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1. Introduction

The "Know Your Customer" ("**KYC**") guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank Of India ("**RBI**") (RBI /DBR/2015-16/18 Master Direction DBR.AML.BC.No.81/14.01.001/2015-16 dated February 25, 2016) as updated from time to time aims at preventing Non-Banking Finance Companies ("**NBFCs**") from being used intentionally or unintentionally by criminal elements for committing financial frauds, transferring or deposits of funds derived from criminal activity or for financing terrorism. Accordingly, in compliance with the guidelines issued by RBI regularly, the Policy on Know Your Customer (KYC)/ Anti-Money Laundering (AML) Measures ("**Policy**") of Berar Finance Limited ("**Company**") is hereby formulated and approved by its Board of Directors ("**Board**").

2. Objectives

The Policy has been framed with the following objectives;

- a. To put in place an effective system and procedure for customer identification and verifying its / his / her identity and residential address.
- b. To prevent the Company from being used, intentionally or unintentionally, for Money Laundering or Terrorist Financing activities.
- c. To enable the Company to know/understand its customers and their financial dealings better; this in turn is expected to help manage associated risks prudently.
- d. To put in place appropriate controls for detection and reporting of suspicious activities in accordance with applicable laws/laid down procedures.

3. Applicability

This Policy is applicable to all products offered by the Company and all its offices and branches. This Policy is also applicable to all persons who are acting as agents of the Company.

4. Definitions

- a. "**Aadhaar number**" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (a) of section 2 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016).
- b. "**Account**" includes Deposits as well as borrowings by and from the Company.
- c. "**Act**" and "**Rules**" means the Prevention of Money-Laundering Act, 2002 and the Prevention of Money-Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005, respectively and amendments thereto. Together the Act and the Rules are referred to as PMLA.
- d. "**Beneficial Owner**" in relation to a customer is a person or an entity who is to be considered a beneficiary of the financial transaction entered in to with the Company by the customer. A list of persons who are to be considered as such BOs in relation to a customer is given below: -

Type of Customer	Persons to be considered Beneficial Owners (BOs)
Public / Private Limited Companies	a) A natural person having, whether alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, ownership of or entitlement to more than ten percent of shares or capital or profits of the Company; or b) A natural person having, whether alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, right to appoint majority of the directors or to control the management or policy decisions including by virtue of their shareholding or management rights or shareholder's agreements or voting agreements; or c) Where none of the above is been identified – a natural person who holds the position of senior managing official.
Partnership Firm	a) A natural person having, whether alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, ownership of/ entitlement to more than fifteen percent of capital or profits of the partnership; or b) Where the above is not been identified – a natural person who holds the position of senior managing official
Unincorporated association of persons or body of individuals	a) A natural person having, whether alone or together, or through one or more juridical person, ownership of/ entitlement to more than fifteen percent of property or capital or profits of such association or body of individuals; or b) Where the above is not been identified – a natural person who holds the position of senior managing official.
Trust/ Foundation	a) The Author of the trust; or b) The Trustees of the trust; or c) The Beneficiaries of the trust with ten percent or more interest in the trust; or d) A natural person exercising ultimate effective control over the trust through a chain of control or ownership.
Exemption from identification of BO: It is not necessary to identify and verify the identity of any shareholder or beneficial owner of an entity where the customer or the owner of the controlling interest is:- (i) an entity listed on a stock exchange in India, or (ii) an entity resident in jurisdictions notified by the Central Government and listed on stock exchanges in such jurisdictions, or (iii) is a subsidiary of such listed entities.	

- e. **Customer:** For the purpose of this Policy, a “customer” will include the following:
- A person or entity who is engaged in financial transaction or activity with the Company and includes a person on whose behalf the person who is engaged in the transaction or activity, is acting (i.e., the beneficial owner);
 - Beneficiaries of transactions conducted by professional intermediaries such as stock-brokers, Company Secretaries, Chartered Accountants, Solicitors etc. as permitted under the law; or
 - Any person or entity connected with a financial transaction which can pose significant reputation or other risks to the Company. e.g., a wire transfer or issue of a high value demand draft as a single transaction.
 - A past as well as prospective customer having attempted or executed transactions.
- f. **“Customer Due Diligence” or “CDD”** means identifying and verifying the Customer and the Beneficial Owner.
- g. **“Customer identification”** means undertaking the process of CDD.
- h. **“Designated Director”** means a person designated by the Regulated Entity to ensure overall compliance with the obligations imposed under chapter IV of the Act and the Rules.
- i. **“Equivalent e-document”** means an electronic equivalent of a document, issued by the issuing authority of such document with its valid digital signature including documents issued to the digital locker account of the customer as per rule 9 of the Information Technology (Preservation and Retention of Information by Intermediaries Providing Digital Locker Facilities) Rules, 2016.
- j. **“Money Laundering”** shall have the same meaning as defined under section 3 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.
- k. **“Officially Valid Document” (“OVD”)** means either of the following:
- i. Passport;
 - ii. Driving license;
 - iii. Proof of possession of Aadhaar number. Where the customer submits his proof of possession of Aadhaar number as an OVD, he may submit it in such form as are issued by the Unique Identification Authority of India (“UIDAI”);
 - iv. Voter's Identity Card issued by the Election Commission of India;
 - v. Job card issued by NREGA duly signed by an officer of the State Government; or
 - vi. Letter issued by the National Population Register containing details of name and address.
- l. **“Non-face-to-face customers”** means customers who open accounts without visiting the branch/offices of the Regulated Entity/Entities or meeting the officials of a Regulated Entity.
- m. **“Principal Officer”** means an officer nominated by the Regulated Entity responsible for furnishing information as per rule 8 of the Rules.

