 10. GSTIN (if available):
- 11. DIN / DPIN (if available):
- 12. Address for Correspondence (Note: This shall be recorded as the registered address):
- 13. Permanent Address:
- 14. E-mail Address (Note: This shall be recorded as the registered e-mail address):
- 15. Mobile No. (Note: This shall be recorded as the registered mobile number):
- 16. Residential Status: Person resident in India/Person resident outside India (strike off whichever is not applicable) [in terms of section 3 (24) or 3 (25) of Insolvency and BankruptcyCode, 2016]

# B. QUALIFICATIONS: EDUCATIONAL, PROFESSIONAL, INSOLVENCY EXAMINATION AND PRE-REGISTRATION EDUCATIONAL COURSE

### (i) Educational Qualifications

[Please provide educational qualifications from bachelor's degree onwards] University Year of Marks Secured (%) Grade/ Remarks, qualification /College Passing Class if any (1) (3) (5) (2) (4) (6) (7)

# (ii) Professional Qualifications [in terms of regulation 5(c)(iv) of IP Regulations]

Sl.	Professional	Institute/	Membership No.	Date of	Remarks, if
No.	qualification	professional	/ Enrolment No.	registration/	any
	_	body	(as applicable)	enrolment	-
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

# (iii) Insolvency Examination

()	Sorvency Examination					
Sl.	Name of the examination	Whether	Name of the	Marks (%)/	Date of	Rema-
No.	/programme	passed	institute	Grade/Class	passing	rks, if
		(Yes/No)	/organisation			any
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	Limited Insolvency		IBBI			
	Examination					
2	Graduate Insolvency					
	Programme					
3	National Insolvency					
	Programme					

# (iv) Pre-Registration Educational Course:

Have you completed the Pre-Registration Educational Course? (Yes/No) If Yes, date of completion of Pre-Registration Educational Course: dd/mm/yyyy

(v) Are you a registered valuer? (Yes/No) If yes,	
(a) IBBI Registration No,	
(b) Name of Registered Valuer Organisation (RVO)	and,
(c) RVO enrollment No	

# C. WORK EXPERIENCE

- (i) Are you presently in practice / employment? (Practice / Employment)
- (ii) Total period in practice (years and completed months): yy  $/\,\mbox{mm}$
- (iii) Total period in employment (years and completed months): yy  $\slash\,$  mm
- (iv) Details of experience (from the date of enrolment as an Advocate / Chartered Accountant Company Secretary / Cost Accountant /after Bachelors' Degree)

S1.	From (dd-	To (dd-	Employment		Practice	Area	of	
No.	mm-yyyy)	mm-	Name and	Designation	Advocate	Name of Firm and	work	
		yyyy)	Address of		/CA /CS /	Firm Registration		
			Employer		CMA	Number, if		
						applicable		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	

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#### D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. Have you ever been convicted of an offence? (Yes / No) If yes, please give complete details along with current status.
- 2. Is any criminal proceeding pending against you? (Yes / No) If yes, please give complete details along with current status.
- 3. Have you ever been adjudged as a bankrupt? (Yes / No) If yes, please give complete details along with current status.
- 4. Is there any disciplinary proceeding pending against you or has been taken against you at any time in the preceding three years by the ICAI, ICSI, ICAI (Cost), Bar Council or RVO? (Yes / No) If yes, please give complete details along with current status.
- Please provide any additional information that may be relevant for determining if you are fit and proper person.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

I affirm that I am eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 read with section 207 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

- 2.I affirm that the information furnished by me in this application is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- 3.I undertake to comply with the requirements of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, rules, regulations, guidelines and circulars issued thereunder, the bye-laws of the insolvency professional agency with which I am enrolled and directions given by the Board and the Governing Board of such insolvency professional agency and to furnish any additional information as and when called for by the Board or Insolvency Professional Agency.

Name and signature of applicant

Place:

Date:

## ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Copy of proof of residence
- 2. Copy of PAN card, Aadhaar card and Passport
- 3. Copy of GST Registration Certificate

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- 4. Copy of DIN/DPIN allotment letter
- 5. Copies of documents in support of educational qualification, professional qualification and insolvency examination and completion of Pre-Registration Education Course
- 6. Copies of documents demonstrating practice as -
  - (i) a chartered accountant registered with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India;
  - (ii) a company secretary registered with the Institute of Company Secretaries of India;
  - (iii) a cost accountant registered with the Institute of Cost Accountants of India; or
  - (iv) an advocate enrolled with the Bar Council.
- 7. Copies of certificate of employment from the employer(s), specifying the period of such employment
- 8. Financial statements / Income-tax Returns for the last three years.
- 9. Copy of certificate of professional membership with an insolvency professional agency and /or Registered Valuer Organisation
- 10. Evidence of deposit / payment of fee, along with GST, as required under regulation 6(1) of IP Regulations
- 11.Details of information with respect to conviction, criminal proceedings, insolvency/bankruptcy order, disciplinary proceedings/actions and any other additional information relevant for the application, as may be applicable (including brief facts, copy of relevant orders and present status thereof) as separate enclosures.

#### VERIFICATION BY THE INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AGENCY

#### We have verified as under:

SI.	Verification	Finding
No.		
	disciplinary action has been taken at any time in the preceding three years against the professional member by the ICAI, ICSI,	Yes / No  If Yes, give details and supporting document
2	Whether any criminal proceeding has been initiated by ICAI, ICAI (Cost), ICSI, Bar Council, or RVO against the professional	Yes / No
	<u> </u>	Yes/ No If Yes, give details and supporting document
4	1 2 1 2	Yes / No If Yes, give details and supporting document

5	Whether the name of the professional member appears in the database of Ministry of Corporate Affairs regarding:	Yes / No
	, ,	If Yes, give details and attach additional papers
	(ii)Proclaimed Offenders under section 82 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973?	
6	Whether the professional member has been penalised by SEBI or CCI in the last three years?	Yes / No If Yes, give details and supporting document
7	Whether the name of professional member appears in the list of defaulters of RBI / Credit Information Company?	Yes / No If Yes, give details and supporting document
8	Whether the professional member has been convicted of any offence?	Yes/No If Yes, give details and supporting document

We have verified the details submitted by (name of the applicant) who is our professional member with (membership no.) and confirm that these are correct and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. We recommend registration of (name of the applicant) as an insolvency professional with IBBI.

(Name and Signature)

Authorised Officer of the Insolvency Professional Agency
(Seal of the Insolvency Professional Agency)

Place: Date:]

## 92[FORM AA

[Under Regulation 6 (1A) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals)

Regulations, 2016]

To

The Executive Director (IP Division)
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Sub.: Application for registration as an insolvency professional.

Sir/Madam,

92 Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG099, dated 28th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 28.09.2022).

1.I, being duly authorised for the purpose, hereby apply on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], recognised by the Board as an insolvency professional entity with recognition number [recognition number], having registered address at [registered address of the applicant entity] for registration as an insolvency professional under section 207 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with regulation 6 (1A) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 (IP Regulations). I hereby enclose proof (certified copy of Board/ Partner's Resolution) that I am authorised to make this application and correspond with the Board in this respect.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

2. Whether the applicant entity is a subsidiary, joint venture or associate of another company or body corporate? (Yes/ No)

If yes, please give complete details of such company or body corporate.

- 3. Whether the applicant entity and/ or any of its partner or director, as the case may be, is a fit and proper person in terms of regulation 4 of IP Regulations? (Yes/ No) If yes, please give complete details along with current status.
- 4. Please provide any additional information that may be relevant for grant of certificate of registration.

#### AFFIRMATION

- 5.I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], affirm that the applicant entity has at all times complied with regulations 12 and 13 of the IP Regulations.
- 6.I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], affirm that the applicant is eligible to be registered as an insolvency professional.
- 7. I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], hereby affirm that
  - i. all information contained in this application is true and correct in all material respects,
- ii. no material information relevant for the purpose of this application has been suppressed, and
- iii. registration granted in pursuance of this application may be cancelled summarily if any information submitted herein is found to be false or misleading in material respects at any stage.
- iv. the applicant entity may be derecognised if any information submitted herein is found to be false or misleading in material respects at any stage.
- 8.I, hereby confirm that the applicable fee has been paid to the Board vide [please enter the payment details along with date of making the payment] and enclose proof thereof.
- 9.If granted registration, I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], undertake to comply with the requirements of the Code, the rules, regulations or circulars or guidelines issued thereunder, and such other terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Board while granting the certificate of registration or subsequently.

Yours faithfully,

Authorised Signatory
(Name)
(Designation)
(Insolvency Professional Registration Number of Authorised Signatory -------)
(Name of the Insolvency Professional Entity------)

	(Recognition Number of the Insolvency Professional Entity)
Place:	(g,,,,
Date:	

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Certified copy of Board / Partners' Resolution authorising the person to make this application and correspond with the Board in this respect.
- 2. Copy of Certificate of Recognition.
- 3. Copy of Certificate of Professional Membership issued by the Insolvency Professional Agency

Yours faithfully,

Authorised Signatory

(Name)

(Designation)

(Insolvency Professional Registration No. of Authorised Signatory-----)

(Name of the Insolvency Professional Entity-----)

(Recognition Number of the Insolvency Professional Entity----)

Place : Date :...]

# SECOND SCHEDULE FORM B

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

# IP REGISTRATIONNO.

[Under Regulation 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

- 1. In exercise of the powers conferred by Regulation 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 the Board hereby grants a certificate of registration to *[insert name]*, to act as an insolvency professional in accordance with these Regulations.
- 2. This certificate shall be valid from [insert start date].

Sd/-

(Name and Designation)

For and on behalf of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

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Place:	
Date:	

#### SECOND SCHEDULE

#### 93[ FORM C

[Under regulation 12 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

То

The Executive Director (IPE Division)
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)

Subject: Application for recognition as an insolvency professional entity.

Sir/Madam,

I, having been duly authorised for the purpose, hereby apply, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], having registered address at [registered address of the applicant], forrecognition as an insolvency professional entity under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 12 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016. The details of the applicant and its directors / partners are as under:

# A. DETAILS OF APPLICANT

- 1. Name:
- 2. Address:
  - i. registered office:
  - ii. principal place(s) of business, if any:
  - iii. Address for Correspondence with the Applicant
  - iv. E-mail address for correspondence with the Applicant:
  - v. Telephone number for correspondence with the Applicant:
- $3. \ Nature \ of \ constitution: Company \ / Limited \ Liability \ Partnership / \ Registered \ Partnership \\ \textit{(strike off whichever is not applicable)}$ 
  - 4. Corporate Identification Number (CIN)/ LLP Identification Number (LLPIN)/ Certificate of Registration:
  - 5. PAN:
  - 6. GSTIN (if available):

7.Name, designation and contact details of the person authorised to make this application and correspond with the Board on behalf of applicant:

- i. Name:
- ii. Designation:
- iii. Address for correspondence:

93 Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG049, dated 25th October, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.10.2019).

- iv. Mobile No. / Landline No:
- v. E-mail address:

# B. DETAILS OF THE DIRECTORS/PARTNERS OF THE APPLICANT AS ON DATE OF APPLICATION

Sl.	Name of	Address	DIN/DPIN	PAN	Registration	Professional	% share in	Whether
No.	the	of the	(if		No. as an	membership	shares /	Whole
	director/	director/	available)		insolvency	No.	capital	Time
	partner	partner			professional	(if	contributed	Director
						applicable)		(Yes/No)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

# C. ELIGIBILITY [in terms of Regulation 12 (1) of IP Regulations]

- 1. Sole objective of the applicant as per its constitutional document [Description of the sole objective]:
- 2. Net worth of the applicant as on ..... (Date should not be earlier than more 90 days from the date of application):
  - (i) Amount:
  - (ii) Date of net worth:
  - (iii) Unique Document Identification Number of the net worth certificate issued by the Chartered Accountant, if any:
  - (iv) Date of the net worth certificate issued by the Chartered Accountant, if any:
  - 3. Details of shareholding or partner's contribution in the applicant:
  - (i) In case of Partnership

Sl.	Name	Amount	% share in	Whether partner is an	Registration No. as an
No.	of	(Rs.) of	total capital	insolvency	insolvency professional, if
	Partner	capital	contribution	professional (Yes/No)	applicable
		contribution			
(1)	) (2) (3)		(4)	(5)	(6)

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(ii) In case of Company

Sl.	Name of	Number of	% of	Whether	Whether shareholder	Registration no.
No.	Shareholder	shares held	shares	shareholder	is an insolvency	as an insolvency
			held	is a director	professional (Yes /	professional, if
				(Yes/No)	No)	applicable
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)

5. Whether the applicant was at any time in the past derecognised as an insolvency professional entity. (Yes/No)

If yes, please furnish the date of derecognition and ground for derecognition.

6. Whether any disciplinary proceeding has been initiated by the Board (IBBI) or the Insolvency Professional Agency against any director(s) / partner(s), who was/is/are insolvency professional(s). (Yes/No) If yes, please provide details.

#### **AFFIRMATION**

I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], affirm that -

- (i) the applicant is eligible to be recognised as an insolvency professional entity; (ii)none of the directors or partners of the applicant, as the case may be, is a director or partner of another insolvency professional entity.
- 2. I affirm that the information furnished in this application is correct and complete to the bestof my knowledge and belief.
- 3. I, on behalf of [name of the applicant entity], undertake to comply with the requirements of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, rules, regulations, guidelines and circulars issued thereunder, and such other terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Board while granting the certificate of recognition.

Yours faithfully,

Authorised Signatory (Name) (Designation)

Place: Date:

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Copy of Board / Partners' Resolution authorising the person to make this application and make correspondence with the Board
- 2. Copy of CIN/LLPIN/Certificate of Registration of the applicant
- 3. Copy of PAN of the applicant
- 4. Copy of GST Registration Certificate of the applicant
- Copy of Memorandum of Association/LLP Agreement/Registered Partnership Deed of the applicant
- 6. Copy of certificate of net worth issued by the Chartered Accountant, if any
- 7. Copy of Financial Statements of the applicant (including Provisional Financial Statements, as on same date on which net worth of applicant has been submitted)
- 8. Copy of Certificate of Registration issued by the Board to IPs who are directors or partners, as the case may be, of applicant
- 9. Evidence of deposit / payment of fee, along with GST, as required under regulation 12(2) of IP Regulations.]

# SECOND SCHEDULE FORM D

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

# INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL ENTITY RECOGNITION NO.\_

[Under Regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

- In exercise of the powers conferred by Regulation 13 of the Insolvency and BankruptcyBoard of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 the Board hereby grants acertificate recognising [insert name], as an insolvency professional entity.
- 2. This certificate of recognition shall be valid from [insert start date].

Sd/-

(Name and Designation)

For and on behalf of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

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Place:
Date:.

## 94[ FORM E

[Under Regulation 7(2)(ca) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To The General Manager (IP Division) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Subject: Annual statement of professional fee of insolvency professional.

Sir / Madam,

1. I, [Insert name] hereby submit the annual statement of professional fee earned (whether received or not) by me from my services as an insolvency professional in the financial year [insert financial year], as under:

ycai	[mscrt maneral year]	insert innanetar year j, as under.						
Sl.	Name of Debtor	Services rendered as (IRP /	Professional fee as an					
No.		RP / Liquidator / Trustee /	insolvency professional					
		Other, if any)	for the year (Rs.)					
1								
2								
3								
Total								

2. The following amounts are payable to the Board:

Sl. No.	Under regulation	Amount Payable (Rs.)
1	Regulation 7(2)(ca)	
2	Regulation 15, being interest from to	
Total		

- 3. A sum of Rs. ..., as worked out in Para 2 above, has been deposited into the account of the Board, vide.......
- 4. I, [insert name], hereby affirm that -
- i. all information contained in this statement is true and correct in all material respects and
- ii. no material information relevant for the purpose of this statement has been suppressed.

<sup>94</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG036 dated 11th October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11.10.2018).

		You	urs faithfully,
Place:			(Name)
Date:	<del></del>	(Registrati	ion Number)]
To The General	lation 7(2)(cb) of the Insolvency and	ORM EA d Bankruptcy Board of India (Ins ations, 2016]	olvency Professionals)
·	tement of Fee		
Sir / Madam			
1. I, [Insert	name] hereby submit the corporate	debtor-wise details of fee, as und	ler:-
(b) Corpora	of Corporate Debtor:ate Identification Number / LLP IN or rerended on [Insert Details] or date	-	Dess.
Sl. No.	Services rendered in the capacity of IRP / RP	Details of expense incurred (name of payee and nature of	

Total (Note – Separate table to be inserted for each corporate debtor)

2. The following amounts are payable to the Board:

•	The following amounts are payable to the board.								
	Sl. No.	Under regulation	Amount Payable (Rs.)						
	1	Regulation 7(2)(cb)							
	2	Regulation 15, being interest from to							
	Total								

service)

3.A sum of Rs. ..., as worked out in Para 2 above, has been deposited into the account of the Board, vide......

- 4. I, [insert name], hereby affirm that
  - (i) all information contained in this statement is true and correct in all material respects, and

 $<sup>^{95}\,</sup>Inserted\;by\;Notification\;No.\;IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated\;20^{th}\,September,\;2022\;(w.e.f.\;01.10.2022).$ 

- (ii) no material information relevant for the purpose of this statement has been suppressed.
- (iii) I, [Insert Name], am duly authorised to submit this form on behalf of the insolvency professional entity [Insert name of the insolvency professional entity].

Yours faithfully,

Place: (Name of IP / Authorised Signatory of IPE registered as IP)
Date: (IP Registration Number)

## 96 FORM F

[Under regulation 13 (2) (b) and 13 (2) (c) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To

The Executive Director (IPE Division)
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Subject: Information of cessation/joining of a Director / Partner in an insolvency professional entity.

Sir / Madam,

I, [Insert name], being duly authorised for the purpose, submit the following information in compliance with sub-regulation (2)(b) and/or (2)(c) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016:-

#### A. Details of the IPE

- (a) Name of the IPE:
- (b) Date of Recognition by the Board:
- (c) Recognition Number:
- (c) E-mail address registered with the Board:
- (d) Name and Designation of Authorised Signatory:

B. Details of director/partner who ceased to be a director/partner of the IPE

Description	Particulars
Details of director/partner	
a. Name	
b. Registration No. as IP (if applicable)	
c. Date of registration (if applicable)	
d. E-mail address registered with the Board as IP (if applicable)	

<sup>96</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG049, dated 25th October, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.10.2019).

Details	of cessation	
a.	Date of cessation as director/partner	
b.	Whether ceased as Whole Time Director	
c.	Reason of cessation (Resignation/Removal/any other)	
l d	Date of filing of cessation with the concerned authority	

## C. Details of director/partner who joined the IPE

e. Details of diffector/partitler who joined the 11 E						
	Particulars					
Details						
a.	Name					
b.	Registration No. as IP (if applicable)					
c.	Date of Registration (if applicable)					
d.	E-mail address registered with the Board as IP (If applicable)					
Details	of joining					
a.	Date of Joining as director/partner					
b.	Whether Joined as Whole Time Director					
c.	Date of filing of joining with the concerned authority					

# D. Composition of the Board / Partnership of the IPE before and after cessation/joining of the Director / Partner

	Composit	tion (before o	on/joining)	Composition (after cessation/joining)				
	Name of	Name of Designatio		s as an IP	Name of	Designation	Status	s as an IP
	the	n			the	(whole time		
	director/	(whole	Yes	If yes, IP	director/	director /	Yes	If yes, IP
S1.	partner	time	/	Registration	partner,	director /	/	Registration
No.	1	director /	No	Number	as the	partner, as	No	Number
		director /			case	the case may		
		partner, as			may be	be)		
		the case						
		may be)						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

# AFFIRMATION

I, on behalf of [name of the IPE], hereby affirm that-

(i)I am submitting the above information within seven days of the cessation or joining of partner or director, as the case may be, in IPE;

(ii) None of the directors or partners, as the case may be, of the IPE is a partner or director of

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another IPE; and 2. I, on behalf of [name of the insolvency professional entity], hereby declare that all information contained in this form are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Yours faithfully, (Authorised Signatory) (Name)(Designation) (Name of the (Recognition Number of the IPE) Place: Date: ATTACHMENTS 1. Affirmation of the director / partner (In Annexure I / II) ceasing or joining as director / partner of the IPE 2. Evidence of deposit / payment of fee, along with GST, as required under the regulation 13(2)(b), 13(2)(c) and 15, as the case may be. (Please note that a fee of rupees two thousand, plus GST as applicable, is payable in respect of cessation / joining of each director / partner). Annexure 1 To Form F [Under regulation 13 (2) (b) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016] To The Executive Director (IPE Division) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India Subject: Declaration on cessation of a Director / Partner of (Name of the IPE). Sir / Madam,

director / partner of the

with effect from

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remain liable for every act of omission or commission by the IPE when I was its director / partner.

\_\_\_(name), hereby affirm that I have ceased to be a (name of IPE) bearing IPE recognition No.

\_(dd-mm-yyyy). I shall, however,

(Name of ex-Director / ex-Partner)

Yours faithfully,

# Annexure 2 To Form F

[Under regulation 13 (2) (c) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To The Executive Director (IPE Division) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# Subject: Affidavit on joining as Director / Partner of (Name of IPE)

Sir / Madam,		
I	_(name) hereby affirm that	I have joined as a director
/ partner	(name	of an IPE) bearing IPE
recognition no	with effect from	(dd-mm-yyyy).
I am not a director / partner in any other IPE.		Yours faithfully,
	(Nai	me of Director / Partner).]

# 97[Form G

[Under Regulation 7(2)(ca) and 13(2)(ca) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

То

The General Manager (IPE Division) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Subject: Annual statement of services rendered by an insolvency professional entity

Sir / Madam,

# Part A – For services under regulation 7(2)(ca)

1. I, [Insert name], being duly authorised for the purpose, hereby submit the annual statement for the insolvency professional entity [Insert name of the insolvency professional entity] in the financial year [Insert financial year], as under:

Sl. No.	Name	of	Corporate	Services rendered as (IRP / RP	Amount towards
	Corporate		Identification	in a Corporate Insolvency	services rendered
	Debtor	/	Number /	Resolution Process /	in the year (In
	Guarantor		LLPIN of	Authorised Representative in a	Rs.)
			Corporate	Corporate Insolvency	
			Debtor /	Resolution Process/ Liquidator	
			Identification	/ RP in Insolvency Resolution	
			Number of	for Individuals/ Bankruptcy	
			Guarantor	Trustee / Other, if any)	
1					
2					
3					
Total					

# Part B – For services under regulation 13(2)(ca)

2. I, [*Insert name*], having been duly authorised for the purpose, hereby submit the annual statement for the insolvency professional entity [*Insert name of the insolvency professional entity*] in the financial year [*Insert financial year*], as under:

Sl. No.	Name	of	Corporate		Name	of	IP	Broad description	Amount
	Corporate		Identification		who	rende	red	of kind of service	towards
	Debtor	/	Number / LLP	ΙN	service	es as I	RP	rendered	services
	Guarantor		of Corpor	ate	/	RP	/		rendered in
			Debtor	/	Liquid	lator	/		the year (In
			Identification		Bankr	uptcy			Rs.)
			Number	of	Truste	e / Oth	er,		
			Guarantor		if any				
					l				

<sup>97</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG097, dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 01.10.2022).

1			
2			
3			
Total			

3. The following amounts are payable to the Board:

SI.	Under regulation	Amount Payable (Rs.)
No.	_	
1	Regulation 7(2)(ca)	
2	Regulation 13(2)(ca)	
3	Regulation 15, being interest from to	
Total		

- 4. A sum of Rs...., as worked out in Para 3 above, has been deposited into the account of the Board, vide......
- 5. I, [insert name], hereby affirm that -
- (i) all information contained in this statement is true and correct in all material respects and
- (ii) no material information relevant for the purpose of this statement has been suppressed.
- (iii) I, [Insert Name], am duly authorised to submit this form on behalf of the insolvency professional entity [Insert name of the insolvency professional entity].

Authorised Signatory
(Name)
(Designation)
(Name of the Insolvency Professional Entity-----)
(Recognition Number of the Insolvency Professional Entity----)
(Insolvency Professional Registration Number -------)

Place: Date :....]

# 98[FORM H

[Under regulation 13(2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To

The Executive Director (IPE Division)
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Subject: Compliance Certificate under sub-regulation 2(cb) of regulation 13 of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

Sir / N	Iadam,
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<sup>98</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG049, dated 25th October, 2019 (w.e.f. 25.10.2019).

I, [name of the authorised signatory], having been authorised for the purpose, on behalf of [name of insolvency professional entity] with [recognition number of the insolvency professional entity], hereby affirm that the insolvency professional entity has

(a) at all times complied with clauses (a) to (g) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 12; and (b) complied with clauses (b) to (ca) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations,

(Year):

- 2. I, on behalf of [name of the insolvency professional entity], hereby submit the following
  - (i) Sole objective/nature of business of the IPE [Description of the sole objective].
  - (ii) Net worth of the IPE:

2016 during the financial year ......

information, reflecting the status as on 31st March\_\_\_\_

(iii) Director / Partners:

Sl.	Name of	Address	DIN/DPIN	PAN	Registration	Professional	% share in	Whether
No.	the	of the	(if		No. as an	membership	shares /	Whole
	director/	director/	available)		insolvency	No.	capital	Time
	partner	partner			professional	(if	contributed	Director
						applicable)		(Yes/No)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
		I	I	1	1	1	1	I

- (iv) None of the directors / partners, as the case may be, is a director of or partner of another insolvency professional entity.
- 3. I, on behalf of [name of the insolvency professional entity], hereby affirm that all information contained in this form is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Yours faithfully,

Authorised Signatory

(Name)

(Designation)

(Name of IPE)

(IPE Recognition Number)

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Place:
Date:

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Certificate of net worth, (as at the end of last financial year) of IPE, issued by a Chartered Accountant along with copy of audited financial statements of the IPE, at the end of last financial year.]

(Dr. M. S. Sahoo) Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# <u>CHAPTER V</u> <u>INFORMATION UTILITIES</u>

# 209. No person to function as information utility without certificate of registration. –

Save as otherwise provided in this Code, no person shall carry on its business as information utility under this Code without a certificate of registration issued in that behalf by the Board.

# 210. Registration of information utility. - Reg 1-3

(1) Every application for registration shall be made to the Board in such form and manner, containing such particulars, and accompanied by such fee, as may be specified by regulations: **Reg 4** 

Provided that every application received by the Board shall be acknowledged within seven days of its receipt.

- (2) On receipt of the application under sub-section (1), the Board may, on being satisfied that the application conforms to all requirements specified under sub-section (1), grant a certificate of registration to the applicant or else, reject, by order, such application.
- (3) The Board may issue a certificate of registration to the applicant in such form and manner and subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified. **Reg 5-7**
- (4) The Board may renew the certificate of registration from time to time in such manner and on payment of such fee as may be specified by regulations. **Reg 4-6**
- (5) The Board may, by order, suspend or cancel the certificate of registration granted to an information utility on any of the following grounds, namely: –

(a) that it has obtained registration by making a false statement or misrepresentation

or any other unlawful means;

- (b) that it has failed to comply with the requirements of the regulations made by the Board;
- (c) that it has contravened any of the provisions of the Act or the rules or the regulations made thereunder;
  - (d) on any other ground as may be specified by regulations: Reg 39-40

Provided that no order shall be made under this sub-section unless the information utility concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard: Reg 41

Provided further that no such order shall be passed by any member except whole-time members of the Board.

#### 211. Appeal to National Company Law Appellate Tribunal. -

Any information utility which is aggrieved by the order of the Board made under section 210 may prefer an appeal to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal in such form, within such period, and in such manner, as may be specified by regulations. **Reg 42** 

## 212. Governing Board of information utility. -

The Board may, for ensuring that an information utility takes into account the objectives sought to be achieved under this Code, require every information utility to set up a governing board, with such number of independent members, as may be specified by regulations. Reg 8-12

#### 213. Core services, etc. of information utilities. –

An information utility shall provide such services as may be specified including core services to any person if such person complies with the terms and conditions as may be specified by regulations. Reg 17-38

# 214. Obligations of information utility. -

For the purposes of providing core services to any person, every information utility shall-

- (a) create and store financial information in a universally accessible format;
- (b) accept electronic submissions of financial information from persons who are under obligations to submit financial information under sub-section (1) of section 215, in such form and manner as may be specified by regulations; **Reg 20**
- (c) accept, in specified form and manner, electronic submissions of financial information from persons who intend to submit such information;
- (d) meet such minimum service quality standards as may be specified by regulations; Reg 13-16

- (e) get the information received from various persons authenticated by all concerned parties before storing such information;
- (f) provide access to the financial information stored by it to any person who intends to access such information in such manner as may be specified by regulations;
  - (g) publish such statistical information as may be specified by regulations.
  - (h) have inter-operatability with other information utilities.

#### 215. Procedure for submission, etc. of financial information. –

- (1) Any person who intends to submit financial information to the information utility or access the information from the information utility shall pay such fee and submit information in such form and manner as may be specified by regulations. Reg 20
- (2) A financial creditor shall submit financial information and information relating to assets in relation to which any security interest has been created, in such form and manner as may be specified by regulations.
- (3) An operational creditor may submit financial information to the information utility in such form and manner as may be specified.

## 216. Rights and obligations of persons submitting financial information. -

- (1) A person who intends to update or modify or rectify errors in the financial information submitted under section 215, he may make an application to the information utility for such purpose stating reasons therefor, in such manner and within such time, as may be specified
- (2) A person who submits financial information to an information utility shall not provide such information to any other person, except to such extent, under such circumstances, and in such manner, as may be specified.

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INFORMATION UTILITIES) REGULATIONS, 2017

# INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA (INFORMATION UTILITIES) REGULATIONS, 20171

[AMENDED UPTO 20.09.2022]

IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG009.- In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 196, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216 read with section 240 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016), the Board hereby makes the following Regulations to provide a framework for registration and regulation of information utilities in terms hereof, namely-

# **CHAPTER I** PRELIMINARY

#### Short title and commencement. 1.

- These Regulations may be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017.
- These Regulations shall come into force on 1st April, 2017.

#### Definitions.

- In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-
  - "Application Programming Interface" means a mechanism that allows a system or service to access data or functionality provided by another system or service;
  - <sup>2</sup>[(aa) "Board" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established under section 188 of the Code;]
  - "certificate of registration" means a certificate of registration granted or renewed by the Board under section 210 read with these Regulations and the terms "registration" and "renewal" shall be construed accordingly;
  - "Code" means the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016) and includes the rules, regulations, guidelines and directions issued thereunder;
  - "control" shall have the meaning assigned to it under section 2(27) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
  - <sup>3</sup> [(da) "financial information" means any public announcement made under the Code, for the purposes of sub-clause (f) of clause (13) of section 3;]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vide Notification No. IBBI/2016-17/GN/REG009, dated 31st March, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, vide No. 452, dated 31st March, 2017, phothsical interest of Extraordinary, Part III, Sec.4, vide No. 452, dated 31st March, 2017 (w.e.f. 01.04.2017).

Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-18/GN/REG034, dated 11st October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11-10-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG065, dated 13th November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

- (e) "Governing Board" means the Board of Directors, as defined under section 2(10) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013), of the company registered as an information utility;
- (f) "host bank" means the financial institution hosting the repayment account;
- (g) "independent director" shall have the meaning assigned to it under section 149(6) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- (h) "information" means financial information as defined in section 3(13);
- "key managerial personnel" shall have the meaning assigned to it under section 2(51) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- (j) "net worth" shall have the meaning assigned to it under section 2(57) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- (k) "outsourcing" means contracting out services to a third party;
- (1) "public company" shall have the meaning assigned to it under section 2(71) of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013);
- <sup>4</sup>[(la) "record of default" means the status of authentication of default issued in Form D of the Schedule.]
- (m) "repayment account" means the bank account to which a debtor is obliged to repay its debt, as recorded in an information utility;
- (n) "section" means a section of the Code;
- (o) "secure systems" shall have the meaning assigned to it in section 2(1)(ze) of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000);
- (p) "Schedule" means schedule attached to these Regulations;
- (q) "submission of information" includes updating of information, as the context may require;
- (r) "Technical Standards" means the standards laid down by the Board through guidelines issued under Regulation 13, from time to time; and

 $<sup>^4\,</sup>Inserted\ by\ Notification\ No.\ IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated\ 14^{th}June, 2022\ (w.e.f.\ 14-06-2022).$ 

- (s) "user" means a person who avails of the services of an information utility.
- (2) Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations, shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Code.

# CHAPTER II REGISTRATION

# 3. Eligibility for registration.

No person shall be eligible to be registered as an information utility unless it is a public company and -

- (a) its sole object is to provide core services and other services under these Regulations, and discharge such functions as may be necessary for providing these services;
- (b) its shareholding and governance is in accordance with Chapter III;
- (c) its bye-laws are in accordance with Chapter IV;
- (d) it has a minimum net worth of fifty crore rupees;

<sup>5</sup>[(e)\*\*\*]

<sup>6</sup>[(f)\*\*\*]

(g) the person itself, its promoters, its directors, its key managerial personnel, and persons holding more than 5%, directly or indirectly, of its paid-up equity share capital or its total voting power, are fit and proper persons:

Explanation: For determining whether a person is fit and proper under these Regulations, the Board may take account of relevant considerations, including-

- (i) integrity, reputation and character,
- (ii) absence of conviction by a court for an offence:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Clause (e) omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG016 dated 29th September, 2017 (w.e.f. 29-09-2017). Clause (e), prior to omission, stood as "(e) it is not under control of person(s) resident outside India;".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Clause (f) omitted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/ GN/REG016 dated 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 (w.e.f. 29-09-2017). Clause (f), prior to omission, stood as "(f) not more than 49% of its total voting power or its paid -up equity share capital is held, directly or indirectly, by persons resident outside India;".

Provided that a person may be considered 'fit and proper' if he has been sentenced to imprisonment for a period of less than six months;

Provided that a person shall not be considered 'fit and proper' if he has been sentenced to imprisonment for a period (a) of not less than six months, but less than seven years and a period of five years has not elapsed from the date of expiry of the sentence, or (b) of seven years or more.

- (iii) absence of restraint order, in force, issued by a financial sector regulator or the Adjudicating Authority, and
- (iv) financial solvency.

#### 4. Application for registration or renewal thereof.

- (1) A person eligible for registration as an information utility may make an application to the Board in Form A of the Schedule, along with a non-refundable application fee of <sup>7</sup>[ten lakh] rupees.
- (2) An information utility seeking renewal of registration shall, at least six months before the expiry of its registration, make an application for renewal in Form A of the Schedule, along with a non-refundable application fee of <sup>8</sup>[ten lakh] rupees.
- (3) The Board shall acknowledge an application made under this Regulation within seven days of its receipt.

#### 5. Disposal of application.

- (1) The Board shall examine the application, and give an opportunity to the applicant to remove the deficiencies, if any, in the application.
- (2) The Board may require the applicant to submit, within reasonable time, additional documents or clarification that it deems fit.
- (3) The Board may require the applicant to appear, within reasonable time, before the Board in person, or through its authorised representative for clarifications required for processing the application.
- (4) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary, that the applicant-

 $<sup>^7</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG/098 dated  $20^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 20-09-2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "five lakh".

<sup>8</sup> Substituted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG/098 dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 20-09-2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "five lakh".

- (a) is eligible under Regulation 3;
- (b) has the technical competence and financial capacity required to function as an information utility;
- (c) has adequate infrastructure to provide services in accordance with the Code;
- (d) has in its employment, persons having adequate professional and other relevant experience, to provide services in accordance with the Code; and
- (e) has complied with the conditions of the certificate of registration, if he has submitted an application for renewal under Regulation 4(2)

it may grant or renew a certificate of registration to the applicant as an information utility in Form B of the Schedule, within sixty days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for removing the deficiencies, or presenting additional documents or clarifications, or appearing in person, as the case may be.

- (5) If, after considering an application made under Regulation 4, the Board is of the prima facie opinion that the registration ought not to be granted or ought not to be renewed, or be granted or renewed with additional conditions, it shall communicate the reasons for forming such an opinion within forty-five days of receipt of the application, excluding the time given by the Board for removing the deficiencies, presenting additional documents or clarifications, or appearing in person, as the case may be.
- (6) The applicant shall submit an explanation as to why its application should be accepted within fifteen days of the receipt of the communication under subregulation (5), to enable the Board to form a final opinion.
- (7) After considering the explanation, if any, given by the applicant under subregulation (6), the Board shall communicate its decision to-
  - (a) accept the application, along with the certificate of registration; or

(b)reject the application by an order, giving reasons thereof within thirty days of receipt of explanation.

- (8) The order rejecting an application for renewal of registration shall require the information utility to-
  - (a) discharge any pending obligations;

- (b) continue its functions till such time as may be directed, to enable its users to transfer information stored with it to another information utility; and
- (c) comply with any other directions as considered appropriate.

#### 6. Conditions of registration.

- (1) The certificate of registration shall be valid for a period of five years from the date of issue
- (2) The certificate of registration shall be subject to the conditions that the information utility shall—
  - (a) abide by the Code;
  - (b) abide by its bye-laws;
  - (c) at all times after the grant of the certificate continue to satisfy the requirements under Regulation 5(4);
  - (d) pay a fee of <sup>9</sup>[one crore] rupees to the Board, within fifteen days of receipt of intimation of registration or renewal from the Board, as applicable;

<sup>10</sup> [

#### Illustration

 $<sup>^9</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG/098 dated  $20^{th}$  September, 2022 (w.e.f. 20-09-2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as "fifty lakh".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Substituted by Notification No. No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG/098 dated 20th September, 2022 (w.e.f. 20-09-2022). Prior to substitution, it stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(e) pay an annual fee of fifty lakh rupees to the Board, within fifteen days from the date of commencement of the financial year:

Provided that no annual fee shall be payable in the financial year in which an information utility is granted registration or renewal, as the case may be:

Provided further that without prejudice to any other action which the Board may take as it deems fit, any delay in payment of fee by an information utility shall attract simple interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum until paid.

<sup>(</sup>a)Where an information utility is registered on 1st December, 2016, it shall pay a fee of fifty lakh rupees within fifteen days of receipt of intimation of registration. No further payment is required to be made for the financial year 2016-17. The annual fee of fifty lakh rupees for the financial year 2017-18 becomes due on 1st April, 2017 and the same shall be paid on or before 15th April, 2017 and so on.

<sup>(</sup>b)Where the annual fee is paid on  $20^{th}$  April, 2017, interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum shall be paid for the delay of five days."

(e) pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of ten per cent. of the turnover from the services as an information utility rendered in the preceding financial year, on or before 30th April every year:

Provided that without prejudice to any other action which the Board may take as it deems fit, any delay in payment of fee by an information utility shall attract simple interest at the rate of twelve percent per annum.

#### Illustration

Where an information utility generates turnover amounting to Rs. 75 crore in the financial year 2022-23, it is liable to pay fee of Rs. 7.50 crore to the Board on orbefore 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023.]

- (f) seek prior approval of the Board for-
  - the acquisition of shares or voting power by a person, which taken together with paid-up equity shares or voting power, if any, held by such person, entitles him to hold more than five per cent, directly or indirectly, of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power;
  - (ii) a change of control;
  - (iii) a merger, amalgamation or restructuring;
  - (iv) sale, disposal, or acquisition of the whole, or substantially the whole, of its undertaking;
  - (v) voluntary liquidation, dissolution, or any similar action involving the discontinuation of its business.
- (g) intimate the Board if a person holding more than five per cent, directly or indirectly, of its paid-up equity share capital or total voting power ceases to hold at least five per cent, directly or indirectly, of its paid-up equity share capital or total voting power, within fifteen days from such cessation;
- (h) take adequate steps for redressal of grievances;
- (i) take over information stored with other information utilities on the directions of and in the manner directed by the Board, and provide core services to their users; and
- (j) abide by such other conditions as may be stipulated by the Board.

## 7. In-principle approval.

- (1) Any person who seeks to establish an information utility may make an application for an in-principle approval, demonstrating that the conditions in sub-regulation (2) are satisfied, along with a non-refundable application fee of five lakh rupees.
- (2) If the Board is satisfied, after such inspection or inquiry as it deems necessary, that-
  - (a) the applicant is a fit and proper person; and
  - (b) the proposed or existing company which may receive registration would be able to meet the eligibility criteria under Regulation 3,

it may grant in-principle approval which shall be valid for a period not exceeding one year and be subject to such conditions as it deems fit.

(3) During the validity of in-principle approval, the company referred to in subregulation 2(b) may make an application for a certificate of registration as an information utility to the Board in accordance with Regulation 4, but shall not be required to pay the application fee for registration.

#### **CHAPTER III**

# SHAREHOLDING AND GOVERNANCE

#### 8. Shareholding.

(1) No person shall at any time, directly or indirectly, either by itself or together with persons acting in concert, acquire or hold more than ten per cent of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of an information utility:

Provided that the following persons may, directly or indirectly, either by themselves or together in concert, acquire or hold up to twenty-five percent of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of an information utility:

- (a) government company;
- (b) stock exchange;
- (c) depository;
- (d) bank;
- (e) insurance company; and
- (f) public financial institution.

- (2) <sup>11</sup>[Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in sub-regulation (1)
  - (a) a person may, directly or indirectly, either by itself or together with persons acting in concert, hold up to fifty-one percent of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of an information utility up to three years from the date of its registration; or
  - (b) an Indian company, (i) which is listed on a recognised Stock Exchange in India, or (ii) where no individual, directly or indirectly, either by himself or together with persons acting in concert, holds more than ten percent of the paid-up equity share capital, may hold up to hundred percent of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of an information utility up to three years from the date of its registration.

Provided that the information utility is registered before 30th September, 2018.]

(3) The provisions of this Regulation shall not apply to the holding of shares or voting power by the Central Government or a State Government.

## <sup>12</sup>[9. Composition of the Governing Board.

- (1) The Governing Board shall consist of -
  - (a) managing director;
  - (b) independent directors; and

"8(2). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in sub-regulation (1), a person resident in India may, directly or indirectly, either by itself or together with persons acting in concert, hold up to fifty-one percent of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of an information utility till the expiry of three years from the date of its registration, or such period as may be extended by the Board."

"9. Composition of the Governing Board.

(1) More than half of the directors of an information utility shall be independent directors at the time of their appointment, and at all times during their tenure as directors:

 $\label{eq:conditional} Provided \mbox{ that no meeting of the Governing Board shall be held without the presence of at least one independent director.}$ 

 $^{12}$ I(1A) More than half of the directors of an information utility shall be Indian nationals and resident in India]

(2) The directors shall elect an independent director as the Chairperson of the Governing Board:

Explanation- For the purposes of this Regulation, any fraction contained in 'more than half' shall be rounded off to the next higher number."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG016 dated 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 (w.e.f. 29-9-2017). Prior to this substitution, Regulation 8(2) stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2018-19/GN/REG034 dated 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 (w.e.f. 11-10-2018). Regulation 9, before substitution stood as under:

(c) shareholder directors:

Provided that more than half of the directors shall be citizens of India and shall be residents in India.

