

**Consultation paper on Review of SEBI (Stock Brokers) Regulations, 1992**

**Objective**

1. The objective of this consultation paper is to seek comments / views / suggestions from the public and other stakeholders on the proposal to revamp the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Stock Broker) Regulations, 1992 ("SB Regulations").
2. The new SB Regulations would ease compliance burden on stock brokers, harmonize with the Companies Act, 2013 and would also include certain provisions issued via circulars under SB Regulations.

**Background**

3. SB Regulations were notified on October 23, 1992. The objective of SB Regulations, inter-alia, was to lay down regulatory framework for Stock Brokers (SBs), their eligibility, registration, obligations and responsibility and their continuance in securities market. Subsequent to the implementation of the SB Regulations in 1992, considerable time has passed. There have been several significant changes in the regulatory landscape with regard to the compliance requirements for stock brokers and several amendments have been made to the SB Regulations. Further, there have been changes in market practices and regulatory environment over a period of time.

A need was thus felt to review and realign the SB Regulations with these developments to ensure that they reflect the requirements which have occurred due to change in market practices and regulatory environment.

4. In view of the same, Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") constituted a Working Group ("WG") comprising of Exchanges, Broker representatives, Legal experts, Academicians and representative of Investor Associations with the objective to simplify, ease and reduce cost of compliance, while effectively balancing investor protection and compliance with laws of the land, to build trust in the industry, and to facilitate its development and growth.
5. In view of the above, WG reviewed the SB Regulations with particular regard to the following:

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