

Central Depository Services (India) Limited

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CDSL/OPS/DP/POLCY/2024/483

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FACILITY FOR BASIC SERVICES DEMAT ACCOUNT (BSDA)

DPs are advised to refer our Communique no. CDSL/OPS/DP/POLCY/2024/358 dated June 29, 2024, referring to SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD1/P/CIR/2024/91 dated June 28, 2024, regarding Facility for Basic Services Demat Account (BSDA) for Financial Inclusion and Ease of Investing.

Operational modalities for implementation of the said SEBI circular are provided below.

- 1) DPs have to mandatorily open all new demat accounts only with BSDA i.e. BSDA flag "Y" w.e.f. September 01, 2024. If any other non-closed demat account/s with the same PAN of first holder available within the CDSL, such demat account / s shall automatically be marked with BSDA flag 'N' i.e. non-BSDA.
- 2) Post new demat account opening with BSDA flag "Y", if Beneficial Owner (BO) does not wish to avail BSDA facilities, BOs will have to specifically provide their consent by way of email from their registered e-mail ID to avail the facility of regular demat account. Basis on such request from BO, DP can modify the BSDA flag as 'O' i.e BSDA Opt Out for the specified demat account.
- 3) DPs have to reassess the eligibility of the existing BOs as per the revised eligibility criteria specified in point no. 2.1 of the said SEBI circular. and shall convert all such eligible accounts into BSDA within two months from September 01, 2024. For Operational convenience of DPs, CDSL will consider the data as of August 31, 2024 (as September 01, 2024, is holiday) EOD and after verifying the data across the depositories and shall place such data in respective DP's billing folder latest by September 09, 2024. DPs can review said data to convert all eligible demat accounts with BSDA by October 31, 2024, unless such BOs specifically provide their consent by way of email from their registered email ID with the DP to avail the facility of a regular (non-BSDA) demat account. Subsequently, this exercise shall be carried out by DPs at the end of every billing cycle.

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- 4) As per the existing process, CDSL will continue provide list of BOs having multiple demat accounts in the first name across the depositories under the same PAN number on monthly basis. DPs are advised to diligently follow the list and convert / update the BSDA flag as 'N' i.e. non-BSDA, and same should be immediately intimated to the BO with proper reason for removing the BSDA facility.
- 5) In CDSL system, provision to identify the eligibility based on PAN within the CDSL DPs and value of portfolio already exists which will continue to serve the purpose for identifying BSDA as per eligibility criteria, if the DP wants to verify before account opening.
- 6) Following reports are made available to DPs for BSDA on daily basis.
 - DPJ9 reports BSDA Valuation report for respective DPs continues to be available with revised limits. This is an EOD downloadable report.
 - ii) DPK3 reports BO detail report of BSDA (Compliance report)- Account marked as BSDA within the DP gets a report which mentions that if the BO is holding multiple account in another DP. This is an EOD downloadable report.

DPs can independently use DPJ9 and DPK3 report as per their requirement.

- 7) As the Charge structure has changed and considering the change, the DPs who have the higher charges for BSDA, have to undergo a change in the tariff structure before September 1, 2024, and subsequently will have to upload the changed tariff structure on the website of CDSL as well.
- 8) Based on the EOD data of last day of the month, CDSL shall provide below mentioned four files in the DPs billing folder latest by 6th working day of the next month.
 - Existing BOs eligible for BSDA facility (Accounts with BSDA flag 'N' and 'O' shall be considered) for converting demat accounts into BSDA.
 - ii) BOs having multiple accounts across the depositories. (BSDA flag 'Y' shall be considered) for removing BSDA flag "Y" from demat accounts.
 - iii) PAN exempted BOs.
 - iv) List of all BO accounts of the respective DPs, giving the details of PAN/ BO ID /Date of Opening / Present BSDA flag as per CDAS for the said accounts.

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- 9) Necessary audit trail of any BSDA / Account opening accepted / rejected cases should be maintained by the DPs for future audit / query purpose.
- 10) For any modifications including BSDA status in the account, BOs have to be intimated and log / proof in this regard must be maintained & continued as per existing process by the DPs.

Queries regarding this communiqué may be addressed to: CDSL – Helpdesk Emails may be sent to: dprtasupport@cdslindia.com and connect through our IVR Number 022-62343333.

For and on behalf of Central Depository Services (India) Limited.

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