- (2) The managing director shall not be considered either an independent director or a shareholder director.
- (3) Any employee of an information utility may be appointed as a director on its Governing Board in addition to the managing director, but such director shall be deemed to be a shareholder director.
- (4) The number of independent directors shall not be less than the number of shareholder directors:

Provided that no meeting of the Governing Board shall be held without the presence of at least one independent director.

- (5) An independent director shall be an individual-
  - (a) who is a person of ability and integrity;
  - (b) who has expertise in the field of finance, law, management or insolvency;
  - (c) who is not a relative of the directors of the Governing Board;
  - (d)who has or had no pecuniary relationship with the information utility, or any of its directors, or any of its shareholders holding more than ten per cent. of its share capital, during the immediately preceding two financial years or during the current financial year; (e) who is not a shareholder of the information utility; and
  - (f)who is not a member of the Board of Directors of any of the shareholders holding more than ten per cent. of the share capital of the information utility.
- (6) An independent director shall be nominated by the Board from amongst the list of names proposed by the information utility.
- (7) An individual may serve as an independent director for a maximum of two terms of three years each or part thereof, or up to the age of <sup>13</sup>[seventy-five years], whichever is earlier.
- (8) The second term referred to in sub-regulation (7) may be subject to a satisfactory performance review of the first term by the Governing Board.
- (9) A cooling off period of three years shall be applicable for an independent director to become a shareholder director in the same or another information utility.
- (10)The directors shall elect an independent director as the Chairperson of the Governing Board.
- (11)A director, who has any interest, direct or indirect, pecuniary or otherwise, in any matter coming up for consideration at a meeting of the Governing Board or any of its Committees, shall as soon as possible after relevant circumstances have come to his knowledge, disclose the nature of his interest at such meeting and such disclosure shall be recorded in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG046 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-01-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as: "seventy years".

proceedings of the Governing Board or the Committee, as the case may be, and the director shall not take part in any deliberation or decision of the Governing Board or the Committee with respect to that matter.

#### 9A. Managing director.

(1)An information utility shall, subject to the guidelines issued by the Board from time to time, determine the qualification and experience, manner of appointment, terms and conditions of appointment and other procedural formalities associated with the selection and appointment of the managing director, subject to the condition that-

(a)an individual shall be selected as managing director through an open advertisement in all editions of at least one national daily newspaper;

(b)an individual at the time joining as managing director shall not be above the age of fifty-five years, which may be relaxed by the Governing Board up to sixty years, after recording reasons therefor; and

(c)an individual shall not serve as managing director after he has attained the age of sixty-five years.

- (2)The appointment of an individual as the managing director shall be for a tenure of not less than three years but not exceeding five years.
- (3) An individual may serve as managing director for a maximum of two terms.
- (4)The process of appointment for the second term as managing director shall be conducted afresh.
- (5)The appointment and remuneration payable to the managing director shall be approved by a compensation committee constituted by the Governing Board.
- (6)The appointment, renewal of appointment and termination of service of the managing director shall be subject to prior approval of the Board.
- (7)The managing director shall be liable for removal or termination of services by the Governing Board, with the prior approval of the Board, for failure to give effect to the directions, guidelines and other orders issued by the Governing Board or the Board, or the rules, the articles of association or bye-laws of the information utility or on the ground of misconduct or incapacity to continue in office.
- (8)The Board may *suo motu* remove or terminate the services of the managing director, if it deems fit, in the interest of stakeholders of the insolvency resolution process or in the public interest, after giving a reasonable opportunity of being heard.
- **9B. Compliance.** Every information utility registered as on the date of commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2018, shall comply with regulations 9 and 9A, within one year from the date of such commencement.]

#### 10. Regulatory Committee.

- An information utility may constitute a Regulatory Committee from amongst the independent directors.
- (2) The Regulatory Committee, if constituted, shall oversee the information utility's compliance with the Code.
- (3) The compliance officer shall report to the Regulatory Committee, wherever constituted.

#### 11. Compliance officer.

- (1) An information utility shall designate or appoint a compliance officer who shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions of the Code applicable to the information utility, in letter and spirit.
- (2) The compliance officer shall, immediately and independently, report to the Board any non-compliance of any provision of the Code observed by him.
- (3) The compliance officer shall submit a compliance certificate to the Board annually, verifying that the information utility has complied with the requirements of the Code, and has redressed customer grievances.
- (4) The Governing Board shall appoint or remove a compliance officer only by means of a resolution passed at its meeting.

#### 12. Grievance Redressal Policy.

- (1) An information utility shall have a Grievance Redressal Policy to deal with any grievance from
  - i. any user; or
  - ii. any other person or class of persons as may be provided by the Governing Board

in respect of its services.

- b. The Grievance Redressal Policy shall provide for
  - i. the constitution of a Grievance Redressal Committee;
  - ii. the functions of the Grievance Redressal Committee;
  - iii. the format and manner for filing grievances;

iv. maximum time and format for acknowledging receipt of a grievance;

v.maximum time for the disposal of the grievance by way of dismissal, resolution or the initiation of mediation;

- vi. details of the mediation mechanism;
- vii. provision of a report of the grievance and mediation proceedings to the parties to the grievance upon dismissal or resolution of the grievance;
- viii. action to be taken in case of malicious or false complaints;
- ix. maintenance of a register of grievances received and resolutions arrived
- x. disclosure of receipt and disposal of grievances to the public in the form and manner directed by the Board;
- xi. periodic reporting of the receipt and disposal of grievances to the Governing Board; and
- xii. periodic review of the Grievance Redressal Mechanism by the Governing Board.

# CHAPTER IV TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND BYE-LAWS

#### 13. Technical Standards.

- The Board may lay down Technical Standards, through guidelines, for the performance of core services and other services under these Regulations.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-regulation (1), the Board may lay down Technical Standards for all or any of the following matters, namely:-
  - (a) the Application Programming Interface;
  - (b) standard terms of service;
  - (c) registration of users;
  - (d) unique identifier for each record and each user;
  - (e) submission of information;

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- (g) authentication of information;
- (h) verification of information;
- (i) data integrity;
- (j) consent framework for providing access to information to third parties;
- (k) security of the system;
- (1) security of information;
- (m) risk management framework;
- (n) porting of information;
- (o) exchange or transfer of information between information utilities;
- (p) inter-operability among information utilities;
- (q) preservation of information; and
- (r) purging of information.

#### 14. Technical Committee.

The Board shall lay down the Technical Standards based on the recommendations of a Technical Committee constituted by it.

- (1) The Technical Committee shall comprise of at least three members who have special knowledge and experience in the field of law, finance, economics, information technology or data management.
- (2) The Board may invite the Chief Executive Officers or managing directors of information utilities to attend the meetings of the Technical Committee.

#### 15. Bye-laws of information utilities.

 An information utility, for the conduct of its operations, shall have bye-laws consistent with the Code.

- (2) The bye-laws shall be consistent with, and provide for all matters contained in the Technical Standards, if any.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-regulation (1), the bye-laws shall provide for-
  - the manner and process of providing core services and other services under these Regulations;
  - (b) risk management;

 $^{14}$ [(ba) minimum service quality standards, including timelines for -

- (i) registration of users,
- (ii) issuance of record of default, and
- (iii) issuance of annual statement to registered users.
- (bb) adoption of quality standards and quality standards certifications.]
- (c) rights of users; and
- (d) grievance redressal.
- (2) The bye-laws of the information utility, as amended from time to time, shall be published on its website.

#### 16. Amendment to bye-laws.

- (1) The Governing Board may amend the bye-laws of the information utility by a resolution passed by votes in favour being not less than three times the number of the votes, if any, cast against the resolution, by the directors.
- (2) A resolution passed in accordance with sub-regulation (1) shall be filed with the Board within seven days from the date of its passing, for its approval.
- (3) The amendments to the bye-laws shall come into effect on the seventh day of the receipt of the approval under sub-regulation (2), unless otherwise directed by the Board.
- (4) The information utility shall file a printed copy of the amended bye-laws with the Board within fifteen days from the date when such amendment is made effective.
- (5) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Regulation, the Board may direct an information utility to amend any provision in its bye-laws.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG072, dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (w.e.f. 13-04-2021).

# CHAPTER V CORE SERVICES

#### 17. Provision of services.

- (1) An information utility shall provide-
  - (a) core services;
  - (b) other services under these Regulations; in accordance with the Code.
- (2) An information utility may provide services incidental to the services under subregulation (1), with the permission of the Board.
- (3) An information utility shall comply with the applicable Technical Standards, while providing services.

#### 18. Registration of users.

- (1) A person shall register itself with an information utility for-
  - (a) submitting information to; or

(b)accessing information stored with

any of the information utilities.

- (2) The information utility shall verify the identity of the person under sub-regulation (1) and grant registration.
- (3) Upon registration of a person under sub-regulation (2), the information utility shall intimate it of its unique identifier.
- (4) A person registered once with an information utility shall not register itself with any information utility again.
- (5) An information utility shall provide a registered user a functionality to enable its authorised representatives to carry on the activities in sub-regulation (1) on its behalf.
- (6) An information utility shall-

- (a) maintain a list of the
  - (i) registered users;
  - (ii) the unique identifiers of the registered users; and
  - (iii) the unique identifiers assigned to the debts under Regulation 20.
- (b) make the list under clause (a) available to all information utilities and the

#### 19. Use of different information utilities.

- (1) A registered user may submit information to any information utility.
- (2) Different parties to the same transaction may use different information utilities to submit, or access information in respect of the same transaction:
  - *Illustration:* A debt transaction has creditor A and debtor B. A may submit information about the debt to information utility X, while B may submit information about the same debt to information utility Y.
- (3) A user may access information stored with an information utility through any information utility.

#### 19. Acceptance and receipt of information.

- An information utility shall accept information submitted by a user in Form C of the Schedule.
- 15[(1A) Before filing an application to initiate corporate insolvency resolution process under section 7 or 9, as the case may be, the creditor shall file the information of default, with the information utility and the information utility shall process the information for the purpose of issuing record of default in accordance with regulation 21.]
- (2) On receipt of the information submitted under sub-regulation (1) <sup>16</sup> [or sub-regulation (1A), as the case may be], the information utility shall-
  - (a) assign a unique identifier to the information, including records of debt;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

- (b) acknowledge its receipt, and notify the user of-
  - (i) the unique identifier of the information;
  - the terms and conditions of authentication and verification of information; and
  - (iii) the manner in which the information may be accessed by other parties.

#### 21. 17 [ 18 [Authentication of default].

(1)An information utility shall expeditiously undertake the process of authentication and verification of information of default as soon as it is received.

- (2) For the purpose of sub-regulation (1), the information utility shall-
  - (a) deliver the information of default to the debtor seeking confirmation of the same within the time specified in the Technical Standards;
  - (b) remind the debtor at least three times for confirmation of information of default, in case the debtor does not respond, allow three days each time for the debtor to respond;
  - (c) deliver the information of default or the reminder, as the case may be, to the debtor either by hand, post or electronic means at the postal or e-mail address of the debtor-
    - (i) registered with the information utility by him, failing which,
    - (ii)<sup>19</sup> [recorded with MCA 21 and the Central Registry of Securitisation Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest of India (CERSAI) registry as repositories or any other statutory repository as approved by the Board, failing which,]
    - (iii) submitted in Form C of the Schedule.

#### "17. Information of default.

 On receipt of information of default, an information utility shall expeditiously undertake the processes of authentication and verification of the information.

(b) parties and sureties, if any, to the debt in respect of which the information of default has been received."

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>$  Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG046 dated 25th July, 2019 (w.e.f. 25-01-2019). Prior to substitution it stood as under:

<sup>(2)</sup> On completion of the processes of authentication and verification under sub-regulation (1), the information utility shall communicate the information of default, and the status of authentication to registered users who

<sup>(</sup>a) creditors of the debtor who has defaulted;

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "Information of default".
 <sup>19</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "(ii) recorded with any other statutory repository as approved by the Board, failing which"

<sup>20</sup>[(3) On completion of the process under sub-regulation (2), the information utility shall record the status of authentication of information of default as indicated in the following Tables:

#### TABLE-1

SI.	Response of the Debtor	Status of	Colour of
No.		Authentication	the Status
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Debtor confirms the information of	Authenticated	Green
	default		
2	Debtor disputes the information of	Disputed	Red
	default		
	Debtor does not respond even after	Deemed to be	Yellow
3	three reminders	Authenticated	

Provided that in case of financial creditors which are banks included in the second schedule of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, the information utilities will record the status of authentication of information of default as indicated in the Table 2 below:

#### TABLE-2

SI.	Response of the debtor	Status of	Colour of the
No.		authentication	status
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	(a)Debtor confirms the information of default, or (b)Debtor does not respond even after three reminders	Authenticated	Green
2	Debtor disputes the information of default	Disputed	Red

(4) After recording the status of information of default under sub-regulation (3), the information utility shall communicate the status of authentication in physical or electronic

Table

Sl.	Response of the Debtor	Status of Authentication	Colour of
No.			the Status
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Debtor confirms the information of default	Authenticated	Green
2	Debtor disputes the information of default	Disputed	Red
3	Debtor does not respond even after three reminders	Deemed to be Authenticated	Yellow

(4) After recording the status of information of default under sub-regulation (3), the information utility shall communicate the status of authentication in physical or electronic form of the relevant colour, as indicated in column (4) of the Table thereof, to the registered users who are-

(a) creditors of the debtor who has defaulted;

(b) parties and sureties, if any, to the debt in respect of which the information of default has been received."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14th June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under: "(3) On completion of the process under sub-regulation (2), the information utility shall record the status of authentication of information of default as indicated in the Table below:

form of the relevant colour, as indicated in column (4) of the Tables 1 or 2, as the case may be, by issuing a record of default in Form D of the Schedule, to the registered users who are-

- (a) creditors of the debtor who has defaulted in payment of a debt;
- (b)parties and sureties, if any, to the debt in respect of which the information of default has been received.]

#### <sup>21</sup>[21A. Dissemination of public announcement.

An information utility shall disseminate every public announcement it receives or has access to, on the date of its receipt or access, as the case may be, to its registered users, who are creditors of the corporate debtor undergoing insolvency proceeding under the Code.]

#### 22. Storage of information.

- (1) An information utility shall store all information in a facility located in India.
- (2) The facility under sub-regulation (1) shall be governed by the laws of India.

#### 23. Access to information.

- (1) An information utility shall allow the following persons to access information stored with it-
  - (a) the user which has submitted the information;
  - (b) all the parties to the debt and the host bank, if any, if the information is of the categories in section 3(13)(a), (c) and (d);
  - (c) the corporate person and its auditor, if the information is of the categories in section 3(13)(b) and (e);
  - (d) the insolvency professional, to the extent provided in the Code;
  - (e) the Adjudicating Authority;
  - (f) the Board;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2020-21/GN/REG065, dated 13th November, 2020 (w.e.f. 13-11-2020).

- (g) any person authorised to access the information under any other law; and
- (h) any other person who the persons referred to in (a), (b) or (c) have consented to share the information with.
- (2) An information utility shall in all cases enable the user to view-
  - (a) the date the information was last updated;
  - (b) the status of authentication; and
  - (c) the status of verification

while providing access to the information.

(3) An information utility shall provide information to the Adjudicating Authority and Board free of charge.

#### 24. Accessing information stored with other information utilities.

- (1) An information utility shall provide a functionality to enable users to access information stored with any information utility, which they are entitled to access.
- (2) The functionality under sub-regulation (1) shall enable other information utilities to provide access to information to the user directly.
- (3) The functionality shall ensure privacy and confidentiality of information.

#### 25. Annual statement.

- An information utility shall provide every user an annual statement of all information pertaining to the user, free of charge.
- An information utility shall provide the user a functionality to mark information as erroneous and correct it.

#### 26. Porting information from registries.

- An information utility may import information from such registries as may be notified by the Board from time to time.
- (2) An information utility shall render the core services under section 3 (9) (b), (c) and (d) in accordance with these Regulations for the information imported under subregulation (1).

#### 27. Duties of the user.

<sup>22</sup>[(1) A user, who has submitted information in Form C of the Schedule to an information utility, shall submit the information updated as on the last day of every month, in the first week of following month:

Provided that information of default shall be updated within seven days of occurrence of default.]

(2) A user shall expeditiously correct information as soon as it finds it erroneous, stating the reasons, if any.

#### CHAPTER VI DUTIES OF INFORMATION UTILITIES

#### 28. General duties.

- An information utility shall provide services with due and reasonable care, skill and diligence.
- (2) An information utility shall hold the information as a custodian.

#### 29. Non-discrimination.

An information utility shall provide services without discrimination in any manner.

Explanation: An information utility shall not deny its services to any person on the basis of-

- (a) place of residence or business; or
- (b) type of personality, whether natural or artificial.

#### 30. Other duties.

- (1) An information utility shall-
  - (a) provide services to a user based on its explicit consent;
  - (b) guarantee protection of the rights of users;
  - (c) establish adequate procedures and facilities to ensure that its records are protected against loss or destruction;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG072 dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (w.e.f. 13-04-2021). Prior to substitution, it stood as under: -

<sup>&</sup>quot;(1) A user shall expeditiously update the information submitted by it to an information utility."

- (d) adopt secure systems for information flows;
- (e) protect its data processing systems against unauthorised access, alteration, destruction, disclosure or dissemination of information; and
- (f) transfer all the information submitted by a user, and stored with it to another information utility on the request of the user.
- (2) An information utility shall not-
  - (a) outsource the provision of core services to a third-party service provider;
  - use the information stored with it for any purpose other than providing services under these Regulations, without the prior approval of the Board;
  - (c) seek data or details of users except as required for the provision of the services under these Regulations.

#### 31. Insurance.

An information utility shall make adequate arrangements, including insurance, for indemnifying the users for losses that may be caused to them by any wrongful act, negligence or default of the information utility, its employees or any other person whose services are used for the provision of services under these Regulations.

#### 32. Fee.

- (1) The information utility shall-
  - (a) charge uniform fee for providing the same service to different users;
  - (b) disclose the fee structure for provision of services on its website; and
  - (c) disclose any proposed increase in the fees for the provision of services on its website at least three months before the increase in fees is effected.
- (2) The fee charged for -
  - (a) providing services shall be a reasonable reflection of the service provided; and
  - (b) providing access to information shall not exceed the fee charged for submission of information to the information utility.

#### 33. Risk management.

An information utility shall establish an appropriate risk management framework in accordance with the Technical Standards, if any, which provides for matters, including-

- (a) reliable, recoverable and secure systems;
- (b) provision of core services during disasters and emergencies; and
- (c) business continuity plans which shall include disaster recovery sites.

#### 34. Audit of information technology framework.

- An information utility shall appoint an external auditor having relevant qualifications to audit its information technology framework, interface and data processing systems every year.
- (2) The auditor appointed under sub-regulation (1) shall submit are port to the Governing Board.
- (3) The information utility shall submit the report received under sub-regulation (2), along with the comments of the Governing Board, if any, to the Board within one month from the receipt of the report from the external auditor.

#### 35. Preservation Policy.

- (1) An information utility shall have a Preservation Policy providing for the form, manner and duration of preservation of—
  - (a) information stored with it; and
  - (b) details of the transactions of the information utility with each user in respect of the information stored with it.
- (2) The Preservation Policy shall be consistent with the Technical Standards, if any.

#### 36. Provision of information to the Board.

- An information utility shall provide such information as may be required by the Board.
- (2) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-regulation (1), an information utility shall provide a report to the Board annually, in the manner directed by the Board, stating the-

- (a) number and types of records collected;
- (b) number and types of users registered;
- (c) number and types of unique debts recorded;
- (d) number and types of security interests recorded;
- (e) volume of debts recorded;
- (f) volume of secured debts recorded;
- (g) number of instances and types of defaults recorded;
- (h) number and types of disputes recorded;
- number of times information was accessed by the Adjudicating Authority and Board; and
- (j) any other information as may be directed by the Board.

#### <sup>23</sup>[36A. Publication of statistical information –

- (1) An information utility shall publish statistics relating to debt related information in its possession, quarterly.
- (2) The statistics in sub-regulation (1) shall provide distribution of debts in terms of currency, geography, sector, size, tenor, type, lending arrangement, and incidence of default.]

#### 37. Inspection.

- (1) Without prejudice to the provisions of sections 217-220, the Board shall inspect an information utility with such periodicity as may be considered necessary.
- (2) An information utility shall extend all assistance and co-operation to the Board to carry out an inspection under sub-regulation (1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG072, dated 13th April 2021 (w.e.f. 13-04-2021).

# CHAPTER VII SERVICES TO INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS

#### 38. Storing information submitted by insolvency professionals.

- (1) An insolvency professional may submit reports, registers and minutes in respect of any insolvency resolution, liquidation or bankruptcy proceedings to an information utility for storage.
- (2) The information utility shall not provide access to the reports, registers and minutes submitted under sub-regulation (1) to any person other than the concerned insolvency professional, the Board or the Adjudicating Authority.
- (3) The information utility shall discharge the duties specified in Chapter VI in respect of the reports, registers and minutes submitted under sub-regulation (1).

# CHAPTER VIII SURRENDER OR CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

#### 39. Exit management plan.

- An information utility shall, at all times, have an exit management plan which shall include-
  - (a) mechanisms to enable users to transfer information to other information utilities expeditiously;
  - (b) mechanisms for preservation and transfer of information; and
  - (c) timelines and cost estimates of implementing the exit management plan.
- (2) An information utility shall not amend its exit management plan without the prior approval of the Board.

#### 40. Surrender of registration.

- An information utility may submit an application for surrender of its certificate of registration to the Board, providing -
  - (a) the reasons for such surrender;
  - (b) details of its pending and on-going activities; and

- (c) details of how the exit management plan shall be implemented.
- (2) The Board shall within seven days of receipt of the application, publish a notice of receipt of such application on its website and invite objections to the surrender of registration to be submitted within fourteen days of the publication of the notice.
- (3) After considering the application and the objections received, if any, the Board may, within thirty days from the last date for submission of objections, approve the application for surrender of registration subject to such conditions as it deems fit.
- (4) The approval under sub-regulation (3) may require the information utility to-
  - (a) discharge any pending obligations; or
  - (b) continue such functions till such time as may be directed.
- (5) The Board, after being satisfied that the requirements of sub-regulation (4) have been complied with, shall publish a notice on its website stating that the surrender of registration by the information utility has taken effect.

#### 41. Disciplinary proceedings.

- (1) Based on the findings of an inspection or investigation, or on material otherwise available on record, if the Board is of the *prima facie* opinion that sufficient cause exists to take actions permissible under section 220, it shall issue a show-cause notice to the information utility.
- (2) The show-cause notice shall be in writing and shall state-
  - (a) the provisions of the Code under which it has been issued;
  - (b) the details of the alleged facts;
  - (c) the details of the evidence in support of the alleged facts;
  - (d) the provisions of the Code allegedly violated, or the manner in which the public interest has allegedly been affected;
  - the actions or directions that the Board proposes to take or issue if the allegations are established;
  - the manner in which the information utility is required to respond to the showcause notice;

- (g) consequences of failure to respond to the show-cause notice within the given time; and
- (h) procedure to be followed for disposal of the show-cause notice.
- (3) The show-cause notice shall enclose copies of relevant documents and extracts of relevant portions from the report of investigation or inspection, or other records.
- (4) A show-cause notice issued shall be served on the information utility in the following manner-
  - (a) by sending it to the information utility at its registered office, by registered post with acknowledgement due; and
  - (b) by an appropriate electronic means to the email address provided by the information utility to the Board.
- (5) The Disciplinary Committee shall dispose of the show-cause notice by a reasoned order in adherence to principles of natural justice.
- (6) The Disciplinary Committee shall endeavor to dispose of the show-cause notice within a period of six months of the issue of the show-cause notice.
- (7) The order in disposal of a show-cause notice may provide for-
  - (a) no action;
  - (b) warning;
  - (c) any of the actions under section 220(2) to (4); or
  - (d) a reference to the Board to take any action under section 220(5).
- (8) <sup>24</sup> [The disciplinary proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017.]
- (9) The order passed under sub-regulation (7) shall be issued to the information utility immediately, and be published on the website of the Board.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022). Prior to substitution it stood as under:"(8) The order passed under sub-regulation (7) shall not become effective until thirty days have elapsed from the date of issue of the order, unless the Disciplinary Committee states otherwise in the order along with the reasons for the same."

- (10) If the order passed under sub-regulation (7) suspends or cancels the registration of the information utility, the Disciplinary Committee may require the information utility to-
  - (a) discharge pending obligations;
  - (b) continue its functions till such time as may be directed, only to enable users to transfer information stored with it to another information utility; and
  - (c) comply with any other directions.

#### 42. Appeal.

An appeal may be preferred under section 211, within a period of thirty days of receipt of the order, in the manner prescribed in Part III of the <sup>25</sup> [National Company Law Appellate Tribunal Rules, 2016].

#### SCHEDULE FORM A

#### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

(Under Regulation 4 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities)
Regulations, 2017)

To
The Chairperson
The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
[Insert address]

From

[Name and address]

Subject: Application for grant or renewal of certificate of registration as information utility

#### Madam/Sir,

- 1. I, being duly authorized for the purpose, hereby apply on behalf of [name and address of the applicant] for
  - (a) grant of certificate of registration as information utility, or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG029 dated 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01-04-2018). The words and figures before substitution, stood as under:

<sup>&</sup>quot;National Company Law Tribunal Rules, 2016".

(b) renewal of certificate of registration as information utility,

and enclose a copy of the board resolution authorizing me to make this application to and correspond with the Board in this respect.

- 2. A copy of
  - (a) the memorandum of association,
  - (b) the articles of association,
  - (c) the bye-laws,
  - (d) the business plan and
  - (e) the exit management plan of the applicant is enclosed.
- 3. I, on behalf of [insert name], affirm that the applicant is eligible to be registered as an information utility.
- 4. I, on behalf of [insert name], hereby affirm that
  - (a) all information contained in this application is true and correct in all material respects,
  - (b) no material information relevant for the purpose of this application has been suppressed, and
  - (c) registration granted or renewed in pursuance of this application may be cancelled summarily if any information submitted is found to be false or misleading in material respects at any stage.
- 5. If granted registration, I, on behalf of [insert name],undertake to comply with the requirements of the Code, the rules, regulations, guidelines or directions issued thereunder, and such other conditions and terms as may be contained in the certificate of registration or be specified or imposed by the Board subsequently.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-Authorized Signatory (Name) (Designation)

Date :

# ANNEXURE TO FORM A PART I GENERAL

- 1. Name of the applicant.
- 2. Address of registered office and principal place of business of the applicant.
- 3. Corporate Identity Number (CIN).
- 4. PAN.
- Name, designation and contact details of the person authorized to make this application and correspond with the Board in this respect.

#### <sup>26</sup>[PART II] MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION, ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND BYE-LAWS

Please state if the memorandum of association, articles of association and bye-laws
provide for all matters as required in, and are consistent with the Insolvency and
Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017 and the Code.

# PART III SHAREHOLDING AND FINANCIAL STRENGTH

7. Please provide details of the persons holding more than 5%, directly or indirectly, of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of the applicant.

Sl.	Name and address	PAN / Pas	ssport N	Percentage		of
No.	of the shareholder	country company number	of regis	 shareholding applicant of and/ or holding	comp	the any
				company		

8. Do persons resident outside India in aggregate hold more than 49% of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of the applicant? Please provide details.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2017-18/GN/REG029 dated 27th March, 2018 (w.e.f. 01-04-2018).

- 9. Who exercises control over the applicant? Please provide details.
- 10. Do persons resident outside India exercise control over the applicant? If so, please provide details.
- 11. Please provide audited financial statements of:
  - (a) a company holding more than 5% of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of the applicant (if any),
  - (b) a company who is in control of the applicant (if any),
  - (c) promoter company (if any),
  - (d) the applicant company itself, of the last three years or from the date of incorporation of the company, whichever is less.

# PART IV DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

12. Please provide the details of the applicant's Board of Directors, key managerial personnel and compliance officer, if any:

	Sl. No.	Name and address of the director	DIN and PAN
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13. Please provide number of employees, category-wise.

#### PART V INFRASTRUCTURE

- 14. Please provide the details of infrastructure the applicant currently has and proposes to have to enable it to discharge its functions as an information utility, including
  - a. Technology
  - b. Data Security
  - c. Facilities for hosting the data center
  - d. Grievance redressal and disciplinary proceedings
  - e. Any further plan for additional/improved infrastructure to be indicated.

#### PART VI BUSINESS PLAN

- 15. Please provide a summary of the applicant's Business Plan.
- 16. Please provide the time frame in which the applicant will be able to provide the services of an information utility from the date of registration.

# PART VII EXIT MANAGEMENT PLAN

17. Please provide a summary of the applicant's Exit Management Plan, including the manner in which users will be enabled to transfer their information to other utilities.

#### PART VIII FIT AND PROPER CRITERIA

18. Please provide information to demonstrate that the persons holding more than 5% of the paid-up equity share capital or total voting power of the company, the promoters, the key managerial personnel, the directors of the applicant and the applicant are fit and proper persons.

Sl.	Name	Relati	DIN/	Details of	Details of	Is the person	Details	Any
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						yes, please	person	
						provide details		

#### PART IX COMPLIANCE

 $[For \ applications \ for \ renewal \ of \ registration]$ 

- 19. Please provide details of the information utility's compliance with the conditions of its certificate of registration.
- 20. Please provide details of the information utility's compliance with the Code, rules, regulations, guidelines and directions thereunder, during the period of registration.

Please provide any other details you consider relevant in support of the application.

Sd/-Authorized Signatory (Name) (Designation)

Date : Place :

#### FORM B

(Under Regulation 5 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities)
Regulations, 2017)

#### THE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION NO. \_

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India hereby grants/ renews this /the certificate of registration to/of\_*[insert name and address]* to act as an information utility in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

The certificate of registration is valid from [insert start date] to [insert end date] and may be renewed.

Sd/-

(Name and Designation)

(For and on behalf of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India)

Place:

Date:

#### <sup>27</sup>[FORM C

Under regulation 20 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017.

(Note: Information may be accepted in this Form with necessary modifications as the information utility deems fit.)

	A. Details relating to Creation of Debt			
Sl. No.	Nature of information	Particulars		
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	Details of the user submitting information			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Substituted by Notification No. IBBI/2021-22/GN/REG072 dated 13th April, 2021 (w.e.f. 13-04-2021).

1	Business date	
1	(The information will be as on date. For example, data of 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020)	
	submitted even on a later date, say on 05 <sup>th</sup> May 2020, will be as on the	
	business date – 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020)	
2	UIN (PAN)	
3	Full Name	
	(Please provide your First, Middle and Last name without salutations)	
4	Relationship	
-	(Debtor/Creditor/ Guarantor/ Co-obligant / Security Provider / Assignee)	
5	Date of Birth/ Date of incorporation	
6	Communication address	
7	PIN Code	
8	Telephone No.	
9	Mobile No.	
10	Email ID-1	
	(for Submission acknowledgment, other submission related messages or	
	any other general purpose message)	
11	Email ID-2	
	(for Dispute alert sent to submitter)	
12	Email ID-3	
	(for Default alert sent to submitter)	
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23	Industry Category	
24	Date of Birth/ Date of incorporation	
25	Corporate Identification Number (CIN/LLPIN) for registered corporate	
23	entities.	
26	PAN	
27	Customer ID	
28	CKYC KIN	
29	Contact Person Name	
30	Contact Person's Mobile No.	
31	Alternative Number	
32	Email id	
33	Alternative Email ID	
	Details of the Debt	
34	Debt Reference Number	
35	Old Debt Reference No.	
	(Unique identifier of the debt, in case the debt has previously been	
	recorded in any Information Utility)	
36	Creditor Location	
	(Creditor's internal location code, where submitted by creditor)	
37	Creditor Business Unit	
	(Creditor's internal business unit code, where submitted by creditor)	
38	Creditor RM Email	
	(Email of Creditor's Relation Manager, for notification purpose)	
39	Debt Contract Date	
	(date of sanction, last renewal, debt acknowledgements, etc.)	
40	Debt Start Date	
	(Date of first disbursement or date of activation of the facility)	
41	Sanction Reference No.	
42	Sanction Currency	
43	Sanctioned Amount	
44	Drawing Power	
45	Type of Debt	
4.6	(Financial, Operational)	
46	Intermediary Status	
47	(Yes, No)	
47	Debt subtype	
48	Funded Type Indicator	
40	(Funded, Non-fund)	
49	Facility name	
50	Repayment frequency (Monthly, Quarterly, Half yearly, Annual, On demand, Bullet, Rolling,	
	(Monthly, Quarterly, Half yearly, Annual, On demand, Bullet, Rolling, Others)	
	Outers)	

51	Tenor of debt
52	Instalment Amount
53	Rate of interest
54	Lending arrangement
	(Sole Banking, Consortium, Multiple Banking Arrangement, Outside
	Multiple Banking, Outside Consortium, Others)
55	Currency of debt
56	Total Outstanding Amount
57	Principal Outstanding
58	Interest Outstanding
59	Other Charges Outstanding
60	Amount Overdue
61	Days Overdue
	(Number of days overdue as on business date of reporting. If no overdue,
	report zero value)
62	Asset Classification
	(Standard, Sub-standard, Doubtful, Loss)
63	SMA Category
	(0, 1, 2, N)
64	Account Closed Flag
	(Yes, No, Assigned)
65	Part-A Remarks
	(Any remarks that can be helpful for Other Parties during authentication)
B. D	etails relating to Creation of Security on Debt (If not applicable, please write NA)
66	Date of creation of Security Interest
67	Type of Charge created
	(Mortgage, Hypothecation, Charge, Assignment, Pledge, Lien, Negative
	Lien, Guarantee, Asset Cover and such other charges)
68	Assets type
	(Movable, Immovable, Intangible, Not Classified)
69	Security type
	(Nature of asset used as security as per list of values)
70	Security Category
	(Primary, Collateral)
71	Asset ID
	(identification number of asset on which charge is created)
72	Description of security
73	Value of security
74	Currency of Security
75	Date of valuation
76	ROC Charge ID
1	(as registered with MCA, where applicable)

77	CERSAI Security Interest ID						
78	Part-B Remarks						
	(Any remarks that can be helpful for Other Parties during authentication)						
	C. Details relating to Default of Debt (If not applicable, please write NA)						
79	Date of default						
80	Total Outstanding Amount						
81	Default amount						
82	Days past due						
83	Amount of last repayment						
84	Date of last repayment						
85	Date of filing of suit						
86	Part-C Remarks						
	(Any remarks that can be helpful for Other Parties during authentication)						
87	Documents* uploaded as proof for Debt, Security and Default:-						
	Debt:						
	a. Copy of Loan Agreement (as revised from time to time)						
	b. Repayment schedule (If in possession of the submitter)						
	c. Balance Confirmation						
	d. Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statements (If the submitter is the Debtor)						
	e. Any other documents relating to creation of debt/change in the terms of the debt						
	<sup>28</sup> [f. document showing latest acknowledgment of debt by the debtor]						
	Security:						
	a. Copy of the Security Deed						
	b. Copy of the Valuation Report						
	c. Proof of Registration with CERSAI						
	d. Copy of the Certificate of Registration of Charge						
	e. Any other document relating to creation of security						
	Default:						
	Any documents attached as a proof of default						

\* Documents can be submitted at any stage, not necessarily along with the data in Form C."]

# <sup>29</sup>[FORM D\* RECORD OF DEFAULT

(Issued By information utility under sub- regulation (4) of regulation 21 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017)

 $<sup>^{28}</sup>$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).  $^{29}$  Inserted by Notification No. IBBI/2022-23/GN/REG085, dated  $14^{\rm th}$  June, 2022 (w.e.f. 14-06-2022).

This record of default is issued to the Financial/Operational Creditor\_\_\_\_\_in respect of the default of debt as per details given below-

- (a) Name of Corporate Debtor:
- (b) Unique Debt Identifier Number:
- (c) Registered Address:
- (d) Total debt amount:
- (e) Default amount remaining:
- (f) Date of default:
- (g) Status of Authentication of default:

Filing of	Submitted on	Status of Authentication	Authentication
Default	(DD/MM/YY)	(Authenticated/Disputed/Deemed	completed on
(Submission		to be authenticated)	(DD/MM/YY)
ID No.)			
		(Colour Code: Green or yellow or	
		Red, as the case may be)	

......(name of the information utility) is authorized to issue this record of default and has accordingly affixed its digital signature, as per the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017, Guidelines for Technical Standards for Performance of Core Services and Other Services and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2017.

#### Date:

#### Digital Signature of the Authorized Signatory

#### Note:

- 1. Technical details may be inserted by the respective Information Utility
- 2. List of supportive annexures may be enclosed by the respective Information Utility
- 3. Other details/documents, if any, may be enclosed by the Information Utility

 $*(Note: Information\ may\ be\ issued\ in\ this\ Form\ with\ necessary\ modifications\ as\ the\ information\ utility\ deems\ fit)]$ 

(Dr. M. S. Sahoo) Chairperson Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

# <u>CHAPTER VI</u> <u>INSPECTION AND INVESTIGATION</u>

#### 217. Complaints against insolvency professional agency or its member or information utility. -

Any person aggrieved by the functioning of an insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or an information utility may file a complaint to the Board in such form, within such time and in such manner as may be specified. **Reg 1-8** 

#### 218. Investigation of insolvency professional agency or its member or information utility.

- (1) Where thr Board,on receipt of a complaint under section 217 or has reasonable grounds to believe that any insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or an information utility has contravened any of the provisions of the Code or the rules or regulations made or directions issued by the Board thereunder, it may, at any time by an order in writing, direct any person or persons to act as an investigating authority to conduct an inspection or investigation of the insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or an information utility.
- (2) The inspection or investigation carried out under sub-section (1) of this section shall be conducted within such time and in such manner as may be specified by regulations. Reg 3-10
- (3) The Investigating Authority may, in the course of such inspection or investigation, require any other person who is likely to have any relevant document, record or information to furnish the same, and such person shall be bound to furnish such document, record or information:

Provided that the Investigating Authority shall provide detailed reasons to such person before requiring him to furnish such document, record or information.

- (4) The Investigating Authority may, in the course of its inspection or investigation, enter any building or place where they may have reasons to believe that any such document, record or information relating to the subject-matter of the inquiry may be found and may seize any such document, record or information or take extracts or copies therefrom, subject to the provisions of section 100 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, insofar as they may be applicable.
- (5) The Investigating Authority shall keep in its custody the books, registers, other documents and records seized under this section for such period not later than the conclusion of the investigation as it considers necessary and thereafter shall return the same to the concerned person from whose custody or power they were seized:

Provided that the Investigating Authority may, before returning such books, registers, other documents and record as aforesaid, place identification marks on them or any part thereof.

(6) A detailed report of inspection or investigation shall be submitted to the Board by the Investigating Authority.

#### ${\bf 219. \ Show\ cause\ notice\ to\ insolvency\ professional\ agency\ or\ its\ member\ or\ information\ \ utility.-}$

The Board may, upon completion of an inspection or investigation under section 218, issue a show cause notice to such insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or information utility, and carry out inspection of such insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or information utility in such manner, giving such time for giving reply, as may be specified by regulations. **Reg 11-13** 

#### 220. Appointment of disciplinary committee. -

(1) The Board shall constitute a disciplinary committee to consider the reports of the investigating Authority submitted under sub-section (6) of section 218:

Provided that the members of the disciplinary committee shall consist of whole-time members of the Board only.

- (2) On the examination of the report of the Investigating Authority, if the disciplinary committee is satisfied that sufficient cause exists, it may impose penalty as specified in sub-section (3) or suspend or cancel the registration of the insolvency professional or, suspend or cancel the registration of insolvency professional agency or information utility as the case may be.
- (3) Where any insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or an information utility has contravened any provision of this Code or rules or regulations made thereunder, the disciplinary committee may impose penalty which shall be
  - (i) three times the amount of the loss caused, or likely to have been caused, to persons concerned on account of such contravention; or
  - (ii) three times the amount of the unlawful gain made on account of such contravention,

whichever is higher:

Provided that where such loss or unlawful gain is not quantifiable, the total amount of the penalty imposed shall not exceed more than one crore rupees.

- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (3), the Board may direct any person who has made unlawful gain or averted loss by indulging in any activity in contravention of this Code, or the rules or regulations made thereunder, to disgorge an amount equivalent to such unlawful gain or aversion of loss.
- (5) The Board may take such action as may be required to provide restitution to the person who suffered loss on account of any contravention from the amount so disgorged, if the person who suffered such loss is identifiable and the loss so suffered is directly attributable to such person.
  - (6) The Board may make regulations to specify- Reg 14
    - (a) the procedure for claiming restitution under sub- section (5)
    - (b) the period within which such restitution may be claimed; and
    - (c) the manner in which restitution of amount may be made.

221. Grants by Central Government. -

# CHAPTER VII

# FINANCE, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

#### 221. Grants by Central Government. -

The Central Government may, after de appropriation made by Parliament by law in this behalf, make to the Board grants of such sums of money as that Government may think fit for being utilised for the purposes of this Code.

#### 222. Board's Fund. -

- (1) There shall be constituted a Fund to be called the Fund of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board and there shall be credited thereto –
- (a) all grants, fees and charges received by the Board under this Code;
- (b) all sums received by the Board from such other sources as may be decided upon by

#### the Central Government;

- (c) such other funds as may be specified by the Board or prescribed by the Central Government.
- (2) The Fund shall be applied for meeting –
- (a) the salaries, allowances and other remuneration of the members, officers and other employees of the Board;
  - (b) the expenses of the Board in the discharge of its functions under section 196;
  - (c) the expenses on objects and for purposes authorised by this Code.
  - (d) such other purposes as may be prescribed.

#### 223. Accounts and audit. -

- (1) The Board shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepare an annual statement of accounts in such form as may be prescribed by the Central Government in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.
- (2) The accounts of the Board shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred in connection with such audit shall be payable by the Board to the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.
- (3) The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India and any other person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Board shall have the same rights and privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor-General generally has in connection with the audit of the Government accounts and, in particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the offices of the Board.
- (4) The accounts of the Board as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India or any other person appointed by him in this behalf together with the audit report thereon shall be forwarded annually to the Central Government and that Government shall cause the same to be laid before each House of Parliament.

