



FEMA

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Applicable FEMA Provisions

Foreign Exchange Management (Overseas Investment) Rules, 2022 & Foreign Exchange Management (Overseas Investment) Regulations, 2022 read along with Master Direction on ODI.

Reporting Compliance

- Submission of APR
- Reporting of setting up SDS to AD Bank

Type of Contravention

- Issuance of Corporate Guarantees / SBLC on behalf of first level step down subsidiary (SDS) without prior approval of RBI
- Delay in reporting of setting up of SDS.

Penal Action

- Late submission Fees (LSF) based on value of allotment.
- Compounding
- Enquiry by Directorate of Enforcement.

Compounding Order

Zodiac Clothing Company Ltd ("The Company") & Reserve Bank of India, Foreign Exchange Department, Mumbai vide compounding order no. C.A.No. 4533/2017 dated Jan 31, 2018.

The company has set up various WOS & SDS in different countries. The setting up of the SDS were reported with a delay beyond the stipulated time period and also APRs filed with a delay.

Contravention committed of Regulations 5(2) read with 6(2)(ii), 13 and 15(iii) of Notification No. FEMA 120/2004-RB dated July 7, 2004, as amended from time to time.

RBI's stance was that the company should report setting up of step-down subsidiary and ensure filing of APRs within the stipulated time period.

**Compounding Penalty levied for
₹ 18,07,868**

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