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Symbol: ABCAPITAL

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Receipt of Observation Letter with 'no adverse observations' from BSE Limited and 'no objection' from the National Stock Exchange of India Limited in relation to the Scheme of amalgamation ("Scheme") of Aditya Birla Finance Limited ("Amalgamating Company") (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) with the Company.

Ref: Scheme of amalgamation under Regulation 37 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 ("Listing Regulations") with respect to the Scheme.

This is in connection with our letter dated 11 March 2024 informing about the decision taken by the Board of Directors of the Company approving the Scheme of Amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Limited ("Amalgamating Company") (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) with the Company and their respective shareholders and creditors under Sections 230 to 232 of the Companies Act, 2013 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 read withs rules made thereunder ("Scheme"). The Scheme inter alia provides for the amalgamation of the Amalgamating Company with the Company, and dissolution of the Amalgamating Company without winding up.

In this regard, we would like to inform you that Aditya Birla Finance Limited has received observation letter with 'no adverse observations' from BSE Limited on 28 June 2024 and observation letter with 'no objection' from the National Stock Exchange of India Limited, on 01 July 2024. The copies of said letters are enclosed herewith.

The Scheme remains subject to various statutory and regulatory approvals and of the respective shareholders and creditors of the companies involved in the Scheme, as may be required.



We request you to bring the above to the notice of all concerned.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely, For Aditya Birla Capital Limited

Pinky Mehta Chief Financial Officer Encl.: As above

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June 28, 2024

The Company Secretary,
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Maharashtra, Mumbai-400013

Dear Sir,

Sub: Observation letter regarding the Scheme of Amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Ltd ("amalgamating company") with Aditya Birla Capital Ltd ("amalgamated company") and their respective Shareholders and Creditors

We are in receipt of the Scheme of Amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Ltd ("amalgamating company") with Aditya Birla Capital Ltd ("amalgamated company") and their respective Shareholders and Creditors and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 by Aditya Birla Finance Ltd Limited as required under SEBI Master circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL1/CIR/P/2021/665 dated November 23, 2021 along with SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS-RACPOD1/P/CIR/2022/156 dated November 17, 2022 and Regulation 59A & 94A & Schedule XI OF Listing Regulations and Chapter XII of the SEBI operational Circular ref. no. SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS_Div1/P/CIR/2022/0000000103 dated July 29,2022, SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015; SEBI vide its letter dated June 26, 2024 and received on June 27,2024 has inter alia given the following comment(s) on the Scheme of Amalgamation:

- A. "The entities involved in the proposed scheme shall not provide any mis-statement or furnish false information with regard to disclosures to be made in the draft scheme of amalgamation as per Chapter XII of the Operational Circular, for listing obligations and disclosure requirements for Non-Convertible Securities, Securitized Debt Instrument and/ or Commercial Paper."
- B. "The entities involved in the scheme are advised that the observations of SEBI/Stock Exchanges shall be incorporated in the petition to be filed before Hon'ble NCLT and the Company obliged to bring the observations to the notice of Hon'ble NCLT."
- C. "Company shall ensure that additional information, if any, submitted by the Listed Entity, after filing the Scheme with the Stock Exchange, from the date of receipt of this letter, is displayed on the websites of the Listed Entity (ies) and the Stock Exchange."
- D. "The Listed Entity involved in the proposed scheme shall disclose the No-Objection letter of the Stock Exchange on its website within 24 hours of receiving the same."
- E. "Company shall ensure to disclose all details of ongoing adjudication & recovery proceedings, prosecution initiated and all other enforcement action taken, if any, against the Resultant Company, its promoters and directors are disclosed in the scheme filed before Hon'ble NCLT."
- F. "The Resultant Company shall ensure that the "Scheme" shall be acted upon subject to the entities complying with the relevant clause mentioned in the scheme document."





- G. "Company to ensure that no changes to the draft Scheme except those mandated by the regulators/ authorities / tribunals shall be made without specific written consent of SEBI."
- H. "Company shall ensure that the entities involved in the proposed scheme have complied with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Covenants of the Debenture Trust Deeds entered with the Debenture Trustee(s) any other relevant regulations and circulars."
- "It is to be noted that the petitions are filed by the Company before Hon'ble NCLT after processing and communication of comments/observations on draft Scheme by SEBI/Stock Exchange. Hence, the Company is not required to send notice for representation as mandated under section 230(5) of Companies Act, 2013 to SEBI again for its comments/observations/representations."