# PART V MISCELLENEOUS

## 224. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Fund. -

- (1) There shall be formed a Fund to be called the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Fund (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Fund") for the purposes of insolvency resolution, liquidation and bankruptcy of persons under the Code.
  - (2) There shall be credited to the Fund the following amounts, namely
    - (a) the grants made by the Central Government for the purposes of the Fund;
    - (b) the amount deposited by persons as contribution to the Fund;
    - (c) the amount received in the Fund from any other source; and
    - (d) the interest or other income received out of the investment made from the Fund.
- (3) A person who has contributed any amount to the Fund may, in the event of proceedings initiated in respect of such person under this Code before an Adjudicating Authority, make an application to such Adjudicating Authority for withdrawal of funds not exceeding the amount contributed by it, for making payments to workmen, protecting the assets of such persons, meeting the incidental costs during the proceedings or such other purposes as may be prescribed.
- (4) The Central Government shall, by notification, appoint an administrator to administer the fund in such manner as may be prescribed.

#### 225. Power of Central Government to issue directions. -

(1) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this Code, the Board shall, in exercise of its powers or the performance of its functions under this Code, be bound by such directions on questions of policy as the Central Government may give in writing to it from time to time:

Provided that the Board shall, as far as practicable, be given an opportunity to express its views before any direction is given under this sub-section.

(2) The decision of the Central Government as to whether a question is one of policy or not shall be final.

# 224. Power of Central Government to supersede Board. -

- (1) If at any time the Central Government is of opinion –
- (a) that on account of grave emergency, the Board is unable to discharge the functions and duties imposed on it by or under the provisions of this Code; or
- (b) that the Board has persistently not complied with any direction issued by the Central Government under this Code or in the discharge of the functions and duties

imposed on it by or under the provisions of this Code and as a result of such non- compliance the financial position of the Board or the administration of the Board has deteriorated; or

(c) that circumstances exist which render it necessary in the public interest so to do,

the Central Government may, by notification, supersede the Board for such period, not exceeding six months, as may be specified in the notification.

- (2) Upon the publication of a notification under sub-section (1) superseding the Board,
- -(a) all the members shall, as from the date of supersession, vacate their offices as such; (b) all the powers, functions and duties which may, by or under the provisions of this Code, be exercised or discharged by or on behalf of the Board, shall until the Board is reconstituted under sub-section (3), be exercised and discharged by such person or persons as the Central Government may direct; and (c) all property owned or controlled by the Board shall, until the

Board is reconstituted under sub-section (3), vest in the Central Government.

(3) On the expiration of the period of supersession specified in the notification issued under sub-section (1), the Central Government may reconstitute the Board by a fresh appointment and in such case any person or persons who vacated their offices under clause (a) of sub-section (2), shall not be deemed disqualified for appointment:

Provided that the Central Government may, at any time, before the expiration of the period of supersession, take action under this sub-section.

(4) The Central Government shall cause a notification issued under sub-section (1) and a full report of any action taken under this section and the circumstances leading to such action to be laid before each House of Parliament at the earliest.

## 227. Power of Central Government to notify financial sector providers etc.-

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary <sup>1</sup>[contained in this Code] or any other law for the time being in force, the Central Government may, if it considers necessary, in consultation with the appropriate financial sector regulators, notify financial service providers or categories of financial service providers for the purpose of their insolvency and liquidation proceedings, which may be conducted under this Code, in such manner as may be prescribed.

<sup>2</sup>[Explanation.- For the removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that the insolvency and liquidation proceedings for financial service providers or categories of financial service providers may be conducted with such modifications and in such manner as may be prescribed.] Rules 1-10

# 228. Budget. -

<sup>1</sup> Subs. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 11 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019). Before substitution, it stood as "examined in this Code".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 11 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

The Board shall prepare, in such form and at such time in each financial year as may be prescribed, its budget for the next financial year, showing the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Board and forward the same to the Central Government.

#### 229. Annual Report. - Annual Report Rules 1-4

- (1) The Board shall prepare, in such form and at such time in each financial year as may be prescribed, its annual report, giving a full account of its activities during the previous financial year, and submit a copy thereof to the Central Government.
  - (2)A copy of the report received under sub-section (1) shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is received, before each House of Parliament.

## 230. Delegation. -

The Board may, by general or special order in writing delegate to any member or officer of the Board subject to such conditions, if any, as may be specified in the order, such of its powers and functions under this Code (except the powers under section 240 as it may deem necessary.

# 231. Bar of jurisdiction. -

No civil court shall have jurisdiction in respect of any matter in which the <sup>1</sup>[Adjudicating Authority or the Board] is empowered by, or under, this Code to pass any order and no injunction shall be granted by any court or other authority in respect of any action taken or to be taken in pursuance of any order passed by such <sup>1</sup>[Adjudicating Authority or the Board] under this Code.

## 232. Members, officers and employees of the Board to be public servants. -

The Chairperson, Members, officers and other employees of the Board shall be deemed, when acting or purporting to act in pursuance of any of the provisions of this Code, to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860).

## 233. Protection of action taken in good faith. -

No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against the Government or any officer of the Government, or the Chairperson, Member, officer or other employee of the Board or an insolvency professional or liquidator for anything which is in done or intended to be done in good faith under this Code or the rules or regulations made thereunder.

# 234. Agreements with foreign countries. -

- (1) The Central Government may enter into an agreement with the Government of any country outside India for enforcing the provisions of this Code.
- (2) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, direct that the application of provisions of this Code in relation to assets or property of corporate debtor or debtor, including a personal guarantor of a corporate debtor, as the case may be, situated at any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 33 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

place in a country outside India with which reciprocal arrangements have been made, shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified. 235. Letter of request to a country outside India in certain cases. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Code or any law for the time being in force if, in the course of insolvency resolution process, or liquidation or bankruptcy proceedings, as the case may be, under this Code, the resolution professional, liquidator or bankruptcy trustee, as the case may be, is of the opinion that assets of the corporate debtor or debtor, including a personal guarantor of a corporate debtor, are situated in a country outside. India with which reciprocal arrangements have been made under section 234, he may make an application to the Adjudicating Authority that evidence or action relating to such assets is required in connection with such process or proceeding.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority on receipt of an application under sub-section (1) and, on being satisfied that evidence or action relating to assets under sub-section (1) is required in connection with insolvency resolution process or liquidation or bankruptcy proceeding, may issue a letter of request to a court or an authority of such country competent to deal with such request.

## <sup>1</sup>[235A. Punishment where no specific penalty or punishment is provided. -

If any person contravenes any of the provisions of this Code or the rules or regulations made thereunder for which no penalty or punishment is provided in this Code, such person shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than one lakh rupees but which may extend to two crore rupees.]

## 236. Trial of offences by Special Court. -

- (1) Notwithstanding anything in the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973(2 of 1974), offences under this Code shall be tried by the Special Court established under ChapterXXVIII of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013).
- (2) No Court shall take cognizance of any offence punishable under this Act, save on a complaint made by the Board or the Central Government or any person authorised by the Central Government in this behalf.
- (3) The provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 shall apply to the proceedings before a Special Court and for the purposes of the said provisions, the Special Court shall be deemed to be a Court of Session and the person conducting a prosecution before a Special Court shall be deemed to be a Public Prosecutor.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, in case of a complaint under sub-section (2), the presence of the person authorised by the Central Government or the Board before the Court trying the offences shall not be necessary unless the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act 8 of 2018, sec. 8 (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017)

Court requires his personal attendance at the trial.

#### 237. Appeal and revision. -

The High Court may exercise, so far as may be applicable, all the powers conferred by Chapters XXIX and XXX of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) on a High Court, as if a Special Court within the local limits of the jurisdiction of the High Court were a Court of Session trying cases within the local limits of the jurisdiction of the High Court.

#### 238. Provisions of this Code to override other laws. -

The provisions of this Code shall have effect, notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any other law for the time being in force or any instrument having effect by virtue of any such law.

## <sup>1</sup>[238A. Limitation. -

The provisions of the Limitation Act, 1963 (36 of 1963) shall, as far as may be, apply to the proceeding s or ap peals be fore the Adjudicating Authority, the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, the Debt Recovery Tribunal or the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal, as the case may be.]

#### 239. Power to make rules. -

- (1) The Central Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Code.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-section (1), the Central Government may make rules for any of the following matters, namely:
  - (a) any other instrument which shall be a financial product under clause (15) of section 3;
  - (b) other accounting standards which shall be a financial debt under clause (d) of sub-section (8) of section 5;
  - (c) the form, the manner and the fee for making application before the Adjudicating Authority for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process by financial creditor under sub-section (2) of section 7;
  - (d) the form and manner in which demand notice may be made and the manner of delivery thereof to the corporate debtor under sub-section (1) of section 8;
  - (e) the form, the manner and the fee for making application before the Adjudicating Authority for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process by operational creditor under sub-section (2) of section 9;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 34 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- <sup>1</sup>[(ea) other proof confirming that there is no payment of an unpaid operational debt by the corporate debtor or such other information under clause (e) of sub-section (3) of section 9;]
- (f) the form, the manner and the fee for making application before the Adjudicating Authority for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process by corporate applicant under sub-section (2) of section 10;
  - <sup>2</sup>[(fa) the transactions under the second proviso to sub-section (2) of section 21; (fb) the transactions under the Explanation I to clause (c) of section 29A;
  - (fc) the transactions under the second proviso to clause (j) of section 29A.]
- <sup>3</sup>[(fd) the form, particulars, manner and fee for making application before the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2) of section 54C;
- (fe) the conditions and restrictions with which the promoters, members, personnel and partners of the corporate debtor shall exercise and discharge contractual or statutory rights and obligations under clause (c) of section 54H;]
- (g) the persons who shall be relative under clause (ii) of the Explanation to sub-section (1) of section 79;
- (h) the value of unencumbered single dwelling unit owned by the debtor under clause (e) of sub-section (13) of section 79;
- (i) the value under clause (c), and any other debt under clause (f), of sub-section (14) of section 79;
- (j) the form, the manner and the fee for making application for fresh start order under sub-section (3) of section 81;
- (k) the particulars of the debtor's personal details under clause (e) of sub-section (3) of section 81;
- (l) the information and documents to support application under sub-section (3) of section 86;
- (m) the form, the manner and the fee for making application for initiating the insolvency resolution process by the debtor under subsection (6) of section 94;
- (n) the form, the manner and the fee for making application for initiating the insolvency resolution process by the creditor under subsection (6) of section 95;
  - (o) the particulars to be provided by the creditor to the resolution professional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 35 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 12 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.15 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

under sub-section (2) of section 103;

- (p) the form and the manner for making application for bankruptcy by the debtor under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 122;
- (q) the form and the manner of the statement of affairs of the debtor under subsection (3) of section 122;
  - (r) the other information under clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 123;
- (s) the form, the manner and the fee for making application for bankruptcy under sub-section (6) of section 123;
- (t) the form and the manner in which statement of financial position shall be submitted under sub-section (2) of section 129;
- (u) the matters and the details which shall be included in the public notice under sub-section (2) of section 130;
- (v) the matters and the details which shall be included in the notice to the creditors under sub-section (3) of section 130;
- (w) the manner of sending details of the claims to the bankruptcy trustee and other information under sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 131;
- (x) the value of financial or commercial transaction under clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 141;
- (y) the other things to be done by a bankrupt to assist bankruptcy trustee in carrying out his functions under clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 150;
  - (z) the manner of dealing with the surplus under sub-section (4) of section 170; (za) the form and the manner of proof of debt under clause (c) of sub-section
- (2) of section 171;
  - (zb) the manner of receiving dividends under sub-section (7) of section 171; (zc) the particulars which the notice shall contain under sub-section (2) of

section 176;

- (zd) the salaries and allowances payable to, and other terms and conditions of service of, the Chairperson and members of the Board under sub-section (5) of section 189;
  - (ze) the other functions of the Board under clause (u) of sub-section (1) of section 196;
  - (zf) the other funds under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 222;
  - (zg) the other purposes for which the fund shall be applied under clause (d) of

sub-section (2) of section 222;

- (zh) the form in which annual statement of accounts shall be prepared under sub-section (1) of section 223;
- (zi) the purpose for which application for withdrawal of funds may be made under sub-section (3) of section 224;
- (zj) the manner of administering the fund under sub-section (4) of section 224; (zk) the manner of conducting insolvency and liquidation proceedings under

section 227;

(zl) the form and the time for preparing budget by the Board under section 228; (zm) the form and the time for preparing annual report under sub-section (1) of

section 229;

(zn) the time up to which a person appointed to any office shall continue to hold such office under clause (vi) of sub-section (2) of section 243.

#### 240. Power to make regulations. -

- (1) The Board may, by notification, make regulations consistent with this Code and the rules made thereunder, to carry out the provisions of this Code.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
  - (a) the form and the manner of accepting electronic submission of financial information under sub-clause (a) of clause (9) of section 3;
  - (b) the persons to whom access to information stored with the information utility may be provided under sub-clause (d) of clause (9) of section 3;
    - (c) the other information under sub-clause (f) of clause (13) of section 3;
    - (d) the other costs under clause (e) of sub-section (13) of section 5;
  - (e) the cost incurred by the liquidator during the period of liquidation which shall be liquidation cost under sub-section (16) of section 5;

    [(ea) the other costs under sub-clause (e) of clause (23C) of section 5;]
  - (f) the other record or evidence of default under clause (a), and any other information under clause (c), of sub-section (3) of section 7;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.16 (i) (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Omitted by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 36 (i) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018). Before omission, it stood as "(g) the other information under clause (d) of sub-section (3) of section 7;"

- (h) the period under clause (a) of sub-section (3) of section 10;
- (i) the supply of essential goods or services to the corporate debtor under sub- section (2) of section 14;
- <sup>1</sup>[(ia) circumstances in which supply of critical goods or services may be terminated, suspended or interrupted during the period of moratorium under sub-section (2A) of section 14;]
  - (j) the manner of making public announcement under sub-section (2) of section 15;
- $^{2}$ [(ja) the last date for submission of claims under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 15;]
  - (k) the manner of taking action and the restrictions thereof under clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 17;
  - (1) the other persons under clause (d) of sub-section (2) of section 17;
  - (m) the other matters under clause (d) of sub-section (2) of section 17;
- (n) the other matters under sub-clause (iv) of clause (a), and the other duties to be performed by the interim resolution professional under clause (g), of section 18;
  - <sup>3</sup>[(na) the number of creditors within a class of creditors under clause (b) of sub-section (6A) of section 21;
  - (nb) the remuneration payable to authorised representative under clause (ii) of the proviso to sub-section (6B) of section 21;
  - (nc) the manner of voting and determining the voting share in respect of financial debts under sub-section (7) of section 21;]
- (o) the persons who shall comprise the committee of creditors, the functions to be exercised such committee and the manner in which functions shall be exercised under the proviso to sub-section (8) of section 21;
- (p) the other electronic means by which the members of the committee of creditors may meet under sub-section (1) of section 24;
- (q) the manner of assigning voting share to each creditor under sub-section (7) of section 24;
- (r) the manner of conducting the meetings of the committee of creditors under subsection (8) of section 24;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 1 of 2020, sec. 13 (w.e.f. 28-12-2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 36 (ii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec 36 (iii) (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (s) the manner of appointing accountants, lawyers and other advisors under clause (d) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
  - ${}^{1}[(sa)$  other conditions under clause (h) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
  - (t) the other actions under clause (k) of sub-section (2) of section 25;
- (u) the form and the manner in which an information memorandum shall be prepared by the resolution professional sub-section (1) of section 29;
- (v) the other matter pertaining to the corporate debtor under the Explanation to subsection (2) of section 29;
- (w) the manner of making payment of insolvency resolution process costs under clause (a), the manner of <sup>2</sup>[payment of debts] under clause (b), and the other requirements to which a resolution plan shall conform to under clause (d), of subsection (2) of section 30;
  - <sup>3</sup>[(wa) other requirements under sub-section (4) of section 30;]
- (x) the fee for the conduct of the liquidation proceedings and proportion to the value of the liquidation estate assets under subsection (8) of section 34;
- (y) the manner of evaluating the assets and property of the corporate debtor under clause (c), the manner of selling property in parcels under clause (f), the manner of reporting progress of the liquidation process under clause (n), and the other functions to be performed under clause (o), of sub-section (1) of section 35;
- (z) the manner of making the records available to other stakeholders under subsection (2) of section 35;
  - (za) the other means under clause (a) of sub-section (3) of section 36;
  - (zb) the other assets under clause (e) of sub-section (4) of section 36; (zc) the other source under clause (g) of sub-section (1) of section 37;
  - (zd) the manner of providing financial information relating to the corporate debtor under sub-section (2) of section 37;
- (ze) the form, the manner and the supporting documents to be submitted by operational creditor to prove the claim under subsection (3) of section 38;
- (zf) the time within which the liquidator shall verify the claims under sub-section (1) of section 39;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 8 of 2018, sec. 9 (i) (w.r.e.f. 23-11-2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subs. by Act No. 26 of 2019, sec. 9 (w.e.f. 16-8-2019), before substitution, it stood as "repayment of debts of operational creditors".

- (zg) the manner of determining the value of claims under section 41;
- (zh) the manner of relinquishing security interest to the liquidation estate and receiving proceeds from the sale of assets by the liquidator under clause (a), and the manner of realising security interest under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 52;
  - (zi) the other means under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 52;
  - (zj) the manner in which secured creditor shall be paid by the liquidator under subsection (9) of section 52;
- (zk) the period and the manner of distribution of proceeds of sale under sub-section (1) of section 53;
- <sup>1</sup>[(zka) such number of financial creditors and the manner of proposing the insolvency professional, and the form for approving such insolvency professional by the financial creditors under clause (e), the persons who shall provide approval under the proviso to clause (e), the form for making a declaration under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 54A;
- (zkb) the form for obtaining approval from financial creditors under sub-section (3), and the persons who shall provide approval under the proviso to sub-section (3) of section 54A;
- (zkc) the other conditions for the base resolution plan under clause (c), and such information and documents under clause (d) of sub-section (4) of section 54A;
- (zkd) the form in which the report is to be prepared under clause (a), such reports and other documents under clause (b), and such other duties under clause (c) of sub-section (1), and the manner of determining and bearing the fees in sub-section (3) of section 54B;
- (zke) the form for providing written consent of the insolvency professional under clause (b), the form for declaration under clause (c), the information relating to books of account and such other documents relating to such period under clause (d) of subsection (3) of section 54C;
- (zkf) the form and manner for making application for termination of the pre- packaged insolvency resolution process under subsection (3) of section 54D;
  - (zkg) the form and manner of making public announcement under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 54E;
- (zkh) the manner of confirming the list of claims under clause (a), the manner of informing creditors under clause (b), the manner of maintaining an updated list of claims under clause (c), the form and manner of preparing the information

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memorandum under clause (g), and such other duties under clause (i) of sub-section (2) of section 54F;

- (zki) such other persons under clause (c), the manner of appointing accountants, legal or other professionals under clause (e), such other matters under sub-clause (iv) of clause (f) and the manner of taking other actions under clause (g) of sub-section (3) of section 54F;
- (zkj) the manner of determination of fees and expenses as may be incurred by the resolution professional under sub-section (6) of section 54F;
  - (zkk) the manner of bearing fees and expenses under sub-section (7) of section 54F; (zkl) the form and manner of list of claims and preliminary information

memorandum under subsection (1) of section 54G;

- (zkm) the conditions under clause (a) of section 54H;
- (zkn) the manner of alteration of the composition of the committee of creditors under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 54-I;
- (zko) the form and manner of making application under sub-section (1) of section 54J;
- (zkp) the manner of inviting prospective resolution applicants under sub-section (5) of section 54K;
  - (zkq) the other conditions under sub-section (6) of section 54K;
- (zkr) the conditions under clause (a) and the manner of providing the basis for evaluation of resolution plans and the information referred to in section 29 under sub- section (7) of section 54K;
  - (zks) the conditions under the proviso to sub-section (10) of section 54K; (zkt) the manner and conditions under sub-section (11) of section 54K;
- (zku) the form and manner of filing application under the proviso to sub-section (12) of section 54K;
  - (zkv) the other requirements under sub-section (13) of section 54K;
- (zkw) the form for submission of written consent under clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 54-O;]
  - (zl) the other means under clause (a) and the other information under clause (b) of section 57;
- (zm) the conditions and procedural requirements under sub-section (2) of section 59:

- (zn) the details and the documents required to be submitted under sub-section (7) of section 95;
- (zo) the other matters under clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 105;
- (zp) the manner and form of proxy voting under sub-section (4) of section 107; (zq) the manner of assigning voting share to creditor under sub-section (2) of section 109;
  - (zr) the manner and form of proxy voting under sub-section (3) of section 133; (zs) the fee to be charged under sub-section (1) of section 144;
- (zt) the appointment of other officers and employees under sub-section (2), and the salaries and allowances payable to, and other terms and conditions of service of, such officers and employees of the Board under sub-section (3), of section 194;
  - (zu) the other information under clause (i) of sub-section (1) of section 196;
- (zv) the intervals in which the periodic study, research and audit of the functioning and performance of the insolvency professional agencies, insolvency professionals and information utilities under clause (r), and mechanism for disposal of assets under clause (t), of sub-section (1) of section 196;
- (zw) the place and the time for discovery and production of books of account and other documents under clause (i) of subsection (3) of section 196;
  - (zx) the other committees to be constituted by the Board and the other members of such committees under section 197;
  - (zy) the other persons under clause (b) and clause (d) of section 200;
- (zz) the form and the manner of application for registration, the particulars to be contained therein and the fee it shall accompany under sub-section (1) of section 201;
- (zza) the form and manner of issuing a certificate of registration and the terms and conditions thereof, under sub-section (3) of section 201;
  - (zzb) the manner of renewal of the certificate of registration and the fee therefor, under sub-section (4) of section 201;
  - (zzc) the other ground under clause (d) of sub-section (5) of section 201;
- (zzd) the form of appeal to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, the period within which it shall be filed under section 202;
  - (zze) the other information under clause (g) of section 204; (zzf) the other grounds under

Explanation to section 196;

(zzg) the setting up of a governing board for its internal governance and

management under clause (e), the curriculum under clause (1), the manner of conducting examination under clause (m), of section 196;

- (zzh) the time within which, the manner in which, and the fee for registration of insolvency professional under subsection (1) of section 207;
- (zzi) the categories of professionals or persons, the qualifications and experience and the fields under sub-section (2) of section 207;
- (zzj) the manner and the conditions subject to which the insolvency professional shall perform his function under clause (f) of sub-section (2) of section 208;
- (zzk) the form and manner in which, and the fee for registration of information utility under sub-section (1) of section 210;
- (zzl) the form and manner for issuing certificate of registration and the terms and conditions thereof, under sub-section (3) of section 210;
  - (zzm) the manner of renewal of the certificate of registration and the fee therefor, under sub-section (4) of section 210;
  - (zzn) the other ground under clause (d) of sub-section (5) of section 210;
- (zzo) the form, the period and the manner of filling appeal to the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal under section 211;
  - (zzp) the number of independent members under section 212;
  - (zzq) the services to be provided by information utility and the terms and conditions under section 213;
- (zzr) the form and manner of accepting electronic submissions of financial information under clause (b) and clause (c) of section 214;
  - (zzs) the minimum service quality standards under clause (d) of section 214;
  - (zzt) the information to be accessed and the manner of accessing such information under clause (f) of section 214;
  - (zzu) the statistical information to be published under clause (g) of section 214; (zzv) the form, the fee and the manner for submitting or accessing information

under sub-section (1) of section 215;

- (zzw) the form and manner for submitting financial information and information relating to assets under sub-section (2) of section 215;
- (zzx) the manner and the time within which financial information may be updated or modified or rectified under section 216;
  - (zzy) the form, manner and time of filing complaint under section 217;

(zzz) the time and manner of carrying out inspection or investigation under sub- section (2) of section 218;

(zzza) the manner of carrying out inspection of insolvency professional agency or insolvency professional or information utility and the time for giving reply under section 219;

(zzzb) the procedure for claiming restitution under sub-section (6), the period within which such restitution may be claimed and the manner in which restitution of amount may be made under sub-section (7) of section 220;

(zzzc) the other funds of clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 222.

## <sup>1</sup>[240A. Application of this Code to micro, small and medium enterprises. –

- (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Code, the provisions of clauses (c) and (h) of section 29A shall not apply to the resolution applicant in respect of corporate insolvency resolution process <sup>2</sup>[or pre-packaged insolvency resolution process] of any micro, small and medium enterprises.
- (2) Subject to sub-section (1), the Central Government may, in the public interest, by notification, direct that any of the provisions of this Code shall—
  - (a) not apply to micro, small and medium enterprises; or
  - (b) apply to micro, small and medium enterprises, with such modifications as may be specified in the notification.
- (3) A draft of every notification proposed to be issued under sub section (2), shall be laid before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions.
- (4) If both Houses agree in disapproving the issue of notification or both Houses agree in making any modification in the notification, the notification shall not be issued or shall be issued only in such modified form as may be agreed upon by both the Houses, as the case may be.
- (5) The period of thirty days referred to in sub-section (3) shall not include any period during which the House referred to in sub-section (4) is prorogued or adjourned for more than four consecutive days.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 37 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2021, sec.17 (w.e.f. 04-04-2021).

(6) Every notification issued under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is issued, before each House of Parliament.

Explanation.— For the purposes of this section, the expression "micro, small and medium enterprises" means any class or classes of enterprises classified as such under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 (27 of 2006).]

#### 241. Rules and Regulations to be laid before Parliament. -

Every rule and every regulation made under this Code shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or regulation or both. Houses agree that the rule or regulation should not be made, the rule or regulation shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule or regulation.

#### 242. Power to remove difficulties. -

(1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Code, the Central Government may, by order, published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Code as may appear to be necessary for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no order shall be made under this section after the expiry of five years from the commencement of this Code.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

## 242. Repeal of certain enactments and savings. -

- (1) The Presidency Towns Insolvency Act, 1909 (3 of 1909) and the Provincial Insolvency Act, 1920 (5 of 1920) are hereby repealed.
  - (2) Notwithstanding the repeal under sub-sections (1) -
  - (i) all proceedings pending under and relating to the Presidency Towns Insolvency Act 1909, and the Provincial Insolvency Act 1920 immediately before the commencement of this Code shall continue to be governed under the aforementioned Acts and be heard and disposed of by the concerned courts or tribunals, as if the aforementioned Acts have not been repealed;

- (ii) any order, rule, notification, regulation, appointment, conveyance, mortgage, deed, document or agreement made, fee directed, resolution passed, direction given, proceeding taken, instrument executed or issued, or thing done under or in pursuance of any repealed enactment shall, if in force at the commencement of this Code, continue to be in force, and shall have effect as if the aforementioned Acts have not been repealed;
- (iii) anything done or any action taken or purported to have been done or taken, including any rule, notification, inspection, order or notice made or issued or any appointment or declaration made or any operation undertaken or any direction given or any proceeding taken or any penalty, punishment, forfeiture or fine imposed under the repealed enactments shall be deemed valid;
- (iv) any principle or rule of law, or established jurisdiction, form or course of pleading, practice or procedure or existing usage, custom, privilege, restriction or exemption shall not be affected, notwithstanding that the same respectively may have been in any manner affirmed or recognised or derived by, in, or from, the repealed enactments;
- (v) any prosecution instituted under the repealed enactments and pending immediately before the commencement of this Code before any court or tribunal shall, subject to the provisions of this Code, continue to be heard and disposed of by the concerned court or tribunal:
- (vi) any person appointed to any office under or by virtue of any repealed enactment shall continue to hold such office until such time as may be prescribed; and
- (vii)any jurisdiction, custom, liability, right, title, privilege, restriction, exemption, usage, practice, procedure or other matter or thing not in existence or in force shall not be revised or restored.
- (3) The mention of particular matters in sub-section (2) shall not be held to prejudice the general application of section 6 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (10 of 1897) with regard to the effect of repeal of the repealed enactments or provisions of the enactments mentioned in the Schedule.

# 244. Transitional provisions. -

- (1) Until the Board is constituted or a financial sector regulator is designated under section 195, as the case may be, the powers and functions of the Board or such designated financial sector regulator, including its power to make regulations, shall be exercised by the Central Government.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the power under sub-section (1), the Central Government may by regulations provide for the following matters: -

- (a) recognition of persons, categories of professionals and persons having such qualifications and experience in the field of finance, law, management or insolvency as it deems necessary, as insolvency professionals and insolvency professional agencies under this Code;
- (b) recognition of persons with technological, statistical, and data protection capability as it deems necessary, as information utilities under this Code; and
- (c) conduct of the corporate insolvency resolution process, insolvency resolution process, liquidation process, fresh start process and bankruptcy process under this Code.

#### 245. Amendments of Act 9 of 1932.-

The Indian Partnership Act, 1932 shall be amended in the manner specified in the First Schedule.

#### 246. Amendments of Act 1 of 1944.-

The Central Excise Act, 1944 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Second Schedule.

#### 247. Amendments of Act 43 of 1961.-

The Income – tax Act, 1961 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Third Schedule.

#### 248. Amendments of Act 52 of 1962.-

The Customs Act, 1962 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Fourth Schedule.

#### 249. Amendments of Act 51 of 1993.-

The Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Fifth Schedule.

#### 250. Amendments of Act 32 of 1994.-

The Finance Act, 1994 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Sixth Schedule.

# 251. Amendments of Act 54 of 2002.-

The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Seventh Schedule.

#### 252. Amendments of Act 1 of 2004.-

The Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Repeal Act, 2003 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Eighth Schedule.

#### 253. Amendments of Act 51of 2007.-

The Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007 shall be amended in the manner

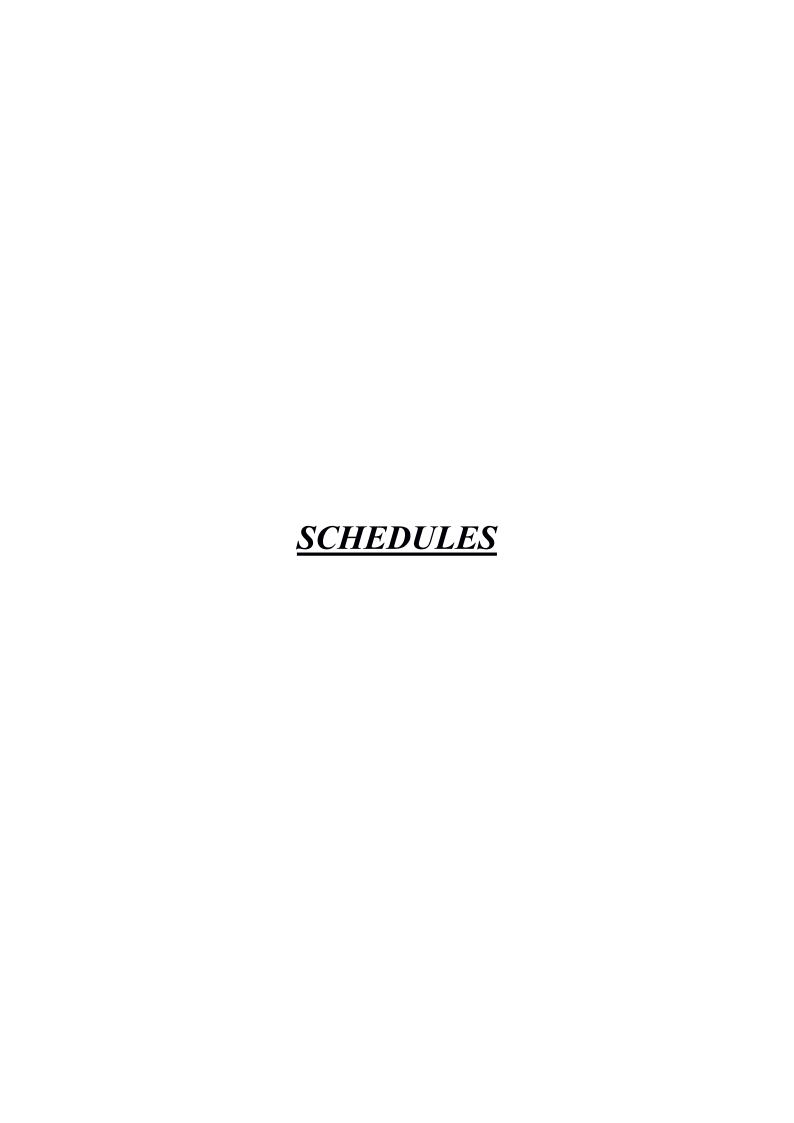
specified in the Ninth Schedule.

# 254. Amendments of Act 6 of 2009.-

The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Tenth Schedule.

# 255. Amendments of Act 18 of 2013.-

The Companies Act, 2013 shall be amended in the manner specified in the Eleventh Schedule.



# THE FIRST SCHEDULE

(See section 245)

# AMENDMENT TO THE INDIAN PARTNERSHIP ACT, 1932

(9 of 1932)

1. In section 41, clause (a) shall be omitted.

# THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(See section 246)

AMENDMENT TO THE CENTRAL EXCISE ACT, 1944

(1 of 1944)

1 In section 11E, for the words, figures and brackets "and the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)", the words, figures and brackets "the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be substituted.

## THE THIRD SCHEDULE

(See section 247)

# AMENDMENT TO THE INCOME-TAX ACT, 1961

(43 of 1961)

In sub-section (6) of section 178, after the words "for the time being in force", the words and figures "except the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.

#### THE FOURTH SCHEDULE

(See section 248)

AMENDMENT TO THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1962 (52 of 1962)

In section 142A, for the words and figures "and the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)", the words and figures "the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be substituted.

# THE FIFTH SCHEDULE

(See section 249)

AMENDMENT TO RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993

(51 of 1993)

1. In the long title, after the words "financial institutions", the words ",

insolvency resolution and bankruptcy of individuals and partnership firms" shall be inserted, namely: -.

- 2. In section 1, –
- (a) in sub-section (1), for the words "Due to Banks and Financial Institutions" the words "and Bankruptcy" shall be substituted;
- (b) in sub-section (4), for the words "The provision of this Code", the words "Save as otherwise provided, the provisions of this Code", shall be substituted.
- 3. In section 3, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely: -
  - "(1A) The Central Government shall by notification establish such number of Debts Recovery Tribunals and its benches as it may consider necessary, to exercise the jurisdiction, powers and authority of the Adjudicating Authority conferred on such Tribunal by or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016".
- 4. In section 8, after sub-section (1), the following section shall be inserted, namely: -
  - "(1A) The Central Government shall, by notification, establish such number of Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunals to exercise jurisdiction, powers and authority to entertain appeal against the order made by the Adjudicating Authority under Part III of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016".
  - 5. In section 17, -
  - (i) after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely: -
    - "(1A) Without prejudice to sub-section (1), -
    - (a) the Tribunal shall exercise, on and from the date to be appointed by the Central Government, the jurisdiction, powers and authority to entertain and decide applications under Part III of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
    - (b) the Tribunal shall have circuit sittings in all district headquarters."
    - (ii) after sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be inserted,

namely: -

"(2A) Without prejudice to sub-section (2), the Appellate Tribunal shall exercise, on and from the date to be appointed by the Central Government, the jurisdiction, powers and authority to entertain appeals against the order made by the Adjudicating Authority under Part III of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016."

6. After section 19, the following section shall be inserted, namely: -

"19A. The application made to Tribunal for exercising the powers of the Adjudicating Authority under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 shall be dealt with in the manner as provided under that Code".

7. In section 20, in sub-section (4), after the word, brackets and figure "sub-section (1)", the words, brackets and figures "or under sub-section (1) of section 181 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.

## THE SIXTH SCHEDULE

(See section 250)

## AMENDMENT TO THE FINANCE ACT, 1994

(32 of 1994)

In section 88, for the words and figures "and the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)", the words and figures "the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and the Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be substituted.

#### THE SEVENTH SCHEDULE

(See section 251)

AMENDMENT TO THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

(54 of 2002)

In section 13, in sub-section (9), for the words "In the case of", the words and figures "Subject to the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, in the case of" shall be substituted.

#### THE EIGHTH SCHEDULE

# (See section 252)

#### AMENDMENT TO THE SICK INDUSTRIAL COMPANIES (SPECIAL PROVISIONS) REPEAL ACT, 2003

(1 of 2004)

In section 4, for sub-clause (b), the following sub-clause shall be substituted, namely—

" (b) On such date as may be notified by the Central Government in this behalf, any appeal preferred to the Appellate Authority or any reference made or inquiry pending to or before the Board or any proceeding of whatever nature pending before the Appellate Authority or the Board under the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (1 of 1986) shall stand abated:

Provided that a company in respect of which such appeal or reference or inquiry stands abated under this clause may make reference to the National Company Law Tribunal under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 within one hundred and eighty days from the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 in accordance with the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016:

Provided further that no fees shall be payable for making such reference under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 by a company whose appeal or reference or inquiry stands abated under this clause.".

<sup>1</sup>[Provided also that any scheme sanctioned under sub-section (4) or any scheme under implementation under sub-section (12) of section 18 of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 shall be deemed to be an approved resolution plan under sub-section (1) of section 31 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the same shall be dealt with, in accordance with the provisions of Part II of the said Code:

Provided also that in case, the statutory period within which an appeal was allowed under the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 against an order of the Board had not expired as on the date of notification of this Act, an appeal against any such deemed approved resolution plan may be preferred by any person before National Company Law Appellate Tribunal within ninety days from the date of publication of this order.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2017.

## THE NINTH SCHEDULE

(See section 253)

# AMENDMENT TO THE PAYMENT AND SETTLEMENT SYSTEMS ACT, 2007 (51 of 2007)

- 1. In section 23, in sub-sections (4), (5) and (6), after the words and figures "the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (10 of 1949)" "the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013)", the words and figures "or the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.
- 2. In section 23A, in sub-section (3), after the words and figures "the Companies Act, 2013", the words and figures "or the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.

## THE TENTH SCHEDULE

(See section 254)

AMENDMENT TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP ACT, 2008 (6 of 2009)

In section 64, Clause (c) shall be omitted.

# THE ELEVENTH SCHEDULE

(See section 255)

AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 (18 Of 2013)

- 1. In section 2, -
  - (a) for clause (23), the following clause shall be substituted, namely: -
- "(23) "Company Liquidator", means a person appointed by the Tribunal as the Company Liquidator in accordance with the provisions of section 275 for the winding up of a company under this Act";
  - (b) after clause (94), the following clause shall be inserted, namely: -

"(94A) "winding up" means winding up under this Act or liquidation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, as applicable."

2.In section 8, in sub-section (9), for the words "the Rehabilitation and Insolvency Fund formed under section 269", the words "Insolvency and Bankruptcy Fund formed under section 224 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be substituted.

3.In section 66, in sub-section (8), for the words, brackets and figures "is unable, within the meaning of sub-section (2) of section 271, to pay the amount of his debt or claim," the words and figures "commits a default, within the meaning of section 6 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, in respect of the amount of his debt or claim," shall be substituted.

4.In sections 77, in sub-section (3), after the words "the liquidator", the words and figures "appointed under this Act or the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, as the case may be," shall be inserted.

5.In section 117, in sub-section (3), in clause (f), for the word and figures "section 304", the words and figures "section 59 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be substituted.

6.In section 224, in sub-section (2), after the words "wound up under this Act", the words and figures "or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.

6A. In section 230. —

(a)in sub-section (1), after the word "liquidator", the words "appointed under this Act or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, as the case may be," shall be inserted;

(b)in sub-section (6), after the word "on the liquidator", the words "appointed under this Act or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, as the case may be," shall be inserted;

7.In section 249, in sub-section (1), for clause (e), the following clause shall be substituted, namely: -

"(e) is being wound up under Chapter XX of this Act or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016."

- 8. Sections 253 to 269 shall be omitted.
- 9. For section 270, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
  - "270. Winding up by Tribunal. The provisions of Part I shall apply to the winding up of a company by the Tribunal under this Act."
- 10. For section 271, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "271. Circumstances in which company may be wound up by Tribunal. A company may, on a petition under section 272, be wound up by the Tribunal, —

- (a)if the company has, by special resolution, resolved that the company be wound up by the Tribunal;
- (b)if the company has acted against the interests of the sovereignty and integrity of India, the security of the State, friendly relations with foreign States, public order, decency or morality;
- (c)if on an application made by the Registrar or any other person authorised by the Central Government by notification under this Act, the Tribunal is of the opinion that the affairs of the company have been conducted in a fraudulent manner or the company was formed for fraudulent and unlawful purpose or the persons concerned in the formation or management of its affairs have been guilty of fraud, misfeasance or misconduct in connection therewith and that it is proper that the company be wound up;
- (d)if the company has made a default in filing with the Registrar its financial statements or annual returns for immediately preceding five consecutive financial years; or
- (e) if the Tribunal is of the opinion that it is just and equitable that the company should be wound up."
- 12. For section 272, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "272. Petition for winding up. (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, a petition to the Tribunal for the winding up of a company shall be presented by—
  - (a) the company; [I]
  - (b) any contributory or contributories;
  - (c) all or any of the persons specified in clauses (a) and (b);
  - (d) the Registrar;
  - (e) any person authorised by the Central Government in that behalf; or
  - (f) in a case falling under clause (b) of section 271, by the Central Government or a State Government.
- (2)A contributory shall be entitled to present a petition for the winding up of a company, notwithstanding that he may be the holder of fully paid-up shares, or that the company may have no assets at all or may have no surplus assets left for distribution among the shareholders after the satisfaction of its liabilities, and shares in respect of which he is a contributory or some of them were either originally allotted to him or have been held by him, and registered in his name, for at least six months during the eighteen months immediately before the commencement of the winding up or have devolved on him through the death of a former holder.
- (3) The Registrar shall be entitled to present a petition for winding up under section 271, except

on the grounds specified in clause (a) or clause (e) of that sub-section:

Provided that the Registrar shall obtain the previous sanction of the Central Government to the presentation of a petition:

Provided further that the Central Government shall not accord its sanction unless the company has been given a reasonable opportunity of making representations.

- (4)A petition presented by the company for winding up before the Tribunal shall be admitted only if accompanied by a statement of affairs in such form and in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (5)A copy of the petition made under this section shall also be filed with the Registrar and the Registrar shall, without prejudice to any other provisions, submit his views to the Tribunal within sixty days of receipt of such petition."
- 13. In section 275, -
- (a) for sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely: -
  - "(2) The provisional liquidator or the Company Liquidator, as the case may, shall be appointed by the Tribunal from amongst the insolvency professionals registered under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.";
  - (b) sub-section (4) shall be omitted.
- 14. For section 280, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
  - "280. Jurisdiction of Tribunal. -The Tribunal shall, notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, have jurisdiction to entertain, or dispose of, —
  - (a) any suit or proceeding by or against the company;
  - (b) any claim made by or against the company, including claims by or against any of its branches in India;
  - (c) any application made under section 233;
  - (d)any question of priorities or any other question whatsoever, whether of law or facts, including those relating to assets, business, actions, rights, entitlements, privileges, benefits, duties, responsibilities, obligations or in any matter arising out of, or in relation to winding up of the company,

whether such suit or proceeding has been instituted, or is instituted, or such claim or question has arisen or arises or such application has been made or is made or such scheme has been submitted, or is submitted, before or after the order for the winding up of the company is made."