- n. **“Suspicious transaction”** means a transaction as defined below, including an attempted transaction, whether or not made in cash, which, to a person acting in good faith:
- i. gives rise to a reasonable ground of suspicion that it may involve proceeds of an offence specified in the Schedule to the Act, regardless of the value involved; or
 - ii. appears to be made in circumstances of unusual or unjustified complexity; or
 - iii. appears to not have economic rationale or bona-fide purpose; or
 - iv. gives rise to a reasonable ground of suspicion that it may involve Terrorist Financing.
- o. **“Terrorist financing”** is the financing of terrorist acts, terrorists and terrorist organisations.

5. Compliance of KYC Policy

The Company’s senior management team comprising of respective vertical heads (oversee KYC compliance in line with the Policy. The Internal Audit team shall on a continuous basis conduct an independent evaluation of adherence to KYC compliance requirements and submit audit notes and report on compliance to Audit Committee on quarterly basis. The Company will ensure that decision-making functions of determining compliance with KYC norms are not outsourced.

6. Key Elements

KYC procedures also enable the Company to know/understand its Customers and their financial dealings better which in turn help to manage its risks prudently. We have framed the Policy incorporating the following four key elements:

- Customer Acceptance Policy (“CAP”);
- Customer Identification Procedures (“CIP”);
- Monitoring of Transactions; and
- Risk management.

7. Customer Acceptance Policy (“CAP”)

The Company’s CAP lays down criteria for acceptance of customers. The Company will:

- Ensure no account is opened in anonymous or fictitious *benami* name(s);
- Ascertain the volume of turnover, social and financial status, etc. to enable categorization of customers into low, medium and high risk (these customers will require very high level of monitoring). Currently given the size of the loans and type of customers the Company deals with, all its customers are considered low risk;
- Ensure documentation requirements and other information collected in respect of different categories of customers (Risk Categorisation as per Annexure I) are commensurate with the perceived risk and keeping in mind the requirements of Act and guidelines issued from time to time by the RBI;
- Verify the identity and /or obtain documents required as per the risk categorization and the Company will refuse to process a loan account/accept a deposit where the prospective Customer does not co-operate with the Company in providing these details or where the Company is not sure about the reliability of the data furnished by the prospective Customer;

- Take adequate steps to ensure that the identity of the Customer does not match with any person with known criminal background or with banned entities such as individual terrorists or terrorist organizations, sanctioned persons;
- Prepare the profile for new and existing Customers which are based on risk categorization. The customer profile contains information relating to the Customer's identity, social/financial status, nature of business activity, information about his clients' business and their location, etc. The nature and extent of due diligence will depend on the risk perceived by the Company. However, the seeking of such information will not be intrusive, and the Company will not use such confidential information for cross selling or any other purposes.
- Ensure circumstances, in which a Customer is permitted to act on behalf of another person/entity, will be clearly spelt out in conformity with the established law and practices, as there could be occasions when an account is operated by a mandate holder or where an account may be opened by an intermediary in a fiduciary capacity.
- Conduct necessary checks (e.g. sanctions list issued by RBI), before opening a new account to ensure that the identity of the Customer does not match with any person with known criminal background or with banned entities such as individual terrorists or terrorist organizations or whose name appear in it .
- Assign a Unique Customer Identification Code ("UCIC") while entering relationships with new Customers as also for the existing Customers by the Company. The Company shall apply the customer due diligence ("CDD") procedure at the customer level.
- Where Goods and Services Tax (GST) details are obtained, the same shall be verified from the search/verification facility of the issuing authority.
- Where an equivalent e-document is obtained from the customer, Company shall verify the digital signature as per the provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

If the Company is unable to apply appropriate KYC measures due to non-furnishing of information and /or non-cooperation by the Customer, it shall either not accept or terminate (in case where customer deliberately evades compliance of KYC norms under this policy after commencement of business relationship) business relationship after issuing due notice to the Customer explaining the reasons for taking such a decision. Such decisions being taken by vertical heads after consulting the Principal Officer.

