



Media Release

CDSL celebrates IOSCO's World Investor Week from November 23,2020 to November 29,2020

MUMBAI, November 23, 2020: Central Depository Services (India) Limited (“CDSL”), Asia’s first and only listed depository, is pleased to announce that we will be celebrating the World Investor Week along with - SEBI (Securities Exchange Board of India), Stock Exchanges, Commodity Exchanges and other Capital Market Intermediaries under the aegis of International Organization of Securities Commission (IOSCO). The WIW is being celebrated in India this year from November 23 to November 29 and SEBI is the national coordinator for the same.

The objective of the World Investor week is to raise awareness about the significance of investor education and protection and to highlight the various aspects of risk mitigation and deterrence for a lay investor and the initiatives taken by the securities market regulator and the Market Infrastructure Institutions (MIIs) i.e. Depositories, Clearing Corporations and Stock Exchanges. Throughout the World Investor week, various Investor awareness programs and other initiatives will be carried out by CDSL. Details of the Programs will be updated on the CDSL website (<https://www.cdslindia.com/Investors/InvestorCorner.aspx>) and on the social media pages of CDSL([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Linkedin](#)) .

Commenting on the above, Mr. Nehal Vora, MD & CEO of CDSL stated: *“Our vision is to empower and promote the idea of the ‘Atmanirbhar Niveshak’ (self-sufficient investor) by encouraging the investors to opt for online platforms, e-services and be aware and self-sufficient. Our advice to all the investors is to remain vigilant, watchful and aware of your investments in the capital markets by using the easy and easiest platforms which enable the investors to independently view and transact from your demat accounts.*

Our continued effort would be to enhance the digital footprint in all facets of the financial markets and continuously invest in the three-pronged motto of empowering the Atmanirbhar Niveshak or the self-sufficient investor, enhancing the convenience, ease and security of doing transactions on all the CDSL platforms and promoting trust, conviction and confidence in the financial ecosystem.”

About CDSL:

Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) is India's leading and only listed depository, with an objective of providing convenient, dependable and secure depository services at affordable cost to all market participants. CDSL received its certificate of commencement of business from SEBI in February 1999 and it facilitates holding and transacting in securities in the electronic form and facilitates settlement of trades on stock exchanges.

CDSL maintains and services over 2.7 crore Demat accounts of Investors or Beneficial Owners (BOs) spread across India. These BOs are serviced by CDSL's 591 Depository Participants (DPs) from over 20,500 locations.

CDSL's enduring focus on delivering quality services and innovative products has propelled it on a high-growth path in recent years. Since the financial services industry has become increasingly IT-reliant, cutting-edge technology is at the heart of CDSL's strategic vision. Major shareholders of CDSL include BSE, Canara Bank, HDFC Bank, LIC and Standard Chartered Bank.

CDSL along with its subsidiaries also provides a host of services to the financial intermediaries and markets, these include:

- **CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL)** looks after "Customer profiling and Record Keeping" for issuance of Know Your Client (KYC) acknowledgement to mutual fund investors. It is the first and largest KYC Registration Agency (KRA) in India with over 2.3 crore KYC records. The KRA enables a KYC compliant investor to avoid duplication of KYC process while opening an account for the purpose of trading / investment through multiple intermediaries in the securities market. CVL also provides eKYC and is registered as AUA/KUA with UIDAI.
- **CDSL Insurance Repository Limited (CDSLIR)** is a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956. CDSL IR has received registration certificate from Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to act as an 'Insurance Repository' under the Guidelines on Insurance repositories and electronic issuance of insurance policies dated 29th May 2015.
- **CDSL Commodity Repository Limited** allows the Farmer, Farmers Producer Organizations (FPOs), Manufacturers, etc., to obtain electronic warehouse receipts (negotiable or non-negotiable) [eNWRs or eNNWRs] in a demat account against deposit of commodities in any of the warehouses registered with Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA).

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