- 15. Section 289 shall be omitted.
- 15A. The heading "Part II.- Voluntary winding up" shall be omitted.
- 16. Sections 304 to 323 shall be omitted.
- 17. Section 325 shall be omitted.
- 18. For section 326, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "326. Overriding preferential payments. (1) In the winding up of a company under this Act, the following debts shall be paid in priority to all other debts:
  - (a) workmen's dues; and;
  - (b) where a secured creditor has realised a secured asset, so much of the debts due to such secured creditor as could not be realised by him or the amount of the workmen's portion in his security (if payable under the law), whichever is less, *pari passu* with the workmen's dues:

Provided that in case of the winding up of a company, the sums referred to in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) of clause (b) of the Explanation, which are payable for a period of two years preceding the winding up order or such other period as may be prescribed, shall be paid in priority to all other debts (including debts due to secured creditors), within a period of thirty days of sale of assets and shall be subject to such charge over the security of secured creditors as may be prescribed.

(2) The debts payable under the proviso to sub-section (I) shall be paid in full before any payment is made to secured creditors and thereafter debts payable under that sub-section shall be paid in full, unless the assets are insufficient to meet them, in which case they shall abate in equal proportions.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this section, and section 327—

- (a) "workmen", in relation to a company, means the employees of the company, being workmen within the meaning of clause (s) of section 2 of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947);
- (b) "workmen's dues", in relation to a company, means the aggregate of the following sums due from the company to its workmen, namely:
  - (i) all wages or salary including wages payable for time or piece work and salary earned wholly or in part by way of commission of any workman in respect of services rendered to the company and any compensation payable to any workman under any of the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947);
  - (ii) all accrued holiday remuneration becoming payable to any workman or, in the case of his death, to any other person in his right on the termination of his

employment before or by the effect of the winding up order or resolution;

- (iii)unless the company is being wound up voluntarily merely for the purposes of reconstruction or amalgamation with another company or unless the company has, at the commencement of the winding up, under such a contract with insurers as is mentioned in section 14 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (19 of 1923), rights capable of being transferred to and vested in the workmen, all amount due in respect of any compensation or liability for compensation under the said Act in respect of the death or disablement of any workman of the company;
- (iv)all sums due to any workman from the provident fund, the pension fund, the gratuity fund or any other fund for the welfare of the workmen, maintained by the company.
- (c) "workmen's portion", in relation to the security of any secured creditor of a company, means the amount which bears to the value of the security the same proportion as the amount of the workmen's dues bears to the aggregate of the amount of workmen's dues and the amount of the debts due to the secured creditors.

#### Illustration

The value of the security of a secured creditor of a company is Rs. 1,00,000. The total amount of the workmen's dues is Rs. 1,00,000. The amount of the debts due from the company to its secured creditors is Rs. 3,00,000. The aggregate of the amount of workmen's dues and the amount of debts due to secured creditors is Rs. 4,00,000. The workmen's portion of the security is, therefore, one-fourth of the value of the security, that is Rs. 25,000."

- 19. In section 327, -
- (a) after sub-section (6), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely: -
  - "(7) Sections 326 and 327 shall not be applicable in the event of liquidation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016.";
- (b) in the *Explanation*, for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted, namely; "(c) the expression "relevant date" means in the case of a company being

wound up by the Tribunal, the date of appointment or first appointment of a provisional liquidator, or if no such appointment was made, the date of the winding up order, unless, in either case, the company had commenced to be wound up voluntarily before that date under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016;".

- 20. For section 329, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "329. Transfer not in good faith to be void.- Any transfer of property, movable or immovable, or any delivery of goods, made by a company, not being a transfer or delivery

made in the ordinary course of its business or in favour of a purchaser or encumbrancer in

good faith and for valuable consideration, if made within a period of one year before the presentation of a petition for winding up by the Tribunal under this Act shall be void against the Company Liquidator.".

- 21. For section 334, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "334. Transfer, etc., after commencement of winding up to be void. In the case of a winding up by the Tribunal, any disposition of the property, including actionable claims, of the company, and any transfer of shares in the company or alteration in the status of its members, made after the commencement of the winding up, shall, unless the Tribunal otherwise orders, be void."
- 22.In section 336, in sub-section (1), in the opening paragraph, for the words "whether by the Tribunal or voluntarily, or which is subsequently ordered to be wound up by the Tribunal or which subsequently passes a resolution for voluntary winding up,", the words "by the Tribunal under this Act or which is subsequently ordered to be wound up by the Tribunal under this Act", shall be substituted.
- 23.In section 337, for the words "or which subsequently passes a resolution for voluntary winding up,", the words "under this Act", shall be substituted.
- 24. In section 342 sub-sections (2), (3) and (4) shall be omitted.
  - 25. In section 343, for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely-
  - "(1) The Company Liquidator may, with the sanction of the Tribunal, when the company is being wound up by the Tribunal, -
    - (i) pay any class of creditors in full;
    - (ii)make any compromise or arrangement with creditors or persons claiming to be creditors, or having or alleging themselves to have any claim, present or future, certain or contingent, against the company, or whereby the company may be rendered liable; or
    - (iii)compromise any call or liability to call, debt, and liability capable of resulting in a debt, and any claim, present or future, certain or contingent, ascertained or sounding only in damages, subsisting or alleged to subsist between the company and a contributory or alleged contributory or other debtor or person apprehending liability to the company, and all questions in any way relating to or affecting the assets or liabilities or the winding up of the company, on such terms as may be agreed, and take any security for the discharge of any such call, debt, liability or claim, and give a complete discharge in respect thereof."
      - 26. In section 347, for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely-

- "(1) When the affairs of a company have been completely wound up and it is about to be dissolved, the books and papers of such Company and those of the Company Liquidator may be disposed of in such manner as the Tribunal directs."
- 27. In section 348, for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely-
  - "(1) If the winding up of a company is not concluded within one year after its commencement, the Company Liquidator shall, unless he is exempted from so doing, either wholly or in part by the Central Government, within two months of the expiry of such year and thereafter until the winding up is concluded, at intervals of not more than one year or at such shorter intervals, if any, as may be prescribed, file a statement in such form containing such particulars as may be prescribed, duly audited, by a person qualified to act as auditor of the company, with respect to the proceedings in, and position of, the liquidation, with the Tribunal:

Provided that no such audit as is referred to in this sub-section shall be necessary where the provisions of section 294 apply."

- 28. For section 357, the following section shall be substituted, namely:-
  - "357. Commencement of winding up by Tribunal. -The winding up of a company by the Tribunal under this Act shall be deemed to commence at the time of the presentation of the petition for the winding up."
- 29.In section 370, in the proviso, after the words "obtained for the winding up the company", the words "in accordance with the provisions of this Act or of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.
- 30.In section 372, after the words "The provisions of this Act", the words "or of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, as the case may be" shall be inserted.
- 31. In section 419, for sub-section (4), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:
- "(4) The Central Government shall, by notification, establish such number of benches of the Tribunal, as it may consider necessary, to exercise the jurisdiction, powers and authority of the Adjudicating Authority conferred on such Tribunal by or under Part II of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016".
- 32. In section 424, -
  - (i)in sub-section (1), after the words, "other provisions of this Act", the words "or of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted;
  - (ii)in sub-section (2), after the words, "under this Act", the words "or under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016" shall be inserted.
- 33.In section 429, for sub section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

- "(1) The Tribunal may, in any proceedings for winding up of a company under this Act or in any proceedings under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, in order to take into custody or under its control all property, books of account or other documents, request, in writing, the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Chief Judicial Magistrate or the District Collector within whose jurisdiction any such property, books of account or other documents of such company under this Act or of corporate persons under the said Code, are situated or found, to take possession thereof, and the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Chief Judicial Magistrate or the District Collector, as the case may be, shall, on such request being made to him,—
  - (a) take possession of such property, books of account or other documents; and
  - (b) cause the same to be entrusted to the Tribunal or other persons authorised by it.".
- 34. For section 434, the following section shall be substituted, namely: -
- "434. Transfer of certain pending proceedings. (1) On such date as may be notified by the Central Government in this behalf,
- (a) all matters, proceedings or cases pending before the Board of Company Law Administration (herein in this section referred to as the Company Law Board) constituted under sub-section (1) of section 10E of the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956), immediately before such date shall stand transferred to the Tribunal and the Tribunal shall dispose of such matters, proceedings or cases in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- (b) any person aggrieved by any decision or order of the Company Law Board made before such date may file an appeal to the High Court within sixty days from the date of communication of the decision or order of the Company Law Board to him on any question of law arising out of such order:

Provided that the High Court may if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by sufficient cause from filing an appeal within the said period, allow it to be filed within a further period not exceeding sixty days; and

(c) all proceedings under the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956), including proceedings relating to arbitration, compromise, arrangements and reconstruction and winding up of companies, pending immediately before such date before any District Court or High Court, shall stand transferred to the Tribunal and the Tribunal may proceed to deal with such proceedings from the stage before their transfer:

Provided that only such proceedings relating to the winding up of companies shall be transferred to the Tribunal that are at a stage as may be prescribed by the Central Government:

<sup>1</sup>[Provided further that any party or parties to any proceedings relating to the winding up of companies pending before any Court immediately before the commencement of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Ordinance, 2018, may file an application for transfer of such proceedings and the Court may by order transfer such proceedings to the Tribunal and the

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<sup>1</sup> Ins by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec.	.39 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018	3).		

proceedings so transferred shall be dealt with by the Tribunal as an application for initiation of corporate insolvency resolution process under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.]

- (2) The Central Government may make rules consistent with the provisions of this Act to ensure timely transfer of all matters, proceedings or cases pending before the Company Law Board or the courts, to the Tribunal under this section."
- 35. In section 468, for sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely :-
- "(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
  - (i)as to the mode of proceedings to be held for winding up of a company by the Tribunal under this Act;
  - (ii) for the holding of meetings of creditors and members in connection with proceedings under section 230;
  - (iii) for giving effect to the provisions of this Act as to the reduction of the capital;
  - (iv)generally for all applications to be made to the Tribunal under the provisions of this Act;
  - (v)the holding and conducting of meetings to ascertain the wishes of creditors and contributories;
  - (vi)the settling of lists of contributories and the rectifying of the register of members where required, and collecting and applying the assets;
  - (vii)the payment, delivery, conveyance, surrender or transfer of money, property, books or papers to the liquidator;
  - (viii) the making of calls; and
  - (ix) the fixing of a time within which debts and claims shall be proved."
- 36.In Schedule V, in Part II, in section III, for clause (b), the following clause shall be substituted, namely: -
  - "(b) where the company—
    - (i)is a newly incorporated company, for a period of seven years from the date of its incorporation, or
    - (ii)is a sick company, for whom a scheme of revival or rehabilitation has been ordered by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction for a period of five years from the date of sanction of scheme of revival, or
    - (iii)is a company in relation to which a resolution plan has been approved by the National Company Law Tribunal under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016

for a period of five years from the date of such approval,

it may pay remuneration up to two times the amount permissible under section II."

### <sup>1</sup>[THE TWELFTH SCHEDULE

(See clause (d) of section 29A)

### ACTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF CLAUSE (d) OF SECTION 29A

- (1) The Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1922 (22 of 1922);
- (2) The Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934);
- (3) The Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944);
- (4) The Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (37 of 1954);
- (5) The Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955);
- (6) The Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 (42 of 1956);
- (7) The Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961);
- (8) The Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962);
- (9) The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (6 of 1974);
- (10) The Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act, 1974 (52 of 1974);
- (11) The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981);
- (12) The Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (1 of 1986);
- (13) The Environment (Protection) Act, 19 86 (29 of 1986);
- (14) The Prohibition of Benami Property Transactions Act, 1988 (45 of 1988);
- (15) The Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (49 of 1988);
- $(16)\ The\ Securities\ and\ Exchange\ Board\ of\ India\ Act,\ 1992\ (15\ of\ 1992);$
- (17) The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999);

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ins. by Act No. 26 of 2018, sec. 38 (w.e.f. 6-6-2018).

- (18) The Competition Act, 2002 (12 of 2003);
- (19) The Prevention of Money-laundering Act, 2002 (15 of 2003);
- (20) The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 (6 of 2009);
- (21) The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (42 of 2010);
- (22) The Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or any previous company law;
- (23) The Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015 (22 of 2015);
- (24) The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (31 of 2016);
- (25) The Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017) and respective State Acts imposing State goods and services tax;
- (26) such other Acts as may be notified by the Central Government.

Every notification issued under this Schedule shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is issued, before each House of Parliament.]

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# CIRCULARS and CLARIFICATION

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

Circular No: IPA/009/2018 19th April, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### Subject: Annual Compliance Certificate for Insolvency Professional Agencies

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code), the IBBI (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016, the IBBI (Model Bye Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016 and Guidelines, Circulars, and Directions issued thereunder cast several duties, responsibilities and obligations on the registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (IPAs). Section 196(1)(g) of the Code mandates the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) to monitor performance of IPAs.

- 2.Keeping in view the institutional role of the IPAs, and to facilitate monitoring of both their performance and compliance of statutory requirements, and in the interest of transparency and accountability, the IBBI, in consultation with IPAs, has devised the format of **ANNUAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE** (**Annexure A**) to be submitted by the IPAs to the IBBI and to be displayed on its website within 45 days of the closure of the financial year.
- 3.The IPAs are requested to submit the **ANNUAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE** for the year 2017-18 to the IBBI and display the same on their respective websites by 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
- 4.This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

(Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri) Chief General Manager Email: dr.chaudhuri@ibbi.gov.in

### Annexure A

## ON THE LETTER HEAD OF THE INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONAL AGENCY

### ANNUAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE FOR THE YEAR 2017-18

I hereby certify that_	(write the name of the IPA here), having Registration
No	_has complied with the applicable provisions of the Insolvency and
Bankruptcy Code, 20	016, the IBBI (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016 and
the relevant provisi	ons of IBBI (Model Bye Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency
Professional Agenci	es) Regulations, 2016 for the year 2017-18, as indicated in Annexure
<b>A.</b>	
2.I undertake that	(write the name of the IPA here), having Registration
No	shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Insolvency and
Bankruptcy Code, 20	016, the IBBI (Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016 and
the relevant provisi	ons of IBBI (Model Bye Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency
Professional Agenci	es) Regulations, 2016, wherever it has not complied with fully, as
indicated in Annexu	re A, by the dates indicated therein.
3. I verify that this co	ertificate was placed before the Board of Directors of
(write the name of th	ne IPA here), having Registration No, in its meeting on
4.7	
•	bove certification is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and
belief.	
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	Managing Director / Chief Executive Officer
Date:	
Place:	

### Annexure A

(Unless specifically indicated, the compliance relates to the year 2017-18. Hence the IPA needs to provide status for the year 2017-18)

Sl. No.	Section / Regula tion / Clause	Does the IPA comply with the provision? (NA /YES / NO/ PARTIALLY )	Specific Details	Response to specific details	Reasons for Non- compliance / Partial Compliance	Likely date of Compli -ance
]	Part A:	Compliances	with Provisions of the Insolvency a	ınd Bankru	ptcy Code, 2	016
1	204(a)		How many members were admitted during the year?  Do all of them meet the requirements of eligibility?			
			Have all of them provided documents evidencing the qualification and experience required under Regulation 5 of the IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016?			
2	204(b)		How many standards of professional conduct does the IPA have at the end of 31st March, 2018?  How many standards were laid down prior to the current year?  How many standards were laid down during the year?			
3	204(c)		Did the IPA monitor performance of its members during the year?  How many members' performance did the IPA monitor during year?  What are the parameters used for monitoring the performance of its members?			

		How many members did not provide material required for monitoring performance?  In case of how many members, did the IPA find performance unsatisfactory?  What action was taken against the		
		members whose performance was found unsatisfactory?		
4	204(d)	Does the IPA have a policy to safeguard the rights, privileges and interest of the members?  What are the specific interventions		
		the IPA did to safeguard the rights, privileges and interest of the members?		
5	204(e)	How many members did the IPA suspend during the year?  How many memberships did the IPA cancel during the year?		
		What was the most common violation of law for which a member was suspended or cancelled?		
6	204 (f)	How many grievances did the IPA receive during the year?		
		How many grievances did the IPA redress during the year?		
		How many grievances are pending for disposal at the end of the year?		
		What was the most common type of grievance against members?		
		What was the average time taken for disposal of grievances?		
7	204(g)	Whether the IPA has published details about its functions on its		

		website? At what frequency these			
		details are updated?			
		Whether the IPA has published the list of its members on its website? At what frequency the list is updated?			
		Whether the IPA has published the performance of its members on its website? At what frequency these details are updated?			
8	205	Whether the bye-laws made by the IPA are consistent with the model bye-laws specified by the Board under section 196(2)?			
		Whether the IPA has modified any provision in the Bye-laws during the year?			
		Whether approval of the IBBI for change in bye-laws has been obtained?			
Pa	art B: C	ompliances with Provisions of the Insolvency an	d Bankrup	tcy Board of	India
		(Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regu	lations, 201	6	
9	3	Whether the IPA is a company registered under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013?			
10	3(a)	Whether the IPA's sole object is to carry on the functions of an insolvency professional agency under the Code?			
11	3(b)	Whether the IPA has its bye-laws and governance structure in accordance with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies), 2016?			

12	3(c)	Whether the IPA has a minimum net worth of ten crore rupees as on 31st March, 2018?  What is the net worth of the IPA as on 31st March, 2018?		
13	3(d)	Whether the IPA has a paid-up share capital of five crore rupees as on 31st March, 2018?  What is the paid-up share capital of		
14	3(e)	the IPA as on 31st March, 2018?  Whether the IPA is under the control of person(s) resident outside India?  List out the names of persons who are in control of the IPA as on 31st March, 2018?		
15	3(f)	Whether more than 49% of its share capital is held, directly or indirectly, by persons resident outside India?  What is the share of resident Indians in shareholding of the IPA as on 31st March, 2018?		
16	3(g)	Whether the IPA is a subsidiary of a body corporate through more than one layer?		
17	3(h)	Whether the IPA is fit and proper person?  Whether the promoters of the IPA are fit and proper persons?  Whether the directors of the IPA are fit and proper persons?  Whether every person holding more than 10% of its share capital as on 31st March, 2018 is a fit and proper person?		

18	5(1)(b)	Does the IPA have adequate infrastructure to perform its functions under the law?		
		Provide brief details infrastructure as on 31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2018 in terms of office premises, computing resources and human resources.		
19	5(1)(c)	Does the IPA have a Managing Director?		
		Does the IPA have a Compliance Officer?		
		How many persons with professional and relevant experience are in employment of the IPA?		
20	5(2)(a)	Any contravention of the Code, rules, regulations or guidelines noticed by the IPA during the year?		
21	5(2)(b)	How many people are engaged full time to ensure compliances?		
22	5(2)(c)	When did the IPA pay fee for 2017-18?  What is the amount paid?		
23	5(2)(d)	How many persons hold more than 10% share capital, directly or indirectly, of the IPA?		
24	5(2)(e)	How many grievances did the IPA receive during the year?		
25	5 (3)	Is the certificate of registration valid as on 31st March, 2018?		
		When is the renewal of registration due?		

Part C: Compliances with Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016

26	3(2)	Whether the bye-laws provide for all matters specified in the model bye-laws?	
27	3(3)	Whether the bye-laws of the IPA are inconsistent with the model bye-laws?	
		Whether there has been any change in the bye-laws during the year?	
28	3(4)	Whether the IPA has published its bye-laws on its website? When was this published?	
		Whether the IPA has published composition of all its committees formed under the bye-laws on its website? When was this last updated?	
		Whether the IPA has published all its policies created under the byelaws on its website? When was it	
		published for the first time? When was it updated last?	
29	4(1)	Whether the IPA amended its byelaws during the year?	
		Did it comply with the process for amendment provided in the regulations?	
30	5(1)	Whether the Governing Board of the IPA had a minimum of seven directors throughout the year?	
		How many meetings of the Governing Board were held during the year?	
		How many members of the Governing Board attended all meetings during the year?	

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		How many members did not attend	
		50% of the meetings during the	
		year? Please name them.	
31	5(2)	Whether more than half of the	
	` '	directors of the IPA are persons	
		resident in India throughout the year?	
		year:	
		How many directors are non-	
		resident Indians as on 31st March,	
		2018?	
32	5(3)	Whether more than one fourth of	
		the directors are insolvency	
		professionals at any time during the year?	
		the year:	
		How many directors of the IPA are	
		insolvency professionals?	
33	5(4)	Whether more than half of the	
	3(1)	directors are independent directors	
		at all times during the year?	
		How many directors of the IPA are	
		independent directors?	
34	- (-)	Whether every independent	
34	5(5)	Whether every independent director of the IPA met the	
		eligibility criteria specified in	
		regulation 5(5) throughout the	
		year?	
		How many independent directors	
		are insolvency professionals as on	
		31st March, 2018?	
35	6	Is the Chairperson of the	
		Governing Board an independent	
		director throughout the year?	
		How many meetings of the	
		Governing Board did the	
		Chairperson of the Governing	
		Board chair during the year?	
	Part D:	Compliance with the Model Bye-laws of an Inso	olvency Professional Agency

36	5(2)	Did the IPA carry on any function or activity other than activities and functions of an IPA during the year?		
37	6(1)	Whether IPA has maintained high ethical and professional standards in the regulation of its professional members during the year?		
38	6(2)(a)	Whether the IPA has ensured compliance with the Code and rules, regulations and guidelines issued thereunder governing the conduct of insolvency professional agencies during the year?  Whether the IPA has ensured		
		compliance with the Code and rules, regulations and guidelines issued thereunder governing the conduct of insolvency professionals during the year?		
		Did any non-compliance come to the notice of the IPA?		
39	6(2)(b)	Whether the IPA has employed fair, reasonable, just, and non-discriminatory practices for the enrolment and regulation of its professional members?		
40	6(2)(c)	How many directions the IPA has issued to its professional members during the year?		
		Whether the IPA has ensured compliance with the directions issued to its professional members?		
41	6(2)(d)	How many programmes did the IPA organise during the year to develop the profession of IPs:		
		a. Seminars / Conferences		
		b. Workshops		

		c. Training		
		How many IPs benefited from / participated in these programmes during the year?		
		How many IPs did not participate in any pf the programmes organise by the IPA?		
42	6(2)(e)	How many programmes did the IPA organise for continuing professional development of the profession of IPs during the year:		
		a. Seminars / Conferences		
		b. Workshops		
		c. Training		
		How many IPs benefited from / participated in these programmes during the year?		
		How many IPs did not participate in any of the programmes organised by the IPA?		
		Are the programmes in row 41 different from the programmes under row 42?		
43	6(2)(f)	What is the specific intervention the IPA did to ensure high standards of professional and ethical conduct of its members?		
		Did the ethical standards of its members improve during the year? What is the matrix used to indicate improvement?		
44	6(2)(g)	What details did the IPA provide to		
		the Board.		
45	7(1)	Whether any advisory committee has been constituted?		

		How many times the Committee met during the year?		
		Whether the advices of the Advisory Committee were considered by the Governing Board of the IPA?		
		Which specific advice, if any, was rejected by the Governing Board?		
46	8(1)(a)	How many Membership Committees did the IPA constitute during the year?		
		How many meetings the Committee(s) had during the year?		
		Whether the Chairpersons of the Committee(s) are independent directors of the IPA?		
47	8(1)(b)	Whether the IPA has constituted the Monitoring Committee?		
		How many meetings the Committee had during the year?		
		Whether the Chairperson of the Committee is an independent director of the IPA?		
48	8(1)(c)	How many Grievance Redressal Committees did the IPA constitute during the year?		
		How many meetings the Committee(s) had during the year?		
		Whether the Chairperson(s) of the		
		Committee(s) are independent directors of the IPA?		
		Did each of the Committees have at least one professional member at all times during the year?		

		Please write the names of professional members who was / were member of the Committee during the year.		
49	8(1)(d)	How many Disciplinary Committees did the IPA constitute during the year?  How many meetings the Committee(s) had during the		
		year?  Whether the Chairpersons of the Committee(s) are independent directors of the IPA?		
		Did the nominee of the IBBI attend all meetings of the Committee?		
50	9	How many members were enrolled during the year?  How many of them were eligible		
		for enrolment?		
51	9	Whether Governing Board provided additional eligibility requirement for enrolment as a professional member?  Whether the additional eligibility requirements discriminate on grounds of religion, race, caste, and a professional member of thirthese contents of the professional members.		
		gender, place of birth or professional affiliation?		
52	10	Number of applications received Number of applications accepted Number of applications rejected Number of applications pending Number of professional members as on 01.04.2017 Number of professional members		
		as on 31.03.2018		

		Number of new members enrolled during the year Number of members who left the IPA during the year	
53	10(8)	How many appeals did the Membership Committee receive during the year?	
54	10(9)	How many appeals did the Membership Committee dispose of during the year?  How many appeals did the Membership Committee dispose of within 30 days of receipt of the appeal?	
55	11	What is the fixed sum of money charged annually from each professional member?  How many members did not pay the membership fee?	
56	12(1)	Whether the IPA has a register of its professional members containing their particulars as per clause 12(1)?	
57	14	Whether the IPA has a Code of Conduct that is consistent with and provides for all matters in the Code of Conduct as specified in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016?  How many members violated any provision of the Code of Conduct during the year?	
58	15	Whether the IPA has a Monitoring Policy to monitor the professional activities and conduct of professional members for their adherence to the provisions of the Code?	

59	16	Whether the IPA has prescribed the manner and format for collecting information from professional members as IPs, including records of ongoing and concluded engagements?  Did the IPA receive information from all members as required above?		
60	16	How many members submitted information in the prescribed format at least twice during the year?  Has the IPA taken appropriate action against those members who did not submit the information?		
61	17	Did the Monitoring Committee review the information and records submitted by the members?		
62	18	Did the Monitoring Committee evaluate the performance of members?  What is the assessment of the performance of the members, according to the Monitoring Committee?		
63	20	Whether the IPA has submitted a report to the IBBI?		
64	21	Whether the IPA has a Grievance Redressal Policy providing the procedure for receiving, processing, redressing and disclosing grievances against the Agency or any professional member of the Agency?  Have the details of grievances been disclosed during the year?		
65	21	No. of grievances received: No. of grievances dismissed:		

		No. of grievances where mediation was initiated between parties for redressal of grievance:  No. of matters referred to Disciplinary Committee:		
66	24	How many disciplinary proceedings were initiated by the IPA based on reference made by the Grievance Redressal Committee during the year?		
		How many of them have been disposed of?		
		How many disciplinary proceedings were initiated by the IPA based on monitoring of professional members during the year?		
		How many of them have been disposed of?		
		How many disciplinary proceedings were initiated by the IPA based on directions of the IBBI or any Court of Law during the year?		
		How many of them have been disposed of?		
		How many disciplinary proceedings were initiated by the IPA suo moto during the year?		
		How many of them have been disposed of?		
67	24(4)	Whether all orders passed by the Disciplinary Committee have been placed on the website of the IPA within seven days from passing of the said order?		

68	24(5)	Committee during the ye  How much of penalty im been realised during the y  What is the highest imposed on a member?	sciplinary ar?  posed has year?  penalty	
69	25(1)	Whether the Governing the IPA has constit Appellate Panel, as requi How many members are to the Disciplinary Common the Appellate Panel?  How many meetings Appellate Panel were he the year?  Did the IBBI Nominee the meetings of the Panel?	tuted an red? e common mittee and  of the eld during  attend all	
70	25(2)	How many appeals were by the Appellate Panel of year?  How many appeals were of by the Appellate Panel the year?  How many appeals were of after 30 days of the rec appeal?  How many appeal dismissed?  How many appeals are pedisposal as on 31st March	during the e disposed nel during e disposed eipt of the ls were ending for	
71	26	How many members at temporary surrender professional membershifthe year?	er of	

			How many applications were accepted?			
			How many applications were rejected?			
			How many applications are pending, if any, as 31st March, 2018?			
72	26(3)		How many members revived their membership during the year?			
73	26		Whether the details regarding applications accepted for temporary surrender of professional membership and revival of temporary surrendered membership, intimated to the IBBI?			
74	27		How many applications were received for surrender of membership during year?			
			How many applications were accepted?			
			How many applications rejected?			
			How many applications are pending, if any, as on 31st March, 2018?			
75	30		How many members were expelled by the IPA during the year?			
		Part E:	Compliances with Circulars issue	d by the IB	BI	
76	Circul ar 1		How many members complied with the circular during the year?			
			How many members did not comply with the circular?			
			Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?			

77	Circul ar 2	How many members complied with the circular during the year?		
		How many members did not comply with the circular?		
		Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?		
78	Circul ar 3	How many members complied with the circular during the year?		
		How many members did not comply with the circular?		
		Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?		
79	Circul ar 4	How many members complied with the circular during the year?		
		How many members did not comply with the circular?		
		Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?		
80	Circul ar 5	How many members complied with the circular during the year?		
		How many members did not comply with the circular?		
		Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?		
81	Circul ar 6	How many members complied with the circular during the year?		
		How many members did not comply with the circular?		
		Have you taken action against the members who did not comply with the circular?		

82	Circul ar 7		How many members complied with the circular during the year?  How many members did not comply with the circular?  Have you taken action against the			
			members who did not comply with the circular?			
	Part F:	Compliances	with the Additional Bye-laws and	Circulars is	sued by the l	PA
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### **CIRCULAR**

### No. IBBI/IU/51/2022

15th June, 2022

To Information Utility (By mail to registered email address and on the website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam/Sir,

# Subject: Application under Rule 4, 6 or 7 of Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudication Authority) Rules, 2016

It has been decided that henceforth, the Board will forward the application for initiating insolvency received by it in terms of rule 4, 6 or 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudication Authority) Rules, 2016, to the Information Utility (IU) and on receipt of the said application, the IU shall:

- (a) inform other creditors of the Corporate Debtor by sharing the application;
- (b) issue notice to the applicant, requiring it to file *information of default* in the specified format under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utility) Regulations, 2017(IU Regulations); and
- (c) process the 'information of default' for the purpose of issuing ROD as per the IU Regulations.
- 2.This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- 3. This Circular shall come into force with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Manish Kumar Chaudhari) Chief General Manager

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/CIRP/015/2018

13th July, 2018

All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### Sub: Appointment of Authorised Representative for Classes of Creditors under section 21 (6A) (b) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016

Section 21 (6A) (b) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) read with regulation 16A (1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 (Regulations) provide that where the corporate debtor has at least ten financial creditors in a class, the interim resolution professional shall offer a choice of three insolvency professionals and a creditor in the class may indicate its choice of an insolvency professional, from amongst the three, to act as its authorised representative. The insolvency professional, who is the choice of the highest number of creditors in the class, is appointed as the authorised representative of the creditors of the respective class. The authorised representative collects voting instructions from the respective class of creditors, attends the meetings of the committee of creditors (CoC) and casts vote in respect of the said class in accordance with the instructions he receives from the creditors.

- 2. Section 21 (6A) (b) of the Code read with regulation 16A of the Regulations provide for a simplified mechanism of representation of financial creditors through authorised representatives, as detailed in Para 1 above, and are, therefore, matters of procedure. It is necessary that an ongoing corporate insolvency resolution process, where creditors belonging to a class are otherwise not represented in the CoC, uses this simplified mechanism, irrespective of the stage of the process. The resolution professional, who exercises the powers and performs the duties as vested or conferred on the interim resolution professional under section 23 (2) of the Code, shall facilitate representation through authorised representative(s).
- 3. It is, accordingly, clarified that wherever the approval of resolution plan under regulation 39 (3) of the Regulations is at least 15 days away, the resolution professional shall expeditiously obtain, by electronic means, the choice of the insolvency professional from creditors in a class to act as the authorised representative of the class and proceed further in the manner as specified in regulation 16A of the Regulations.
- 4. This Circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 (1) (aa) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, in consultation with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(Ranjeeta Dubey) General Manager

Email: ranjeta@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

### No. IBBI/LIQ/45/2021

15th November, 2021

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professionals Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the Board)

Dear Madam /Sir.

Subject: Clarification regarding requirement of seeking No Objection Certificate or No Dues Certificate from the Income Tax Department during Voluntary Liquidation Process under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code).

Regulation 14 of the IBBI (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017 (the Regulations) mandates the liquidator to make the public announcement within five days of his appointment, calling for submission of claims by stakeholders within thirty days from the liquidation commencement date. The Regulations also obligate all the financial creditors, operational creditors including government, and other stakeholders to submit their claims within the specified period. If the claims are not submitted in time, the corporate person may get dissolved without dealing with such claims and such claims may consequently get extinguished.

- 2.It has been noticed that even after providing opportunity for filing of claims, the liquidators seek 'No Objection Certificate' (NOC) or 'No Dues Certificate' (NDC) from the Income Tax Department despite the fact that the Code or the Regulations do not envisage seeking such
- 3.In this regard, section 178 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 which, inter alia, obligates the liquidator to fulfil certain income tax related requirements, explicitly states that the provisions of this section shall have effect notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force except the provisions of the Code.
- 4. The process of applying and obtaining of such NOC/NDC from the Income Tax Department consumes substantial time and thus militates against the express provisions of the Code, and also defeats the objective of time-bound completion of process under the Code.
- 5. Therefore, it is hereby clarified that as per the provisions of the Code and the Regulations read with Section 178 of the Income-tax Act, 1961, an Insolvency Professional handling voluntary liquidation process is not required to seek any NOC/NDC from the Income Tax Department as part of compliance in the said process.
- 6. This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under section 196 of the Code.

Yours sincerely, Sd/-(Nitish Saini) Assistant General Manager Tel: 011-2346 2834

Email: nitish.saini87@gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CLARIFICATION

No. IBBI/IP/2022 11th April 2022

To All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam/Sir,

### Subject: Clarifications with respect to Temporary Surrender of Professional Membership

In view of the provisions relating to 'temporary surrender of professional membership' contained in clause 26 of the Schedule to the IBBI (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016, have been substituted vide Notification No. IBBI/2019-20/GN/REG043, dated 23rd July, 2019 (w.e.f. 23-07-2019) and in pursuant to the introduction of provision of 'Authorisation for Assignment', it is clarified that the process of 'Temporary Surrender of Professional Membership,' ceases to exist with issuance of above mentioned notification.

2. This clarification is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (aa), (g) and (p) of subsection (1) and sub-section (2) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours sincerely, -Sd-(Dilip Arjun Khandale) Deputy General Manager Email: dilip.khandale@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CIRCULAR

No: LA/010/2018 23rd April, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals
All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies
(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### **Sub: Commencement of Disciplinary Proceeding**

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) envisages that an insolvency professional may be appointed as interim resolution professional, resolution professional, liquidator, or a bankruptcy trustee if no disciplinary proceeding is pending against him. Some of these provisions are extracted at Annexure A.

- 2.The Code, however, does not define 'disciplinary proceeding'. Section 219 envisages issue of show cause notice following an inspection or investigation and section 220 envisages constitution of a disciplinary committee for consideration of the inspection or investigation report. Various regulations made under the Code envisage issue of show cause notice based on findings of an inspection or investigation or on material otherwise available on record. They also envisage constitution of disciplinary committee for disposal of show cause notice.
- 3.A show cause notice is issued after application of mind to the material available on record or on consideration of the inspection or investigation report. The disciplinary committee disposes of the show cause notice by a reasoned order in adherence to principles of natural justice. The reasoned order carries the determination of contravention, if any, of the provisions of the Code, the rules and regulations, or guidelines, directions or orders issued by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India. Thus, a disciplinary proceeding commences with the issue of show cause notice and concludes with the disposal of show cause notice by a reasoned order.
- 4. It is, therefore, clarified that-
- (i) a disciplinary proceeding is considered as pending against an insolvency professional from the time he has been issued a show cause notice by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India till its disposal by the disciplinary committee; and
- (ii)an insolvency professional who has been issued a show cause notice shall not accept any fresh assignment as interim resolution professional, resolution professional, liquidator, or a bankruptcy trustee under the Code.
- 5.This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under section 196 read with section 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(K. R. Saji Kumar) Executive Director Email: krs.kumar@nic.in

### **Disciplinary Proceedings against Insolvency Professionals**

Section 7(5): Where the Adjudicating Authority is satisfied that—

(a)a default has occurred and the application under sub-section (2) is complete, and **there is no disciplinary proceedings pending against the proposed resolution professional**, it may, by order, admit such application; or

(b)default has not occurred or the application under sub-section (2) is incomplete or any disciplinary proceeding is pending against the proposed resolution professional, it may, by order, reject such application:

Provided that .....

Section 9(5): The Adjudicating Authority shall, within fourteen days of the receipt of the application under sub-section (2), by an order—

- (i) admit the application and communicate such decision to the operational creditor and the corporate debtor if,—
- (a) the application made under sub-section (2) is complete;
- (b) there is no repayment of the unpaid operational debt;
- (c)the invoice or notice for payment to the corporate debtor has been delivered by the operational creditor;
- $(\dot{d})$ no notice of dispute has been received by the operational creditor or there is no record of dispute in the information utility; and

# (e)there is no disciplinary proceeding pending against any resolution professional proposed under sub-section (4), if any.

- (ii) reject the application and communicate such decision to the operational creditor and the corporate debtor, if—
- (a) the application made under sub-section (2) is incomplete;
- (b) there has been repayment of the unpaid operational debt;
- (c) the creditor has not delivered the invoice or notice for payment to the corporate debtor;
- (d)notice of dispute has been received by the operational creditor or there is a record of dispute in the information utility; or

# (e)any disciplinary proceeding is pending against any proposed resolution professional: Provided that .....

**Section 16(2):** Where the application for corporate insolvency resolution process is made by a financial creditor or the corporate debtor, as the case may be, the resolution professional, as proposed respectively in the application under section 7 or section 10, shall be appointed as the interim resolution professional, **if no disciplinary proceedings are pending against him**.

**Section 16(3):** Where the application for corporate insolvency resolution process is made by an operational creditor and—

- (a) no proposal for an interim resolution professional is made, the Adjudicating Authority shall make a reference to the Board for the recommendation of an insolvency professional who may act as an interim resolution professional;
- (b)a proposal for an interim resolution professional is made under sub-section (4) of section 9, the resolution professional as proposed, shall be appointed as the interim resolution professional, if no disciplinary proceedings are pending against him.

Section 16(4): The Board shall, within ten days of the receipt of a reference from the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (3), recommend the name of an insolvency professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.

Section 27(5): Where any disciplinary proceedings are pending against the proposed resolution professional under sub-section (3), the resolution professional appointed under section 22 shall continue till the appointment of another resolution professional under this section.

Section 82(1): Where an application under section 80 is filed by the debtor through a resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of the date of receipt of the application and shall seek confirmation from the Board that there are no disciplinary proceedings against the resolution professional who has submitted such application.

Section 89(3): The Board shall, within ten days of the receipt of a reference from the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2), recommend the name of an insolvency professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.

Section 97(1): If the application under section 94 or 95 is filed through a resolution professional, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of the date of the application to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against resolution professional.

Section 98(3): The Board shall, within ten days of the receipt of a reference from the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (2), recommend the name of the resolution professional to the Adjudicating Authority against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.

Section 98(5): Where the Adjudicating Authority admits an application made under sub-section (1) or sub-section (4), it shall direct the Board to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against the proposed resolution professional.

Section 125(1): If an insolvency professional is proposed as the bankruptcy trustee in the application for bankruptcy under section 122 or section 123, the Adjudicating Authority shall direct the Board within seven days of receiving the application for bankruptcy to confirm that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against such professional.

Section 145(5): The Board shall, within ten days of the direction of the Adjudicating Authority under sub-section (4), recommend a bankruptcy trustee for replacement against whom no disciplinary proceedings are pending.

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CIRCULAR

No. IBBI/IPE/017/2018

31st August, 2018

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All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professionals

Subject: Compliance of regulation 13 (2) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

### Dear Madam / Sir,

An insolvency professional entity (IPE) is recognised by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Board) under Chapter V of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016, subject to conditions specified under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13, which reads as under:

"(2) The recognition shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional entity shall-

- a) at all times continue to satisfy the requirements under Regulation 12;
- inform the Board, within seven days, when an insolvency professional ceases to be its director or partner, as the case may be;
- (c) inform the Board, within seven days, when an insolvency professional joins as its director or partner, as the case may be; and
- (d) abide by such other conditions as may be specified.".
- 2. In view of the above, it is directed that an IPE shall inform the Board: -
- (a)within seven days from the date when an insolvency professional ceases to be its director or partner or joins as its partner or director; and
- (b) forthwith and in any case, not later than  $7^{th}$  September, 2018, if it has failed to inform any cessation or joining of an insolvency professional as its partner or director in the past.
- 3.The information, as required in Para 2 above, shall be provided by the authorised signatory of the IPE in the format provided in the Annexure by an email from the email address of the IPE registered with the Board to <a href="mailto:ipe@ibbi.gov.in">ipe@ibbi.gov.in</a>. Failure to comply with the said requirement shall invite appropriate action, including withdrawal of recognition granted to an IPE.
- 4.This Circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 (1) (aa) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

Sd/-(Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri) Chief General Manager Email: dr.chaudhuri@ibbi.gov.in

### ANNEXURE

# Information of cessation/joining of an Insolvency Professional as Director / Partner [under sub-regulation (2) (b) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016]

To	Date
Deputy General Manager, IPE Division	
Insolvency and bankruptcy Board of India	
Mayur Bhawan New Delhi-110001	

E-mail: <u>ipe@ibbi.gov.in</u>

Dear Madam / Sir,

I submit the following information in compliance with sub-regulation (2) (b) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016:

### 1. Details of the IPE

- a. Name of the IPE:
- b. Date of Recognition by the Board:
- c. Recognition Number:
- d. E-mail address registered with the Board:
- e. Name and Designation of Authorised Signatory:

### 2. Details of IP who ceased to be a partner/director of the IPE

	Description	Particulars
Details	s of IP	
a.	Name	
b.	Registration No.	
c.	Date of Registration	
d.	E-mail Address Registered with the Board of IP	
Details	s of Cessation	
a.	Date of Cessation as Director / Partner	
b.	Whether Ceased as Whole Time Director?	
c.	Reason of Cessation (Resignation / Removal / Any	
	other)	
d.	Date of Filing of Cessation with the Concerned	
	Authority	

### 3. Details of IP who joined as a partner $\!\!/$ director of the IPE

Description	Particulars
Details of IP	
a. Name	
b. Registration No.	
c. Date of Registration	
d. E-mail Address Registered with the Board of IP	
Details of Joining	
a. Date of Joining as Director / Partner	
b. Whether Joined as Whole Time Director?	
c. Date of Filing of Joining with the Concerned	
Authority	

# 4. Composition of the Board / Partnership of the IPE before and after cessation/joining of the Insolvency Professional

Sl.		Composition		Composition (After)				
No.	Name of	Designation	Status as an IP		Name of	Designation	Status as an IP	
	the Partner/	(Whole			the Partner/	(Whole		
	Director	Time	Yes /	If yes, IP	Director	Time	Yes /	If yes, IP
		Director /	No	Registration		Director /	No	Registration
		Director /		Number		Director /		Number
		Partner)				Partner)		
1								
2								
3								
4								

5. I am submitting the above information within seven days of the cessation or joining	as the
case may be. I certify that the above information is true and correct.	