Accordingly, based on aforesaid comment offered by SEBI, the company is hereby advised:

- i. To provide additional information, if any, (as stated above) along with various documents to the Exchange for further dissemination on Exchange website.
- ii. To ensure that additional information, if any, (as stated aforesaid) along with various documents are disseminated on their (company) website.
- iii. To duly comply with various provisions of the circulars.

In light of the above, we hereby advise that we have no adverse observations with limited reference to those matters having a bearing on listing/de-listing/continuous listing requirements within the provisions of Listing Agreement, so as to enable the company to file the scheme with Hon'ble NCLT.

Further, where applicable in the explanatory statement of the notice to be sent by the company to the shareholders, while seeking approval of the scheme, it shall disclose information about unlisted company involved in the format prescribed for abridged prospectus as specified in the circular dated March 10, 2017.

Kindly note that as required under Regulation 59A of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the validity of this Observation Letter shall be six months from the date of this Letter, within which the scheme shall be submitted to the NCLT.

The Exchange reserves its right to withdraw its 'No adverse observation' at any stage if the information submitted to the Exchange is found to be incomplete / incorrect / misleading / false or for any contravention of Rules, Bye-laws and Regulations of the Exchange, Listing Agreement, Guidelines/Regulations issued by statutory authorities.

Please note that the aforesaid observations does not preclude the Company from complying with any other requirements.

Further, it may be noted that with reference to Section 230 (5) of the Companies Act, 2013 (Act), read with Rule 8 of Companies (Compromises, Arrangements and Amalgamations) Rules 2016 (Company Rules) and Section 66 of the Act read with Rule 3 of the Company Rules wherein pursuant to an Order passed by the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, a Notice of the proposed scheme of compromise or arrangement filed under sections 230-232 or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 as the case may be is required to be served upon the Exchange seeking representations or objections if any.

In this regard, with a view to have a better transparency in processing the aforesaid notices served upon the Exchange, the Exchange has <u>already introduced an online system of serving such Notice along with the relevant documents of the proposed schemes through the BSE Listing Centre.</u>

Any service of notice under Section 230 (5) or Section 66 of the Companies Act 2013 seeking Exchange's representations or objections if any, would be accepted and processed through the Listing Centre only and no

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<u>physical filings would be accepted.</u> You may please refer to circular dated February 26, 2019 issued to the company.

Yours faithfully,

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Senior Manager

Jayanti Pradhan Assistant Manager





National Stock Exchange Of India Limited

Ref: NSE/LIST/41347 July 01, 2024

The Company Secretary Aditya Birla Finance Limited One World Center, Tower 1-C, 18th Floor, Jupiter Mill Compound, 841, Senapati Bapat Marg, Elphinstone Road, Mumbai-400 013

Kind Attn.: Mr. Ankur Shah

Dear Sir,

Sub: Observation Letter for draft scheme of amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Limited (Amalgamating Company) with Aditya Birla Capital Limited (Amalgamated Company) and their respective shareholders and creditors under sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

We are in receipt for draft scheme of amalgamation of Aditya Birla Finance Limited (Amalgamating Company) with Aditya Birla Capital Limited (Amalgamated Company) and their respective shareholders and creditors under sections 230 to 232 and other applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013.