The intent of the Policy is not to result in denial of financial services to public, who are financially or socially disadvantaged. While carrying out due diligence, the Company will ensure that the procedure adopted does not result in denial of services to any genuine Customer.

The Company shall carry out full scale CDD before opening an account. When the identity of the account holder is not known, the Company shall file Suspicious Transaction Reporting ("STR").

8. Customer Identification Procedure ("CIP")

Customer identification means identifying the Customer and verifying his/her/its identity by using reliable, independent source documents, data or information.

The Company obtains the necessary information to establish the identity of each new Customer, whether regular or occasional and the purpose of the intended nature of relationship. The identification procedure is carried out at different stages, i.e. while

establishing a relationship, carrying out a financial transaction or when the Company has a doubt about the authenticity or the adequacy of the previously obtained customer identification data.

The CIP will be done through an introductory reference from an existing customer with a satisfactorily conducted loan account or a person known to the Company and based on documents provided by the Customer or through staff members knowing the potential Customer or any other authorized document for identification and proof of residence.

An effective CIP is an important part of the effort by the Company to know its Customers. The Company's CIP is integrated into the AML (Anti Money Laundering) program for the Company in terms of the **PMLA**, which contains provisions requiring the business processes to:

- Verify the identity of any Person transacting with the Company to the extent reasonable and practicable;
- Maintain records of the information used to verify a Customer's identity, including name, address and other identifying information and
- Consult Sanctions Lists/ Financial Actions Task Force ("**FATF**") /Office of Foreign Control Assets ("**OFAC** ") databases for known or suspected terrorists or terrorist organizations / jurisdictions and countries that do not or insufficiently apply the FATF recommendations as provided to the Company by RBI or any other applicable government agency to determine whether a person opening an account or an existing customer appears on any such list.
- The Company shall carry out the customer identification procedures as specified by the Reserve Bank of India in its Master Direction (KYC), 2016 (DBR.AM.BC.81/14.01.001/2015-16 dated 25.02.2016) as amended from time to time.

The Company will perform appropriate, specific and where necessary, Enhanced Due Diligence on its Customers that is reasonably designed to know and verify their true identity and to detect and report instances of criminal activity, including Money Laundering or Terrorist Financing. The procedures, documentation, types of information obtained and levels of KYC due diligence to be performed will be based on the level of risk associated with the relationship (products, services, business processes, geographic locations) between the Company and the customer and the risk profile of the customer. The Company will carry out 'Money Laundering (ML) and Terrorist Financing (TF) Risk Assessment' exercise periodically to identify, assess and take effective measures to mitigate money laundering and terrorist financing risk for clients, geographic areas, products, services, transactions or delivery channels, etc. The internal risk assessment carried out by the Company should be commensurate to its size, geographical presence, complexity of activities/structure, etc. and shall apply a Risk Based Approach for mitigation and management of the identified risks. The risk assessment processes shall be reviewed periodically to ensure its robustness and effectiveness.

Customer Profile

For the purpose of exercising due diligence on individual transactions in accounts, a 'Customer Profile' of individual Customers is included in the loan application or deposit opening form. The customer profile will contain information relating to the Customer's identity, social/ financial status, information about the Customer's clients' business and their location etc. The information will be of two types namely mandatory and optional as stated below:

(a) Mandatory Information:

(i) Identity (ii) Address (iii) Occupation (iv) Source of funds (v) Monthly Income (vi) Annual turnover (vii) Date of Birth (viii) Dealings with other banks (ix) Assets (approximate value).

(b) Optional Information:

(i) Marital Status; (ii) Educational Qualification; (iii) Details of spouse; (iv) Details regarding children; (v) Other Information which can include queries on a) Car/two-wheeler ownership, b) has a credit card c) has an insurance policy.

The Company shall, where its Customer submits a proof of possession of Aadhaar Card containing Aadhaar Number, ensure redacts or blacks out of his Aadhaar number is done through appropriate means.

9. Customer Education

The Company will take adequate measures to educate the Customers on the objectives of the KYC programme, especially at the time of obtaining sensitive or personal information from the Customers. When required to collect any information about the Customer for the purpose other than KYC requirement, it will not form part of the loan application or deposit opening. Such information will be collected separately, purely on a voluntary basis in a form prescribed by the Company after explaining the objective to the Customer and taking the Customer's express approval for the specific uses to which such information could be used. The customer servicing staff is specially trained to handle such situations while dealing with Customers. The Company takes care to see that implementation of the KYC guidelines in respect of customer acceptance, identification etc. do not result in denial of opening of new loan or deposit accounts to public.

10. Monitoring Transactions

Ongoing monitoring is an essential element of effective KYC procedures. The Company effectively controls and reduces the risk through understanding of the normal and reasonable activity of the Customer and by it having the means of identifying transactions that fall outside the regular pattern of activity. However, the extent of monitoring will depend on the risk sensitivity of the account. The different departments should pay special attention to all complex, unusually large transactions and all unusual patterns which have no apparent economic or visible lawful purpose. High-risk accounts will be subjected to intensify monitoring.

