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The Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Sir,

Sub: Review of procedure of transmission of Mutual Fund units

1. Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2022 ("LODR Amendment Regulations") simplified the process of transmission for listed securities. Further, vide circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD_RTAMB/P/CIR/2022/65 dated May 18, 2022 ("MIRSD Circular"), SEBI has specified the formats and various documents which are required to be furnished for the processing of transmission of listed securities.
2. In this regard, SEBI vide letter no. SEBI/HO/IMD-II/DF3/P/OW/2022/24146/1 dated June 10, 2022, advised AMFI to review the existing guidelines prescribed for transmission of Mutual Fund units and accordingly align the procedure in terms of LODR Amendment Regulations.
3. In this regard, please refer to AMFI email dated March 16, 2023, wherein, *inter-alia*, draft guidelines on transmission of Mutual Fund units in line with the LODR Amendment regulations were submitted. Vide the said email, it was also represented that adequate safeguards may be enshrined for acceptance of documents such as Legal Heirship Certificate and copy of Will for transmission of Mutual Fund units.
4. In view of the above, the draft guidelines submitted by AMFI have been noted.

5. Additionally, with respect to the draft guidelines on transmission of Mutual Fund units, AMFI may consider incorporating the following provisions:
 - 5.1. In case of Legal Heirship Certificate or its equivalent certificate issued by a competent Government Authority, the same may be accompanied with following documents:
 - 5.1.1. A notarized indemnity bond from the legal heir(s)/ claimant(s), in the format as may be specified by AMFI, and;
 - 5.1.2. No objection from all non-claimants (remaining legal heirs), in the format as may be specified by AMFI.
 - 5.2. In case of Registered Will, the same may be accompanied with a notarized indemnity bond from the claimant (appropriate beneficiary of the Will) to whom the units are transmitted, in the format as may be specified by AMFI.
 - 5.3. Consequential changes, as applicable, may be carried out to ensure consistency of the transmission process for Mutual Funds in line with LODR Amendment Regulations and MIRSD Circular.
6. In view of the above, AMFI is advised to update the existing guidelines for transmission of Mutual Fund units and publish the same within 15 days of receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,



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