	(Authorised Signatory)
Place:	(Name)
Date:	(Designation)

Yours faithfully,

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/IP/020/2019

12th April, 2019

То

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Subject: Compliance with regulations 7 (2) (ca) and 13 (2) (ca) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

### Dear Madam / Sir,

Regulation 7 (2) (ca) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 (**IP Regulations**) specify the requirement and manner of payment of fees by an Insolvency Professional (**IP**) the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (**Board**). It reads as under:

### "Certificate of registration.

7. (1) ...

(2) The registration shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional shall—

(ca) pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of 0.25 percent of the professional fee earned for the services rendered by him as an insolvency professional in the preceding financial year, on or before the  $30^{th}$  of April every year, along with a statement in Form E of the Second Schedule;"

2. Regulations 13 (2) (ca) of the **IP Regulations** specify the requirement and manner of payment of fees by an Insolvency Professional Entity (**IPE**) to the **Board**. It reads as under:

### ${\it ``Recognition of Insolvency Professional Entities.'}$

13. (1) ...

(2) The recognition shall be subject to the conditions that the insolvency professional entity shall-

(ca) pay to the Board, a fee calculated at the rate of 0.25 percent of the turnover from the services rendered by it in the preceding financial year, on or before the  $30^{th}$  of April every year, along with a statement in Form G of the Second Schedule;"

- 3. The Board has enabled a facility for electronic submission of Form E or G, as the case may be, and details of login in this regard have already been shared with IPs and IPEs.
- 4. It is clarified that-
- (a)Form E / Form G for the year 2018-19 shall be submitted electronically by an IP / IPE before  $30^{th}\,April,\,2019;$  and
- (b) Form E / Form G shall be submitted by every IP / IPE even if he has not earned any professional fee or does not have turnover during 2018-19.
- 5. This Circular is issued in exercise of powers under clauses (a), (aa) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with sub-regulation (2) of regulation 7 and sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-(Dilip Arjun Khandale) Deputy General Manager dilip.khandale@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### Clarification

No. IBBI/CIRP Forms/2020

4th December, 2020

Subject: Computation of fee payable for delay in filings under regulation 40B of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.

The Board is in receipt of a few emails from IPs seeking clarification on the above subject.

- 2.It is clear from the sub-regulation (4) of regulation 40B of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 (CIRP Regulations) that a fee has to be paid for delay after 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020. The said regulation reads as under:
- "The filing of a Form under this regulation after due date of submission, whether by correction, updation or otherwise, shall be accompanied by a fee of five hundred rupees per Form for each calendar month of delay after 1st October, 2020."
- 3. Therefore, it is clarified that fee is payable for the period that lapses between the due date of filing a Form or 1st October, 2020, whichever is later, and the actual date of filing the said Form.
- 4.It appears that a fee, higher than what is payable under the CIRP Regulations, has been paid along with filings of some Forms. These have happened in three situations, namely,
- (i)fee has been paid for delay in submission of Form, which was on account of technical glitches;
- (ii) fee has been paid twice for filing the same Form; and
- (iii) fee has been paid for the delay from the due date.
- 5. It has been decided to refund the excess fee paid in these three situations.

-Sd-(Dr. Kokila Jayaram)

Deputy General Manager

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

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-Sd-(Dr. Kokila Jayaram)

Deputy General Manager

2	Brief particulars of Invitation of Resolution Plans by the Resolution Professional	Form G under regulation 36A (5) (b) of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016	invite.rp@ibbi.gov.in	
3	Public Announcement by Interim Resolution Professional	Form A under regulation 6 (2) (b) (iii) of the IBBI (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons)  Regulations, 2017	public.ann@ibbi.gov.in	
4	Brief particulars of Invitation of Resolution Plans by the Resolution Professional	Form G of the Schedule under regulation 35A (5) (b) of the IBBI (Fast Track Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons)  Regulations, 2017	invite.rp@ibbi.gov.in	
5	Public Announcement by Liquidator	Form B of Schedule II under regulation 12 (3) (c) of the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016	public.ann@ibbi.gov.in	
6	Public Announcement by Liquidator	Form A of Schedule I under regulation 14 (3) (c) of the IBBI (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2017	public.ann@ibbi.gov.in	

<sup>3.</sup> The interim resolution professional, the resolution professional or the liquidator, as the case may be, shall ensure that the Form mailed is complete and accurate, and complies with the provisions of the Code and the regulations made thereunder. He shall be liable for consequences for deficiencies in the Form. The Board shall cause to upload the Forms as received by it on the designated website.

- 4. This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (1) of section 196 read with clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 208 of the Code.
- 5. The letter No. IBBI/IP/PUBLIC.ANN/218 dated  $1^{\rm st}$  February, 2017 issued by the Board shall cease to have effect from the date of issue of this circular.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

(Dilip Arjun Khandale) Deputy General Manager Email: dilip.khandale@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi – 110001

### CIRCULAR

No. IBBI/PROS/53/2022 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

To
All Registered Insolvency Professionals
All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities
All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Sir/Madam,

### Subject: Details of matters pending with Supreme Court of India and various High Courts

Of late, it has been observed that in a few matters Hon'ble Supreme Court and several High Courts have considered and delivered judgements wherein stand of Union of India (MCA) or IBBI remained unrepresented since both these institutions were not a party in the concerned proceedings. This matter is of great concern as in some of such cases scheme of the Code was in question which required to defended earnestly. While we are trying to retrieve the situation through further legal recourse, our apprehension is that there could be many more such important matters pending or might arise in future.

- 2.Insolvency professionals being the main link with IBBI in relation to processes under the Code wherefrom such litigations arise. It is, therefore, deemed appropriate that the Insolvency Professionals to proactively provide prompt information and papers to IBBI to enable it to examine the provision of statute under question with a view to implead itself for appropriate defence.
- 3.Accordingly, Insolvency Professionals are advised to inform IBBI without any delay about any important issues relating to vires, interpretation and applicability of the provisions of the Code, Rules and Regulations made thereunder are being contested before the High Courts and the Supreme Court of India, in respect of any assignment handled by them as on date. Further, the information as above shall be submitted by Insolvency Professionals as and when any such case is filed before Supreme Court and High Courts.
- 4.For pending cases, the case papers with issues involved in brief shall be forwarded to IBBI at the email <a href="legal.proceeding@ibbi.gov.in">legal.proceeding@ibbi.gov.in</a> by September, 2022 and for any future case promptly when the case comes to notice/ knowledge of the Insolvency Professional.
- 5. The circular is issued with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely, Sd/-(Rajesh Kumar) General Manager Tel: 011-23462878

Email: rajesh.k10@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

No. IP/005/2018

16th January, 2018

All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on web site of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Sub: Disclosures by Insolvency Professionals and other Professionals appointed by **Insolvency Professionals conducting Resolution Processes.** 

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with regulations made thereunder provide for appointment of an insolvency professional [(Interim Resolution Professional (IRP) / Resolution Professional (RP)] to conduct the resolution process (Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process and the Fast Track Process) and discharge other duties. These authorise the Insolvency Professional to appoint registered valuers, accountants, legal and other professionals to assist him in discharge of his duties in resolution process.

2.In the interest of transparency, it has been decided that an insolvency professional and every other professional appointed by the insolvency professional for a resolution process shall make disclosures as specified in Para 3 to 5 hereunder.

3. An insolvency professional shall disclose his relationship, if any, with (i) the Corporate Debtor, (ii) other Professional(s) engaged by him, (iii) Financial Creditor(s), (iv) Interim Finance Provider(s), and (v) Prospective Resolution Applicant(s) to the Insolvency Professional Agency of which he is a member, within the time specified as under-

Relationship of the Insolvency Professional with	Disclosure to be made within three days of
Corporate Debtor	his appointment.
Other Professionals [Registered Valuer(s) /	appointment of the other Professional.
Accountant(s) / Legal Professional(s) / Other	
Professional(s)] appointed by him	
Financial Creditor(s)	the constitution of Committee of Creditors.
Interim Finance Provider(s)	the agreement with the Interim Finance
	Provider.
Prospective Resolution Applicant(s)	the supply of information memorandum to
	the Prospective Resolution Applicant.
If relationship with any of the above comes to	of such notice or arising.
notice or arises subsequently	

4. An insolvency professional shall ensure disclosure of the relationship, if any, of the other professional(s) engaged by him with (i) himself, (ii) the Corporate Debtor, (iii) Financial Creditor(s), (iv) Interim Finance Provider(s), and (v) Prospective Resolution Applicant(s) to the Insolvency Professional Agency of which he is a member, within the time specified as under:

Relationship of the other Professional(s) with	Disclosure to be made within three days of		
The Insolvency Professional	the appointment of the other Professional.		
Corporate Debtor	the appointment of the other Professional.		
Financial Creditor(s)	constitution of Committee of Creditors.		
Interim Finance Provider(s)	the agreement with the Interim Finance Provider or three days of the appointment of the other Professional, whichever is later.		
Prospective Resolution Applicant(s)	the supply of information memorandum to the Prospective Resolution Applicant or three days of the appointment of the other Professional, whichever is later.		
If relationship with any of the above comes to notice or arises subsequently	of such notice or arising.		

5. For the purpose of Para 3 and 4 above, 'relationship' shall mean any one or more of the four kinds of relationships at any time or during the three years preceding the appointment:

Kind of Relationship	Nature of Relationship
A	Where the Insolvency Professional or the Other Professional, as the case may be,
	has derived 5% or more of his / its gross revenue in a year from professional
	services to the related party.
В	Where the Insolvency Professional or the Other Professional, as the case may be,
	is a Shareholder, Director, Key Managerial Personnel or Partner of the related
	party.
C	Where a relative (Spouse, Parents, Parents of Spouse, Sibling of Self and Spouse,
	and Children) of the Insolvency Professional or the Other Professional, as the
	case may be, has a relationship of kind A or B with the related party.
D	Where the Insolvency Professional or the Other Professional, as the case may be,
	is a partner or director of a company, firm or LLP, such as, an Insolvency
	Professional Entity or Registered Valuer, the relationship of kind A, B or C of
	every partner or director of such company, firm or LLP with the related party.

6.An Insolvency Professional Agency shall facilitate receipt of disclosures as required above. It shall disseminate such disclosures on its web site within three working days of receipt of the disclosure. A model schematic presentation of disclosures for guidance of Insolvency Professional Agencies and Insolvency Professionals is enclosed at Annexure A.

7.The Insolvency Professional shall provide a confirmation to the Insolvency Professional Agency to the effect that the appointment of every other professional has been made at arms' length relationship.

- 8.The disclosures shall be made in respect of ongoing resolution processes as on date and all subsequent resolution processes. The disclosures due on date in respect of the ongoing processes shall be made to the respective Insolvency Professional Agency by 31st January, 2018.
- 9.The Insolvency Professional shall ensure timely and correct disclosures by him and the other Professionals appointed by him. Any wrong disclosure and delayed disclosure shall attract action against the Insolvency Professional and the other Professional as per the provisions of the law.
- 10. This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 read with sections 204 and 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, in consultation with the Insolvency Professional Agencies.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

(I. Sreekara Rao) Deputy General Manager Email: sreekararao@ibbi.gov.in

### **Annexure A**

Disclosures by the Insolvency Professionals and other Professionals appointed by the Insolvency Professionals conducting Resolution Processes of .......(Corporate Debtor)

IP/Other	Name of	Professional	PAN	Relationship with					
Professional	Professional	Membershi		IRP /	Other Professional	Corporate	Name of	Interim	Name of
engaged by		p No.		RP	(Registered Valuer	Debtor	Financial	Finance	Prospective
the IP					/ Accountant/		Creditor (s)	Provider	Resolution
					Advocate / Any			(s)	Applicant
					other Professional)				(s)
IRP / RP				NA					
Registered					NA				
Valuer									
Accountant					NA		A		
Advocate					NA				
Any other					NA				
Professiona									
1 (Write									
kind of									
Profession)									

Notes:

i. NA: Not Applicable.

ii.Additional rows and columns to be inserted, as required, where there are more than one professional, financial creditor, interim finance provider or prospective resolution applicant.

iii.Where an Accountant has relationship of kind A with a Financial Creditor, relevant cell will display 'A', as indicated in the above table. One may click on 'A' to find details of relationship.

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

### No. IBBI/IPE/014/2018

6th July, 2018

To

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on the website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

**Sub: Empanelment of Insolvency Professional Entities.** 

An Insolvency Professional Entity (IPE) is recognised in accordance with regulation 12 (1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016, only if "its sole objective is to provide support services to the insolvency professionals, who are its partners or directors, as the case may be". Thus, an IPE cannot provide any service to any person. It can provide only support services to the insolvency professionals who are its partners or directors. Thus, the role of IPE is clearly specified.

2. Section 206 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) prohibits a person from rendering services as an insolvency professional (IP) unless he is: (a) enrolled as a member of an Insolvency Professional Agency (IPA), and (b) registered with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI). Thus, no person other than a person registered as an IP with the IBBI can render services as an IP. An IPE is neither enrolled as a member of an IPA nor registered as an IP with the IBBI. It cannot act as IP under the Code.

3. It has been observed that a few market participants are seeking empanelment of IPEs and a few IPEs are seeking empanelment with market participants. Given the role of an IPE, the IPEs are directed to refrain from seeking empanelment with or joining any panel of any market participant.

4. This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (aa) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 read with regulation 12 of the IBBI (Insolvency Professional) Regulations, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

(Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri) Chief General Manager

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/IP/013/2018 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### Sub: Fee and other Expenses incurred for Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process

When a corporate debtor undergoes corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP), an Insolvency Professional (IP) is vested with the management of its affairs and he manages its operations as a going concern. He complies with the applicable laws on behalf of the corporate debtor. He conducts the entire CIRP. Such responsibilities of an IP require the highest level of professional excellence, dexterity and integrity. He needs to be compensated for his professional services commensurate to his ability, duties and responsibilities. He also needs to pay fee or incur other expenses for various goods and services required for conducting the CIRP and or managing the operations of the corporate debtor as a going concern.

- 2.The relevant provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) and regulations made thereunder having a bearing on fee and other expenses of CIRP are at **Annexure A**.
- 3.An IP is obliged under section 208(2)(a) of the Code to take reasonable care and diligence while performing his duties, including incurring expenses. He must, therefore, ensure that not only fee payable to him is reasonable, but also other expenses incurred by him are reasonable. What is reasonable is context specific and it is not amenable to a precise definition. An illustrative list of factors considered in determination of what is reasonable is given in **Annexure B.**
- 4.Para 16 of the Code of Conduct for IPs in the Schedule to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 provides that an IP must maintain written contemporaneous records for any decision taken, the reasons for taking the decision, and the information and evidence in support of such decision. This shall be maintained so as to sufficiently enable a reasonable person to take a view on the appropriateness of his decisions and actions.
- 5.The IBBI had put out a discussion paper titled "Regulation of fee payable to insolvency professionals and other process costs under Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process" on its web site on 1st April, 2018 seeking comments thereon. The comments received from stakeholders have been considered in consultation with the Insolvency Professional Agencies.

- 6. Keeping the above in view, the IP is directed to ensure that:-
- (a)the fee payable to him, fee payable to an Insolvency Professional Entity, and fee payable to Registered Valuers and other Professionals, and other expenses incurred by him during the CIRP are reasonable;
- (b) the fee or other expenses incurred by him are directly related to and necessary for the CIRP;
- (c)the fee or other expenses are determined by him on an arms' length basis, in consonance with the requirements of integrity and independence;
- (d)written contemporaneous records for incurring or agreeing to incur any fee or other expense are maintained;
- (e)supporting records of fee and other expenses incurred are maintained at least for three years from the completion of the CIRP;
- (f)approval of the Committee of Creditors (CoC) for the fee or other expense is obtained, wherever approval is required; and
- (g) all CIRP related fee and other expenses are paid through banking channel.
- 7. The Code read with regulations made thereunder specify what is included in the insolvency resolution process cost (IRPC). The IP is directed to ensure that:-
- (a)no fee or expense other than what is permitted under the Code read with regulations made thereunder is included in the IRPC;
- (b)no fee or expense other than the IRPC incurred by the IP is borne by the corporate debtor; and
- (c)only the IRPC, to the extent not paid during the CIRP from the internal sources of the Corporate Debtor, shall be met in the manner provided in section 30 or section 53, as the case may be.
- 8. It is clarified that the IRPC shall not include:
- (a) any fee or other expense not directly related to CIRP;
- (b)any fee or other expense beyond the amount approved by CoC, where such approval is required;
- (c)any fee or other expense incurred before the commencement of CIRP or to be incurred after the completion of the CIRP;
- (d)any expense incurred by a creditor, claimant, resolution applicant, promoter or member of the Board of Directors of the corporate debtor in relation to the CIRP;
- (e)any penalty imposed on the corporate debtor for non-compliance with applicable laws during the CIRP;
- [Reference: Section 17 (2) (e) of the Code read with circular No. IP/002/2018 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018.]
- (f) any expense incurred by a member of CoC or a professional engaged by the CoC;
- (g) any expense incurred on travel and stay of a member of CoC; and
- (h) any expense incurred by the CoC directly;
- [Explanation: Legal opinion is required on a matter. If that matter is relevant for the CIRP, the IP shall obtain it. If the CoC requires a legal opinion in addition to or in lieu of the opinion obtained or being obtained by the IP, the expense of such opinion shall not be included in IRPC.]
- (i)any expense beyond the amount approved by the CoC, wherever such approval is required; and
- (j) any expense not related to CIRP.

- 9. Further, the IP is directed to disclose fee and other expenses in the relevant Form in **Annexure C** to the Insolvency Professional Agency of which he is a member:
- (a) for all concluded CIRPs by 15th July, 2018, and
- (b) for ongoing and subsequent CIRPs within the time as specified in the relevant Form.
- 10. An Insolvency Professional Agency shall -
- (a) disseminate the disclosures made by its IPs on an appropriate electronic platform within three working days of receipt of the same;
- (b)monitor disclosures made by its IPs and submit a monthly summary of non-compliance by its IPs with this circular to the IBBI by 7<sup>th</sup> of the succeeding month;
- (c) take appropriate measures to ensure compliance by its IPs.
- 11. This circular is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (h) of sub-section (1) of section 196 read with regulation 34A of the IBBI (Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, in consultation with all the three registered Insolvency Professional Agencies.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

(Dilip Arjun Khandale) Deputy General Manager Email: dilip.khandale@ibbi.gov.in

### Provisions and Pronouncements having a bearing on Fee and other Expenses of CIRP

#### I. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016

Section 5(13) reads as under:

- "(13) Insolvency Resolution Process Costs" means -
  - (a) the amount of any interim finance and the costs incurred in raising such finance;
  - (b) the fees payable to any person acting as a resolution professional;
  - (c) any costs incurred by the resolution professional in running the business of the corporate debtor as a going concern;
  - (d)any costs incurred at the expense of the Government to facilitate the insolvency resolution process; and
  - (e) any other costs as may be specified by the Board;"

### Section 208(2) reads as under:

- "208. (2) Every insolvency professional shall abide by the following code of conduct: -
  - (a) to take reasonable care and diligence while performing his duties;
  - (b) to comply with all requirements and terms and conditions specified in the byelaws of the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member;
  - (c) to allow the insolvency professional agency to inspect his records;
  - (d)to submit a copy of the records of every proceeding before the Adjudicating Authority to the Board as well as to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a member; and
  - (e)to perform his functions in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be specified.".

### II. The IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016

Relevant Paras of the Code of Conduct under the Regulations read as under:

- **"16.** An insolvency professional must ensure that he maintains written contemporaneous records for any decision taken, the reasons for taking the decision, and the information and evidence in support of such decision. This shall be maintained so as to sufficiently enable a reasonable person to take a view on the appropriateness of his decisions and actions.
- 25.An Insolvency Professional must provide services for remuneration which is charged in a transparent manner, is a reasonable reflection of the work necessarily and properly undertaken and is not inconsistent with the applicable regulations.
- **25.4.** An insolvency professional shall disclose the fee payable to him, the fee payable to the insolvency professional entity, and the fee payable to professionals engaged by him to the insolvency professional agency of which he is a professional member and the agency shall publish such disclosure on its website.
- 26.An insolvency professional shall not accept any fees or charges other than those which are disclosed to and approved by the persons fixing his remuneration.

27. An insolvency professional shall disclose all costs towards the insolvency resolution process costs, liquidation costs, or costs of the bankruptcy process, as applicable, to all relevant stakeholders, and must endeavour to ensure that such costs are not unreasonable."

### III. The IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016

Chapter IX of the Regulations reads as under:

### "Chapter IX INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS COSTS

### **Insolvency Resolution Process Costs**

- 31. "Insolvency resolution process costs" under Section 5(13)(e) shall mean-
- (a) amounts due to suppliers of essential goods and services under Regulation 32;
- (b) amounts due to a person whose rights are prejudicially affected on account of the moratorium imposed under section 14(1)(d);
- (c)expenses incurred on or by the interim resolution professional to the extent ratified under Regulation 33;
- (d) expenses incurred on or by the resolution professional fixed under Regulation 34; and (e)other costs directly relating to the corporate insolvency resolution process and approved by the committee.

### Essential supplies.

- 32. The essential goods and services referred to in section 14(2) shall mean-
- (1) electricity;
- (2) water;
- (3) telecommunication services; and
- (4) information technology services,
- to the extent these are not a direct input to the output produced or supplied by the corporate debtor

Illustration- Water supplied to a corporate debtor will be essential supplies for drinking and sanitation purposes, and not for generation of hydro-electricity.

### Costs of the interim resolution professional.

- 33. (1) The applicant shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the interim resolution professional.
- (2) The Adjudicating Authority shall fix expenses where the applicant has not fixed expenses under sub-regulation (1).
- (3)The applicant shall bear the expenses which shall be reimbursed by the committee to the extent it ratifies.
- (4)The amount of expenses ratified by the committee shall be treated as insolvency resolution process costs.
- Explanation. For the purposes of this regulation, "expenses" include the fee to be paid to the interim resolution professional, fee to be paid to insolvency professional entity, if any, and fee to be paid to professionals, if any, and other expenses to be incurred by the interim resolution professional.

### Annexure-4

### FORM - CIRP 3

(To be submitted to the Board by the RP online within 7 days of issue of IM to the members of CoC)

Date of submission of	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
IM to members of		of Form (Number of	
CoC		days)	

### A. Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:

### B. Appointment of Resolution Professional

- 1. Date of passing resolution by CoC:
- 2. Number of days taken to pass the resolution:
- 3. Delay in number of days vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 4. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 5. Date of order of AA appointing RP:
- 6. Whether IRP is appointed as RP (Yes/No):

If no, please furnish details of RP

- a. I.P. Registration No.:
- b. Name:
- c. Address:
- d. Email Id:
- e. Phone Number
- 7. Alternative Contact details of the RP: Yes/ No

If yes, please furnish details:

- a. Address (for correspondence):
- b. Email Id (for correspondence):
- 8. Whether RP is independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1) (Yes/No)
- Whether disclosure of relationship has been made to IPA as per disclosure circular? (Yes/No)

If yes, date of submission of disclosure:

If No, reasons for non-submission

10. Whether RP is a partner or a director of an IPE (Yes/No)

If Yes, provide the details below:

- a. Name of the IPE:
- b. Whether all directors and partners of the IPE are independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1)(Yes/No)
- Whether disclosure of relationship of IPE is made to IPA as per disclosure circular (Yes/No)

If yes, date of submission of disclosure:

If No, reasons for non-submission

### Resolution professional costs.

34. The committee shall fix the expenses to be incurred on or by the resolution professional and the expenses shall constitute insolvency resolution process costs.

Explanation. - For the purposes of this regulation, "expenses" include the fee to be paid to the resolution professional, fee to be paid to insolvency professional entity, if any, and fee to be paid to professionals, if any, and other expenses to be incurred by the resolution professional.

### Disclosure of Costs.

34 A. The interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, shall disclose item wise insolvency resolution process costs in such manner as may be required by the Board."

### IV. Circulars Issued by the IBBI

The circular No. IP/004/2018 dated 16th January, 2018 provides as under:

- "3. In view of the above, it is clarified that an insolvency professional shall render services for a fee which is a reasonable reflection of his work, raise bills / invoices in his name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his bank account. Any payment of fees for the services of an insolvency professional to any person other than the insolvency professional shall not form part of the insolvency resolution process cost.
- 4. Similarly, any other professional appointed by an insolvency professional shall raise bills / invoices in his / its (such as registered valuer) name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his / its bank account."

### What is Reasonable 'Cost' and Reasonable 'Fee'

I. As regards reasonable costs, the Society for Insolvency Practitioners of India, in its statement of best practices on "PAYMENT OF CORPORATE INSOLVENCY RESOLUTION PROCESS COSTS" observes:

"Insolvency professionals must ensure that the costs incurred are reasonable. To determine the reasonability of these costs, they should consider if the costs are-

- (a) directly related to the insolvency resolution process,
- (b) necessary for meeting the objectives of the insolvency resolution process, and the Code,
- (c) proportional to the work required to be done and the assets of the corporate debtor, and (d)determined on an arms' length basis, in consonance with the requirements of integrity and independence."

[http://www.insolindia.com/uploads insol/draft best practices/files/-1013.pdf]

II. As regards reasonable fee, the Society for Insolvency Practitioners of India, in its statement of best practices on "PAYMENT OF FEE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES" suggests:

### "Factors to be considered while charging fee

- (i)An insolvency professional may charge a fixed or variable fee to reasonably remunerate him/her for the work that he/she necessarily and properly undertakes for an appointment under the Code. In determining what is necessary and proper, the insolvency professional should consider if the work is-
  - (a) directly related to the insolvency resolution process,
  - (b) in furtherance of the exercise of the powers and functions under Code, professional standards, and the terms of agreement, and
  - (c) in consonance with his/her duties under the Code and the Regulations thereunder.
- (ii) An insolvency professional may use one or a combination of bases to charge fee for carrying out different tasks or discharging different duties. The bases of charging fee include:
  - (a) time based charging,
  - (b) prospective fee (up to a cap),
  - (c) fixed fee,
  - (d) percentage based charging,
  - (e) success or contingency fee, only to the extent that it is consistent with the requirements of integrity and independence of insolvency professionals.

Illustration: X is appointed as an IRP. She can charge a cumulative of fixed fee to suspend the board of directors and have the public announcement made, fee per hour spent on collecting and verifying claims, and a fee based on the percentage of assets handled for running the business as a going concern.

(iii) An insolvency professional should consider the following factors while determining the quantum of fee to charged:

- (a) value and nature of the assets dealt with,
- (b)time properly given by the insolvency professional and her staff in attending to the affairs of the debtor,
- (c) the complexity of the case,
- (d) exceptional responsibility falling on the insolvency professional,
- (e) the effectiveness with which the insolvency professional carries out her duties.

Illustration: X, an insolvency professional, may choose to charge higher fee if-

(a) the properties of the corporate debtor are in multiple locations all over the country (nature of property),

(b)key trade suppliers are also unpaid creditors and thus hostile (complexity of the case), or

(c) if the existing management is not capable which requires him to expend unusual effort to run the business as a going concern (exceptional responsibility).

(iv) An insolvency professional should not increase the fee charged without the prior approval of the authority fixing his/her fee."

[http://www.insolindia.com/uploads\_insol/draft\_best\_practices/files/-1008.pdf]

III.Rule 1.04(b) of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, which sets forth eight factors to determine what is reasonable fee in the context of lawyers, reads as under:

"Factors that may be considered in determining the reasonableness of a fee include, but not to the exclusion of other relevant factors, the following:

- (1) the time and labor required, the novelty and difficulty of the questions involved, and the skill requisite to perform the legal service properly;
- (2) the likelihood, if apparent to the client, that the acceptance of the particular employment will preclude other employment by the lawyer;
- (3) the fee customarily charged in the locality for similar legal services;
- (4) the amount involved and the results obtained;
- (5) the time limitations imposed by the client or by the circumstances;
- (6) the nature and length of the professional relationship with the client;
- (7)the experience, reputation, and ability of the lawyer or lawyers performing the services; and

(8) whether the fee is fixed or contingent on results obtained or uncertainty of collection before the legal services have been rendered."

[http://www.txcourts.gov/media/1343648/tdrpc-effective-may-1-2018.pdf]

## Form I: Details of Corporate Debtor Undergoing Insolvency Resolution Process (To be submitted by the IRP within $\underline{Seven\ Days}$ of his demitting office as IRP)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Description
1	Name of the Corporate Debtor	
2	CIN of the Corporate Debtor	
3	Date of Commencement of CIRP	
4	Assets (Rs. crore) as on the last balance sheet date (write date here)	
5	Turnover (Rs. crore) in the last financial year (write year here)	
6	No. of Workmen as on the date of commencement of CIRP	
7	No. of Employees as on the date of Commencement of CIRP	
8	Number of Claimants	
9	Total Amount of Claims (Rs. crore) Admitted on the day of demitting office as IRP	
10	Date of demitting Office by IRP	
11	Name of IRP	
12	Registration No. of IRP	
13	Name of RP	
14	Registration No. of RP	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Demitting means leaving office either on completion of term as IRP, resignation, removal, reappointment as RP, or otherwise.

## Form II: Insolvency Resolution Process Cost of Corporate Debtor ......... for the period under IRP (To be submitted by the IRP within Seven Days of his demitting office as IRP)

Activity	Expense Head	Expense Sub-Head	Amount of Expense (Rs.)	Amount Ratified / Approved² by CoC (Rs.)
Running	IRP	Fee Payable to IRP		
Process		Cost of Insurance for IRP		
		Other Expenses on / for IRP		
		(travel, stay, security, etc related to CIRP.)		
	IPE	Fee Payable for Support Services to an IPE, if		
		any		
	Registered	Fee Payable to Valuer 1		
	Valuer	Fee Payable to Valuer 2		
		Fee Payable to Valuer 3, if any		
		Other Expenses on / for Valuers		
		(travel, stay, other out-of-pocket expenses)		
	Other	Fee Payable to Accounting and Finance		
	Professionals	Professionals		
	engaged for	Fee Payable to Audit Professionals		
	CIRP, not for			
	Corporate	Fee Payable to any other Professionals		
	Debtor	Other Expenses on / for Professionals		
		(travel, stay, other out-of-pocket expenses		
		related to CIRP)		
	CoC Meetings	Meeting Venue		
		Video Conferencing		
		Electronic Voting		
		Any other Expenses related to CoC		
	Other	Expenses on Public Announcement		
	Expenses	Expenses on CIRP related Filings before		
	1	Adjudicating Authority and Other Authorities		
		CIRP related Litigation		
Running	Essential	Electricity		
Business	Services	Water		
		Telecommunication Services		
		Information Technology Services		
		Other Essential Services, if any		
	Other	Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies		
	Other Services	Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies Employees and Workmen		
		Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies Employees and Workmen Security Personnel Services		
	Services	Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies Employees and Workmen Security Personnel Services Other Expenses, if any		
		Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies Employees and Workmen Security Personnel Services Other Expenses, if any Amount of Interim Finance		
	Services	Other Essential Services, if any Other Supplies Employees and Workmen Security Personnel Services Other Expenses, if any		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Demitting means leaving office either on completion of term as IRP, resignation, removal, reappointment as RP, or otherwise
<sup>2</sup> If an expense is not required to be approved by CoC, please write 'NA'.

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Activity	Expense Head	Expense Sub-Head	Amount Expense (Rs.)	of Amount Approve CoC (Rs	
Running	RP	Fee Payable to RP			
Process		Cost of Insurance for RP			
		Other Expenses on / for RP			
		(travel, stay, security, etc related to CIRP.)			
	IPE	Fee Payable for Support Services to an IPE, if any			
	Registered	Fee Payable to RP  Cost of Insurance for RP  Other Expenses on / for RP (travel, stay, security, etc related to CIRP.)  Fee Payable for Support Services to an IPE, if any  other Expenses on / for Valuer 1  Fee Payable to Valuer 3, if any Other Expenses on / for Valuers (travel, stay, other out-of-pocket expenses)  Fee Payable to Accounting and Finance Professionals  Fee Payable to Legal Professionals  Fee Payable to Legal Professionals  Fee Payable to any other Professionals  Other Expenses on / for Professionals  (travel, stay, other out-of-pocket expenses)  related to CIRP)  Data Room Service  Meeting Venue  Video Conferencing  Electronic Voting  Expenses for or by Authorised Representative Any other Expenses related to CoC  tion of Preferential Transactions  Extortionate Transactions  Fraudulent Transactions  Expenses on CIRP related Filings before Adjudicating Authority and Other Authorities  CIRP related Litigation  Electricity			
	Valuer				
		Other Expenses on / for Valuers	<u> </u>		
		(travel, stay, other out-of-pocket expenses)			
	Other	Fee Payable to Accounting and Finance			
	Professionals	Professionals			
	engaged for	Fee Payable to Audit Professionals			
	CIRP, not for				
	Corporate Debtor	Fee Payable to any other Professionals			
		Other Expenses on / for Professionals			
		Data Room Service			
	CoC Meetings	Meeting Venue			
		Video Conferencing			
		1			
	Examination of				
	Transactions				
	Other Expenses	Expenses on CIRP related Filings before			
Running	Essential	Electricity			
Business	Services	Water			
		Telecommunication Services			
		Information Technology Services			
		Other Essential Services, if any			
	Other Services	Other Supplies			
		Employees and Workmen			
		Security Personnel Services			
		Other Expenses			
	Interim Finance	Amount of Interim Finance			
		Expenses for Raising Interim Finance			
		Interest Payable on Interim Finance			
		penses, if any, directly related to CIRP			
	Amount due to P	rejudicially Affected Persons			

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Demitting means leaving office either on completion of term as RP, resignation, removal, or otherwise.  $^2$  If an expense is not required to be approved by CoC, please write 'NA'.

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### CIRCULAR

No. IP/004/2018 16th January, 2018

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on web site of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Sub: Fees payable to an insolvency professional and to other professionals appointed by an insolvency professional.

Section 206 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) provides that only a person registered as an insolvency professional with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) can render services as an insolvency professional under the Code. Section 23 read with section 5(27) of the Code requires that an insolvency professional, who is appointed as an interim resolution professional or a resolution professional, shall conduct the entire corporate insolvency resolution process, including fast track process. In terms of section 5(13) of the Code, 'the fees payable to any person acting as a resolution professional' is included in 'insolvency resolution process cost', which needs to be paid in priority.

- 2. The Code of Conduct for Insolvency Professionals under the IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 require that an insolvency professional must provide services for remuneration which is charged in a transparent manner, and is a reasonable reflection of the work necessarily and properly undertaken. He shall not accept any fees or charges other than those which are disclosed to and approved by the persons fixing his remuneration.
- 3. In view of the above, it is clarified that an insolvency professional shall render services for a fee which is a reasonable reflection of his work, raise bills / invoices in his name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his bank account. Any payment of fees for the services of an insolvency professional to any person other than the insolvency professional shall not form part of the insolvency resolution process cost.
- 4. Similarly, any other professional appointed by an insolvency professional shall raise bills / invoices in his / its (such as registered valuer) name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his / its bank account.
- 5. This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 read with section 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(I. Sreekara Rao) Deputy General Manager

Email: sreekararao@ibbi.gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CIRCULAR

No.: IBBI/CIRP/42/2021 20th July, 2021

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### **Sub: Filing of Form CIRP 8 under the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016**

Regulation 35A of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 (CIRP Regulations) requires the resolution professional to form an opinion on transactions covered under sections 43, 45, 50 and 66 by 75<sup>th</sup> day, make determination on such transactions by 115<sup>th</sup> day, and file an application before the Adjudicating Authority by 135<sup>th</sup> day of the insolvency commencement date. Sub-regulation (1B) of regulation 40B of the CIRP Regulations requires the resolution professional to file Form CIRP 8 intimating details of his opinion and determination under regulation 35A, by 140<sup>th</sup> day of the insolvency commencement date. The Form CIRP 8 is required to be filed for all corporate insolvency resolution processes ongoing or commencing on or after 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The format for Form CIRP 8 is at Annexure.

- 2.It is directed that the Form CIRP 8 shall be filed in accordance with regulation 40B of the CIRP Regulations on the Board's website, like other CIRP Forms.
- 3.This is issued under clauses (aa), (g), (h) and (k) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and regulation 40B of the CIRP Regulations.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-(Dr. Kokila Jayaram) Deputy General Manager Email: kokila.jayaram@nic.in

Encl.: Annexure.

### Form CIRP8

(To be filed by the Resolution Professional online on or before 140th day from insolvency commencement date, in accordance with sub-regulation (1B) of regulation 40B of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016)

### A. Details of Insolvency Professional

- 1. Name of Resolution Professional:
- 2. Registration Number:

### **B.** Corporate Debtor details

- 1. Name of Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:
- 3. Insolvency Commencement Date:
- 4. NCLT Bench:

### $C. \ \ \textbf{Details of preferential and other transactions}$

1. The details of exercise undertaken by me under regulation 35A are as under:

SI.	Description		Section	on of the	Code	
		43	45	50	66(1)	66(2)
1	In my opinion under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 35A, the	Yes/	Yes/	Yes/	Yes /	Yes/
	corporate debtor has been subjected to transactions covered under	No	No	No	No	No
2	In my determination under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 35A, the corporate debtor has been subjected to transactions covered under	Yes / No				
3	I have applied under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 35A to the Adjudicating Authority seeking relief in respect of transactions covered under	Yes / No				

### 2. The details of transactions covered under sections 43, 45, 50, 66(1) and 66(2), as determined by me, are as under:

Sl.	Covered under section(s) 43/45/50/66(1)/66(2)	period of	Directors/ Partners at the relevant time			ciaries of the	Date of application	Value underlyin
	(Select more than one if the transaction is covered under more than	transactions	Name(s)	DIN/ DPIN	Name(s)	Identification No.	to the Adjudicatin g Authority	g the transactio n(s) (₹)
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### $3.\ I$ have assessed the potential loss to creditors under sub-section (2) of section 66 as under:

Sl.	Description	Particulars
1	The corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor should have commenced on	[date]
2	The corporate insolvency resolution process of the corporate debtor commenced on	[date]

3	In my assessment, the potential loss to creditors from [date in row (1)] to [date	(₹)
	in row (2)] is	[amount].

(Please attach the details of working of the potential loss to creditors).

### 4. The details of failure to do the exercise under regulation 35A are as under:

	<u> </u>				
Sl.	Description	Reason(s)			
1	1 I have not formed opinion under sub-regulation (1) of regulation 35A for				
2	2 I have not made determination under sub-regulation (2) of regulation 35A for				
3	I have not assessed the potential loss to creditors under sub-section (2) of section 66 for				
4	I have not made an application under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 35A for				

(Please state reasons. If required, attach any document)

### D. Attachments

- 1. Working of potential loss to creditors under section 66(2)
- 2.Document(s) that prevented the resolution professional to undertake the exercise under regulation 35A.

### **Declaration**

I, [Name of IP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], being appointed as an Interim Resolution Professional / Resolution Professional for the insolvency resolution process of [Name of CD], hereby declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed.

This form is being filed:

- 1. within the stipulated time.
- 2. being filed with payment of the applicable fee of ₹.\_\_\_\_.

### \*To be digitally signed/e-signed by IP

\* IP Registration number: Date:

Place:

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### **CIRCULAR**

#### No. IBBI/CIRP/023/2019

14th August, 2019

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities, and

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI).

Dear Madam / Sir,

Subject: Filing of Forms for the purpose of monitoring corporate insolvency resolution processes and performance of insolvency professionals under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and the regulations made thereunder.

The objective of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) is time bound reorganisation and insolvency resolution of firms for maximisation of value of assets of the firm in distress to promote entrepreneurship and availability of credit and balance the interests of all its stakeholders. The first order objective of the Code is resolution. The second order objective is maximisation of value of assets of the firm and the third order objective is promoting entrepreneurship, availability of credit and balancing the interests of stakeholders. This order of objectives is sacrosanct (Judgement dated 14th November, 2018 of the NCLAT in the matter of Binani Industries Limited Vs. Bank of Baroda & Anr.). The Code bifurcates and separates the interests of the firm from that of its promoters / management with primary focus to ensure revival and continuation of the firm by protecting it from its own management and from a death by liquidation (Judgement dated 25th January, 2019 of the Supreme Court of India in the matter of Swiss Ribbons Pvt. Ltd. & Anr. Vs. Union of India & Ors.).

2.The Code is a paradigm shift in the law. Entrenched managements are no longer allowed to continue in management if they cannot pay their debts (Judgement dated 31st August, 2017 of the Supreme Court in the matter of M/s. Innoventive Industries Ltd. Vs. ICICI Bank & Anr.). The Code prevails over every other law in case of any inconsistency between the two (Judgement dated 9th August, 2019 of the Supreme Court in the matter of Pioneer Urban Land and Infrastructure Limited and Anr. Vs. Union of India & Ors.). The Code is the mandate of the nation (Order dated 10th April, 2017 of the NCLT in the matter of DF Deutsche Forfait AG and Anr. Vs. Uttam Galva Steel Ltd.).

3.The Code provides a complete mechanism for its implementation. It assigns specific responsibilities to an insolvency professional (IP) for its implementation and realisation of its objectives. An IP plays an important role in resolution, liquidation and bankruptcy processes of companies, LLPs, partnership firms, proprietorship firms and individuals. He exercises the powers of the Board of Directors of the corporate debtor (CD) undergoing corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) and complies with applicable laws on its behalf. Section 20 of the Code requires him to make every endeavour to protect and preserve the value of the property of the CD and manage its operations as a going concern. Section 23 requires him to conduct

the entire CIRP and manage the operations of the CD. A whole array of statutory and legal duties and powers is vested in him. He is the fulcrum of an insolvency proceeding and the link between the Adjudicating Authority (AA) and the stakeholders.

4. The Code facilitates and empowers the IP to discharge his responsibilities effectively. It obliges every officer of the CD to report to him. It also obliges the promoter of the CD to extend all assistance and cooperation to him. There is an assurance of supply of essential goods and services to, and a moratorium on proceedings against, the CD. The Code empowers the IP to appoint professionals to assist him. He can seek orders from the AA if he comes across any preferential, undervalued, extortionate, or fraudulent transaction. In order to ensure that an IP performs his role, the Code empowers the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) and the Insolvency Professional Agency (IPA) to monitor his performance. It provides for appropriate sanctions for any kind of wrongdoing. Though a client proposes the name of an IP for appointment, he is appointed by the AA. He may be removed from a process by the AA if it is not satisfied with his performance. The appointment and removal by the AA secure and sanctify the position of the IP. He has protection of actions taken in good faith under the Code and the Regulations made thereunder. His conduct can only be inspected / investigated by the IBBI / IPA which has to follow due process for the purpose. There is a bar under the Code on trial of offences against an IP except on a complaint filed by the IBBI / Central Government, before the special court.

