

Info Capsule

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❖ Latest @ ICSI

ICSI representation to MCA for extension of timelines for holding Annual General Meeting (AGM) due to COVID-19 (August 16, 2021)

Considering the current crisis of COVID-19 pandemic, the ICSI has requested the MCA to grant an extension of time to the companies for holding AGM for the year ended March 31, 2021 till December 31, 2021 so as to provide relief to all the companies and stakeholders.

For details:

https://www.icsi.edu/media/web-modules/REQUEST_LETTER_FOR_EXTENSION_TO_MCA_FOR_HOLDING_AGM_due_to_COVID_19.pdf



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❖ **Securities Laws & Capital Markets**

SEBI Circular

Penalty for Repeated Delivery Default (August 17, 2021)

SEBI had stipulated delivery default norms vide its Circular dated March 23, 2021. To further strengthen the delivery mechanism and ensure market integrity, it has been decided that in the case of repeated default by a seller or a buyer, for each instance of repeated default, an additional penalty shall be imposed, which shall be 3 % of the value of the delivery default. Further, repeated default shall be defined as an event, wherein a default on delivery obligations takes place 3 times or more during a six months period on a rolling basis. The penalty levied shall be transferred to Settlement Guarantee Fund (SGF) of the Clearing Corporation. This circular shall be effective after one month from the date of issuance of the circular.

For details:

https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/aug-2021/penalty-for-repeated-delivery-default_51902.html

SEBI News

Franklin Templeton's shut schemes have Rs 1,981 cr cash for distribution (August 17, 2021)

The six shut debt schemes of Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund have Rs 1,981.02 crore of cash available for distribution to the unit holders of the schemes. So far, the fund house has distributed Rs 21,080.34 crore to the investors. Out of the Rs 1,981.02 crore available for distribution as of August 13, Franklin India Ultra Short Bond Fund has Rs 366.81 crore, Franklin India Short Term Income Plan has Rs 597.70 crore and Franklin India Income Opportunities Fund has Rs 440.92 crore, among others, said the company spokesperson.

The Trustee of Franklin Templeton decided to wind up six of our debt schemes in April 2020. The decision was taken because the markets had become illiquid due to the severe impact of Covid-19.

For details:

https://www.business-standard.com/article/markets/franklin-templeton-s-shut-schemes-have-rs-1-981-cr-cash-for-distribution-121081700554_1.html

❖ **Indirect Tax**

Customs

Centre Notifies RoDTEP Scheme Guidelines and Rates (August 17, 2021)

Centre has notified RoDTEP Scheme Guidelines and Rates (Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products). The scheme for zero rating of exports will boost our exports & competitiveness in the global markets. The rates of RoDTEP will cover 8555 tariff lines. RoDTEP is one such reform, based on the globally accepted principle that taxes and duties should not be exported, and taxes and levies borne on the exported products should be either exempted or remitted to exporters. RoDTEP support will be available to eligible exporters at a notified rate as a percentage of Freight On Board (FOB) value. Rebate on certain export products will also be subject to value cap per unit of the exported product. Scheme is to be implemented by Customs through a simplified IT System. Rebate will be issued in the form of a transferable duty credit/ electronic scrip (e-scrip) which will be maintained in an electronic ledger by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC).

For details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1746688>

❖ **International Business News**

India-UAE ties: Powering the future (August 17, 2021)

The India-UAE partnership has withstood the test of time and adversity. The outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic was, and is, yet another period when the two countries stood side by side and helped each other to ameliorate the impact it had on their people. Whether it be UAE's facilitation in the repatriation of Indian nationals through the Vande Bharat Mission, the urgent supply of medical oxygen, equipment and drugs in the midst of the pandemic or the provision of more than 400 healthcare personnel and HCQ shipments from India that reinforced UAE's fight against Covid-19, the bond between the two countries has only become stronger.

For details:

<https://en.trend.az/world/other/3470531.html>

❖ **Market Watch**

Stock Market Indices as on 18.08.2021	
S & P BSE Sensex	55629.49 (-162.78)
Nifty 50	16568.85 (-45.75)

Foreign Exchange Rates as on 17.08.2021 <i>(https://www.geojit.com/currency-futures/rbi-reference-rate.aspx)</i>			
INR / 1 USD	INR / 1 EUR	INR / 1 GBP	INR/ 1 JPY
74.05	87.25	102.57	0.68

❖ **Banking and Insurance**

● **HDFC Bank gets to sign up credit card users as RBI relents (August 18, 2021)**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has partially lifted restrictions imposed last December on HDFC Bank, allowing it to resume issuing credit cards, a person aware of the development said. However, restrictions on new digital launches remain.

For details:

<https://www.livemint.com/industry/banking/rbi-allows-hdfc-bank-to-issue-new-credit-cards-in-partial-lifting-of-its-december-ban-11629213804457.html>

● **Supreme Court refuses to entertain banks' plea for RTI exemption (August 18, 2021)**

In a setback to various Public Sector Banks, including SBI and HDFC bank, a Supreme Court bench led by Justice SA Nazeer on August 17, 2021 refused to entertain their petition seeking exemption from disclosing any information related to their customer, trade secrets, risk ratings or any unpublished price sensitive information from the Right to Information (RTI) Act.

For details:

<https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/banking-finance/sc-refuses-to-entertain-banks-plea-for-rti-exemption/2312775/>

● **Retail Stress: Auto-debit bounces ease in July, still above levels before Covid (August 18, 2021)**

The bounce rate on auto-debit transactions eased to 33% by volume in July from 36.5% in the previous month. The failure rate of such transactions, many of which are debit requests of EMIs, still remain higher than their pre-Covid levels, indicating high stress in the retail segment.

For details:

<https://www.financialexpress.com/industry/banking-finance/retail-stress-auto-debit-bounces-ease-in-july-still-above-levels-before-covid/2312771/>

❖ **Terminology for today**

Competitive Intelligence

It involves gathering, analyzing, and managing data and information regarding the business environment in which a company operates.

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