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M.S. Sahoo Committee Report Recommends Expanding the Scope of Depository Receipts in India

Summary

The Indian Ministry of Finance on September 23, 2013, constituted a committee under the chairmanship of Shri M. S. Sahoo to comprehensively review the Issue of Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds and Ordinary Shares (through Depository Receipt Mechanism) Scheme 1993.

This committee has submitted its report and has recommended a draft of the new scheme.

The key recommendations of the committee include allowing issuance of DRs against any underlying securities – equity or debt; by any issuer – listed or unlisted. The Committee has recommended that DRs can be issued both for capital raising through new shares or against existing/ secondary shares, and the issuance may be either sponsored or unsponsored. It is proposed that DRs will count as public shareholding if they have attached voting rights for holders.

The copy of the report is placed in the public domain and may be accessed from the website of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India at the link below.

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