Based on our letter reference no. NSE/LIST/41347 dated May 30, 2024, submitted to SEBI pursuant to Regulations 59A and 94A and Schedule XI of the Listing Regulations and Chapter XII of the SEBI Operational Circular ref. no. SEBI/HO/DDHS/DDHS_Div1/P/CIR/2022/0000000103 dated July 29, 2022 (as amended from time to time), for listing obligations and disclosure requirements for Non-Convertible Securities, Securitized Debt Instruments and/ or Commercial Paper, SEBI vide its letter dated June 26, 2024, has inter alia given the following comment(s) on the draft scheme of arrangement:

- a) The entities involved in the proposed scheme shall not make any mis-statement or furnish false information with regard to disclosures to be made in the draft scheme of amalgamation as per provisions of Chapter XII of the Operational Circular, for listing obligations and disclosure requirements for Non-Convertible Securities, Securitized Debt Instruments and/ or Commercial Paper.
- b) The Company shall ensure that the observations of SEBI/ Stock Exchange shall be incorporated in the petition to be filed before NCLT and the Company is obliged to bring the observations to the notice of NCLT.
- c) The Company shall ensure that additional information, if any, submitted by the Companies after filing the Scheme with the Stock Exchanges, from the date of receipt of this letter, is displayed on the websites of the Companies and the Stock Exchanges.



- d) The companies involved in the proposed scheme shall disclose the No-Objection letter of the Stock Exchange on its website within 24 hours of receiving the same.
- e) The Company shall ensure that the details of ongoing adjudication & recovery proceedings, prosecution initiated, and all other enforcement action taken, if any, against the resultant Company, its promoters and directors, are disclosed in the scheme filed before Hon'ble NCLT.
- f) The Resultant Company shall ensure that the "Scheme" shall be acted upon subject to the Companies complying with the relevant clauses mentioned in the scheme document.
- g) The Company shall ensure that no changes to the draft scheme shall be made without specific written consent of SEBI, except those mandated by the regulators/authorities/tribunals.
- h) The entities involved in the proposed scheme shall ensure to have complied with the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013, SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Covenants of the Debenture Trust Deeds entered with the Debenture Trustee(s) any other relevant regulations and circulars.
- i) It is to be noted that the petitions are filed by the company before NCLT after processing and communication of comments/observations on draft scheme by SEBl/stock exchange. Hence, the company is not required to send notice for representation as mandated under section 230(5) of Companies Act, 2013 to SEBI again for its comments / observations / representations.

It is to be noted that the petitions are filed by the company before NCLT after processing and communication of comments/observations on draft scheme by SEBI / Stock exchange. Hence, the company is not required to send notice for representation as mandated under section 230(5) of Companies Act, 2013 to National Stock Exchange of India Limited again for its comments/observations/representations.

Further, where applicable in the explanatory statement of the notice to be sent by the company to the shareholders, while seeking approval of the scheme, it shall disclose information about unlisted companies involved in the format prescribed for abridged prospectus as specified in the Circular.

Please note that the submission of documents/information, in accordance with the Circular to SEBI and National Stock Exchange of India (NSE), should not in any way be deemed or construed that the same has been cleared or approved by SEBI and NSE. SEBI and NSE does not take any responsibility either for the financial soundness of any scheme or for the correctness of the statements made or opinions expressed in the documents submitted.

Based on the draft scheme and other documents submitted by the Company, including undertaking given in terms of Regulation 11 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, we hereby convey our "No objection" in terms of 59A and 94A of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, so as to enable the Company to file the draft scheme with NCLT.



However, the Exchange reserves its rights to raise objections at any stage if the information submitted to the Exchange is found to be incomplete/ incorrect/ misleading/ false or for any contravention of Rules, Bye-laws and Regulations of the Exchange, Listing Regulations, Guidelines/ Regulations issued by statutory authorities.

The validity of this "Observation Letter" shall be six months from July 01, 2024, within which the Scheme shall be submitted to NCLT.

Kindly note, this Exchange letter should not be construed as approval under any other Act /Regulation/rule/bye laws (except as referred above) for which the Company may be required to obtain approval from other department(s) of the Exchange. The Company is requested to separately take up matter with the concerned departments for approval, if any.

The Company shall ensure filing of compliance status report stating the compliance with each point of Observation Letter on draft scheme of arrangement on the following path: NEAPS > Issue > Scheme of arrangement > Reg 37/59A of SEBI LODR, 2015> Seeking Observation letter to Compliance Status.

Yours faithfully, For National Stock Exchange of India Limited

Dipti Chinchkhede Senior Manager

P.S. Checklist for all the Further Issues is available on website of the exchange at the following URL: https://www.nseindia.com/companies-listing/raising-capital-further-issues-main-sme-checklist