Illustrative list of activities which is construed as suspicious transactions

- Activities not consistent with the Customer's business, i.e. accounts with large volume of credits whereas the nature of business does not justify such credits.
- Any attempt to avoid reporting/record-keeping requirements/provide insufficient/suspicious information:
 - A Customer who is reluctant to provide information needed for a mandatory report, to have the report filed or to proceed with a transaction after being informed that the report must be filed.
 - Any individual or group that coerces/induces or attempts to coerce/induce the Company employee from not filing any report or any other forms.
- Certain employees of the Company arousing suspicion:
 - An employee whose lifestyle is beyond his/her economic means
 - Negligence of employees/willful blindness is reported repeatedly.
- Multiple accounts under the same name.

- Refusal to furnish details of source of funds by which initial contribution is made, sources of funds is doubtful etc.
- There are reasonable doubts over the real beneficiary of the loan.
- Frequent requests for change of address.

11. Risk Management

The Company's internal audit and compliance functions have an important role in evaluating and ensuring adherence to the KYC policies and procedures. The compliance function provides an independent evaluation of the Company's policies and procedures, including legal and regulatory requirements. The Company ensures that its audit machinery is staffed adequately with individuals who are well-versed in such policies and procedures.

Concurrent/ Internal Auditors will specifically check and verify the application of KYC procedures and comment on the lapses observed in this regard. The compliance in this regard is put up before the Audit Committee of the Board at quarterly intervals.

12. Risk Categorisation

The Company shall periodically update Customer Identification data after the transaction is entered. The periodicity of updation of Customer Identification data shall be at least once in ten years for low-risk category customers, at least once every eight years for medium risk customers and at least once in two years in case of high-risk category customers. One recent photograph of the individual customer is to be obtained. Fresh photographs shall be obtained in case of minor customer on becoming major. All the Customers under different product categories are categorized into low, medium and high risk based on their profile. The credit team while appraising the transaction and rendering its approval, prepares the profile of the Customer based on risk categorization. Based on the credit appraisal, Customer's background, nature and location of activity, country of origin, sources of funds, client profile, etc., where the Credit team believes that a particular Customer falling under a category mentioned below is in his judgment falling in a different category, he may categorise the customer so, so long as appropriate justification is provided in the customer file. The Credit executive while appraising the transaction and rendering his approval will prepare the profile of the customer based on risk categorization. An indicative categorization for guidance is provided in **Annexure I**.

13. Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Risk Assessment

- a. The Company shall carry out 'Money Laundering (ML) and Terrorist Financing (TF) Risk Assessment' exercise periodically to identify, assess and take effective measures to mitigate its money laundering and terrorist financing risk.
- b. The assessment process shall consider all the relevant risk factors before determining the level of overall risk and the appropriate level and type of mitigation to be applied. While preparing the internal risk assessment, the Company shall take cognizance of the overall sector-specific vulnerabilities, if any, that the regulator/supervisor may share from time to time.
- c. The risk assessment by the Company shall be properly documented and be commensurate to the nature, size, geographical presence, complexity of activities/structure, etc. of the Company.
- d. The outcome of the exercise shall be put up to the Risk Management Committee on a quarterly basis and will be available to competent authorities and self-regulating bodies.

The Company shall apply a Risk Based Approach (“RBA”) for mitigation and management of the identified risk and should have Board approved policies, controls and procedures in this regard. Further, the Company shall monitor the implementation of the controls and enhance them if necessary.

14. Identification

All customers shall be identified by a unique identification code. This unique code will be employed to track the facilities availed, monitor financial transactions which assists in risk profiling of customers. The customer (borrower’s) identification requirement is detailed in the Lending Policy. The customer identification requirement applicable to Lenders / investors and depositors are detailed in Annexure II to this policy

15. Verification

As a part of the Lending Policy the Company documents and implemented appropriate risk-based procedures designed to verify that it can form a reasonable belief that it knows the identity of its Customers (Borrower’s). Verification of customer identity should occur before transacting with the Customer. The Company describes the acceptable methods of verification of customer identity, which includes verification through documents, non-documentary verification methods or *additional verification procedures* that are appropriate with the associated risks, which are explained below;

I. Verification through documents:

These documents may include but are not limited to the list of documents that can be accepted as proof of identity and address from customers by the Company as provided in the Lending Policy. The customer identification requirement applicable to Lenders / investors and depositors are detailed in Annexure II to this policy

The Company also accepts physical Aadhaar card / letter issued by UIDAI containing details of name, address and Aadhaar number received through post is also accepted as an OVD.

II. Verification through non-documentary methods:

The Company depends on other methods of verification as listed below:

1. Contacting or visiting a Customer;
2. Independently verifying the Customer’s identity through the comparison of information provided by the customer with information obtained from a consumer reporting agency, public database, or other source; or
3. Checking references with other financial institutions.

