

# Reduction in the timeline for listing of debt securities and Nonconvertible Redeemable Preference Shares to T+3 working days from existing T+6 working days

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## Background on the Circular

Para 12 of **Chapter I (Application process in case of public issues of securities and timelines for listing)** of the Master Circular no. **SEBI/HO/DDHS/PoD1/P/CIR/2024/54** dated May 22, 2024, (hereinafter referred as 'Master Circular') issued by SEBI, interalia specifies that the listing of debt securities and Non-convertible Redeemable Preference Shares (NCRPS) issued through public issue process shall be completed within **T+6 working days from the date of closure of the issue**. Regulation 37 (2) of SEBI (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Securities) **Regulations, 2021 ("NCS Regulations")** applicable to public issues of debt securities and NCRPS, requires issuers to refund the application moneys in an event of failure to list such securities within specified timelines

## Brief of the Circular

- The listing timeline for public issues of debt securities and NCRPS (Non-Convertible Redeemable Preference Shares) has been reduced **to T+3 working days from the current T+6 working days**
- Issuers can opt for **the T+3 listing timeline on a voluntary basis for one year starting November 1, 2024**, with mandatory implementation for all public issues from **November 1, 2025**.
- The period of voluntary applicability of the listing timeline of **T+3 working days, the provisions of regulation 37 (2) of NCS Regulations shall become applicable only after T+6 working day, even in cases where issuer has chosen T+3 as the listing timeline but fails to meet the same.**
- **The T+3 listing timeline must be clearly disclosed in the offer documents of all public issues starting from the applicable voluntary or mandatory dates.**

## Impact of the Circular

The recent SEBI directive reducing the listing timeline for public issues of debt securities and Non-Convertible Redeemable Preference Shares (NCRPS) from T+6 to T+3 working days is set to significantly accelerate fund access and liquidity for issuers and investors. This shift, voluntary for issuers from November 1, 2024, and mandatory from November 1, 2025, ensures faster listing, aligning with private placements and other securities. Clear disclosure of the T+3 timeline in offer documents is required, enhancing transparency in the public issue process.



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