Reserve Bank of India Foreign Exchange Department Central Office Mumbai – 400 001

Notification No.FEMA.373/2016-RB

Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (Eleventh Amendment) Regulations, 2016

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (3) of Section 6 and Section 47 of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999), the Reserve Bank of India hereby makes the following amendments in the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) Regulations, 2000 (Notification No.FEMA.20/2000-RB dated 3rd May 2000) namely:-

1. Short Title & Commencement:-

(i) These Regulations may be called the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (Eleventh Amendment) Regulations, 2016.

(ii) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment of Schedule 1

In the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) Regulations, 2000, (<u>Notification No. FEMA 20/2000-RB dated 3rd May 2000</u>), in Schedule 1, in paragraph 2, after the existing sub-paragraph (4), a new sub-paragraph, by name '(5)' shall be inserted, namely:

"(5). A wholly owned subsidiary set up in India by a non-resident entity, operating in a sector where 100 percent foreign investment is allowed in the automatic route and there are no FDI linked conditionalities, may issue equity shares or preference shares or convertible debentures or warrants to the said non-resident entity against pre-incorporation/ pre-operative expenses incurred by the said non-resident entity up to a limit of five percent of its capital or USD 500,000 whichever is less, subject to the conditions laid down below.

- a. Within thirty days from the date of issue of equity shares or preference shares or convertible debentures or warrants but not later than one year from the date of incorporation or such time as Reserve Bank of India or Government of India permits, the Indian company shall report the transaction in the Form FC-GPR to the Reserve Bank.
- b. The valuation of the equity shares or preference shares or convertible debentures or warrants shall be subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 of these Regulations.
- c. A certificate issued by the statutory auditor of the Indian company that the amount of pre-incorporation/preoperative expenses against which equity shares or preference shares or convertible debentures or warrants have been issued has been utilized for the purpose for which it was received should be submitted with the FC-GPR form.

Explanation: Pre-incorporation/pre-operative expenses shall include amounts remitted to Investee Company's account, to the investor's account in India if it exists, to any consultant, attorney or to any other material/service provider for expenditure relating to incorporation or necessary for commencement of operations.

The Principal Regulations were published in the Official Gazette vide G.S.R. No.406 (E) dated May 8, 2000 in Part II, Section 3, sub-Section (i) and subsequently amended as under:-

G.S.R.No. 158(E) dated 02.03.2001 G.S.R.No. 175(E) dated 13.03.2001 G.S.R.No. 182(E) dated 14.03.2001 G.S.R.No. 4(E) dated 02.01.2002 G.S.R.No. 574(E) dated 19.08.2002 G.S.R.No. 223(E) dated 18.03.2003 G.S.R.No. 225(E) dated 18.03.2003 G.S.R.No. 558(E) dated 22.07.2003 G.S.R.No. 835(E) dated 23.10.2003 G.S.R.No. 899(E) dated 22.11.2003 G.S.R.No. 12(E) dated 07.01.2004 G.S.R.No. 278(E) dated 23.04.2004 G.S.R.No. 454(E) dated 16.07.2004 G.S.R.No. 625(E) dated 21.09.2004 G.S.R.No. 799(E) dated 08.12.2004 G.S.R.No. 201(E) dated 01.04.2005 G.S.R.No. 202(E) dated 01.04.2005 G.S.R.No. 504(E) dated 25.07.2005 G.S.R.No. 505(E) dated 25.07.2005 G.S.R.No. 513(E) dated 29.07.2005 G.S.R.No. 738(E) dated 22.12.2005 G.S.R.No. 29(E) dated 19.01.2006 G.S.R.No. 413(E) dated 11.07.2006 G.S.R.No. 712(E) dated 14.11.2007 G.S.R.No. 713(E) dated 14.11.2007 G.S.R.No. 737(E) dated 29.11.2007 G.S.R.No. 575(E) dated 05.08.2008 G.S.R.No. 896(E) dated 30.12.2008 G.S.R.No. 851(E) dated 01.12.2009 G.S.R.No. 341 (E) dated 21.04.2010 G.S.R.No. 821 (E) dated 10.11.2012 G.S.R.No. 606(E) dated 03.08.2012 G.S.R.No. 795(E) dated 30.10.2012 G.S.R.No. 796(E) dated 30.10.2012 G.S.R. No. 797(E) dated 30.10.2012 G.S.R.No. 945 (E) dated 31.12.2012 G.S.R. No.946(E) dated 31.12.2012 G.S.R. No.38(E) dated 22.01.2013 G.S.R.No.515(E) dated 30.07.2013

G.S.R.No.532(E) dated 05.08.2013 G.S.R. No.341(E) dated 28.05.2013 G.S.R.No.344(E) dated 29.05.2013 G.S.R. No.195(E) dated 01.04.2013 G.S.R.No.393(E) dated 21.06.2013 G.S.R.No.591(E) dated 04.09.2013 G.S.R.No.596(E) dated 06.09.2013 G.S.R.No.597(E) dated 06.09.2013 G.S.R.No.681(E) dated 11.10.2013 G.S.R.No.682(E) dated 11.10.2013 G.S.R. No.818(E) dated 31.12.2013 G.S.R. No.805(E) dated 30.12.2013 G.S.R.No.683(E) dated 11.10.2013 G.S.R.No.189(E) dated 19.03.2014 G.S.R.No.190(E) dated 19.03.2014 G.S.R.No.270(E) dated 07.04.2014 G.S.R.No. 361 (E) dated 27.05.2014 G.S.R.No.370(E) dated 30.05.2014 G.S.R.No.371(E) dated 30.05.2014 G.S.R.No. 435 (E) dated 08.07.2014 G.S.R.No. 400 (E) dated 12.06.2014 G.S.R.No. 436 (E) dated 08.07.2014 G.S.R.No. 487 (E) dated 11.07.2014 G.S.R.No. 632 (E) dated 02.09.2014 G.S.R.No. 798 (E) dated 13.11.2014 G.S.R.No. 799 (E) dated 13.11.2014 G.S.R.No. 800 (E) dated 13.11.2014 G.S.R.No. 829 (E) dated 21.11.2014 G.S.R.No. 906(E) dated 22.12.2014 G.S.R.No. 914 (E) dated 24.12.2014 G.S.R.No. 30 (E) dated 14.01.2015 G.S.R.No. 183 (E) dated 12.03.2015 G.S.R.No. 284 (E) dated 13.04.2015 G.S.R.No. 484 (E) dated 11.06.2015 G.S.R.No. 745 (E) dated 30.09.2015 G.S.R.No. 759 (E) dated 06.10.2015 G.S.R.No. 823 (E) dated 30.10.2015 G.S.R.No. 858 (E) dated 16.11.2015 G.S.R.No. 983 (E) dated 17.12.2015 G.S.R.No. 165 (E) dated 15.02.2016 G.S.R.No. 166 (E) dated 15.02.2016 G.S.R.No. 369 (E) dated 30.03.2016 G.S.R.No. 537 (E) dated 20.05.2016 Published in the Official Gazette of Government of

India – Extraordinary – Part-II, Section 3,

Sub-Section (i) dated 24.10.2016- G.S.R.No.1002 (E)