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**Implementation of Section 12A of the Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems (Prohibition of Unlawful Activities) Act, 2005: Designated List (Amendments)**

RBI/2023-24/56
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August 18, 2023

The Chairpersons/ CEOs of all the Regulated Entities

Madam/Dear Sir,

**Implementation of Section 12A of the Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems (Prohibition of Unlawful Activities) Act, 2005: Designated List (Amendments)**

Please refer to Section 52 of our [Master Direction on Know Your Customer dated February 25, 2016](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_ViewMasDirections.aspx?id=11566) as amended on May 04 , 2023 (MD on KYC), in terms of which, inter alia, “REs shall ensure meticulous compliance with the “Procedure for Implementation of Section 12A of the Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and their Delivery Systems (Prohibition of Unlawful Activities) Act, 2005” laid down in terms of Section 12A of the WMD Act, 2005 vide Order dated January 30, 2023, by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India (Annex III of the Master Direction on Know Your Customer).”

2. Further, in terms of Section 53 of our MD on KYC, “REs shall verify every day, the ‘UNSCR 1718 Sanctions List of Designated Individuals and Entities‘, as available at <https://www.mea.gov.in/Implementation-of-UNSC-Sanctions-DPRK.htm>, to take into account any modifications to the list in terms of additions, deletions or other changes and also ensure compliance with the ‘Implementation of Security Council Resolution on Democratic People’s Republic of Korea Order, 2017’, as amended from time to time by the Central Government”.

3. A reference is also invited to our [circular DOR.AML.REC.23/14.06.001/2023-24 dated July 04, 2023](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12521&Mode=0), communicating thereby the Consolidated List of UNSC Designated / Sanctioned Individuals and Entities under the UNSC Resolutions relating to non-proliferation. Certain amendments to the entries in the List were notified vide our [circular DOR. AML.REC.24/14.06.001/2023-24 dated July 04, 2023](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12522&Mode=0).

4. In this regard, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), GoI has informed that the UNSC Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718(2006) enacted the amendments, specified with strikethrough and/or underline in certain entries on its Sanctions List of individuals and entities ([enclosed](https://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/content/pdfs/enclosed18082023.pdf) with this circular). Hence, the ‘**designated list**’ (as referred in Para 2.1 and other relevant paras of the aforementioned Order dated January 30, 2023) communicated vide our [circular DOR.AML.REC.23/14.06.001/2023-24 dated July 04, 2023](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12521&Mode=0) is amended in accordance with the changes in these relevant entries.

5. The latest version of the UNSC Sanctions lists on DPRK & Iran are accessible on the UN Security Council’s website at the following URLs:
<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718>
<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/2231/list>

6. The REs are advised to take note of the aforementioned communications and ensure meticulous compliance.

Yours faithfully,

(Santosh Kumar Panigrahy)
Chief General Manager
Encl: As above

For more details, Kindly refer:

<https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12530&Mode=0>

**Amendment to the Master Direction (MD) on KYC**

RBI/2023-24/69
DOR.AML.REC.44/14.01.001/2023-24

October 17, 2023

The Chairpersons/ CEOs of all the Regulated Entities

Dear Sir / Madam,

**Amendment to the Master Direction (MD) on KYC**

Please refer to the [Master Direction (MD) on KYC dated February 25, 2016](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_ViewMasDirections.aspx?id=11566), as amended from time to time, in terms of which Regulated Entities (REs) have to undertake Customer Due Diligence (CDD), as per the process laid out therein, for their customers.

2. In this regard, on a review, it has been decided to amend the MD on KYC to:

(a) Update certain instructions considering amendments to the PML Rules vide Government notifications dated September 4, 2023 and October 17, 2023;

(b) Update Annex II of the MD considering the changes to Government of India Order related to Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), 1967, vide corrigendum dated August 29, 2023;

(c) Update Annex III of the MD by replacing the Government of India Order dated January 30, 2023, related to Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems (Prohibition of Unlawful Activities) Act, 2005 (WMD Act, 2005) with the Government of India Order dated September 1, 2023 (which has been issued by the Government in suppression of the earlier WMD Act Order dated January 30, 2023), on the matter;

(d) Update certain instructions in accordance with the FATF Recommendations;

(e) Add a new Section 55A, on FCRA, in the MD on KYC; and

(f) Update certain other instructions post review.

The changes carried out in the MD in this regard are provided in [Annexure](https://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/content/pdfs/MDKYC17102023_Annexure.pdf).

3. Accordingly, the relevant Sections of the [MD on KYC](https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_ViewMasDirections.aspx?id=11566) are hereby amended to reflect the changes furnished in Annexure. The amended provisions in the MD shall come into force with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

(Santosh Kumar Panigrahy)
Chief General Manager

Encl: As above

For more details, Kindly refer:

<https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12549&Mode=0>

**Master Direction on Information Technology Governance, Risk, Controls and Assurance Practices**

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DoS.CO.CSITEG/SEC.7/31.01.015/2023-24

November 7, 2023

The Chairman/Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer
Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks);
Small Finance Banks; Payments Banks;
Non-Banking Financial Companies;
Credit Information Companies; and
All India Financial Institutions (EXIM Bank, NABARD, NaBFID, NHB and SIDBI)

Madam/Dear Sir,

**Master Direction on Information Technology Governance, Risk, Controls and Assurance Practices**

Please refer to paragraph IV (8) of the [Statement on Developmental and Regulatory Policies](https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=53248) released with the [Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement 2021-22 on February 10, 2022](https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=53247), wherein it was announced that draft guidelines, updating and consolidating the instructions relating to Information Technology (IT) Governance and Controls, Business Continuity Management and Information Systems Audit, will be issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

2. Accordingly, a draft Master Direction on the subject was published in [October 2022](https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=54571) seeking public comments.  Based on feedback received, the final Reserve Bank of India (Information Technology Governance, Risk, Controls and Assurance Practices) Directions, 2023 are enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

(T.K.Rajan)
Chief General Manager

Encl: Reserve Bank of India (Information Technology Governance, Risk, Controls and Assurance Practices) Directions, 2023

For more details, Kindly refer:

<https://rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12562&Mode=0>