III. Additional verification procedures.

The Business Head advises the credit team to make a personal visit to address under the following situations.

1. A person is unable to present an unexpired government-issued identification document that bears a photograph or similar safeguard;
2. The sales executive is not familiar with the documents presented;
3. Where the sales executive is otherwise presented with circumstances that increase the risk that it will be unable to verify the identity of a Customer through documents; and
4. If the sales executive cannot verify the identity of a Customer that is other than an individual, it may be necessary to obtain information about persons with authority or control over such account, including signatories, to verify the customer’s identity.

16. Maintenance of Records of Transactions & Identity

The Company has a system of maintaining proper record of transactions prescribed under Rule 3, of the Rules and value of transactions, the procedure and manner of maintaining and verification and maintenance of records of the identity of the clients of the Banking Companies, Financial Institutions and Intermediaries) Rules, 2005, as mentioned below:

- All cash transactions of the value of more than Rupees Ten lakhs or its equivalent in foreign currency;
- All series of cash transactions integrally connected to each other which have been valued below Rupees Ten lakhs or its equivalent in foreign currency where such series of transactions have taken place within a month and the aggregate value of such transactions exceeds Rupees Ten lakhs;
- All cash transactions, where forged or counterfeit currency notes or bank notes have been used as genuine and where any forgery of a valuable security has taken place
- All suspicious transactions whether or not made in cash and by way of as mentioned in the Rules.

As per the RBI guidelines, the Company maintains the following information in respect of transactions referred to in Rule 3 of the Rules:

- Nature of the transactions;
- Amount of the transaction and the mode adopted for undertaking the transaction;
- Date on which the transaction was conducted; and
- Parties to the transaction.

17. Preservation of Records

The Company will maintain the records containing information of all transactions including the records of transactions detailed in PML Rule 3. The Company should also take appropriate steps to evolve a system **including establishment of appropriate AML / CFT Cell at HO Level** for proper maintenance and preservation of account information in a manner that allows data to be retrieved easily and quickly whenever required or when requested by the competent authorities.

The Company should maintain records relating to the transactions, whether attempted or executed, in such manner & for such period as specified under section 12 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.

The Company should ensure that records pertaining to the identification of the customer and his address (e.g. copies of documents like passports, identity cards, driving licenses, PAN card, utility bills etc.) obtained while opening the account and during the course of business relationship, are properly preserved for at least five years after the business relationship is ended as required under Rule 10 of the Rules. The identification records and transaction data **including attempted & executed** should be made available to the competent authorities upon request.

The Company should ensure that if its customer is a non-profit organization, it shall be registered on the DARPAN Portal of NITI Aayog. If it's not registered, then Company shall take appropriate steps to register the same and maintain such registration records for a period of five years after the business relationship between the customer and the Company has ended or the account has been closed, whichever is later.

18. Central KYC Registry (“CKYCR”)

The Company will ensure that the Customer KYC information is shared with the CKYCR in the manner mentioned in the RBI Directions in RBI’s KYC templates prepared for ‘Individuals’ and ‘Legal Entities’ with Central Registry of Securitization Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest of India (“CERSAI”).

As per the directions NBFCs shall upload the KYC data pertaining to all new individual accounts opened on or after from April 1, 2017 with CERSAI in terms of the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005.

19. Enhanced Due Diligence

Enhanced Due Diligence will involve closely monitoring the account, frequently updating KYC documents, field investigation or visiting the customer, etc., which forms part of the credit policies of the businesses.

The Company is primarily engaged in small ticket size loans and onboard the customers through physical verification only. It does not deal with such category of Customers who could pose a potential high risk of Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing or political corruption and therefore warrant enhanced scrutiny. The Lending Policy of the Company in respect of its various businesses ensures that the Company is not transacting with such high-risk customers.

However, if the Company has Customers or accounts that are determined to pose a potential high risk including but not limited to non-face to face customers and thereby warrant enhanced scrutiny then it shall conduct Enhanced Due Diligence in connection with such Customers. The Company has established appropriate standards, methodology and procedures for conducting Enhanced Due Diligence, which shall involve conducting appropriate additional due diligence or investigative actions beyond what is required by standard KYC due diligence. Enhanced Due Diligence shall be coordinated and performed by the Company as per the procedures stipulated by Reserve Bank of India in Master Direction (KYC), 2016 (DBR.AM.BC.81/14.01.001/2015-16 dated 25.02.2016) as amended from time to time.

The following are the indicative list where the risk perception of a Customer which is considered higher:

- Customers requesting for frequent change of address/contact details;
- Sudden change in the loan account activity of the customers; or
- Frequent closure and opening of loan accounts by the customers.