5.Keeping in view the responsibilities of the IPs, the Code provides for monitoring of their performances. It casts a duty on the IBBI and the IPA to monitor performance of IPs, and collect, maintain and disseminate information and records relating to insolvency and bankruptcy processes. It requires the IBBI to perform the following functions, among others, -

(a)monitor the performance of IPs and pass any direction as may be required for compliance of the provisions of the Code and the regulations issued thereunder [section 196(1)(g)];

(b) call for any information and records from the IPs [section 196(1)(h)];

(c)collect and maintain records relating to insolvency and bankruptcy cases and disseminate information relating to such cases [section 196(1)(k)];

(d)maintain websites and such other universally accessible repositories of electronic information [section 196(1)(n)];

(e) issue necessary guidelines to the IPs [section 196(1)(p)]; and

(f)conduct periodic study, research and audit of the functioning and performance of the IPs [section 196(1)(r)].

6.The Code casts obligations on IPs to forward/submit the following information and records relating to CIRP to the IBBI:

(a)all records relating to the conduct of the CIRP and the resolution plan [section 31(3)(b)]; and

(b) a copy of the records of every proceeding before the AA [section 208(2)(d)].

7.In order to facilitate submission of records and information by IPs to the IBBI as well as for monitoring of the processes and performance of IPs, a set of Forms were devised in consultation with stakeholders and the IPAs, in pursuance of the mandate and in synchronisation with the provisions in the Code. These Forms were put out in public domain on  $27^{th}$  April, 2018 and the comments received have been considered. These Forms have since

been finalised in consultation with the IPAs. An overview of these Forms, as annexed to this Circular, is as per the Table below:

Table

Form No.	Period Covered and Scope	To be Filed by	Timeline
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
IP 1	<b>Pre-Assignment:</b> This includes consent to accept assignment of an IP as IRP / RP / Liquidator / Bankruptcy Trustee, the details of IP and the Applicant, the details of the person which will undergo the process, terms of consent, terms of engagement, filing of application before AA and withdrawal before admission, etc.	IP	Within three days of the relevant date.
CIRP 1	From Commencement of CIRP till Issue of Public	IRP	Within seven
	Announcement: This includes details of IRP, CD, and the Applicant, admission of application by AA, public announcement, details of suggested Authorised Representatives, non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD, etc.		days of making Public Announcement under section 13.
CIRP 2	From Public Announcement till replacement of IRP: This includes details of Authorised Representative selected by IRPs for a class of creditors, taking over management of the CD, receipt and verification of claims, constitution of Committee of Creditors (CoC), first meeting of CoC, confirmation / replacement of IRP, applications seeking co-operation of management (if any), expenses incurred on or by IRP, relationship of IRP with the CD, financial creditors and Professionals, support services sought from IPE, non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD, etc.	IRP	Within seven days of replacement of IRP.
CIRP 3	From Appointment of RP till issue of Information	RP	Within seven
	Memorandum (IM) to Members of CoC: This includes details of RP, details of registered valuers, handing over of records of CD by IRP to RP, taking over management of the CD, applications seeking co-operation of management (if any), details in IM, non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD, etc.		days of issue of IM to members of CoC.
CIRP 4	From Issue of IM till issue of Request for Resolution Plans (RFRP): This includes expression of interest, request for resolution plans (RFRP) and modification thereof, evaluation matrix, non-compliances with the provisions of the Code and other laws applicable to the CD, if any, etc.	RP	Within seven days of the issue of RFRP.
CIRP 5	From Issue of RFRP till completion of CIRP: This includes updated list of claimants, updated CoC, details of the resolution applicants, details of resolution plans received, details of approval or rejection of resolution	RP	Within seven days of the approval or rejection of the

AA inc ter fin	ans by CoC, application filed with AA for approval of solution plan; details of resolution plan approved by the A, initiation of liquidation, if applicable, expenses curred on or by RP, appointment of professionals and the rms of appointment, relationship of the RP with the CD, nancial creditors, and professionals, support services ught from IPE, non-compliances with the provisions of e Code and other laws applicable to the CD, if any, etc.		resolution plan or issue of order for liquidation, as the case may be, by the AA.
I I	vent Specific: This includes:	IRP or RP, as	Within seven days of the
a. b. c. d. e. f. g.	Insolvency resolution process of guarantors; Extension of period of CIRP and exclusion of time; Premature closure of CIRP (appeal, settlement, withdrawal, etc.); Request for liquidation before completion of CIRP; and	the case may be.	occurrence of event.

8.The IBBI has developed, in consultation with the IPAs, an electronic platform for filing of the Forms above said. The said platform is hosted on the website of the IBBI at <a href="https://www.ibbi.gov.in">https://www.ibbi.gov.in</a>. It is open for filings from 16th September, 2019. An IP shall access the said platform with the help of a unique *username* and *password* provided to him by the IBBI and upload / submit the Forms, along with relevant information and records, after affixing DSC or after e-signing.

### 9. It is directed that an IP shall file electronically -

a.the Forms along with relevant information and records, which have become due on or before 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 in respect of all CIRPs, both closed and ongoing, conducted by him, by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2019; and

b.the Forms along with relevant information and records, which will become due on or after  $16^{\rm th}$  September, 2019 in respect of CIRPs conducted by him, by the timelines as specified in the Table under Para 7 above.

### 10. It is clarified that -

(a)an IP shall be liable to action permissible under this Circular read with the applicable provisions of the Code and the Regulations made thereunder for:

- (i) failure to file a Form along with relevant information and records,
- (ii)inaccurate and incomplete information and/or records filed in or along with a Form, and
- (iii) delay in filing;
- (b) the action under (a) includes refusal to issue or renew authorisation for assignment; and (c)timely filing of complete and accurate information along with information and records is the sole responsibility of the IP.

### 11. It is further directed that an IPA shall-

- (a)monitor filings by its members and, based on the same, take action against the member who fails to file a Form along with relevant information and records when it is due;
- (b)scrutinise at least 10% of Forms, filed by its members in a month, selected on random basis and, based on the same, take action against the member for any-
  - (i) inaccurate or incomplete information and records filed along with a Form, and
  - (ii)non-compliances with the Code and the Regulations made thereunder, as observed from the information and records filed along with a Form; and
- (c)submit a quarterly summary report in respect of (a) and (b) to the IBBI within 15 days of the close of quarter.

This is without prejudice to monitoring and scrutiny of filings and actions, as may be taken by the IBBI.

12. This is issued in exercise of the powers under clauses (aa), (g), (h), (k), (n), (p) and (r) of sub-section (1) of section 196 read with sections 31(2)(b) and 208(2)(d) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, and in consultation with the Insolvency Professional Agencies.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Methil Unnikrishnan) General Manager

Email: m.unnikrishnan@ibbi.gov.in

### Encl.: Annexures: Forms IP 1 and CIRP 1 to CIRP 6.

### Post-script:

- 1. The filing of Forms on the platform on test basis will be available from  $15^{th}$  August, 2019 to  $15^{th}$  September, 2019. The regular filing will commence on  $16^{th}$  September, 2019.
- 2.The IPAs shall conduct workshops for its professional members, as may be required, to facilitate filings by them under this Circular and to migrate the data relating to costs and disclosures already filed by them.
- 3.Helpline will be available to assist the IPs in filing the Forms till 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. An IP may contact the helpline provided by the IPA, of which he is a member, at the first instance. If any difficulty of the IP is not fully addressed by the IPA, the IP may contact the helpline of the IBBI. The helpline details are as under:

Sl.	Agency	Name of Officer	E-mail id	Telephone
No.	0.			Number
1	IIIP ICAI	CS Shivani Jasmatiya	iiipi.helpdesk@icai.in	8178995138
2	ICSI IIP	Shikha Sukhija	reporting@icsiiip.com	011-45341041
3	IPA ICMAI	Anchal Jindal	ra@ipaicmai.in	011-24666154
4	IBBI	Manpreet Kaur	manpreet.k92@ibbi.gov.in	011-23462947

Sd/-(Methil Unnikrishnan) General Manager

### Annexure-1

### FORM-IP1

(To be submitted to the Board within 3 days of relevant date)

Date of filing application with the Adjudicating Authority	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (Number of days)	Reasons for delay

### A. Insolvency Professional

- 1. Details as per IBBI records:
  - a. I.P. Registration No.:
  - b. Name:
  - c. Address:
  - d. Email Id:
  - e. Mobile no.
- 2. Date on which consent to act as an IRP/RP/Liquidator/Bankruptcy Trustee given:
- B. Process for which IP is being engaged (CIRP/Liquidation/Voluntary Liquidation/Individual Insolvency):
- C. Initiated under Section (7/9/10/33/55/59):
- D. In case of CIRP/Liquidation/Voluntary Liquidation

### Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:
- 3. Industry/Sector:
- 4. Date of incorporation:
- 5. Address of the registered office of the Corporate Debtor:
- 6. Address of the principal office of the Corporate Debtor, if any:
- 7. Address of the corporate office of the Corporate Debtor, if any:
- 8. Registered email Id of the Corporate Debtor:
- 9. Names of promoters of Corporate Debtor:

### E. In case of CIRP, please furnish the details below

- 1. Applicant (Financial Creditor/Operational Creditor/Corporate Debtor):
- 2. Details of applicant:

- a. Name of the person(s):
- b. Address:
- c. Contact no.:

### F. In case of Liquidation, please furnish the details below:

CoC member(s) – upto five based on voting	Voting share (%)	
share		
	., .	

### G. In case of Voluntary Liquidation, date of resolution of CD appointing IP as liquidator:

### H. In case of Insolvency of Individuals and Partnership Firms, please furnish the details below:

- 1. Applicant:
- 2. Details of person which will undergo the process:
  - a. Name of the person:
  - b. Address:
  - c. Contact no.:

### I. Terms of engagement of IP

S. No	Date of	Fee to be paid to IP	Other terms, if any
	appointment		

### J. Details of bench of AA

S. No	Bench where Application filed	Date of filing	Application No.	Amount of initial default (wherever applicable)

### K. Details of withdrawal of application

- 1. Date on which application for withdrawal made:
- 2. Date of order of the AA allowing withdrawal:
- 3. Amount of settlement (Rupees):
- 4. Details of settlement:

### Attachments:

 $1. \quad Copy \ of \ written \ consent \ given \ by \ IP \ to \ act \ as \ IRP/RP/Liquidator/Bankruptcy \ Trustee$ 

### Declaration

It is certified that the information given in Form- IP- 1 is true and correct and based on the petition filed with AA/ resolution passed by the CD, as the case may be.

### \*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP

\*IP registration number:

### Annexure-2

### FORM - CIRP 1

(To be submitted to the Board by the IRP online within 7 days of the Public Announcement)

Date of Public	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
Announcement		of Form (Number of	
		days)	

### A. Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:
- 3. Industry/Sector:
- 4. Date of incorporation:
- 5. Address of the registered office of the Corporate Debtor:
- 6. Address of the principal office of the Corporate Debtor, if any:
- 7. Address of the corporate office of the Corporate Debtor, if any:
- 8. Registered email Id of the Corporate Debtor:
- 9. Names of promoters of Corporate Debtor:
- 10. Whether going concern? (Yes/No)
- 11. Whether any proceedings were pending against the Corporate Debtor under Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985? (Yes/No)

If yes, date of admission under BIFR:

 Whether any proceedings for winding up initiated under the Companies Act, 1956 or 2013? (Yes/No)

If yes,

- a. Section under which it was initiated:
- b. Bench/Court:
- c. Date of transfer to Adjudicating Authority (AA):

### **B.** Insolvency Resolution Professional

- 1. Details as per IBBI records:
  - f. I.P. Registration No.:
  - g. Name:
  - h. Address:
  - i. Email Id:
  - j. Mobile no.
- 2. Whether IRP appointed is independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1) (Yes/No)
- 3. Whether disclosure of relationship has been made to IPA as per disclosure circular (Yes/No) If yes, date of submission of disclosure:

- 4. Expenses agreed to be incurred on or by IRP fixed by (Applicant/Adjudicating Authority):
- 5. Whether IRP is a partner or a director of an IPE (Yes/No) If Yes,
  - a. Name of the IPE
  - b. Whether all directors and partners of the IPE are independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1) (Yes/No)
  - Whether disclosure of relationship of IPE has been made to IPA as per disclosure circular (Yes/No)

If yes, date of submission of disclosure:

### C. Admission of application by AA

- 1. Application/Petition No.:
- 2. Date of filing to AA:
- 3. Bench:
- 4. Name of the Applicant/Petitioner:
- 5. Address of the Applicant/Petitioner:
- 6. Application filed under Section:
- 7. In case of section 9, whether the name of IRP is proposed by the operational creditor (applicant) (Yes/No)
- 8. Date of admission:
- 9. Date of AA Order appointing the IRP:
- 10. Date of receipt of order by IRP:
- 11. Amount of underlying default for which petition has been admitted (Rupees):
- 12. Since when the amount in default is outstanding:

### D. Public Announcement

1. Date of issue:

2. Details of publication of Public Announcement:

- 1	Location	Language		Name of newspaper	Edition, if any	Date
	Registered Office	English				
	Office	Regional	Specify language			
	Principal Office, if any	English				
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Regional	Specify language			
	Any other place of	English				
	operation Specify	Regional	Specify language			

Website of			
the			
Corporate			
Debtor			
Website			
designated			
by the Board			

- 3. Date of sending copy of PA to the Board:
- 4. Number of days taken for issuing PA:
- 5. Delay (days) in issuance of PA vis-à-vis timelines, if any:
- 6. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 7. Mode of sending PA to the Board (Hand delivery/Post/Email/others):
- 8. Estimated date of closure of insolvency resolution process:
- 9. Last date for submission of claims:
- 10. Number of days given for submission of claims:
- 11. Delay/Additional days for submission of claims vis-à-vis timelines, if any:
- 12. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 13. Whether the details indicated in PA same as IBBI records: (Yes  $\/$  No) If no,
  - a. Address (for correspondence), if any:
  - b. Email Id (for correspondence), if any:
  - c. Mobile No. (for correspondence), if any:
- **14.** Details of classes of creditors, if any, under section 21(6A)(b) and names of authorised representative (AR) identified for each class:
  - a. Number of class of creditors:

No. Creditors	selected as an AR for each	ned to be selected as AR
No. Cremiors	Name of IP	IP registration number
1.	Name of AR 1	
	Name of AR 2	
	Name of AR 3	
2.	Name of AR 1	
	Name of AR 2	
	Name of AR 3	

15. Cost incurred on Public Announcement (Rupees):

16. Details of Deviations/Non-Compliances of the provisions of Code, regulations, circulars or other laws applicable to the CD:

Legal Provisions	Deviation/N on- compliance	Section/Regulat ion/Circular	Reasons	Period of non- compliance	Whether rectified or not
IBC					
CIRP					
Regulations					
IP Regulations					
Circulars					
Other laws applicable to the CD					
[ For example- Companies Act, SEBI Act, SCRA, Others					

17. Details of orders passed by Courts/ Tribunals:

Order (Interim/Final)	Date of order	Authority passing the order	Abstract of order

18. Whether any application filed under the Section 12A (Yes/ No):

#### Attachments

- 1. Application filed with the AA.
- 2. AA order admitting the application.
- 3. AA order appointing the Interim Resolution Professional.
- 4. Form A (Public Announcement) under CIRP Regulations, 2016.
- 5. Form AB (Written consent to act as AR) under CIRP Regulations, 2016.
- 6. Cost and relationship disclosure made to IPA.
- $7. \quad Form \ FA \ (Application \ for \ with drawal \ of \ CIRP) \ under \ CIRP \ Regulations, 2016, if \ any.$
- 8. Orders of the Court/Tribunal, if any.
- 9. Other documents, if any.

#### Declaration

- I, [Name of IRP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Interim
  Resolution Professional, vide NCLT order dated [mention date] in application number [mention
  application number] dated [mention date of appointment of IRP], under section 16 of the
  Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code.
- 2. I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

#### FORM - CIRP 2

(To be submitted to the Board by the IRP online within 7 days of replacement of IRP)

Date of replacement	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
of IRP		of Form (Number of	
		days)	

#### A. Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:
- 3. Whether Corporate Debtor is listed (Yes/No):

If yes,

- a. Primary Stock Exchange:
- b. Whether suspended at stock exchange (Yes/No):
  - i. If yes, Date of suspension:
  - ii. Whether the suspension is restored (Yes/No):
  - iii. If yes, Date of restoration of suspension:
- 4. Date of the last audited balance sheet:

### **B.** Custody of Corporate Debtor

Has IRP taken into custody all records and assets relating to CD? (Yes/ No)
 If no, whether application made u/s 19(2) of the Code, to the AA (Yes /No):
 If no, specify the reasons:

#### C. Claims of Creditors

1. Whether list of creditors prepared by IRP (Yes/No): If yes, (please furnish the details below):

(Amount in Rupees)

Credi	Clai	Re	Identi	Dat	Natu	Valu	Lia	Total Claims	Total Claims
tor	man	lat	ficatio	e of	re of	e of	bilit	made by the	admitted by the
	t	ed	n	cre	asset	secur	y as	creditors	IRP
	(Sec	pa	Numb	atio	on	ity at	per		
	ured/	rty	er, if	n of	whic	the time	boo		
	Unse	of	any	sec	h	of	ks		
	cure	the		urit	secu	agre	of		
	d/	C		y	rity	emen	acco		
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O2								
Total OCs								
Any other credit or								
C1								
C2								
Total Credi tors								
Gran d Total								

If no, state the reasons

- 2. Date of filing of list of creditors with the AA:
- 3. Date of uploading the list of creditors on the website of the CD:

If not uploaded, state the reasons

## D. Whether there are representatives of FCs (Yes/ $\ensuremath{\mathrm{No}}\xspace$

If yes, (please furnish the details below):

S. No.	Appoi ntment under Sectio	Name of the Repres entativ	Whet Repre	esentat	İ	Description of creditors			Whether entative related arty of CD
	n [21(6)/ 24(5)]	е	Yes/ No	If yes, IP regis tratio n num ber	Repre sentin g [class of credit or/ FC]	Num ber of Credi tor in the Class	Total Votin g Share	Yes/ No	Specify section [sections of 5(24)]

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)

## E. Whether there are Authorised Representatives of FCs (Yes/No)

If yes, (please furnish the details below):

S.	Appointm	Nam	Wheth	If yes	Applica	tion and	Number	Delay	Reaso
No	ent under	e of	er AR	IP	Orde	er for	of days	in	ns for
	Section:	AR	is an IP	registrati	appointm	ent of AR	taken for filing	numb	delay
	21(6A)(a) 21(6A)(b) 21(6A)(c)		(Yes/ No)	on number	Date of applicati on to AA	Date of Date of applicati Order		er of days for filing	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)

## F. Whether there are representative(s) of OCs in CoC (Yes / No)

If yes, (please furnish the details below):

S.	Appointment under Section/	Name of	Number of OCs	Percentage	Total
No.	Regulation:	Representative	represented.	of debt of	Voting
	Section 24(3)(c)/			OCs, if	Share
	Reg. 16(2)(b) /Reg. 16(2)(c)			any	
(1)	(2)	(2)		(5)	(6)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

## G. Constitution of CoC

Date of constitution:	
Total members	
Financial Creditors	Operational Creditors (if all FCs are related parties of CD or there is no FC)

Name of FC	Number of	Voting	Status	Name of	Number of	Voting
	FCs in class	Share		OC	OCs in class	Share (%)
	of creditor	(%)			of creditor	
			0001			
			OCI			
			OC2			
			OC			
			18			
			Work			
			men			
			Empl			
			oyees			
			Other			
			s			
			Total			
	Name of FC	FCs in class	FCs in class Share	FCs in class of creditor (%)  OC1  OC2OC 18  Work men  Empl oyees Other s	FCs in class of creditor (%)  OC1  OC2OC 18  Work men Empl oyees Other s	FCs in class of creditor  OC1  OC2OC 18  Work men  Empl oyees Other s

- 1. Date of submission of report on constitution of CoC to AA:
- 2. Number of days taken for submission of report to AA:
- 3. Delay in number of days vis-à-vis timelines, if any:
- 4. Reason for delay, if any:

#### H. First Meeting of the CoC

- 1. Date of meeting:
- 2. Number of days taken for conducting first CoC meeting:
- 3. Delay in number of days vis-à-vis timelines, if any:
- 4. Reason for delay, if any:
- 5. Date of service of notice of meeting:
- 6. Whether minimum 5 days' notice period given for meeting under Regulation 19(1) (Yes/No)

If no, Approval from CoC to serve the notice for shorter period taken? (Yes/No) If approval not taken, specify reasons:

- 7. Whether Notice sent to:
  - a. CoC members (yes/no)
  - b. Suspended Board of Directors/Partners (LLP) (yes/ no)
  - c. OCs where value of debt is more than 10 % of total debts, if any (yes/ no)
  - d. AR of Class of creditors, if any (yes/no)
  - e. IP for any FC u/s 24(5), if any (yes/no)
  - f. Representative(s) of FCs, if any (yes/no)
  - g. Representative(s) of OC(s), if any (yes/ no)
  - h. Others, if any (yes/no)

#### I. Confirmation/Replacement of IRP

1. Whether the IRP is confirmed as RP (Yes/No)

If yes, date of confirmation:

If no, whether IRP is replaced (Yes/No)

If yes, please furnish the details of RP:

- a. IP Registration Number
- b. Name of the RP
- c. Email Address
- d. Mobile Number

If no, whether IRP was performing functions of RP as per Regulation 17(3) (Yes/No)

## J. Whether application seeking Cooperation of Management u/s 19(2) made to AA (Yes/No)

- 1. If yes, furnish the details below:
  - a. Application Number
  - b. Date of filing
  - c. Date of Order
- 2. Whether appeal, if any filed against the order (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority
- b. Appeal No.
- c. Date of filing of appeal
- d. Date of order
- 3. Whether appeal, if any filed against order of first Appellate Authority (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority
- b. Appeal No.
- c. Date of filing of appeal
- d. Date of order

# K. Application filed seeking assistance of local district administration under Regulation 30 (Yes/No)

- 1. If yes, furnish the details below:
  - a. Application Number:
  - b. Date of filing:
  - c. Date of Order:
- 2. Whether appeal, if any filed against the order (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority:
- b. Appeal No.:
- c. Date of filing of appeal:
- d. Date of order:
- $3. \quad Whether appeal, if any filed against order of first Appellate Authority (Yes/No)\\$

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority:
- b. Appeal No.:
- c. Date of filing of appeal:
- d. Date of order:

## L. Expenses incurred by or on Interim Resolution Professional

Expense Head	Expenses	1 -	es paid or o be paid	Approved by COC (Yes/ No)
		Amount	Amount	
		incurred	paid	
IRP	Fee payable to IRP			
	Cost of insurance for			
	IRP			
	Other Expenses on/			
	for IRP (travel, stay,			
	security etc. related			
	expenses)			
IPE	Fee, if any, payable to			
	an IPE for support			
	services			
Registered	Fee payable to Valuer			
Valuer	1			
	Fee payable to Valuer			
	2			
	Fee payable to Valuer	]		
	3, if any			
	Other Expenses on/			
	for IRP (travel, stay,			
	out of pocket			
	expenses etc.)			
Other	Fee Payable to			
Professional	accounting and			
	finance professional			
	Fee Payable to audit			
	professional			
	Fee payable to legal			
	professional/ attorney			
	Fee payable to any			
	other professional			
	Fee payable to			
	authorised			
	representative			
	Other expenses on /			
	for professionals			
COC	Expense for meeting			
	venue			

Expense for electronic voting  Expense for video conferencing  Any other expense related to CoC  Other Expenses on Public  Expenses  Announcement  Expenses for filings before Adjudicating Authority including
Expense for video conferencing Any other expense related to CoC  Other Expenses on Public Expenses Announcement Expenses for filings before Adjudicating
conferencing Any other expense related to CoC  Other Expenses on Public Expenses Announcement Expenses for filings before Adjudicating
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Expenses for
verification of claims
CIRP related litigation
Other expenses, if any
Essential Electricity
Services Water
Telecommunication
services
Information
Technology services
Other essential
services, if any
Other Other supplies
Services Employees and
workmen
Security Personnel
Services
Other expenses, if nay
Interim Amount of interim
Finance finance
Expenses for raising
interim finance
Interest payable on
interim finance
Other Other matters
expenses Penalties, if any,
payable for non-
compliance

M. Disclosure of relationship of the interim resolution professional, if any

Relationship of the Interim Resolution Professional	Name	Nature of relationship	Description of relationship
with			
Corporate Debtor			
Financial			
Creditor			
FC1			
FC2			
Authorised			
Representative(s) AR1			
AR 2		1	
Corporate			
Guarantor, if any Operational			
Creditor, if any OC1			
OC2			
Interim Finance			
Provider, if any			
Accountant(s)			
Legal			
Professional(s)			
Other Professional(s)			
Firm of auditors			
of Corporate			
Debtor (in the			
last 3 financial			
years)			
Secretarial			
auditors in			
practice of the			
Corporate Debtor			
(in the last three			
financial years)			
Cost Auditors of			
Corporate Debtor			
(in the last three			
financial years)			
Legal Firm¹ (in			
the last three			
financial years)			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Legal firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to five percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

Consulting Firm <sup>2</sup>		ana ana
(in the last three		
financial years)		

## N. Support services sought from IPE, if any. (Yes/No)

If yes, Provide details of IPE

- a. Name of IPE:
- b. Relationship with IPE, if any:
- c. Nature of relationship:
- d. Whether appointed at arms' length relationship (yes/no):

#### O. Are you a partner or a director of an IPE? (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details:

- a. Name of the IPE:
- b. Whether all directors and partners of the IPE are independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1) (Yes/No)
- c. Whether disclosure of relationship of IPE has been made to IPA as per disclosure circular (Yes/No)

If yes, date of submission of disclosure:

d. Disclosure of relationship of IPE

Relationship of all	Name	Nature of relationship	Description of
the Partners and			Relationship
Directors of IPE			_
with			
Corporate Debtor			
Firm of auditors of			
Corporate Debtor (in			
the last 3 financial			
years)			
Secretarial auditors			
in practice of the			
Corporate Debtor (in			
the last three			
financial years)			
Cost Auditors of			
Corporate Debtor (in			
the last three			
financial years)			
Legal Firm3 (in the			
last three financial			
years)			

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Consulting firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to five percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Legal firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to ten percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

financial years)
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## P. Support sought from any professional(s)? (Yes/No)

S. No.	Name of Professional	Nature of profession	Date of appointment	Term of appointment Fromto	Scope of engagement	paid/agre	sional fees sed to be paid upees)	Other expenses, if any, paid/agreed to be paid (Rupees)	Whether appointed at arms' length relationship? (Yes/No)
						Quantum	Basis (hourly/daily etc.)		

## Q. Disclosure of relationship of the professional

Disclosure of relationshi	p of Mr./ Ms/Mrs.	, with:

R	elationship of the Professional with	Name	Nature of Relationship	Description of relationship
1.	Corporate Debtor			
2.	Corporate Guarantor, if any			
3.	Insolvency Professional			
4.	Insolvency Professional Entity (If associated with, any)			
5.	Financial Creditor(s)			
6.	Interim Finance Provider(s)			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Consulting firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to ten percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

R.	Details of orders	passed by	y Courts/	Tribunals:
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- 1	Order (Interim/Final)	Date of order	Authority passing the order	Abstract of order
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# S. Details of Deviations/Non-Compliances of the provisions of Code, regulations, circulars or other laws applicable to the CD:

Legal Provisions	Deviation/N on- compliance	Section/Regulat ion/Circular	Reasons	Period of non- compliance	Whet her rectifi ed or not
IBC					
CIRP Regulations					
IP Regulations					
Circulars					
Other laws applicable to the CD					
[ For example- Companies Act, SEBI Act, SCRA, Others ( pls. specify)					

T.	Other	details
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Whether resolution under the Section (12A/ 33(2)/others) was passed by CoC (yes/no)

U.	. Remarks, if any	

#### Attachments

- 1. List of creditors along with the details of the claims submitted with the AA.
- 2. Report certifying constitution of the committee of creditors.
- 3. Latest Audited financial statements of CD.
- 4. Minutes of all COC meetings.
- 5. AA's order admitting application for CIRP.
- 6. AA's order for Section 19(2) application, if any.
- 7. AA's order for application under Regulation 30, if any.
- 8. AA order for replacement of IRP by RP, if any.
- 9. All the applications filed before AA, if any.
- 10. All the orders passed by AA, if any.
- 11. All the applications filed before courts, if any.
- 12. All the orders passed by courts, if any.
- 13. Progress Reports filed to Adjudicating Authority by the IRP.
- 14. Cost Sheet prepared by IRP.
- 15. Cost and relationship disclosure made to IPA.
- 16. Other relevant documents, if any.

#### Declaration

I, [Name of IRP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Interim Resolution Professional vide NCLT order dated [Insert date] in application number [Insert application number] dated [Date of appointment of IRP], under section 16 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP
*IP registration number:
Date:
Place:

#### C. Appointment of registered valuers

S.	Name of	Registration	Date of	Class of		Estimates
No.	Valuer	number of	appointment	assets		(Rupees)
		Valuer				
				(Land and		
				Building/		
				Plant and		
				machinery/		
				Securities and		
				Financial		
				Assets/others)		
					Fair	Liquidation
					Value	Value
Averag	e Values					

- 1. Number of days taken for appointment of valuer:
- 2. Delay in number of days for appointment vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 3. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 4. Whether Registered Valuer(s) is disqualified to be appointed as per Regulation 27 (Yes/No)

If yes, under which sub regulation (choose one or more from options below):

- (a) a relative of the resolution professional
- (b) a related party of the CD
- (c)an auditor of the CD at any time during the five years preceding the insolvency commencement date
- (d)a partner or director of the IPE of which the resolution professional is a partner or director

## D. Details of handover of records of Corporate Debtor by IRP to RP

S. No	Description of records	Remarks, if any	

#### E. Custody of assets of Corporate Debtor

Whether RP has taken over the custody of assets of CD (Yes/No)
 If no, whether application made u/s 19(2) of the Code, to the AA (Yes/No)
 If no, specify the reasons

#### F. Application Filed with AA seeking Cooperation of Management (Yes/No)

- 1. If yes, furnish the details below:
  - d. Application Number:
  - e. Date of filing:
  - f. Date of Order:
- 2. Whether appeal, if any filed against the order (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- e. Name of Appellate Authority:
- f. Appeal No.:
- g. Date of filing of appeal:
- h. Date of order:
- 3. Whether appeal, if any filed against order of Appellate Authority (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- e. Name of Appellate Authority:
- f. Appeal No.:
- g. Date of filing of appeal:
- h. Date of order:

#### G. Details of application filed with the AA for Assistance of local district administration

- 1. If yes, furnish the details below:
  - a. Application Number:
  - b. Date of filing:
  - c. Date of Order:
- 2. Whether appeal, if any filed against the order (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority:
- b. Appeal No.:
- c. Date of filing of appeal:
- d. Date of order:
- 3. Whether appeal, if any filed against order of Appellate Authority (Yes/ No)

If yes, furnish the details below:

- a. Name of Appellate Authority:
- b. Appeal No.:
- c. Date of filing of appeal:
- d. Date of order:

#### H. Information memorandum (IM)

- 1. Date of submission of IM to CoC:
- 2. Number of days taken for submission of IM:
- 3. Delay in number of days for submission vis a vis timeline, if any:
- 4. Reasons for delay, if any:
- Details of assets and liabilities as per latest audited balance sheet and latest provisional balance sheet:
  - a. Date of the latest audited balance sheet:
  - b. Date of the provisional balance sheet:
- 6. Whether IM contains the details as per requirements of Regulation 36(2) (Yes/No)

If no, list the details not captured in the IM

S. No	Details not provided in IM

Reasons for not including the specified details:

7. Whether undertaking of confidentiality is obtained from Members of CoC and resolution applicants:

If no, furnish the details of persons who did not give undertaking

S. No.	Category	Name	Reasons
	(Member of CoC/		
	Resolution		
	applicant)		

 Details of Deviations/Non-Compliances of the provisions of Code, regulations, circulars or other laws applicable to the CD:

Legal Provisions	Deviation/Non- compliance	Section/Regulat ion/Circular	Reasons	Period of non- compliance	Whether rectified or not
IBC					
CIRP					
Regulations					
IP Regulations					
Circulars					
Other laws applicable to the CD					
[For example- Companies Act, SEBI Act, SCRA, Others (pls. specify)					

J. Details of orders passed by Courts/ Tribunals:

Order (Interim/Final)	Date of order	Authority passing the order	Abstract of order

K. Whether resolution under Section (12A/33(2)/others) was passed by CoC (Yes/No):

#### Attachments [to be uploaded in pdf]

- 1. AA order for appointment of RP
- 2. Latest Audited Financial Statements
- 3. Provisional Financial Statements for the current year
- 4. Information Memorandum
- 5. Valuation reports
- 6. Appeal/application filed before AA/NCLAT/High court/Supreme court/ Others.
- 7. Orders of AA/NCLAT/High court/Supreme court /Others.
- 8. Progress Reports filed to AA by the RP
- 9. Cost and relationship disclosure made to IPA
- 10. Any other attachment

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP		
*IP registration number:		
Date:		
Place:		

#### FORM - CIRP 4

(to be submitted to the Board by RP online within 7 days of the issue of Request for Resolution Plans)

Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
	of Form (Number of	
	days)	

#### A. Details of Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:

## B. Expression of interest (EOI) to invite Prospective Resolution Applicants (PRA)

1. Whether EOI issued (Yes/No)

If no, state the reasons:

- 2. Date of issue of EOI:
- 3. Number of days taken for issue of EOI:
- 4. Delay in number of days taken for issuance of EOI vis a vis timeline, if any:
- 5. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 6. Details of publishing EOI:

Location	Language		Name of newspaper	Edition, if applicable	Date of issue
Registered Office	English				
omec	Regional	Specify language			
Principal Office, if any	English				
office, if any	Regional	Specify language			
Any other place	English				
Specify:	Regional	Specify language			
Website of the Corporate Debtor					
Website of the Board					

- 7. Date, when it was sent to the Board:
- 8. Mode of sending it to the Board (i.e. by Speed Post/ Regd. Post/ E-mail/By Hand/others):
- 9. Whether EOI re-issued (Yes/No)

If yes, number of times EOI re-issued:

10. Details of publication of latest EOI

Location	Language		Name of	Edition, if	Date
			newspaper/website	applicable	of
					issue
Desistent	F 11 1				
Registered Office	English				
Office	Regional	Specify			
		language			
Principal	English	•			
Office, if any					
	Regional	Specify			
		language			
Any other	English				
place					
Specify:	Regional	Specify			
1 7		language			
Website of the					
Corporate					
Debtor					
Website of the					
Board					

- 11. Last date to submit EOI:
- 12. Number of days given for submission of EOI:
- 13. If minimum days for submission of EOI vis a vis timeline is not given, deficit number of days, if any:
- 14. Reasons for not giving minimum number of days, if any:
- $15. \ Number of persons who expressed their interest:$
- 16. Number of persons who were ineligible as per:
  - a. Section 29 (A):
  - b. Section 25(2)(h):
  - c. Other:
- 17. Whether due diligence on PRAs conducted by RP as per Regulation 36A (Yes/No) If no, reasons:
- 18. Date of issue of provisional list of eligible PRAs:
- 19. Number of days taken to issue provisional list of eligible PRAs:
- 20. Delay in number of days taken to issue provisional list of eligible PRAs, if any:
- 21. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 22. Date of Issue of final list of PRAs:
- 23. Delay in number of days taken to issue final list of PRAs, if any:
- 24. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 25. Final list of PRAs (including joint applicants, if any)

S.	Name of PRAs
No.	

#### C. Request for Resolution Plans (RFRP)

- 1. Whether the following was approved by the committee of creditors):
  - a. RFRP (Yes/No)

If no, state the reasons

b. Evaluation Matrix (Yes/No)

If no, state the reasons

- 2. Date of issue of evaluation matrix:
- 3. Date of issue of RFRP:
- 4. Last date for submission of resolution plans:
- 5. Whether RFRP was issued atleast 30 days before the last date of the submission of the resolution plans? (Yes/No)

If no, provide the reason for the same.

- 6. Details of Evaluation Matrix:
- 7. Whether RFRP requires any non-refundable deposit for submission of or along with resolution plan (Yes/No)

If yes, please specify.

#### D. Modification of RFRP and Evaluation Matrix

- Whether details with respect to RFRP modified (Yes/No)
   If yes, Number of times RFRP modified:
- Whether details with respect to Evaluation matrix modified (Yes/ No) If Yes, Number of times Evaluation matrix modified:

S. no.	Modification done in respect of (RFRP/Evaluation Matrix)	Date of issue of modified request	Whether atleast 30 days given for submission of resolution plan from date of modification (Yes/No)	If no, reasons	Revised Last date for submission of resolution plan

- 3. Whether the RFRP was re-issued (Yes/No)
  - If yes, (i) Date of re-issue of RFRP :
    - (ii) Last Date for submission of Resolution Plan:

# E. Details of Deviations/Non-Compliances of the provisions of Code, regulations, circulars or other laws applicable to the CD:

Legal Provisions	Deviation/ Non- complianc e	Section/Regulat ion/Circular	Reasons	Period of non-compliance	Whether rectified or not
IBC					
CIRP Regulations					
IP Regulations					
Circulars					
Other laws applicable to the CD					
[ For example- Companies Act, SEBI Act, SCRA, Others ( pls. specify)					

## F. Details of orders passed by Courts/ Tribunals:

Order (Interim/Final)	Date of order	Authority passing the order	Abstract of order

G. Whether resolution under Section (12A/33(2)/others) was passed by CoC (Yes/No)

#### Attachments

- 1. Expression of interest (first issue and latest issue).
- 2. Evaluation Matrix including modified, if any.
- 3. Request for resolution plan including modified, re-issued, if any.
- 4. Minutes of the Meetings of COC approving the RFRP.
- 5. All applications filed before courts, if any.

- 6. All orders passed by courts, if any.
- 7. Progress reports filed to AA by the RP.
- 8. Other documents, if any.

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

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*IP registration number:	
Date:	
Place:	

#### Annexure-6

#### FORM-CIRP 5

 $\textit{(To be submitted to the Board online within 7 days of the approval or rejection of resolution plan by } \\ \underline{\textit{the Adjudicating Authority)}}$ 

Date of the approval or rejection of resolution plan by the AA	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (Number of days)	Reasons for delay

#### A. Corporate Debtor

- 1. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- 2. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:

#### B. Claims of creditors

Whether any change in list of claimants as uploaded by IRP in Form CIRP-2 (Yes/ No) If yes, please furnish the revised list of claimants below:

Credit or	Clai mant (Secu red/ Unsec	Rel ate d par ty	Identifi cation Numbe r, if any	Date of crea tion of	Natur e of asset on which	Value of securi ty at	Liabi lity as per book	Total Claims made by the creditors			Total Claims admitted by the RP				
	ured/ Conti ngent	of the CD (Ye s/N o)		secu rity inter est	securi ty intere st create d, if any	the time of agree ment	s of acco unts								
								Prin	Intere	Tot	Prin	Inte	Tot		
								cipal	st	al	cipa 1	rest	al		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16		
Financ ial															
Credit ors															
F1															
F2 															
Total FCs															
Class of Credit ors															

Class 1								
Class 2								
(deben								
ture/bo								
nd								
holders								
1								
)								
Total								
Class								
of FCs								
Operat								
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Goods/								
Service								
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dues)								
O1								
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Total								
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C1								
C2								
Total								
Credit								
ors								
Grand								
Total								
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- 1. Total claims as on date of meeting of CoC where resolution plan was approved (Rupees):
- Date of filing of list of creditors with the AA:
   Is list of creditors prepared and uploaded by RP on the website of the Corporate Debtor. (Yes/No)

If no, state the reasons:

## C. Re-constitution of CoC, if any:

Date of cor	nstitution:						
Total meml	bers						
Financial Creditors				Operational of CD or the		s (if all FCs are rela C)	ted parties
Status	Name of FC	Number of FCs in class of creditor	Voting Share (%)	Status	Name of OC	Number of OCs in class of creditor	Voting Share (%)
FC1				OC1			
FC2				OC2			
Class 1				Workmen			
Class 2				Employees			
Class 3				Others			
Total				Total			

Remarks, if any

D. Whether any resolution plan received? (Yes/No)

## E. Final Resolution Applicant(s)

S.	Resolution	Name of	Whether	Nature of	Number	Grou	Industry	Details of	Resolution	Reason for
N	plan	Resolution	Resoluti	resolution	of plans	p to		performance	plans	non-
0.	submitted	Applicants	on	(Merger/ac	submitte	which		security	compliant	compliance
	(Individua		Applica	quisition/a	d	it		provided	with	of plan
	lly/		nt is an	malgamatio		belon		(Please	section	with
	Jointly)		FC	n/Take		gs		specify the	30(2).	Section
				over/others)				nature, value,	(Yes/	30(2)
								duration and	No)	
								source, as		
								specified in		
								request for		
								resolution		
								plan)		

- 1. Whether the resolution plan rejected by CoC? (Yes/ No) If yes,
  - a. Date of CoC meeting wherein the plan was rejected:
  - b. Reasons for rejection:
- 2. Whether resolution for liquidation u/s 33(2) passed by CoC (Yes/No)

If no, way forward in CIRP process as decided by CoC:

- 3. Date of the meeting of CoC approving the resolution plan:
- 4. Whether resolution plan was approved by the CoC within 180 days from ICD (Yes/No) If no, whether extension of CIRP time granted (Yes/No)

If yes, number of days granted:

## F. Meeting of the Committee of Creditors where resolution plan was approved:

Date of servic e of notice of the meeti ng	Wheth er the notice of the meetin g was served by giving not less	appro CoC (Yes/	her the oval of sought No)	Date of the meeting of the Committ ee of Creditor	Numb er of days from ICD, meetin g of the CoC was held	Matters put forth for voting at the meeting (Approval for resolution plan/liquidation/o ther matters)	Voting Percenta ge	Remar ks, if any
	than 5 days' notice? (Yes/N o)	(Ye s/ No)	If yes, timeli ne for servic e of notice. If no, reason s.					

