

**EXTENSION OF TIMELINE FOR VERIFICATION OF MARKET RUMOURS  
BY LISTED ENTITIES**

**BACKGROUND:**

As per proviso to Regulation 30(11) of the Securities Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (“LODR Regulations”) the top 100 listed entities based on market capitalization (with effect from October 1, 2023) and thereafter the top 250 listed entities based on market capitalization (with effect from April 1, 2024) shall confirm, deny or clarify any reported event or information in the mainstream media which is not general in nature and which indicates that rumours of an impending specific material event or information in terms of the provisions of this regulation are circulating amongst the investing public, as soon as reasonably possible and not later than twenty four hours from the reporting of the event or information.

Provided further that if the listed entity confirms the reported event or information, it shall also provide the current stage of such event or information.

*Note: The top 100 and 250 listed entities shall be determined on the basis of market capitalization, as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year.*

In view of the above the Securities Exchange Board of India (“SEBI”) vide its circular: **SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/162** dated **30 September 2023**, has extended the timeline for verification of market rumours by listed entities.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This circular shall come into force with immediate effect.

**KEY HIGHLIGHT OF THE CIRCULAR:**

- The effective date of implementation of the proviso to regulation 30(11) of the LODR Regulations for top 100 listed entities by market capitalization is extended from October 1, 2023 to **February 1, 2024** and for top 250 listed entities by market capitalization is extended from April 1, 2024 to **August 1, 2024**.
- However, the listed entity may on its own initiative also, confirm or deny any reported event or information to stock exchange(s)

**REFERENCE:**

[https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/sep-2023/extension-of-timeline-for-verification-of-market-rumours-by-listed-entities\\_77488.html](https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/sep-2023/extension-of-timeline-for-verification-of-market-rumours-by-listed-entities_77488.html)

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