In case of sale of repossessed vehicles by company to purchasers/brokers, company shall ensure to collect the KYC (Identity & address proof) so as to ensure the real identity of the buyer of such repossessed vehicles. Company shall obtain a declaration from the buyer that vehicles are being sold by the Company on ‘As is Where Is’ basis and the buyer is responsible to ensure the name transfer in RTO Records and deletion of the Company’s hypothecation thereon. This ensures Company / its original customers is not accountable for repossessed vehicles being used for terrorist or any other unlawful activities.

The Company obtains End Use Declaration letter from customers confirming the purpose of finance taken and a declaration that the Facility shall not be used for any illegal and / or anti-social and / or speculative purposes including but not limited to participation in stock markets / IPOs.

20. Appointment of Designated Director & Principal Officer

The Board of the Company will appoint the Designated Director, to ensure overall compliance with the obligations under the Act and Rules from time to time. The name, designation and address of the Designated Director have been communicated to the FIU-IND. In no case, the Principal Officer shall be nominated as the 'Designated Director'.

Mr. Sandeep Jawanjal, Managing Director is the Designated Director who is responsible for ensuring overall compliance as required under PMLA Act.

Mr. Rahul Lonkar, Head Accounts & Liabilities, is designated as Principal Officer who shall be responsible for furnishing of information to FIU-IND. As per the RBI guidelines, the Principal Officer is based out of its corporate office and is responsible for monitoring and reporting of all transactions and sharing of information as required under the law. He maintains a close liaison with enforcement agencies, other NBFCs and any other institution which are involved in the fight against money laundering and combating financing of terrorism.

21. Reporting Requirements to Financial Intelligence Unit - India (FIU-IND)

The Company shall furnish the following reports to the Financial Intelligence Unit-India (FIU-IND), with regard to information referred to in Rule 3 of the Rules and in terms of Rule 7 thereof in the manner so specified and within the timelines prescribed therein;

- a. Cash Transactions Report (“CTR”)
- b. Suspicious Transactions Report (“STR”)
- c. Counterfeit Currency Reports (“CCR”)
- d. Non-Profit Organisation Reports (“NPR”)

The Company is registered with FIU-IND with registration number of FINBF00068. The Company submits CTR monthly and STR on identification of such transaction with FIU-IND.

The Company has implemented a system not to accept any cash of more than Rs. 2 lakhs from its borrowers. Hence, it normally does not and would not have large cash transactions. However, when cash transactions monthly aggregating of Rs. 10 lakhs and above are undertaken, the Company will maintain record of all such cash transactions in a separate register at its corporate office.

The Company monitors transactions of a suspicious nature on an ongoing basis for the purpose of reporting it to the appropriate authorities. The extent of monitoring by the Company depends on the risk sensitivity of the account and special attention is given to all complex unusually large transactions, which have no apparent economic or lawful purpose. The Company shall promptly report such high value cash transactions or transactions of a suspicious nature to the appropriate regulatory and investigating authorities. The Company has a system which alerts inconsistent transactions and profile of the customers is updated for effective identification and reports of suspicious transactions.

22. Confidentiality Of Information

Information collected from Customers for the purpose of opening of account shall be treated as confidential and in accordance with the agreement/terms and conditions signed by the Customers. The information collected from Customers shall not be divulged for the purpose of cross selling, or for any other purpose without the express permission

of the Customer. While considering the requests for data/information from Government and other agencies, the Company shall satisfy that the information being sought is not of such a nature as will violate the provisions of the laws relating to secrecy in their transactions.

The exceptions to the said rule shall be as under:

- a. Where disclosure is required under law;
- b. Where there is a duty to the public to disclose such information ;
- c. Such disclosure is required in the interest of the Company; and
- d. Where the disclosure is made with the express or implied consent of the Customer.

23. Hiring of Employees and Employee Training

The Company must have an ongoing employee training programme **on at least half yearly basis** so that the members of the staff are adequately trained in KYC procedures. Training requirements have different focuses for frontline staff, compliance staff and staff dealing with new customers. It is crucial that all those concerned fully understand the rationale behind the KYC policies and implement them consistently.

There should be open communication, high-integrity, proper understanding of subject matter amongst the Company's staff dealing with KYC/AML matters.

24. Investor / Lenders KYC Policy

The Company strives to provide excellent service to its Customers. It provides easy access to information regarding its services and ensure timely disclosures of financial as well as non-financial material information. Grievances are resolved in a timely, efficient, and fair manner, and processes are promptly initiated to prevent recurrence.

The Company's guidelines pertaining to four Key elements viz. customer acceptance policy, customer identification procedures, monitoring of transactions and risk management of this KYC framework, mentioned in this Policy will be equally applicable for its Investors / Lenders with suitable modifications depending upon the activity undertaken. The Company shall ensure that a proper framework on KYC and anti-money laundering standards are put in place in this regard. Basic KYC shall be completed through details like Certificate of Incorporation, PAN, TIN, GST etc. All funding proposals will be subject to proper checks on OFAC/ FATF / UN Sanctions List circulated by RBI / List of Willful defaulters / Other List of Terrorist Organizations.

