

RBI/2014-15/134 A. P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 7

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All Authorised Dealer Category - I Banks

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Rupee Drawing Arrangement – Delegation of work to Regional Offices

Attention of Authorised Dealer Category – I (AD Cat – I) banks is invited to the <u>A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 28 [A. P. (FL/RL Series) Circular No. 02] dated February</u> <u>6, 2008</u> on Memorandum of Instructions for Opening and Maintenance of Rupee / Foreign Currency Vostro Accounts of Non-resident Exchange Houses, as amended from time to time.

2. As per para (a) of Annex-II of the above mentioned circular, the application for obtaining first time approval to enter into Rupee / Foreign Currency Drawing Arrangements with Exchange Houses needs to be submitted by the AD Cat-I Bank, in the prescribed format, to the Chief General Manager-In-Charge, Foreign Exchange Department, Forex Markets Division, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Mumbai -400001. It has now been decided to delegate the work of granting first time permission to AD Cat-I Banks for entering into Rupee Drawing Arrangement (RDA) with nonresident exchange house to the Regional Offices of the Reserve Bank. Therefore, AD Cat-I Banks willing to enter into Rupee/ Foreign Currency Drawing Arrangement with non-resident exchange house for the first time should submit the application, in the prescribed format, to the respective Regional Office of the Foreign Exchange Department of the Reserve Bank under whose jurisdiction the registered office of the applicant falls. Subsequently, AD Cat-I Banks may enter into RDAs, subject to the prescribed guidelines and inform the concerned Regional Office of the Reserve Bank, immediately.

3. As per clause (vii) of para (G) – 'Reports/ Statements' of Annex-I of the above mentioned circular, AD Cat-I Banks are required to submit to the Chief General

Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Foreign Exchange Department, Central Office, Forex Markets Division, Mumbai- 400001 by 30th June every year an annual review note covering the period January 1 to December 31 of the previous year, on the vostro accounts of the Exchange Houses maintained by them under the Rupee/ Foreign Currency Drawing Arrangements (RDAs), duly approved by their Board. Henceforth, AD Cat-I Banks should submit the duly approved Annual Review note by 30th June every year, to the respective Regional Office of the Foreign Exchange Department of the Reserve Bank under whose jurisdiction the registered office of the applicant falls.

4. All other instructions issued vide <u>A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 28 [A. P. (FL/RL</u> <u>Series) Circular No. 02] dated February 6, 2008</u>, as amended from time to time, will remain unchanged.

5. AD Cat-I Banks may bring the contents of this circular to the notice of their constituents concerned.

6. The directions contained in this circular have been issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999) and are without prejudice to permissions / approvals, if any, required under any other law.

Yours faithfully,

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