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Annexure A

1. Vision

Towards making Indian Securities Market - Transparent, Efficient, & Investor friendly by providing safe, reliable, transparent and trusted record keeping platform for investors to hold and transfer securities in dematerialized form.

2. Mission

- To hold securities of investors in dematerialised form and facilitate its transfer, while ensuring safekeeping of securities and protecting interest of investors.
- To provide timely and accurate information to investors with regard to their holding and transfer of securities held by them.
- To provide the highest standards of investor education, investor awareness and timely services so as to enhance Investor Protection and create awareness about Investor Rights.

3. <u>Details of business transacted by the Depository and Depository Participant</u> (DP)

A Depository is an organization which holds securities of investors in electronic form. Depositories provide services to various market participants - Exchanges, Clearing Corporations, Depository Participants (DPs), Issuers and Investors in both primary as well as secondary markets. The depository carries out its activities through its agents which are known as Depository Participants (DP). Details available on the link ______ [NSDLhttps://nsdl.co.in/dpsch.php & CDSL https://www.cdslindia.com/DP/dplist.aspx]

4. <u>Description of services provided by the Depository through Depository Participants (DP) to investors</u>

(1) Basic Services

Sr. no.	Brief about the Activity / Service	Expected Timelines for processing by the DP after receipt of proper documents
1.	Dematerialization of securities	7 days
2.	Rematerialization of securities	7 days
3.	Mutual Fund Conversion / Destatementization	5 days



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Sr. no.	Brief about the Activity / Service	Expected Timelines for processing by the DP after receipt of proper documents
4.	Re-conversion /	7 days
	Restatementisation of Mutual fund units	
5.	Transmission of securities	7 days
6.	Registering pledge request	15 days
7.	Closure of demat account	30 days
8.	Settlement Instruction	Depositories to accept physical DIS for pay-in of securities upto 4 p.m and DIS in electronic form upto 6 p.m on T+1 day

(2) Depositories provide special services like pledge, hypothecation, internet based services etc. in addition to their core services and these include

Sr. no.	Type of Activity/Service	Brief about the Activity / Service	
1.	Value Added Services	Depositories also provide value added services such as a. Basic Services Demat Account(BSDA) ¹ b. Transposition cum dematerialization ² c. Linkages with Clearing System ³ d. Distribution of cash and non-cash corporate benefits (Bonus, Rights, IPOs etc.)	
2.	Consolidated Account statement (CAS)	CAS is issued 10 days from the end of the month (if there were transactions in the previous month) or half yearly (if no transactions).	
3.	Digitalization of services provided by the depositories	Depositories offer below technology solutions and e-facilities to their demat account holders through DPs:	



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Sr. no.	Type of Activity/Service	Brief about the Activity / Service
		 a. E-account opening⁴ b. Online instructions for execution⁵ c. e-DIS / Demat Gateway⁶ d. e-CAS facility⁷ e. Miscellaneous services⁸

5. <u>Details of Grievance Redressal Mechanism</u>

(1) The Process of investor grievance redressal

1.	Investor Complaint/ Grievances	Investor can lodge complaint/ grievance against the Depository/DP in the following ways:
		a. Electronic mode - (i) SCORES (a web based centralized grievance redressal system of SEBI) [https://www.scores.gov.in/scores/Welcome.h tml]
		(ii) Respective Depository's web portal dedicated for the filing of compliant [NSDL https://www.epass.nsdl.com/complaints/websitecomplaints.aspx & CDSL https://www.cdslindia.com/Footer/grievances.aspx]
		(iii) Emails to designated email IDs of Depository [NSDL - relations@nsdl.co.in & CDSL - complaints@cdslindia.com]
		b) Offline mode: Emails to designated email IDs of Depository Participant dp.complaints@sbisgcsl.co.in
		The complaints/ grievances lodged directly with the Depository shall be resolved within 30 days.



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2.	Investor Grievance Redressal Committee of Depository	,
3.	Arbitration proceedings	The Investor may also avail the arbitration mechanism set out in the Byelaws and Business Rules/Operating Instructions of the Depository in relation to any grievance, or dispute relating to depository services. The arbitration reference shall be concluded by way of issue of an arbitral award within 4 months from the date of appointment of arbitrator(s).

(2) For the Multi-level complaint resolution mechanism available at the Depositories⁹

6. <u>Guidance pertaining to special circumstances related to market activities:</u> <u>Termination of the Depository Participant</u>

Sr. No.	Type of special circumstances	Timelines for the Activity/ Service
1.	participation in case a participant no longer meets the eligibility criteria	

- 7. Dos and Don'ts for Investors¹⁰
- 8. Rights of investors 11
- 9. Responsibilities of Investors¹²