The FATF periodically identifies jurisdictions with weak measures to combat money laundering and terrorist financing (AML/CFT) in its following publications:

- i) High-Risk Jurisdictions subject to a Call for Action, and
- ii) Jurisdictions under Increased Monitoring.

In compliance of RBI's Circular regarding Investment in NBFCs from FATF non-compliant jurisdictions dated February 12, 2021, the Company promotes investments from FATF compliant jurisdiction, i.e. from entities whose name does not appear in the aforementioned lists. Records of such checks shall be maintained.

25. Amendment

The Board reserves the right to amend (either in whole or in part), suspend or rescind this Policy at any time. However, no such amendment or modification will be binding on the Employees and Directors unless the same is notified to all in writing or placed on the Company's website. Whilst, the Company has made best efforts to define detailed

procedures for implementation of this Policy, there may be occasions when certain matters are not addressed or there may be ambiguity in the procedures. Such instances or ambiguities will be resolved in line with the broad intent of the Policy. The Company may also establish further rules and procedures, from time to time, to give effect to the intent of this Policy and further the objective of good corporate governance. The Board shall also review this policy on a periodic basis and at least once every year and shall notify the Customers, lenders, investors, Employees, Directors & other stakeholders in case of any changes to this Policy.

Annexure I

Indicative list for Risk Categorization:

Sr. No.	Low Risk (Level 1)	Medium Risk (Level 2)	High Risk (Level 3)
1.	Students, Housewives, Pensioners.	Non-Banking Financial Institutions.	Politically Exposed Persons & their relatives.
2.	Salaried Persons	Credit Co-Operative Societies	Jewelers & Bullion Dealers
3.	No frill accounts	Non-Scheduled UCBs	Accounts of construction & real estate dealers & brokers
4.	Shareholders of the company	Travel Agents	Trusts / NGOs / Organizations receiving donations
5.	Small Traders	Dealers in Pharmaceuticals	Persons with dubious reputation, knowledge of which is available in public domain
6.	Self-Employed	Dealers of wholesale electronic materials	Accounts, being subject to investigation by law enforcement agencies.
7.	Self Help Groups	Advocates, Solicitors & Notaries	Names 100% matching with the persons notified by UNSC.
8.	Staff & their relative accounts	Dormant accounts above ₹ 10,000.00	Persons with criminal background, knowledge of which is available in public domain.
9.	Co-Operative Housing Societies	Used car sellers	Dealers in antiques
10.	Professionals such as CA, CS, CMA, Doctors, Engineers, Consultants	Dot Com Companies or internet service providers	Dealers in arms
11.	Agricultural & allied activities	Auctioneers	Share brokers
12.	Small Accounts	Restaurants & Bar	NRE / NRO Accounts
13.	Dormant accounts having exposure below ₹ 10,000.00	Telemarketers & Telecommunication service providers	Money Changes / Remitters
14.		Internet Café	New opened accounts for first 6 months
15.		IDD Call Service Providers	KYC Non-Compliant Accounts
16.			Non Face to Face Customers (Eg. POA Accounts & Minor Accounts)
17.			Firms with sleeping partners
18.			HNI Customers
19.			Customers appearing to be Multi-Level Marketing Companies
20.			Clients managed by professional service providers such as law firms, accountants, brokers, etc.

Annexure II

Customer Identification Procedure – KYC documents that may be obtained from Lenders/investors & depositors:

Nature of customer	List of applicable documents
Individual	<p>The Company shall obtain the following from an individual while establishing an account based relationship or while dealing with the individual who is a beneficial owner, authorised signatory or the power of attorney holder related to any legal entity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) a certified copy of any OVD containing details of his identity and address; and b) the Permanent Account Number (PAN) or Form no.60; and c) One recent photograph d) Such other documents as specified by the Company from time to time. <p>List of OVDs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Passport ii) Driving license iii) Proof of possession of Aadhaar number iv) Voter's identity card issued by the Election Commission of India v) Job card issued by NREGA duly signed by an officer of the State Govt. vi) Letter issued by the National Population Register containing details of name and address. <p>Provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) where the customer submits his proof of possession of Aadhaar number as an OVD, he may submit it in such form as are issued by the UIDAI 2) where the OVD furnished by the customer does not have updated address, the following documents shall be deemed to be OVDs for the limited purpose of proof of address:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) utility bill which is not more than two months old of any service provider (electricity, telephone, post-paid mobile phone, piped gas, water bill); ii) property or Municipal tax receipt; iii) pension or family pension payment orders (PPOs) issued to retired employees by Government Departments or Public Sector Undertakings, if they contain the address; iv) letter of allotment of accommodation from employer issued by State Govt. or Central Govt. Departments, statutory or regulatory bodies, public sector undertakings, scheduled commercial banks, financial institutions and listed companies and leave and licence agreements with such employers allotting official accommodation <p>The Credit Head of The Company has the power to approve the following documents in lieu of ID and address proof.</p> <p>In lieu of Identity proof</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Notarized copy of Marriage certificate with the applicant photograph. <p>Explanation: A document shall be deemed to be an OVD even if there is a change in the name subsequent to its issuance provided it is supported by</p>