## G. Application filed with AA for approval of resolution plan

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 $H. \ \ \, \underline{\textbf{Members of CoC}} \ \, \textbf{and distribution of voting share}$ 

S. No	Name of Creditor	Voting Share (%)	Voting for Resolution Plan (Voted for / Dissented / Abstained)

## I. Resolution plan

1. Details of stakeholders, claims and realisation under resolution plan.

(Amount in Rupees)

S. No.	Category of stakeholder*	Amount claimed	Amount admitted	Realisa Stakeh	
				Amount#	Percent age
1.	Secured				
	Financial				
	Creditors				
2.	Unsecured				
	Financial				
	Creditors				

3.	Operational Creditors		
	Government		
	Workmen		
	Employees		
4.	Other Debts		
	and Dues		
Total			

\*If there

are sub-categories in a category (like real estate allottees, debenture holders etc.), please add rows for each sub-category.

# Amount provided over time under the Resolution Plan and includes estimated value of non-cash components. It is not NPV.]

2. Interests of existing shareholders under resolution plan:

Sl. No	Category of Share Holder	No. of Shares held before CIRP	No. of Shares held after the CIRP	Voting Share (%) held before CIRP	Voting Share (%) held after CIRP

## 3. Settlement Amounts

Stakeholder category	Mode of Settlement	Amount (Rupees)	Time of Payment/ Issue/ Conversion	Remarks, if any

4. The compliance of the Resolution Plan is as under:

Section of the Code /	Requirement with respect to Resolution Plan	Clause of	Compliance (Yes /
Regulation No.		Resolution Plan	No)
Section 25(2)(h)	Whether the Resolution Applicant meets the criteria approved by the CoC having regard to the		

	complexity and scale
	of operations of
	business of the CD
Section 29A	Whether the
	Resolution Applicant
	is eligible to submit
	resolution plan as per
	final list of
	Resolution
	Professional or Order,
	if any, of the
	Adjudicating
	Authority
Section 30(1)	Whether the
	Resolution Applicant
	has submitted an
	affidavit stating that it
	is eligible
Section 30(2)	Whether the
	Resolution Plan:
	(a) provides for the
	payment of
	insolvency resolution
	process costs? (b)
	provides for the
	payment of the debts
	of operational
	creditors?
	(c)provides for the
	management of the
	affairs of the
	Corporate debtor?
	(d)provides for the
	implementation and
	supervision of the
	resolution plan?
	(e)contravenes any
	of the provisions of
	the law for the time
	being in force?
Section 30(4)	Whether the
	Resolution Plan:
	(a) is feasible and
	viable, according to
	the CoC?

	(b) has been approved		
	by the CoC with 66%		
	voting share?		
Section 31(1)	Whether the		
Section 31(1)	Resolution Plan has		
	provisions for its		
	effective		
	implementation plan,		
D 14: 254	according to the CoC  Where the resolution		
Regulation 35A			
	professional made a		
	determination if the		
	corporate debtor has		
	been subjected to any		
	transaction of the		
	nature covered under		
	sections 43, 45, 50 or		
	66, before the one		
	hundred and fifteenth		
	day of the insolvency		
	commencement date,		
	under intimation to		
	the Board		
Regulation 38 (1)	Whether the amount		
	due to the operational		
	creditors under the		
	resolution plan has		
	been given priority in		
	payment over		
	financial creditors		
Regulation 38(1A)	Whether the		
	resolution plan		
	includes a statement		
	as to how it has dealt		
	with the interests of		
	all stakeholders		
[Regulation 38(1B)	(a) Whether the		
	Resolution Applicant		
	or any of its related		
	parties has failed to		
	implement or		
	contributed to the		
	failure of		
	implementation of		
	any resolution plan		
	1	·	

	approved under the Code.  (b)If so, whether the Resolution Applicant has submitted the statement giving details of such non- implementation?
Regulation 38(2)	Whether the Resolution Plan provides: (a)the term of the plan and its implementation schedule? (b)for the management and control of the business of the corporate debtor during its term? (c)adequate means for supervising its implementation?
38(3)	Whether the resolution plan demonstrates that: (a) it addresses the cause of default? (b)it is feasible and viable? (c) it has provisions for its effective implementation? (d)it has provisions for approvals required and the timeline for the same? (e)the resolution applicant has the capability to implement the resolution plan?
39(2)	Whether the RP has filed applications in

	respect of transactions observed, found or determined by him
Regulation 39(4)	Provide details of performance security received, as referred to in sub-regulation (4A) of regulation 36B

 Terms and conditions of Resolution Plan, if any (Such as escrow, Performance Bank guarantee, infusion of equity, capital commitments etc, sources of funds along with timelines)

6. Approvals required from other regulators/ authorities, if any:

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	S.	Natu	ire of	Name of applicable	Approving	When to be
	No.	App	roval	law	authority	obtained
Ī						

7.	The Resolution Plan is subject to any contingency (Yes/No) If yes, please furnish details of contingencies:

8. Deviations/non-compliances of the provisions of the Code, regulations made or circulars issued or other laws applicable to the CD:

Sl. No.	Deviation/Non- compliance observed	Section of the Code / Regulation No. / Circular No./other laws applicable to the CD	Reasons	Whether rectified or not

9.	<ol> <li>Whether the CoC has approved a plan providing for contribution under regulation 39B: (Yes/No)</li> </ol>							
	If yes, furnish the details below							
	a. Estimated liquidation cost: (Rupees)							
	b. Estimated liquid assets available: (Rupees)							
	c. Contributions required to be made: (Rupees)							
	d. Financial credi							
	Sl. No.	Name of financial cred	litor	Amount to be co	ntributed			
a. V		ails below: rporate debtor as a going concer siness of corporate debtor as a g	ì					
	Whether the detail es/No)	s of recommendation are availab	ble with	the resolution profe	essional:			
11.	payable to the liq	has fixed, in consultation with uidator during the liquidation per details of fee payable to liquidation	eriod und					
12.		gency/ Monitoring Committee, it						
		mber of persons responsible for i		ntation of resolution	on plan:			
	ii. Nar	ne:						
		lress:						
		ignation:						
		ail ID:						
	vi. Mo	bile No:						
13.	Whether RP is pa	art of Implementing Agency/ Mo	onitoring	Committee?	(Yes/No)			
	If Yes, give detai	ls about the period and fee fixed	l by CoC	/AA				

## J. <u>Liquidation</u>

 Reason for liquidation of the CD (No value in the assets/ company was a shell company/Nonreceipt of resolution plan/Rejection of resolution plan by CoC/ Rejection of resolution plan by AA/others)

2. Meeting of CoC passing resolution for liquidation

Date of	Whether	If no,	whether	Date of the	Number	Matters	Voting	Remarks,
service	the	the ap	proval of	meeting of	of days	putforth	Percentage	if any
of	notice of	CoC s	ought	the	from	for		
notice	the	(Yes/I	No)	Committee	ICD,	voting		
of the	meeting			of	meeting	at the		
meeting	was			Creditors	of the	meeting		
	served				CoC			
	by				held			
	giving	(Yes/	If yes,					
	not less	No)	timeline					
	than 5		for					
	days'		service					
	notice?		of					
	(Yes/No)		notice.					
			If no,					
			reasons.					

- 3. Date of filing application before AA
- 4. Date of AA approving liquidation

## K. Expenses incurred by or on Resolution Professional:

Expense Head	Expenses – Sub Head	Expenses paid or agreed to be paid		Approved by COC (Yes/No)
		Amount incurred	Amount paid	
RP	Fee payable to RP Cost of insurance for RP Other Expenses on/ for RP (travel, stay, security etc. related expenses)			

IPE	Fee, if any, payable to		
	an IPE for support		
	services		
Registered Valuer	Fee payable to Valuer		
	1		
	Fee payable to Valuer		
	2		
	Fee payable to Valuer		
	3, if any		
	Other Expenses on/		
	for IRP (travel, stay,		
	out of pocket		
	expenses etc.)		
Other Professional	Fee Payable to		
	accounting and		
	finance professional		
	Fee Payable to audit		
	professional		
	Fee payable to legal		
	professional/attorney		
	Fee payable to any		
	other professional		
	Fee payable to		
	authorised		
	representative		
	Other expenses on /		
60.6	for professionals		
COC	Expense for meeting		
	venue		
	Expense for electronic		
	voting Expense for video		
	conferencing		
Other Expenses			
Other Expenses	1 *		
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	Court fee		
	verification of claims		
Other Expenses	Expenses for		

	1_,		
Essential Services	Electricity		
	Water		
	Telecommunication		
	services		
	Information		
	Technology services		
	Other essential		
	services, if any		
Other Services	Other supplies		
	Employees and		
	workmen		
	Security Personnel		
	Services		
	Other expenses, if nay		
Interim Finance	Amount of interim		
	finance		
	Expenses for raising		
	interim finance		
	Interest payable on		
	interim finance		
Other expenses	Other matters		
	Penalties, if any,		
	payable for non-		
	compliance		

# $L. \quad \textbf{Disclosure of relationship of the interim resolution professional, if any} \\$

Relationship of the Interim	Name	Nature of relationship	Description of relationship
Resolution			
Professional			
with			
Corporate Debtor			
Financial			
Creditor			
FC1			
FC2			
Authorised			
Representative(s)			
AR1			
AR 2			
Corporate			
Guarantor, if any			
Operational			
Creditor, if any			
OC1			
OC2			

Interim Finance		
Provider, if any		
Prospective		
Resolution		
Applicant		
Accountant(s)		
Legal		
Professional(s)		
, ,		
Other		
Professional(s)		
Firm of auditors		
of Corporate		
Debtor (in the		
last 3 financial		
years)		
Secretarial		
auditors in		
practice of the		
Corporate Debtor		
(in the last three		
financial years)		
Cost Auditors of		
Corporate Debtor		
(in the last three		
financial years)		
Legal Firm <sup>5</sup> (in		
the last three		
financial years)		
Consulting Firm <sup>6</sup>		
(in the last three		
financial years)		
manetar years)		

## M. Services sought from IPE, if any. (Yes/No)

If yes, Provide details of IPE

- a. Name of IPE
- b. Relationship with IPE, if any:
- c. Nature of relationship:
- d. Whether appointed at arms' length relationship?

# N. Are you a partner or a director of an IPE? (Yes/No)

If yes, furnish the details:

- a. Name of the IPE:
- b. Whether all directors and partners of the IPE are independent of CD, as per regulation 3(1)? Yes/No
- c. Whether disclosure of relationship of IPE has been made to IPA as per disclosure circular? Yes/No

 $<sup>^5</sup>$  Legal firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to five percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Consulting firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to five percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

If yes, date of submission of disclosure: If no, reasons (specify)

## d. Disclosure of relationship of IPE

Relationship of all the	Name	Nature of relationship	Description of
Partners and Directors of		•	Relationship
IPE with			•
Corporate Debtor			
Firm of auditors of			
Corporate Debtor (in the			
last 3 financial years)			
Secretarial auditors in			
practice of the Corporate			
Debtor (in the last three			
financial years)			
Cost Auditors of Corporate			
Debtor (in the last three			
financial years)			
Legal Firm <sup>7</sup> (in the last			
three financial years)			
Consulting Firm <sup>8</sup> (in the			
last three financial years)			
Prospective Resolution			
Applicant			

## O. Support sought from any professional(s)? (Yes/No)

S. No.	Name of Professional	Nature of profession	Date of appointment	Term of appointment Fromto	Scope of engagement	Professional fees paid/agreed to be paid (Rupees)		Other expenses, if any, paid/agreed to be paid (Rupees)	Whether appointed at arms' length relationship? (Yes/ No)
						Quantum	Basis (hourly/daily etc.)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Legal firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to ten percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

<sup>8</sup> Consulting firm that has any or had any transaction with the Corporate Debtor amounting to ten percent or more of the gross turnover of such firm in the last three financial years.

Relationship of the Professional		Name	Nature	of	Description
	with		Relationship		of
					relationship
7.	Corporate Debtor				
8.	Corporate Guarantor, if any				
9.	Insolvency Professional				
10.	Insolvency Professional Entity				
	(If associated with, any)				
11.	Financial Creditor(s)				
12.	Interim Finance Provider(s)				

Disclosure of relationship of Mr./ Ms/Mrs.\_\_\_\_\_, with:

P. Disclosure of relationship of the professional

Resolution

13. Prospective

Applicant

# Q. Details of Deviations/Non-Compliances of the provisions of Code, regulations, circulars or other laws applicable to the CD:

Legal Provisions	Deviation/ Non- complianc e	Section/Regulat ion/Circular	Reasons	Period of non- compliance	Whethe r rectifie d or not
IBC					
CIRP Regulations					
IP Regulations					
Circulars					
Other laws applicable to the CD					
[ For example- Companies Act, SEBI Act, SCRA, Others (pls. specify)					

#### R. Details of orders passed by Courts/Tribunals:

Order (Interim/Final)	Date of order	Authority passing the order	Abstract of order

#### Attachments

- 1. Minutes of all CoC meetings.
- 2. Copy of Resolution Plan.
- 3. Disclosure of cost and relationship made to IPA.
- 4. All the applications filed before AA, if any.
- 5. All the orders passed by AA, if any.
- 6. All the applications filed before courts, if any.
- 7. All the orders passed by courts, if any.
- 8. Compliance Certificate Form H.
- 9. Progress Reports filed to Adjudicating Authority by the RP.
- $10. \ \, Any \, other \, attachment \, related \, to \, resolution \, process \, (say \, Process \, document, \, Bid \, documents \, etc.).$
- 11. Cost Sheets prepared by RP.
- 12. Other documents, if any.

# Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order dated [Insert date] and Application number [Insert application number] dated [Date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP	
*IP registration number:	
Date:	
Place:	

#### Annexure-7

## FORM - CIRP 6

(to be filed with the Board within 7 days of the occurrence of event)

#### This Form is filed for intimation of

- $\Upsilon$  I. Filing of application in respect of:
  - a. Preferential transaction
  - b. Undervalued transaction
  - c. Extortionate transaction
  - d. Fraudulent Transaction
- Υ II. Raising of Interim Finance
- Υ III. Insolvency resolution process for guarantors
- Υ IV. Extension of period of CIRP
- Y V. Exclusion of period of CIRP
- Υ VI. Premature closure of CIRP (appeal, settlement, withdrawal etc.)
- Υ VII. Request for liquidation before completion of CIRP
- Y VIII. Non implementation of resolution plan as approved by AA

#### A. Corporate Debtor

- a. Name of the Corporate Debtor:
- b. CIN/LLPIN of Corporate Debtor:

#### I. Filing of application in respect of

# (a) Preferential transaction

Date of filing application of preferential transactions	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (number of days)	Reasons for delay

- 1. Whether the RP formed an opinion on preferential transaction (Yes/no)
- 2. Date of forming opinion:
- 3. Number of days taken for forming opinion:
- 4. Delay in number of days for forming opinion vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 5. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 6. Whether RP has made a determination on preferential transaction (Yes/ No):
- 7. Date of determination:
- 8. Number of days taken for determination of transactions:
- 9. Delay in number of days for determination of transactions vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 10. Reasons for delay vis a vis timelines, if any
- 11. Date of intimation to the Board:
- 12. Date of filing of application with Adjudicating Authority:

- 13. Number of days taken for filing application:
- 14. Delay in number of days for filing the application vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 15. Total transaction value reported (Rupees):

(Amount in Rupees)

Parties	Relations	Nature	Date of	Underly	Status	Any	Authori	Remar
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- 16. Date when order was passed by the Adjudicating Authority, if any
- 17. Whether the AA order is challenged (Yes/No)
- 18. If Yes, Authority Name and outcome/order in brief

#### Attachments

- 1. Determination of preferential transaction intimated to the Board.
- 2. Copy of forensic audit report, if any
- 3. Copy of transaction audit report, if any
- 4. Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority.
- 5. Order passed by the Adjudicating Authority.
- 6. Order passed by other courts.
- 7. Other document, if any.

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

#### \*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP

*IP registration number:
Date:

Place:

#### (b) Undervalued transaction

Date of filing of	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
undervalued		of Form (number of	
transactions		days)	

- 1. Whether the RP formed an opinion on undervalued transaction (Yes/ no)
- 2. Date of forming opinion:
- 3. Number of days taken for forming opinion:
- 4. Delay in number of days for forming opinion vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 5. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 6. Whether RP has made a determination on undervalued transaction (Yes/ No):
- 7. Date of determination:
- 8. Number of days taken for determination of transactions:
- 9. Delay in number of days for determination of transactions vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 10. Reasons for delay vis a vis timelines, if any
- 11. Date of intimation to the Board:
- 12. Date of filing of application with Adjudicating Authority:
- 13. Number of days taken for filing application:
- 14. Delay in number of days for filing the application vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 15. Total transaction value reported (Rupees)

(Amount in Rupees)

Parties	Relation	Nature	Date of	Underl	Status	Any	Author	Rema
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- 16. Date when order was passed by the Adjudicating Authority, if any:
- 17. Whether the AA order is challenged (Yes/No):
- 18. If Yes -Authority Name and outcome/order in brief:

#### Attachments:

- a. Copy of the determination of the undervalued transaction sent to the Board
- b. Copy of forensic audit report, if any
- c. Copy of transaction audit report, if any
- d. Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority
- e. Order passed by the Adjudicating Authority
- f. Order passed by other courts
- g. Any other attachment

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP	
*IP registration number:	
Date:	
Place:	

#### (c) Extortionate credit transaction

Date of filing of	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
extortionate		of Form (number of	
transactions		days)	

- 1. Whether the RP formed an opinion on extortionate transaction (Yes/no)
- 2. Date of forming opinion:
- 3. Number of days taken for forming opinion:
- 4. Delay in number of days for forming opinion vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 5. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 6. Whether RP has made a determination on extortionate transaction (Yes/No):
- 7. Date of determination:
- 8. Number of days taken for determination of transactions:
- 9. Delay in number of days for determination of transactions vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 10. Reasons for delay vis a vis timelines, if any
- 11. Date of intimation to the Board:
- 12. Date of filing of application with Adjudicating Authority:
- 13. Number of days taken for filing application:
- 14. Delay in number of days for filing the application vis a vis timelines, if any:
- 15. Total transaction value reported (Rupees)

(Amount in Rupees)

Parties	Relation	Nature	Date of	Underl	Status	Any	Author	Rema
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	than				al of	ees)	been	
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	)				AA		for	
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- 16. Date when order was passed by the Adjudicating Authority, if any:
- 17. Whether the AA order is challenged (Yes/No):
- 18. If Yes -Authority Name and outcome/order in brief:

#### Attachments

- 1. Copy of the determination of the extortionate transaction sent to the Board
- 2. Copy of forensic audit report, if any
- 3. Copy of transaction audit report, if any
- 4. Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority
- 5. Order passed by the Adjudicating Authority
- 6. Order passed by other courts
- 7. Other document, if any

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP	
*IP registration number:	
Date:	
Place:	

#### (d) Fraudulent transaction

Date of filing of fraudulent	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (number of	Reasons for delay
transactions		days)	

- 1. Whether the RP formed an opinion on fraudulent transaction (Yes/no)
- 2. Date of forming opinion
- 3. Number of days taken for forming opinion:
- 4. Delay in number of days for forming opinion vis a vis timelines, if any
- 5. Reasons for delay, if any:
- 6. Whether RP has made a determination on fraudulent transaction (Yes/No)
- 7. Date of determination:
- 8. Number of days taken for determination of transactions:
- 9. Delay in number of days vis a vis timelines:
- 10. Reasons for delay vis a vis timelines, if any
- 11. Date of intimation to the Board:
- 12. Date of filing of application with Adjudicating Authority:
- 13. Number of days taken for filing application
- 14. Delay in number of days vis a vis timelines, if any
- 15. Total transaction value reported (Rupees):

(Amount in Rupees)

Parties to the transac tion	Relation ship with the CD (Related Party/ Other than Related party)	Nature of Fraudu lent transac tion	Date of such transac tion	Underl ying Amoun t	Status of applica tion at the time of approv al of resoluti on by	Any Amo unt clawe d back	Author ity to whom the applica tion has been handed over to for further follow up	Rema
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- 16. Date when order was passed by the Adjudicating Authority, if any:
- 17. Whether the AA order is challenged (Yes/No):
- 18. If Yes -Authority Name and outcome/order in brief:

#### Attachments

- 1. Copy of determination of fraudulent transaction sent to the Board
- 2. Copy of forensic audit report, if any
- 3. Copy of transaction audit report, if any
- 4. Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority
- 5. Order passed by the Adjudicating Authority
- 6. Order passed by other courts
- 7. Any other attachment

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally si	gned/ e-signed by IP
*IP registration nur	mber:
Date:	
Place:	

#### II. Interim finance

Date of raising interim finance	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form <i>(number of days)</i>	Reasons for delay

(Amount in Rupees)

Name of Interim financier	Address of Interim Financier	Date of raising interim finance	Amount of interim finance taken	Whether security interest created (Yes/ No)	If yes, provide details of asset on which security interest is created

## Declaration

Place:

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP		
*IP registration number:		
Date:		

## III. Insolvency resolution process for guarantors

S. no	Name of guaranto r	Guarant ee issued in favour of	Amount of guarante e	Date of invocatio n of guarante e	Date of default by guaranto r	Date of initiation of process against guaranto r under the Code	Petitio n No.	NCL T Bench

# Declaration

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP
*IP registration number:

Date:

## IV. (a) Extension of period of CIRP

Date of granting extension by	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (number of	Reasons for delay
Authority		days)	

1. Number of times applied for extension of CIRP period:

S. No.	Date of meeting of CoC	Date of filing of application	Application/ Petition No.	Extension applied (No. of days)	Extension granted (No. of days)	Date of order passed	Abstract of order

- 2. Number of days taken to pass the resolution by CoC, for seeking extension of CIRP:
- 3. Number of days taken to file the application with AA:
- 4. Number of days taken for the order of NCLT:
- 5. Whether any period excluded from CIRP period by any Authority? If yes Authority and new date of closure of CIRP:

# Declaration

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP
*IP registration number:
Date:
Place:

## IV. (b) Exclusion of Period of CIRP

Stage of CIRP (please specify one or more from below)	Number of days excluded	Authority	Reason for exclusion
(Pre EOI/Post EOI			(Litigation period/Directions
before issue of			of AA to reconsider the
RFRP/Post issue of			plan/Delay in appointment
RFRP before			of RP by CoC/Delay in
submission of			receipt of order of
resolution plan to			appointment/Time taken for
AA/Post submission of			approving the Resolution
resolution plan to			Plan by AA/Others)
AA/Others)			

#### Declaration

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP	
*IP registration number:	
Date:	
Place:	

## V. Premature closure of CIRP (appeal, settlement, withdrawal etc.)

D	Date of application of withdrawal to AA	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (number of days)	Reasons for delay

- A. Premature closure is by (appeal/settlement), specify details as below:
- 1. Application/Petition No.:
- 2. Bench:
- 3. Name of the Applicant/Petitioner:
- 4. Application filed under Section:
- 5. Date of admission:
- 6. In case of appeal,
  - a. Date of order appeal against:
  - b. Abstract of the order appealed against:
  - c. Date of order disposing the appeal:
  - d. Authority passing the order in appeal:
  - e. Abstract of the order disposing the appeal:
- 7. In case of settlement,
  - a. Date of making application for disposal of CIRP on the basis of settlement:
  - b. Details of settlement:
  - c. Amount involved in the settlement:
  - d. Date of order closing the CIRP based on settlement:
  - e. Abstract of the order:
- B. Stage of 12A withdrawal

Description (please specify one from	
below)	Specify
Resolution Plan / Liquidation filed by	
RP with AA for approval, yet to be	
approved	
Resolution Plan / Liquidation Approved	
by CoC, yet to be filed with AA for	
approval	
Resolution Plans / Liquidation under	
Consideration of CoC	
Resolution Plans, if any, under	
Examination of RP but yet to be	
submitted to CoC	
Request for Resolution Plan (Re)issued	
but Last Date for Receipt for Resolution	
Plans is not yet over	

Invitation for EoI (Re)Issued but Request for Resolution Plan yet to be	
Issued	
Invitation for EoI yet to be Issued	
Others	

- 1. Date of CoC approval:
- 2. Number of days taken for approval of CoC:
- 3. Date of application to AA:
- 4. Number of days taken for submission of application:
- Whether the application accompanies Bank Guarantee? Yes No
  If yes, provide terms of Bank Guarantee
- 6. Grounds for withdrawal (please select one below)

#### Grounds of withdrawal

- Full settlement with applicant
- Full settlement with other creditors
- Agreement to settle in future
- Other settlements with creditors
- CD not traceable
- CD struck off the register
- Applicant not pursuing due to high cost
- Other
- 7. Whether withdrawal approved by the Adjudicating Authority? Yes/No If yes, Date of the Order passed by the Adjudicating Authority: If no, reasons for rejection:
- 8. Any Settlement amount agreed /received by Stakeholders (FC/OC/others) pursuant to 12A withdrawal along with timelines:

Nature of stakeholder	Name	Amount (Rupees)	Timelines for payments, if any

#### Attachments

- Copy of the minutes of the CoC where resolution for withdrawal of application was approved by CoC
- 2. Form FA submitted to the resolution professional by the Applicant
- 3. Copy of the Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority
- 4. Order passed by AA/NCLAT/HC/Supreme Court
- 5. Any other attachment

## Declaration

## Declaration

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP		
*IP registration number:		
Date:		
Place:		
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## VI. Request for liquidation before completion of CIRP

Date of filing application for liquidation before CIRP completion	Due date of Form	Delay in submission of Form (number of days)	Reasons for delay

- 1. Application/Petition No. initiating CIRP:
- 2. Bench:
- 3. Name of the Applicant/Petitioner:
- 4. Application filed under Section(7/9/10):
- 5. Date of admission:
- 6. Stage of CIRP (please specify one from below):

Resolution Plans, if any, under Examination of RP but yet to be submitted to CoC
Request for Resolution Plan (Re)issued but Last Date for Receipt for Resolution Plans is not yet over
Invitation for EoI (Re)Issued but Request for Resolution Plan yet to be Issued
Invitation for EoI yet to be Issued
Others

- 7. Date of passing resolution by CoC to liquidate the CD:
- 8. Resolution passed by CoC in which meeting of CoC( Ist  $, 2^{nd}...$ ):
- 9. Reasons for request for liquidation before completion of CIRP:
- 10. Voting share of CoC approving liquidation:

S. No	Voting share (%) – in favor	Voting share (%) - against	Voting share (%) - abstained

- 11. Date of filing application before AA for liquidation of CD:
- 12. Date of order of AA to liquidate CD:
- 13. Abstract of order:
- 14. Appeals, if any against order of liquidation

#### Attachments

- 1. Copy of the minutes of the CoC where liquidation was considered
- 2. Copy of the Application filed with the Adjudicating Authority

- 3. Order passed by AA/NCLAT/HC/Supreme Court
- 4. Any other attachment

#### Declaration

## Declaration

I, [Name of IRP/RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Insolvency Resolution Professional/ Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 16/22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP		
*IP registration number:		
Date:		
Place:		

#### VII. Non implementation of resolution plan as approved by AA

Date of default of	Due date of Form	Delay in submission	Reasons for delay
implementation of		of Form (number of	
resolution plan		days)	

- 1. Duration of implementation of plan
- Is there any contravention(s) of terms and conditions of implementation of resolution plan by RA/ CD? (Yes/no)

If yes,

Grounds of Contravention(s)	Specific clauses of the	period of delay in
	resolution plan	implementation

3. Application filed with AA? (Yes/No)

If yes, please furnish the details below:

- a. Date of filing the application:
- b. Date of order of AA:

#### Attachments

- 1. Copy of the Application filed with the AA
- 2. Order passed by AA
- 3. Any other attachment

#### Declaration

I, [Name of RP] having IP registration number [Registration no.], was appointed as an Resolution Professional vide NCLT order, dated [mention date] in application number [mention application number] dated [mention date of appointment of RP], under section 22 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom.

## \*To be digitally signed/ e-signed by IP

\*IP registration number:

Date:

Place:

#### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi - 110001

#### CIRCULAR

#### No. IBBI/CIRP/47/2021

24th November, 2021

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency

Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Sir/Madam.

Subject: Filing of list of creditors under clause (ca) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.

In pursuance of clause (ca) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 ('CIRP Regulations') requiring the insolvency professional (IP) to file list of creditors on the electronic platform of the Board for dissemination on its website, the Board had issued the Circular No. IBBI/CIRP/36/2020 dated  $27^{\text{th}}$  November, 2020 directing the IP to file the list of creditors and modification thereof in the stipulated format on electronic platform viz. www.ibbi.gov.in.

- 2.In the said format, the particular "Identification No." for seeking identification details of creditors is mentioned. It has come to notice that in few instances, details such as Aadhaar, PAN card, etc., are being filled therein. Such information being sensitive personal information is prone to misuse and hence is not to be revealed on public platforms. The General Guidelines for securing Identity information and Sensitive personal data or information in compliance to Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000 issued by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology also provides that any personal identifiable data including Aadhaar should not be published in public domain.
- 3.To address this concern, this circular in partial modification of the Circular under reference, removes the column "Identification No." from the particulars of the format stipulated therein. The insolvency professionals are directed to file the list of creditors of the respective corporate debtor and modification thereof, in the revised format placed in Annexure, within three days of the preparation of the list or modification thereof, as the case may be. The rest of the contents of the above said Circular shall remain same.
- 4. This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under clause (aa) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours sincerely,

(**Dr. Kokila Jayaram**) Deputy General Manager Tel: 011-2436 2832

Email: kokila.jayaram@nic.in

Annexure

#### Filing under clause (ca) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 13 of the IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016

(Amount in ₹)

Sl. No.	Category of creditor	Summary of claims received		l -	laims dmitted	Amount of continge	Amount of claims not	Amount of claims under verificat	Deta ils in	Rema r ks,
		No. of clai	Amoun t	No. of clai	Amount o f claims admitted	nt claims	admitted	i on	Annexure	if any
1	Secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors	ms		ms					1	
2	Unsecured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors								2	
3	Secured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)								3	
4	Unsecured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)								4	
5	Operational creditors (Workmen)								5	
6	Operational creditors (Employees)								6	
7	Operational creditors (Government Dues)								7	
8	Operational creditors (other than Workmen and Employees and Government Dues)								8	
9	Other creditors, if any, (other than financial creditors and operational creditors)								9	
	Total									

	Annexure-1	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

#### List of secured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors

 $(\text{Amount in } \mathbb{7})$ 

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	Annexure-2	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

#### List of unsecured financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors

(Amount in ₹)

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SI No	e of cre-	of claim			Details of claim admitted					Amount of any mutual dues,	Amount of claim not a dmitted	of claim und er verifica	Remark s if any
		Date of recei pt	Amoun t claime d	Amount of claim admitte d	Natur e of claim	Amount covered by guarante e	Whethe r relate d party?	% of voting share in CoC		that may be set-off		tion	
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	Annexure -3	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

List of secured financial creditors (other than financial creditors belonging to any class of creditors)

		(Amount in ₹)													
Sl. No	Nam e of	cla	nils of im		Det	ails of clai	t of n			Amou nt of any	Amoun t of claim		Remarks , if any		
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	Annexure -4	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

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	Annexure -5								
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as							
on:									
	List of operational creditors (Workmen)								

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SI No	authorise d represent	e of wor k	Details o				Details admitte	of claim ed	t of of any contingent dues,	Amount of any mutual dues,	any claim tual under	(Amount in₹ Remark s, if any
	a- tive, if any	man	Da t e o f receipt	t	Amount of claim admitte d	e of	ar Whethe % f r voting m related share in party? CoC, if applicab		claim	that may be set-off	n	

	Annexure – 6	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

#### List of operational creditors (Employees)

(Amount in₹)

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SI No	authorised of representa-	Nam e empl	De of clair			Details o	of claim ad	mitted	Amount nt of of any contin- mutual	nt of any mutual	Amoun t of claim under		Remarks , if any
		-oyee	Date of receip t	Amou nt claime d	Amount of claim admitted	Natu re of claim	Whethe r relate d party?	% of voting shar e in CoC, if applicable	gent claim	dues, th at may be set- off	verifica - tion	admitted	
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	Annexure -7	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

## List of operational creditors (Government dues)

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SI N	Details of	claimant	De of clai receive		Details of claim admitted				Amount of nt of any contin-	Amoun t of claim under verifica	Amount of claim not	Remarks , if any	
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	Annexure – 8	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	on:	

## List of operational creditors (Other than Workmen and Employees and Government Dues)

SI No	Nam e of cre dito	l	of aim cceived	Details of claim admitted						Amount of any contin-gent dues,	Amoun t of claim	Amou nt of claim under	Remark s, if any	
		Date of receip t	Amo u nt clai med	Amou nt of cl aim ad mitted	Nat ur e of cl aim	Amou nt covere d by securit y interest	Amou nt covered by guara -ntee	Whethe r related party?	% of voting share in CoC	claim	that may be set-off	not ad- mitted	verifica - tion	

	Annexure – 9	
Name of the corporate debtor:	; Date of commencement of CIRP:	; List of creditors as
	ont	

## List of other creditors (Other than financial creditors and operational creditors)

(Amount in₹)

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#### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi – 110001

#### CIRCULAR

#### No. IBBI/LIQ/46/2021

24th November, 2021

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Subject: Filing of list of stakeholders under clause (d) of sub-regulation (5) of regulation 31 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016

In pursuance of clause (d) of sub-regulation (5) of regulation 31 of the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 ('Liquidation Process Regulations') requiring the liquidator to file list of stakeholders on the electronic platform of the Board for dissemination on its website, the Board had issued the Circular No. IBBI/LIQ/40/2021 dated 04th March 2021 directing the liquidators to file the list of stakeholders and modification thereof, in the stipulated format, on the electronic platform, <a href="www.ibbi.gov.in">www.ibbi.gov.in</a>.

2.In the said format, the particular / column "Identification No." for seeking identification details of stakeholders is mentioned. It has come to notice that in few instances, the details such as Aadhaar, PAN card, etc., are being filled therein. Such information being sensitive personal information is prone to misuse and not to be revealed on public platforms. The 'General Guidelines for securing Identity information and Sensitive personal data or information in compliance to Aadhaar Act, 2016 and Information Technology Act, 2000' issued by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology provides that any personal identifiable data including Aadhaar should not be published in public domain.

3.To address this problem, this Circular in partial modification of the Circular under reference, removes the column "identification No" from the particulars of the format stipulated therein. The insolvency professionals are directed to file the list of stakeholders of the respective corporate debtor under liquidation and modification thereof, in the revised format placed in **Annexure**, within three days of the preparation of the list or modification thereof, as the case may be. The rest of the contents of the above said Circular shall remain same.

4. This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under clause (aa) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours sincerely, Sd/-(Nitish Saini) Assistant General Manager Tel: 011-2346 2834 Email: nitish.saini87@gov.in

Encl: As above.

Filing under clause (d) of sub-regulation (5) of regulation 31 of the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016

Name of the corporate debtor: .....; Date of commencement of liquidation: .....; List of stakeholders as on: .....

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SI.	Category of stakeholders	Summary	of	Summar	y of	Amount of	Amount of	Amount of claims	Details	Remark
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1	Unpaid insolvency resolution process costs								NA	
2	Liquidation costs incurred till date								NA	
3	Secured financial creditors								1	
4	Unsecured financial creditors								2	
5	Operational creditors (Workmen)								3	
6	Operational creditors (Employees)								4	
7	Operational creditors (Government Dues)								5	
8	Operational creditors (other than								6	
	Workmen, Employees and Government									
	Dues)									
9	Other stakeholders, if any (other than								7	
	financial creditors and operational creditors)									
Total										

				otor:	;	Date of co	mmencement List of secur	ed financ	ation:					( <i>I</i>	
1	Name	Deta	ils of				tted		Amount of contingen	of any	Amount of claim under				
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		Date of	Amo t ot clain	un Amoun of clain dmitted	t a e of t claim cobs	overed int	curity terest linquished	Details of Securit y Interest		% share in total amount of claims admitte		that may be set off			
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Na	me of the	corpo	rate de	btor:		; Date of co	ommencement	of liquid	lation:		; List of st	keholder	s as on: .		<del></del>
						1	List of unsecu	red finan	icial cred	litors				(4)	Amount in ₹
SI.	Name		Details	of		Details	of claim adm	itted		Amount of contingent	Amount of a ny mutua	Amou	nt Am	ount of	Remarks
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31.	Name of authorised representative , if any		cl re Date of	of aim eceived Amoun t claime d	of claim admitte d	Amount of claim for the period of	Natur	% share in total amount of claims admitted	contingen t claim	of any	rejected	claim under	Remark s, if any
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Annexure-4	
ame of the corporate debtor:; Date of commencement of liquidation:; List of stakeholders as on:	
List of operational creditors (Employees)	

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SI.	Name of authorised	Name of	Details	s of		Details of clain	n admitte	d	Amount of	Amount of any	Amount	Amount of	Remark
No.	representative	employe	cl	laim						mutual	of claim	claim under	s, if any
	, if any	e	r	eceived						dues,	rejected	verification	
			Date of receip t	claime	Total am ount of claim admitte d	Amount of claim for the period of twelve months preceding the liquidation		% share in total amount of claims admitted		that may be set off			
						commencement date							
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						Annex	ure-5							
N	iame of the corpor			L			f liquidation reditors (Go			st of stakeh	olders as	on:		 nount in ₹)
SI. No.	Det	ails of Claimant	Details claim received				Details of c	laim admitt	ed	Amount of contingent claim	of any mutual dues,	of claim rejected		Remarks , if any
	Department	Government	Date of receipt	Amoun t claime d	of claim	of claim	attachment pending	attachmen	% share in total amount of claims admitte d		that may be set off		n	
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		Elst of operational electrons (other time with annual Employees and Government Dues)												
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SI.	Name	Details	s of			Detai	ls of claim adı	nitted		Amount of contingent		Amount of claim	Amount of	Remarks
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	credito	r	eceived							dues,		verification		
	r	Date	Amoun	Amount of claim	Natur e of		Whether lien /	Amount covered	% share in total		that may be			
		of	t	admitte	claim	by lien or	I	by	amount of		set off			
		receip	claime	d		attachmen t pending	l'	guarantee	claims admitted					
		t	d				removed? (Yes/No)		admitted					

	Annexure-7	
iame of the corporate debtor:; Date of com	nencement of liquidation:	; List of stakeholders as on:

$List\ of\ other\ stakeholders, if\ any\ (other\ than\ financial\ creditors\ and\ operational\ creditors)$
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	List of other stakeholders, if any (other than financial creditors and operational creditors)														
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SI	Name of	Category of stakeholders (	Details	s of			Details	of claim adn	itted		Amount		Amount of claim	Amount of claim	Remarks
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N	r	shareholders	r	eceived							t claim	dues, that		verification	
		/ equity shareholders / partners / others)	Date of receip t	t claimed	t of	Natur e of claim	covered by lien or attachmen t pending	attachmen	by	% share in total amount of claims admitte d		may be set off			
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# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

# **CIRCULAR**

# No. IBBI/LIQ/44/2021

30th September, 2021

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All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professionals Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the Board)

Dear Madam /Sir,

# Subject: IBBI's Electronic Platform for hosting Public Notices of Auctions of Liquidation Assets under the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.

A liquidator is required to issue public notice of auctions on the website designated by IBBI, in addition to other specified modes of publication, under sub-regulation (3) of regulation 12 of the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 (Liquidation Process Regulations) read with clause (5) of paragraph 1 of its Schedule I.

- 2.Liquidators are presently auctioning liquidation assets on various auction platforms. The information regarding such auctions is not available at a centralised place. A centralised platform hosting all public notices of auctions of liquidation assets of ongoing liquidation processes would improve visibility for the liquidation assets being sold, and may expedite the process and lead to better realisation.
- 3.Considering the above, the Board has provided an electronic platform on its website: <a href="https://www.ibbi.gov.in">www.ibbi.gov.in</a> for hosting public notices of auctions of liquidation assets. The Board hereby designates this platform for the purposes of clause (5) of paragraph 1 of Schedule I of the Liquidation Process Regulations.
- 4.Liquidators are, therefore, directed to upload the public notice of every auction of any liquidation asset, with effect from 1st October, 2021, at <a href="www.ibbi.gov.in">www.ibbi.gov.in</a> on the day of its publication in newspapers, through their designated login page.
- 5.This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours sincerely, Sd/-(Nitish Saini) Assistant General Manager Tel: 011-2346 2834

Email: nitish.saini87@gov.in

### Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India Limited Insolvency Examination Division Valuation Examinations Division

No. EXAM-13016/1/2022-IBBI Dated: 06<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### **CIRCULAR**

To, All Test Administrators All Insolvency Professional Agencies All Registered Valuer Organisations All candidates registered in the examination system (Through IBBI website)

Dear Sir/Madam

# Subject: Improvement to the scheme of examinations - frequency of attempts in Limited Insolvency Examination/ Valuation Examinations

IBBI conducts the Limited Insolvency Examination (LIE) in pursuance to regulation 3 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016. The said Regulations *inter-alia* empowers IBBI to determine the syllabus, format and frequency of the examination, to be published at least three months before the examination.

- 2.IBBI, as the designated Authority, also conducts Valuation Examinations in terms of rule 5 of the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017(Valuation Rules). The said rule *inter-alia* empowers IBBI to determine the syllabus, format and frequency of the examination, to be published at least three months before the examination.
- 3.In order to bring in objectivity and improvements in the scheme of above examinations, it has been decided that frequency of attempt in an LIE or valuation examination, as the case may be, for every candidate, shall be determined after taking into account a cooling off period of 2-months between each consecutive attempts of such candidate, thereby making a total of 6 attempts in a period of 12 months.
- 4.You are, therefore, advised to implement/ follow the above requirements in LIE/ Valuation Examinations conducted/ attempted after expiry of the period of 3 months from the date of this circular.
- 5.This circular is being issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provisions of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, Regulations made thereunder and the Valuation Rules.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-Rajesh Tiwari General Manager Tel: 011 2346 2864

Email: trajesh.74@ibbi.gov.in

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### CIRCULAR

No. IP/003/2018 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on web site of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### Sub: Insolvency professional not to outsource his responsibilities.

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) read with regulations made thereunder cast specific duties and responsibilities on an insolvency professional. An insolvency professional is required to perform certain tasks under the Code while acting as an Interim Resolution Professional, a Resolution Professional, a Liquidator or a Bankruptcy Trustee for various processes. For example, an insolvency professional is required to manage the operations of the corporate debtor as a going concern. He is also required to invite resolution plans, examine them and present to the committee of creditors for its approval such resolution plans which comply with the provisions of the Code. To assist him in carrying out his responsibilities, the Code read with regulations allow an insolvency professional to appoint accountants, legal or other professionals, as may be necessary.