	<p>a marriage certificate issued by the State Government or Gazette notification, indicating such a change of name</p> <p>In lieu of address proof</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Rental agreement along with rent receipt and utility bill of the Landlord. ✓ In case the customer has a temporary address being a transit arrangement provided by real estate builder – Allotment letter issued by the builder + permanent address proof ✓ In deserving cases where there is no address proof for one of the applicants or guarantors, an affidavit signed by a close relative (only in case of spouse, parents or children) confirming that the co applicant / guarantor is staying together in the same address. <p>3. The Credit Head of The Company jointly with the concerned Sales Head has further delegated the approval powers to accept the above documents to credit managers, as they may deem fit and necessary, in this regard.</p> <p>4. In the event of any genuine reason for non-availability of any of the prescribed documents or to approve any deviations for change in the documents prescribed under this policy, the Credit Head jointly with the Sales Head considers approving any other document not stated above based on the product, market requirements and also on the merits of the case.</p> <p>Identification number:</p> <p>1. A taxpayer identification number; passport number and country of issuance; letter issued by Unique Identification Authority of India containing AADHAAR number; or number and country of issuance of any other government issued document evidencing nationality or residence and bearing a photograph or similar safeguard. When opening an account for a person (other than an individual) that does not have an identification number, the business process must request alternative government issued documentation certifying the existence of the business or enterprise;</p> <p>2. For a customer who has applied for, but has not received an identification number, loan may be sanctioned, but business process has implemented procedures to confirm that the application was filed before the loan is sanctioned to customer and to obtain the identification number within a reasonable period before disbursement of loan.</p> <p><i>The Company also ensures that all the customers namely applicant, co applicants and guarantor has valid ID proof as prescribed above</i></p> <p>1. The Credit Head of The Company has the power to approve the following document in lieu of ID and address proof</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <i>A Certificate from the public authority (i.e) Gazette Officer of State or Central Govt./Magistrate/MRO/VRO/Gram Panchayat Sarpanch/notary public.</i>
Companies	<p>1. Certificate of Incorporation, Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association</p> <p>2. Resolution of the Board of Directors to open an account and</p>

	<p>identification of those who have the authority to operate the account.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Power of Attorney granted to its managers, officers or employees to transact business on its behalf 4. PAN Allotment Letter 5. Telephone Bill 6. GST number 7. Names of the relevant persons holding senior management position 8. The registered office and principal place of its business, if it is different
Partnership Firms/ LLPs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registration Certificate if the partnership deed is registered 2. Address of the registered office and principal place of its business, if it is different 3. Power of Attorney granted to a partner or an employee of the firm to transact business on its behalf 4. Any official valid documents identifying the partners and the persons holding the power of attorney and their addresses 5. Telephone bill in the name of firm/partners Accounts 6. PAN 7. GST number(if any)
Proprietary Concerns	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proof of the name, address and activity of the concern like registration certificate (in case of a registered concern) including Udyam Registration Certificate (URC) issued by Government. 2. Certificate issued by the Municipal authorities under the Shops and Establishment Act, GST returns, Income Tax returns, GST Certificate, Registration documents issued by GST, Professional Tax Authorities, Certificate of Practice issued by Food and Drug Control Authorities etc. 3. Any registration documents issued in the name of the proprietary concern by the central government, state government. We also accept IEC (import-export code issued to the proprietary concern by the office of DGFT as an identity document for opening of account. 4. Income Tax return copy in the name of the sole proprietor where the firm's income is reflected duly authenticated by the Income Tax Authorities 5. Utility bills such as electricity, water, and landline telephone bills in the name of the proprietary concern <p>Any two of the above documents would suffice. These documents should be in the name of the proprietary concern</p>
Trusts, foundations and society	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Names of trustees, settlers, beneficiaries and signatories. 2. Names and addresses of the founder, the managers/ directors and the beneficiaries. Telephone/fax numbers 3. Names of beneficial owners 4. Certificate of registration, if registered , Trust Deed, PAN or Form 60 of the Trust, Power of Attorney granted to transact business on its behalf 5. Any officially valid document to identify the trustees, settlers,

	<p>beneficiaries and those holding Power of Attorney, founders/managers/ directors and their addresses.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Resolution of the managing body of the foundation/ association. 7. Telephone bill 8. the names of the beneficiaries, trustees, settlor and authors of the trust 9. the address of the registered office of the trust; and 10. list of trustees and documents, for those discharging role as trustee and authorized to transact on behalf of the trust 11. Satisfactory evidence of the identity of the intermediaries and of the persons on whose behalf they are acting, as also details of the nature of the trust or other arrangements in place shall be obtained.
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