- 2.It has been observed that a few insolvency professionals are advising the prospective resolution applicants to submit a certificate from another person to the effect that they are eligible to be resolution applicants. This requirement amounts to outsourcing responsibilities of an insolvency professional to another person. Further, this adds to cost of the resolution applicant and delays submission of resolution plans. The Code read with regulations do not envisage such a certification from a third person.
- 3.It is hereby directed that an insolvency resolution professional shall not outsource any of his duties and responsibilities under the Code. He shall not require any certificate from another person certifying eligibility of a resolution applicant.
- 4.This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 read with section 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

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### 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mayur Bhawan Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### CIRCULAR

No. IP/002/2018 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018

То

All Registered Insolvency Professionals
All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies
(By mail to registered email addresses and on the web site of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### Sub: Insolvency professional to ensure compliance with provisions of the applicable laws.

A corporate person undergoing insolvency resolution process, fast track insolvency resolution process, liquidation process or voluntary liquidation process under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) needs to comply with provisions of the applicable laws (Acts, Rules and Regulations, Circulars, Guidelines, Orders, Directions, etc.) during such process. For example, a corporate person undergoing insolvency resolution process, if listed on a stock exchange, needs to comply with every provision of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, unless the provision is specifically exempted by the competent authority or becomes inapplicable by operation of law for the corporate person.

- 2.It is hereby directed that while acting as an Interim Resolution Professional, a Resolution Professional, or a Liquidator for a corporate person under the Code, an insolvency professional shall exercise reasonable care and diligence and take all necessary steps to ensure that the corporate person undergoing any process under the Code complies with the applicable laws.
- 3.It is clarified that if a corporate person during any of the aforesaid processes under the Code suffers any loss, including penalty, if any, on account of non-compliance of any provision of the applicable laws, such loss shall not form part of insolvency resolution process cost or liquidation process cost under the Code. It is also clarified that the insolvency professional will be responsible for the non-compliance of the provisions of the applicable laws if it is on account of his conduct.
- 4.This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 read with section 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

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# 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Mayur Bhawan Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

# CIRCULAR

No. IP/001/2018 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2018

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on web site of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Sub: Insolvency professional to use Registration Number and Registered Address in all his communications.

It has been observed that a few insolvency professionals are using different addresses and emails while communicating with the stakeholders, despite repeated advice from the Insolvency Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) to use the addressees and emails registered with the IBBI in all their communications.

- 2.It is hereby directed that in all his communications, whether by way of public announcement or otherwise to a stakeholder or to an authority, an insolvency professional shall prominently state: (i) his name, address and email, as registered with the IBBI, (ii) his Registration Number as an insolvency professional granted by the IBBI, and (iii) the capacity in which he is communicating (Example: As Interim Resolution Professional of XYZ Limited, As Resolution Professional of ABC Limited, etc.).
- 3.Additionally, an insolvency professional may use a process (Example: CIRP, Liquidation, etc.) specific address and email in its communications, if he considers it necessary subject to the conditions that: (i) the process specific address and email are in addition to the details required in Para 2 above, and (ii) the insolvency professional continues to service the process specific address and email for at least six months from conclusion of his role in the process.
- 4.This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 read with section 208 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-

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7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/CIRP/016/2018

10th August, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Sub: Notice for Meetings of the Committee of Creditors under section 24 (3) (a) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with regulation 21 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) confers certain privileges on financial creditors on the premise, as reasoned by the Bankruptcy Law Reforms Committee:

"The Committee deliberated on who should be on the creditors committee, given the power of the creditors committee to ultimately keep the entity as a going concern or liquidate it. The Committee reasoned that members of the creditors committee have to be creditors both with the capability to assess viability, as well as to be willing to modify terms of existing liabilities in negotiations. Typically, operational creditors are neither able to decide on matters regarding the insolvency of the entity, nor willing to take the risk of postponing payments for better future prospects for the entity. The Committee concluded that, for the process to be rapid and efficient, the Code will provide that the creditors committee should be restricted to only the financial creditors."

2.As members of the committee of creditors (CoC), the financial creditors discharge several critical responsibilities, including invitation, receipt, consideration and approval of resolution plans under the Code. Their conduct has serious implications for continued business of a corporate debtor and consequently on the economy. The Hon'ble Adjudicating Authority has expressed concern about their conduct in a few matters.

3.By order dated 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 in the matter of SBJ Exports & Mfg. Pvt. Ltd. Vs. BCC Fuba India Ltd. (CP-659/2016), the Hon'ble Adjudicating Authority observed: "... An unenviable situation has been created by the conduct of the members of the CoC. Despite the fact that the Resolution Professional apprised the CoC that the period of 180 days is to expire on 12.02.2018 and sanction be granted for moving an application before the Adjudicating Authority for extension of the period. The CoC has behaved the way we have recorded in the preceding paras.". It further observed: "A strange phenomena has developed in so far as the functioning of the CoC is concerned. In a number of cases it has now been seen that Members of the CoC are nominated by Financial Creditors like Banks without conferring upon them the authority to take decision on the spot which acts as a block in the time bound process contemplated by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016. Such like speed breakers and roadblocks obviously cause obstacles to achieve the targets of speedy disposal of the CIR process.". It directed: "In view of the above we direct the Resolution Professional to bring this order to the notice of the

CoC so that appropriate steps be taken. A copy of this order be sent to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India for taking suitable action in respect of the conduct of the Members of CoC in the present matter as well as in the day to day functioning of the Members of CoC generally speaking.".

4.In the other matter of Jindal Saxena Financial Services Pvt. Ltd. Vs. Mayfair Capital Private Limited (C.P. No. (IB)-84(PB)/2017), the Hon'ble Adjudicating Authority noted that there were four financial creditors who attended the first meeting of the CoC. In the said meeting, the CoC did not approve appointment of interim resolution professional (IRP) as resolution professional (RP) since two of the four financial creditors, having aggregate voting rights of 77.97% required internal approvals from their competent authorities. It observed: "We deprecate this practice. The Financial Creditors/Banks must send only those representatives who are competent to take decisions on the spot. The wastage of time causes delay and allows depletion of value which is sought to be contained. The IRP/RP must in the communication addressed to the Banks/Financial Creditors require that only competent members are authorized to take decisions should be nominated on the CoC. Likewise, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India shall take a call on this issue and frame appropriate Regulations."

5.Section 24 (3) (a) of the Code requires the resolution professional to give notice of each meeting of the CoC to members of the CoC and other persons. Regulation 21 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 specifies the content of the notice for meetings of the CoC.

6.In view of the above, the interim resolution professional or the resolution professional, as the case may be, is directed that he shall, in every notice of meeting of the CoC and any other communication addressed to the financial creditors, other than creditors under section 21 (6A) (b), require that they must be represented in the CoC or in any meeting of the CoC by such persons who are competent and are authorised to take decisions on the spot and without deferring decisions for want of any internal approval from the financial creditors.

7. This Circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 (1) (aa) read with 196 (1) (g) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(Ranjeeta Dubey) General Manager Email: ranjeeta@ibbi.gov.in

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi - 110001

### CIRCULAR

### No. IBBI/IP/56/2022

24th November, 2022

To, All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses)

Dear Madam/Sir,

# Subject: Payment of fees to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (the IBBI/Board)

The Board has recently amended its following regulations, vide which it has effected revision of existing fee structure along with relevant forms, applicable to Insolvency professionals (IPs) and Insolvency Professional Entities (IPEs) and has also introduced regulatory fee as per details in appreximent.

- i. IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016;
- ii. IBBI (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016; and
- iii. IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016.
- 2.All Insolvency Professional Agencies (IPAs), their professional members and all IPEs are requested to take note of the aforesaid amendments for strict compliance.
- 3. The fee referred to in the annexure, for which online payment module is not yet implemented, shall be credited to bank account of the Board, as per details below:-

Beneficiary Name: Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

Bank: Punjab National Bank A/c No.: 0128002100302250 IFSC: PUNB0112000

Branch: ECE House, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

GST Number: 07AAAGI0193K1ZD

4. This circular is issued with the approval of competent authority.

-Sd/-

(Deepak Rao) General Manager Email: <u>deepak.rao@ibbi.gov.in</u> Fees payable to the Board by Insolvency Professionals (IPs) and Insolvency Professional

Entities (IPEs)\* Existing Particulars Effective Sr. Payabl Revise No. Date of e By Rate d Applicabilit Rate Insolvency Professionals - Individuals Rs.10,000/ Rs.20,000/-(i) Application Fees (One-time) Applicant (Individual Octobe Form A submitted through r 2022 ) seeking dedicated online registration registration as an IP module] Fees (5 yearly) Rs.10,000/ Rs.20,000/-(Individual Octobe [Submitted ) r 2022 h dedicated **online** module] ΙP 0.25% 1.00% Annual Fee 1 st (iii (Individual) Octobe [Form E submitted through r 2022 dedicated **online** module] professional professional fee earned for fee earne services for rendered as an th IP in services preceding rendered financial year. s an IP in the preceding financial vear Insolvency Professional Entities Application Fees for Rs.50,000/ Rs.2,00,000/ recognition as an IP (One-Octobe time) r 2022 [Form C submitted through dedicated **online** recognitio n module] NΑ Rs.2,00,000/ Application Fees IPE registration of IPE as an IP applying Octobe r 2022 (One-time) for egistration [Form AA to be submitted as an IP through **physical** mode/ multiple payment modes] (iii Fees (5 yearly) IPE NA Rs.2,00,000/ registered Octobe Page 1988 of ΙΤο r 2022 submitted through **physical** mode/ multiple payment modes] 1.00% (iv) Annual Fee IPE 0.25% Octobe r 2022 turnover turnover

	[Form G submitted through dedicated online module]  Change in composition of Board of IPE  [Form F to be submitted through physical mode/multiple payment modes]		the preceding financial year.  Rs.2,000/-per individual (cessation/joining)	(excluding professional fee) in the preceding financial year. Rs.2,000/- per individual (cessation/ joining)	1 <sup>st</sup> Octobe r 2022
(i)	Regulatory Fee Related to resolution plans  [To be submitted through physical mode/multiple payment modes]	IP	NA	realisable value t o creditors under the resolution plan approved under section 31, shall be payable to the Board, where such realisable value is more than th	2022
	Related to hiring any professional or other services  [Form EA to be submitted through physical mode/	IP	NA	liquidation value.  1.00% of the cost bein g booked in insolvency	1st Octobe r 2022
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# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

Circular No. IPA/011/2018

23rd April, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on the website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

# Subject: Pre-registration educational course under regulation 5(b) of the IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016

In terms of the IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016, an individual is eligible for registration as an insolvency professional, subject to meeting other requirements, if he has completed a pre-registration educational course, as may be required by the Board, from an insolvency professional agency (IPA) after his enrolment as a professional member.

2. In consultation with IPAs, the IBBI hereby specifies the details of pre-registration educational course to be conducted by them as under:

Sl. No	Coverage	Time (Hours)
1	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Reforms	2
	Report of the Bankruptcy Law Reforms Committee	
	Report of the Joint Committee of the Parliament	
	Report of the Insolvency Law Committee	
	Legislative Guide on Insolvency Law of UNCITRAL	
2	Drafting and Filing of Applications for initiation of CIRP on behalf of:	
	Financial Creditor	2
	Operational Creditor	
	Corporate Debtor	
	Drafting and Filing of other Miscellaneous Applications	
	Case Laws relating to Admission for CIRP	
3	Familiarisation with Forms and Formats under:	2
	<ul> <li>Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority)</li> </ul>	
	Rules, 2016	
	IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations,	
	2016	
	IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016	
	IBBI (Voluntary Liquidation) Regulations, 2017	
	IBBI (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017	
	• IBBI (Grievances and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017	
4	Taking over the Corporate Debtor as IRP / RP	2
	• Finance	
	Labour	
	Security	

	Essential Services	
	Litigations	
5	Managing the Corporate Debtor	3
	Going Concern as IRP / RP	
	Interim Finance	
	Statutory Compliances	
6	Claims with Examples	2
	Verification	
	Rejection	
	Disputed Claims	
	Contingent Claims	
	• Appeals	
	Constitution of CoC	
7	Conduct the first meeting of the CoC and Subsequent Meetings	3
	Notices	
	Invitation	
	Agenda	
	Meeting & Video Meeting	
	Voting & E-Voting	
	Minutes	
8	Appearance before Adjudicating/Appellate Authority	2
9	Witness the Proceedings before	4
,	NCLT	
	• NCLAT	
10	Detection and Filing for	2
10	Preferential Transactions	
	Undervalued Transactions	
	Fraudulent Transactions	
	Extortionate Credit Transactions	
	Forensic Audit	
11	Moratorium	1
1 1	Essential Services	1
	Proceeding against Guarantor	
	Assets of Guarantor to Corporate Debtor	
	Assets of Guarantor to Corporate Debtor     Case Laws	
12		2
12	Fees and Expenses  • Fee as IRP / RP	
	Insurance	
	Insurance     Valuers and Other Professionals	
1.2	• Other Expenses	
13	Information Memorandum	2
	Preparation     M. I'S actions	
	Modification  Given to the second secon	
	Circulation	
1.	• Access	
14	Invitation of Resolution Plans	3
	• EoI	

	• RFP	
	Data Room	
	Evaluation Matrix	
15	Eligibility for Resolution Applicants	3
13	Commercial	3
	Antecedents	
	Section 29A	
1.6		2
16	Resolution Plan	3
	Mandatory Content     Content	
	Contravention of Other Laws	
	Dues of Stakeholders	
	Case Laws	
	Approval by CoC	
	Filing before Adjudicating Authority	
	Managing Corporate Debtor Post Approval of Plan	
17	Liquidation Process	4
	Initiation of Liquidation	
	Powers and Duties of Liquidator	
	Preparation of Liquidation Estate	
	<ul> <li>Manner and Mode of Sale of Assets</li> </ul>	
	Waterfall on Distribution of Assets	
	Dissolution of Corporate Debtor	
18	Disciplinary Aspects	2
-	IBBI (Inspection and Investigation) Regulations, 2017	
	IBBI (Grievances and Complaint Handling Procedure) Regulations, 2017	
	IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016	
19	Governance	3
	Code of Conduct	
	• Ethics	
	Professional Standards	
	Conflict Management	
	Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption policies	
	Disclosures	
20		3
20	Management  • Leadership	3
	Zewersinp	
	Communication	
	Negotiation	
T 1	• Personality	50
Total		50

- 3.The pre-registration educational course shall be delivered by the IPAs in not less than 50 hours either in class room sessions or in MOOCS environment. The participants must have opportunity to do the tasks themselves in a near-real environment with practical examples.
- 4. This pre-registration educational course will be reviewed on 31st March, 2019.

5. This circular is issued in exercise of powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 read with regulation 5(b) of the IBBI (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

(Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri) Chief General Manager Email: dr.chaudhuri@ibbi.gov.in

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### CIRCULAR

### No. IBBI/LIO/57/2022

21st December 2022

To

All Registered Insolvency Professional All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professionals Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the Board)

Dear Madam /Sir,

Subject: Proforma for reporting liquidator's decision(s) different from the advice of Stakeholders' Consultation Committee (SCC) under proviso to sub-regulation (10) of regulation 31A of IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016

Sub-regulation (1) of regulation 31A of the IBBI (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016 (Liquidation Regulations) provides that the liquidator shall constitute a SCC to advise him on matters relating to remuneration of professionals, sale under regulation 32, fees of liquidator, valuation, etc. Sub-regulation (10) of regulation 31A as amended vide notification dated 16.09.2022, provides that the '... advice of the consultation committee shall not be binding on the liquidator'. The proviso to sub-regulation (10) provides that 'where the liquidator takes a decision different from the advice given by the consultation committee, he shall record the reasons for the same in writing and submit the records relating to the said decision, to the Adjudicating Authority and to the Board within five days of the said decision; and include it in the next progress report.'

2.In pursuance of the above, the Board has made available an electronic platform at <a href="https://www.ibbi.gov.in">www.ibbi.gov.in</a>, for reporting the liquidator's decisions different from the advice given by the SCC. The proforma for such reporting is placed as **Annexure**.

- 3.The insolvency professionals are directed to make use of the aforesaid proforma for reporting to the Board and Adjudicating Authority, under proviso to sub-regulation (10) of regulation 31 A
- 4.This Circular is issued in exercise of the powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours sincerely, Sd/-(Rajesh Tiwari) General Manager Tel: 011-2436 2864

Email: trajesh.74@ibbi.gov.in

# Annexure

# Proforma for Reporting Liquidator's Decision(s) different from the Advice of Stakeholders' Consultation Committee

(Under proviso to Regulation 31A (10) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016)

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Date of meeting of consultation committee	
Agenda(s) on which decision of liquidator is different	
from the advice given by consultation committee	
Summary of advice provided by consultation committee	
Justification for taking the decision different from the	
advice by consultation committee	
Voting results	
Assent (%)	
Dissent (%)	
Did not vote (%)	
Minutes of the consultation committee	

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CIRCULAR

No. IBBI/II/39/2021

2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Sub: Providing copy of application to the Board, as mandated under Rule 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority for Insolvency Resolution Process for Personal Guarantors to Corporate Debtors) Rules, 2019.

Rule 9 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority for Insolvency Resolution Process for Personal Guarantors to Corporate Debtors) Rules, 2019 mandates an applicant to provide a copy of the application filed under sub-section (1) of section 94 or sub-section (1) of section 95 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) for initiation for insolvency resolution process of a personal guarantor to a corporate debtor, inter alia, to the Board for its record.

2.For convenience of applicants, the Board has made available a facility on its website at <a href="https://ibbi.gov.in/intimation-applications/iaaa-personal-one">https://ibbi.gov.in/intimation-applications/iaaa-personal-one</a> for providing a copy of the application online to the Board. The format for submission is at **Annexure A.** A step-by-step guide for submission of the application is at **Annexure B.** On submission of the application online, the applicant shall get an acknowledgement. The applicants are encouraged to avail of this facility.

3. This is issued in exercise of the powers under clause (k) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Code.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-(Sushanta Kumar Das) Deputy General Manager Email: das.sushanta@ibbi.gov.in

Encl.: Annexure A & B

Copy to: Registrars of all Benches of the National Company Law Tribunal and Debt

Recovery Tribunal.

# Annexure A

Format for Providing a Copy of Application for Initiation of Insolvency Resolution Process of Personal Guarantors

Details of Application		
Application by	Guarantor / Creditor(s) (Radio Button)	
Application under	Section 94 / Section 95 (Radio Button)	
Application to be filed at	NCLT / DRT (Radio Button)	
IfNCLT	List of NCLT Benchesby dropdown	
If DRT	List of DRT Benchesby dropdown	
Application filed on		

IF RADIO BUTTON 94 IS SELECTED		
Details of Applicant		
Name		
DIN / PAN / AADHAAR		
Mobile No.		
E-mail		
Residential Address		
Address for Correspondence		
Details of the Creditor, who has	invoked the Personal Guarantee	
Name of the Creditor		
Individual/Body Corporate	Individual / Body Corporate [Radio Button]	
If Individual	DIN / PAN / AADHAAR	
If Body Corporate	CIN / LLPIN	
Mobile Number of the Creditor		
E-mail		
Residential / Registered Address		
Address for Correspondence		
Amount of Default for which the Guarantee	₹	
has been invoked		
Total Number of Creditors		
Total Amount of Debt	₹	

IF RADIO BUTTON 95 IS SELECTED			
Details of Applicant / First Applicant			
Name			
Individual/Body Corporate	Individual / Body Corporate [Radio Button]		
If Individual	DIN / PAN / AADHAAR		
If Body Corporate	CIN / LLPIN		
Mobile Number			
E-mail			
Residential / Registered Address			
Address for Correspondence			
Date of Demand Notice			
Amount of Default for which the Guarantee	₹		
has been invoked			
Number of Applicants, other than the First			
Applicant (If submitted by more than one			
applicant)			
Total Amount of Debt, if known	₹		

Details of Personal Guarantor against whom IRP is to be initiated			
Name			
DIN / PAN / AADHAAR			
Mobile No.			
E-mail			
Residential Address			
Address for Correspondence			
Address for Correspondence			

Details of Corporate Debtor to whom the guarantor has extended personal guarantee			
Name			
CIN / LLPIN			
Registered Address			
Whether CIRP has been initiated against the	Yes / No [Radio Button]		
Corporate Debtor			
Stage of the CIRP	Application for CIRP filed		
	2. CIRP going on		
	3. Resolution Plan Approved		
	4. Liquidation going on		
	5. Corporate Debtor Dissolved		
Date of Commencement of CIRP			
Date of Commencement of Liquidation			

Details of Resolution Professional			
Name of IP			
PAN			
Mobile No.			
E-mail			
IBBI Registration No.			
Address for Correspondence			
Whether application is filed through the RP	Yes / No		
Whether name of the RP is proposed in the	Yes / No		
application			
Date of Consent to act as RP			

Details of Authorised Representative who is filing the application

Name		
DIN / PAN / AADHAAR		
Mobile No.		
E-mail		
Residential Address		
Address for Correspondence		

Document Upload		
Copy of Application	Upload the pdf file only	
Date:	Place:	

**Submit with OTP** 

# Annexure B Step-by-step guide to fill the format

- 1. Scan the copy of the application with all Annexures in a **.pdf** format. If required, please compress the pdf size up to 20 MB.
- Click on link: <a href="https://ibbi.gov.in/intimation-applications/iaaa-personal-one">https://ibbi.gov.in/intimation-applications/iaaa-personal-one</a>
   Fill the information, as prompted.
- 4. Once the information is filled, kindly double-check all the details filled in the Form.5. Attach the copy of the application in pdf in the option provided below.
- 6. Thereafter, click the submit button and an "ACKNOWLEDGMENT ID" will be generated.
- 7. This "ACKNOWLEDGMENT ID" shall also be used for all references with the Board.

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi - 110001

### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/IP/55/2022 9th November, 2022

All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies The Registered Information Utility (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Sir/ Madam,

### **Subject: Review of Regulations**

The Board had issued few circulars, from time to time, in exercise of powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 in order to facilitate Insolvency Professionals to carry out processes under the Code.

- 2. The Board conducted an exercise of review of regulations, circulars based on experience gained. It is observed that certain circulars are no longer required on account of being already provided in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016 [IP Regulation] or the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Model Bye-Laws and Governing Board of Insolvency Professional Agencies) Regulations, 2016 [Model Bye-Laws Regulations] or the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017 [IU Regulations], as the case may be.
- 3. Accordingly, it has been decided to rescind circulars listed in the Annexure, with immediate effect.
- 4. You are advised to take note of the above and follow the provisions of relevant Regulations.
- 5. The circular is issued with the approval of competent authority.

Yours sincerely,

(Dilip Arjun Khandale) Deputy General Manager Tel: 011-23462870

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Sl.	Date of Issue	Subject	Brief of Circular	Incorporation
No.	And Circular No.	Subject	Brief of Circular	Incorporation
1	No. IP/001/2018 Dated January 3, 2018	Use of Registration Number etc.	An IP is required to prominently state in all his communications, whether by way of public announcement or otherwise to a stakeholder or to an authority, his name, address, email, Registration Number etc.	Clause 15A of 'Code of Conduct' specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations.
2	No. IP/002/2018 Dated January 3, 2018	IP to ensure compliance with provisions of the applicable laws.	IPs were directed to exercise reasonable care and diligence and take all necessary steps to ensure that the corporate person undergoing any process under the Code complies with the applicable laws.  It was further clarified that any loss, including penalty, if any, because of noncompliance of applicable laws, shall not form part of IRPC or liquidation process cost under the Code.  Further, IP will be responsible for the noncompliance of applicable laws if it is because of his	Clauses 27A and 27B of 'Code of Conduct' specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations.
3	No.	IP not to	conduct.  It was directed that an IP	Already covered under
3	IP/003/2018 Dated January 3, 2018	outsource his responsibilities.	shall not outsource any of his duties and responsibilities under the Code.	regulation 7 (2) (bb) of IP Regulations.
4	No. IP/004/2018 Dated January 16, 2018	Fees payable to IP and to other professionals appointed by the IP	The IBBI clarified that an IP shall render services for a fee which is a reasonable reflection of his work, raise bills / invoices in his name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his bank account.	Part of the provisions were already covered under clauses 25, 25A, 26 and 27 of the 'Code of Conduct' specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations.  Clause 25B, 25C and 26A of the 'Code of Conduct'

Sl. No.	Date of Issue And Circular No.	Subject	Brief of Circular	Incorporation
			Any payment of fees for the services of an IP to any person, other than the IP, shall not form part of the IRPC.	specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations has been inserted.
			Similarly, any other professional (such as registered valuer) appointed by an IP shall raise bills / invoices in his / its name towards such fees, and such fees shall be paid to his / its bank account.	
5	No. IP/005/2018 Dated January 16, 2018	Disclosures by IPs and other Professionals appointed by IPs conducting Resolution Processes	It was directed that an IP and every other professional appointed by the IP for a resolution process shall make certain disclosures to the IPA of which he is a member within a stipulated timeframe.  The IPA was required to facilitate receipt of the disclosures and disseminate such disclosures on its website within stipulated timeframe.	Part of the provisions already covered under Regulation 40B of IBBI (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 [CIRP Regulations].  Clauses 8A, 8B, 8C and 8D of the 'Code of Conduct' specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations have been inserted.  Clause 6 (3) in Schedule to the Model Bye Laws
6	No. IP(CIRP)/007/2018 Dated February 23, 2018	Confidentiality of information relating to processes under the Code	It was directed that an IP, whether acting as IRP, RP or Liquidator, except to the extent provided in the Code and Rules, Regulations or Circulars issued thereunder, (i) shall keep every information related to the processes confidential; and (ii)shall not disclose or provide access to any such information to any unauthorised person.	Regulations have been inserted.  Already covered in clause 21 of 'Code of Conduct' specified in First Schedule to IP Regulations.

Sl. No.	Date of Issue And Circular No.	Subject	Brief of Circular	Incorporation
7	No. IBBI/IP/021/2019 Dated May 2, 2019	Surrender of Membership	It was advised that an IPA shall not ordinarily accept temporary surrender of professional membership, where the IP is conducting a process under the Code. Certain forms were stipulated.	Already covered in IP Regulations and Model Bye-Laws Regulations.  With introduction of Authorisation for Assignment, the issue of temporary surrender has become redundant. In this regard, the Board has issued clarification no. IBBI/IP/2022 dated April 11, 2022
8	IPA/009/2018 Dated April 19, 2018	Annual Compliance Certificate for Insolvency Professional Agencies	Stipulations regarding annual compliance certificate to be submitted by IPAs to IBBI were issued.	Upon rescission of the circular, revised circular containing the format of annual compliance certificate aligning with latest Regulations, issued vide reference no. IBBI/IPA/54/2022 on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November, 2022 under Regulation 7(3) of Model Bye-Laws amended.
9	No. IBBI/IPA/43/2021 Dated July 28, 2021	Monetary Penalties to be imposed by an Insolvency Professional Agency	It issued directions upon IPAs to amend their Byelaws to provide for the maximum and minimum monetary penalty, in stipulated circumstances.	Clause 24(2)(d) of the schedule to the Model Bye-Laws Regulations has been amended.
10	No: LA/010/2018 Dated April 23, 2018	Commencement of Disciplinary Proceeding	It was clarified that (i) a disciplinary proceeding is considered as pending against an IP from the time he has been issued a show cause notice by IBBI till its disposal by the disciplinary committee; and (ii) an IP who has been issued a show cause notice shall not accept any fresh assignment as IRP, RP, liquidator, or a bankruptcy trustee under the Code.	Already provided in clause 23A of the schedule stipulated in the Model Bye-Laws Regulations.  Explanation has been inserted to aforesaid clause.
11	No. IBBI/IU/025/2019	Statutory Repositories under regulation	The MCA 21 database of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and the Central	Regulation 21(2)(c)(ii) of IU Regulations has been

Sl. No.	Date of Issue And Circular No.	Subject	Brief of Circular	Incorporation
	Dated September 7,	21(2)(c)(ii) of	Registry of Securitisation	amended to include the
	2019	the Insolvency	Asset Reconstruction and	provisions of the circular.
		and Bankruptcy	Security Interest of India	
		Board of India	(CERSAI) registry were	
		(Information	approved as repositories for	
		Utilities)	the purposes of regulation	
		Regulations,	21(2)(c)(ii) of IU	
		2017	Regulations.	

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India Limited Insolvency Examination Division Valuation Examinations Division

No. IBBI/EXAM/52/2022 Dated: 31st August 2022

# **CIRCULAR**

To,
All Test Administrators
All Insolvency Professional Agencies
All Registered Valuer Organisations
All candidates registered in the examination system
(Through IBBI website)

# Subject: Revision of fees applicable for Limited Insolvency Examination and Valuation Examinations.

IBBI conducts the Limited Insolvency Examination (LIE) in pursuance to regulation 3 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Professionals) Regulations, 2016. The said regulation *inter-alia* empowers IBBI to determine the syllabus, format and frequency of the examination to test the knowledge and application of knowledge of individuals in the areas of insolvency, bankruptcy and allied subjects.

- 2.IBBI, as the designated Authority, conducts the Valuation Examinations in three assets class, in pursuance to Rule 5 of the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017. The said rule *inter-alia* empowers IBBI to determine the syllabus, format and frequency of the examination, to test candidate's professional knowledge, skills, values and ethics in respect of valuation.
- 3.Presently, the examination fee of Rs. 1,500+ applicable GST, i.e. Rs.1,770 is payable per enrolment for each of these exams. It has been decided that the fee of Rs. 5,000+ applicable GST, i.e. Rs. 5,900 for the LIE or Valuation Examinations shall be payable for each enrolment on or after 01st October 2022.
- 4.This circular is being issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provisions of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, Regulations made thereunder and the Valuation Rules.

Yours faithfully

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# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi – 110 001

### Circular No. IBBI/LAD/58/2023

04th March, 2023

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All Registered Insolvency Professionals
All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities
All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies
(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Subject: Serving of copy of applications to the Board, as mandated under Rules 4, 6 and 7 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016.

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy (Application to Adjudicating Authority) Rules, 2016, as amended *vide* notification No. G.S.R. 583(E) dated 24th September, 2020 published in the Gazette of India, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), No. 474 dated 24th September, 2020 obligates an applicant to provide a copy of the application for initiating corporate insolvency resolution process (CIRP) against a corporate debtor, *inter alia*, to the Board, before filing the same with the Adjudicating Authority.

- 2.Accordingly, for convenience of applicants, the Board has made available a facility on its website at <a href="https://ibbi.gov.in/en/intimation-applications/apply-iaa">https://ibbi.gov.in/en/intimation-applications/apply-iaa</a> for serving a copy of the application online to the Board *vide* Circular No. IBBI/IU/35/2020 dated 29th October 2020.
- 3.Recently, IBBI has, *vide* Circular No. IBBI/IU/51/2022 dated 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022 decided to forward all the applications received for initiating insolvency to the Information Utility (IU) and, the IU is required to (a) inform other creditors of the CD by sharing the application; (b) issue notice to the applicant, requiring it to file 'information of default' as per IU Regulations; and (c) process the 'information of default' for the purpose of issuing ROD as per the IU.
- 4.Accordingly, to ensure filing of authentic information with the Board and further enable Board to share information relating to the application for initiation of CIRP with the IU efficiently, the format has been revised. The revised format is at **Annexure A**. A step-by-step guide for submission of the application is at **Annexure B**. On submission of the application online, the applicant shall get an acknowledgment. The applicants are encouraged to avail of this facility.
- 5.The provisions of this circular shall supersede IBBI's Circular No. IBBI/IU/35/2020 dated 29th October 2020. This is issued in exercise of the powers under clause (k) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-(C. Ramachandra Rao) General Manager

Copy to: Registrars of all Benches of the National Company Law Tribunals.

### Annexure A

### Format for Serving a Copy of Application for Initiation of CIRP

# **Details of Application**

Application by: Financial Creditor(s) Operational Creditor(s) Corporate Applicant Application Under: Section 7 Section 9 Section 10

Application to be filed at NCLT: Chennai, Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, etc.

Application to be filed on:

Amount of Default in INR (Aggregate amount of default to all applicants) (with validation of minimum Rs. 1,00,00,000/-):

# Details of Applicant/s

Applicant type

Name

PAN (mandatory with validation)

CIN/LLPIN

Contact/Mobile No.

E-mail (mandatory with validation)

Address for Correspondence

Number of Applicants, other than the First Applicant (If submitted by more than one applicant)

# [Option to add multiple applicants]

Applicant type

Name

PAN (mandatory with validation)

CIN/LLPIN (with validation)

Contact/Mobile No.

E-mail (mandatory with validation)

Address for Correspondence

# Details of Person, if any, authorised to file this Application

Name

PAN (with validation)

CIN/LLPIN (with validation)

Contact/Mobile No.

E-mail (with validation)

Address for Correspondence

# Details of Corporate Debtor against which CIRP is to be initiated

Name

PAN (mandatory with validation)

CIN/LLPIN (mandatory with validation)

Contact/Mobile No.

E-mail (mandatory with validation)

Registered Address

# Details of IP, if any, Proposed as IRP

Name PAN (with validation) Contact/Mobile No. E-mail (with validation) Address for Correspondence IBBI Registration No. Date of Consent to act as IRP

# Annexure B

# Step-by-step guide to fill the format

- 1. Scan the copy of the application with all Annexures in a .pdf format. If required, please scan the copy of the apprication with an Almexates in a .pdf for compress the pdf size up to 20 MB.
   Click on link - <a href="https://ibbi.gov.in/en/intimation-applications/iaaa">https://ibbi.gov.in/en/intimation-applications/iaaa</a>
   Fill the information, as prompted.

- 4. Once the information is filled, kindly double-check all the details filled in the Form.
- 5. Attach the copy of the application in pdf in the option provided below.6. Thereafter, click the submit button and an "ACKNOWLEDGMENT ID" will be generated. This "ACKNOWLEDGMENT ID" is to be quoted while filing the Application with the Adjudicating Authority.

  7. This "ACKNOWLEDGMENT ID" shall also be used for all references with the Board.

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

### CIRCULAR

### No. IBBI/RV/27/2019

13th August, 2019

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

All Registered Valuers, and

All Recognised Registered Valuer Organisations.

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam/Sir,

# Subject: Valuation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016: Appointment of Registered Valuer.

Para 6 of the Circular No. IBBI/RV/019/2018 dated 17th October, 2018 stipulates as under: "6. ....... every valuation required under the Code or any of the regulations made thereunder is required to be conducted by a 'registered valuer', that is, a valuer registered with the IBBI under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017. It is hereby directed that with effect from 1st February, 2019, no insolvency professional shall appoint a person other than a registered valuer to conduct any valuation under the Code or any of the regulations made thereunder."

### 2. It is reiterated that-

(i)appointment of any person, other than a 'registered valuer', that is, a valuer registered with the IBBI under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017, on or after 1stFebruary, 2019, to conduct any valuation required under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, or any regulations made thereunder, including the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016, and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016, is illegal and amounts to violation of the Circular aforesaid; and

(ii)payment, whether as fee or otherwise, to any person, other than a 'registered valuer' for any valuation referred to in paragraph (i), shall **not** form part of the insolvency resolution process costs or liquidation cost.

3. This is issued in exercise of the powers under clauses (aa), (g) and (p) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

-Sd-(Amit Sahu) Deputy General Manager Email: sahu.amit@ibbi.gov.in

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### CIRCULAR

### No. IBBI/RV/019/2018

17th October, 2018

To

All Registered Insolvency Professionals

All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities

All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

All Registered Valuers, and

All Recognised Registered Valuer Organisations.

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam /Sir,

### Subject: Valuation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016

The Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017 notified under the Companies Act, 2013 provides a comprehensive framework for development and regulation of the profession of valuers. Subject to meeting other requirements, an individual is eligible to be a registered valuer, if he (i) is a fit and proper person, (ii) has the necessary qualification and experience, (iii) is a valuer member of a Registered Valuer Organisation (RVO), (iv) has completed a recognised educational course as member of a RVO, and (v) has passed the valuation examination conducted by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI), and (vi) is recommended by the RVO for registration as a valuer. A partnership entity or a company is also eligible for registration subject to meeting the requirements.

- 2.The Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017, however, provides for a transitional arrangement as under:
- "11. Transitional Arrangement.— Any person who may be rendering valuation services under the Act, on the date of commencement of these rules, may continue to render valuation services without a certificate of registration under these rules upto 31st January, 2019:

Provided that if a company has appointed any valuer before such date and the valuation or any part of it has not been completed before 31st January, 2019, the valuer shall complete such valuation or such part within three months thereafter.

Explanation.— It is hereby clarified that conduct of valuation by any person under any law other than the Act, or these rules shall not be effected by virtue of coming into effect of these rules unless the relevant other laws or other regulatory bodies require valuation by such person in accordance with these rules in which case these rules shall apply for such valuation also from the date specified under the laws or by the regulatory bodies."

3.The IBBI performs the functions of the Authority under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017. It conducts valuation examinations for all three asset classes, namely, Land and Building, Plant and Machinery, and Securities or Financial Assets. It also recognises RVOs and registers valuers. There are eight RVOs and 162 registered valuers as on date, the details of which are available at <a href="https://www.ibbi.gov.in">www.ibbi.gov.in</a>.

- 4.A key objective of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) is maximisation of the value of assets of certain persons and consequently value for its stakeholders. A critical element towards achieving this objective is transparent and credible determination of value of the assets to facilitate comparison and informed decision making. The Code read with regulations made thereunder assign this responsibility to 'Registered Valuers'.
- 5.The regulations made under the Code specify requirements of valuation and who can conduct such valuation. For example, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 provide for valuation as under:
- "2(1)(m): "registered valuer" means a person registered as such in accordance with the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) and rules made thereunder."
- "27. The resolution professional shall within seven days of his appointment, but not later than forty-seventh day from the insolvency commencement date, appoint two registered valuers to determine the fair value and the liquidation value of the corporate debtor in accordance with regulation 35:

Provided.....".

6.In view of the above, every valuation required under the Code or any of the regulations made thereunder is required to be conducted by a 'registered valuer', that is, a valuer registered with the IBBI under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017. It is hereby directed that with effect from 1st February, 2019, no insolvency professional shall appoint a person other than a registered valuer to conduct any valuation under the Code or any of the regulations made thereunder.

7. This is issued in exercise of the powers under clauses (aa), (g), (p) and (t) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(Amit Sahu) Deputy General Manager Email: <u>sahu.amit@ibbi.gov.in</u>

# Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India 7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110001

#### **CIRCULAR**

No. IBBI/CIRP/018/2018 14th September, 2018

To All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies (By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam / Sir,

### **Sub: Voting in the Committee of Creditors**

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (Code) prescribes voting requirements for various approvals by the Committee of Creditors (CoC). For example, section 28(1) of the Code mandates that the Resolution Professional shall not take any of the actions listed thereunder without prior approval of the CoC. Section 28 (3) further provides that no action listed under section 28 (1) shall be approved by the CoC unless approved by a vote of sixty-six percent of the voting shares. Similarly, section 30 (4) of the Code provides that the CoC may approve a resolution plan by a vote of not less than sixty-six percent of voting share of the financial creditors. Further, in terms of regulation 2 (1) (f) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016 (Regulations), a dissenting financial creditor means a financial creditor who voted against the resolution plan or abstained from voting for the resolution plan, approved by the CoC. In this background, an issue has been raised whether a financial creditor, who is not yet admitted as a member of the CoC, would be considered a dissenting or abstaining financial creditor.

# 2. The relevant provisions in this regard are:

a. Section 13 of the Code mandates a public announcement calling for the submission of claims under section 15. Further, section 15 mandates that the public announcement referred to in section 13 shall contain the last date for submission of claims, as may be specified.

b.Regulation 12 of the Regulations requires that a creditor shall submit claim with proof on or before the last date mentioned in the public announcement. It, however, provides that a creditor, who fails to submit claim with proof within the time stipulated in the public announcement, may submit claim with proof to the Interim Resolution Professional or the Resolution Professional, as the case may be, on or before the ninetieth day of the insolvency

commencement date. It further provides that a financial creditor, who submits claim after the stipulated date, shall be included in the CoC from the date of admission of such claim. And such inclusion shall not affect the validity of any decision taken by the CoC prior to such inclusion.

c.Section 18 of the Code mandates the Interim Resolution Professional to receive and collate all claims submitted by creditors to him, pursuant to public announcement under sections 13 and 15 of the Code and constitute a CoC. It also mandates him to list assets and liabilities of the corporate debtor as on the insolvency commencement date. Section 21 of the Code mandates that the Interim Resolution Professional shall, after collation of all claims received against the corporate debtor and determination of financial position of corporate debtor,

constitute a CoC. It further mandates that the CoC shall comprise all financial creditors of the corporate debtor. Section 24 (6) of the Code provides that each creditor shall vote in accordance with the voting share assigned to it based on financial debts owed to such creditor.

- d. Regulation 17 of the Regulations require that the Interim Resolution Professional shall file a report certifying constitution of the CoC to the Adjudicating Authority within two days of the verification of claims received under regulation 12.
- 3. A perusal of the above provisions make it clear that-
- a.The Code read with regulations provide for the manner of collection and verification of claims.
- b.The Interim Resolution Professional constitutes the CoC comprising financial creditors, whose claims have been admitted, as members.
- c.The voting power of a member in the CoC is based on the amount of admitted claim in respect of the financial debt.
- d.A financial creditor, whose claim has not been admitted, is included in the CoC as member, as and when its claim is admitted.
- e.Inclusion of a financial creditor in the CoC as a member subsequent to constitution of the CoC does not affect the validity of any decision taken by the CoC prior to such inclusion. f. The CoC decides the matters by the specified percentage of voting share of members.
- 4.Thus, a person, who is not a member of the CoC, does not have voting right in the CoC. A person, who is not a member of the CoC, cannot be regarded as one who has voted against a resolution plan or abstained from voting.
- 5.This is issued in exercise of the powers under clauses (aa) and (p) of sub-section (1) of section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

Yours faithfully, -Sd-(Ranjeeta Dubey) General Manager Email: ranjeeta@ibbi.gov.in

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### **CIRCULAR**

# No. IBBI/LIQ/2/2022

06th May, 2022

All Registered Insolvency Professionals All Recognised Insolvency Professional Entities All Registered Insolvency Professional Agencies

(By mail to registered email addresses and on website of the IBBI)

Dear Madam/Sir,

Subject: Withdrawal of Circular dated 26th August, 2019 regarding applicability of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019 notified on 25th July, 2019.

The Board had issued a Circular dated 26th August 2019 clarifying that the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019 (Amendment Regulations 2019) were applicable only to liquidation processes, which commenced on or after 25th July 2019.

- 2.In order to bring more clarity, the Board has notified the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2022 to clarify that provisions of regulations 2A, 21A, 31A and 44 as amended / inserted by the Amendment Regulations 2019 apply only to the liquidation processes commencing on or after  $25^{\text{th}}$  July, 2019.
- 3. In view of above, the Circular dated 26th August 2019 is withdrawn with immediate effect.
- 4. This circular is issued in exercise of the powers under section 196 of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

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