



**NSE IFSC LIMITED**  
**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE**  
**TERMINATION OF THE NSE IFSC RECEIPTS PROGRAMME**  
*(Un-sponsored Depository Receipts on U.S. Stocks)*

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## 1. Background

The NSE IFSC Receipts Programme of NSE IFSC Limited for unsponsored depository receipts for select U.S stocks ("**NSE IFSC Receipts**") were issued by HDFC Bank Limited, IFSC Banking Unit, acting solely in its capacity as the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian, pursuant to the Master Deed Poll dated January 27, 2022, ("**Deed Poll**") read with the Product Disclosure Statement dated January 27, 2022 ("**PDS**"), as may be amended and supplemented from time to time. Pursuant to Circular Ref. No. 213/2026 dated July 24, 2026 (Download:[https://www.nseix.com/api/content/circulars/NSEIFSC\\_TRADE\\_26\\_98.pdf](https://www.nseix.com/api/content/circulars/NSEIFSC_TRADE_26_98.pdf)) issued by NSE IFSC Limited, and in accordance with the Deed Poll, this Standard Operating Procedure ("**SOP**") has been issued to implement and give effect to the termination of the NSE IFSC Receipts programme.

## 2. Objective

This SOP sets out the end-to-end operational framework for the termination of NSE IFSC Receipts programme and provides NSE IFSC Receipt Holders with a clear understanding of the actions required in connection with such termination.

## 3. Definitions and Interpretations

Unless the context otherwise requires, capitalised terms used in this SOP shall have the meanings assigned to them below:

**"Closure Period"** means the period commencing on July 30, 2026, during which NSE IFSC Receipts Holders may dispose of their NSE IFSC Receipts through either of the following methods: (i) sale of NSE IFSC Receipts on NSE IFSC up to January 29, 2027; or (ii) cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts and withdrawal of the corresponding Underlying Shares up to January 20, 2027; and

**"Cancellation Request"** means a request for cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts and withdrawal of the corresponding Underlying Shares, submitted in the Cancellation Request Form set out at Schedule III of the Deed Poll and available at – [Cancellation Request Form](#).

Capitalised terms used but not defined in this SOP shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Deed Poll or the PDS, as the case may be.

## 4. Overview of Key Stakeholders & Responsibilities

- 4.1 NSE IFSC:** NSE IFSC shall, inter alia, undertake the following responsibilities:
- (a) issuance of circular(s) to market participants for the termination of NSE IFSC Receipts;



- (b) dissemination of this SOP;
- (c) provide liquidity during the Closure Period through market maker; and
- (d) handling and resolving all complaints arising out of the termination of NSE IFSC Receipts.

**4.2 NSE IFSC Clearing Corporation Limited:** NSE IFSC Clearing Corporation Limited (“**NSEICC**”) shall, clear and settle all transactions in NSE IFSC Receipts executed on NSEIX during the Closure Period on a T+2 rolling basis.

**4.3 NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian (HDFC Bank Limited, IFSC Banking Unit):** NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian shall, inter alia, undertake the following activities:

- (a) verification, acceptance, or rejection of Cancellation Request Form in accordance with the Deed Poll;
- (b) instruction to the US Custodian for release of the Underlying Shares;
- (c) collection of applicable fees, charges and withholding taxes;
- (d) process all corporate actions within the Closure Period;
- (e) maintenance of records of all cancellations and withdrawals;
- (f) release and delivery of the Underlying Shares to the designated depository of the holder pursuant to instructions of the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian upon acceptance of a Cancellation Request;
- (g) performance of its residual obligations under Clause 18 (*Termination*) of the Deed Poll in respect of any NSE IFSC Receipts outstanding after the Closure Period; and
- (h) handling and resolving all complaints arising out of the termination of NSE IFSC Receipts.

**4.4 India International Depository IFSC Limited (“Global IFSC Depository”):** Global IFSC Depository, inter alia, undertake the following activities:

- (a) maintenance of demat accounts;
- (b) generation and processing of Beneficiary Position (BENPOS) reports;
- (c) blocking and extinguishment of NSE IFSC Receipts upon cancellation or upon settlement-related debits;
- (d) execution of all corporate-action-related activities;
- (e) maintenance of the register of NSE IFSC Receipt Holders; and
- (f) preparation of distribution lists as on relevant record dates; and processing of extinguishment and related corporate actions in coordination with the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian.

**4.5 Broker Dealer and Clearing Member:** Broker dealers and clearing members, inter alia, undertake the following activities:

- (a) execution of sell orders only for the NSE IFSC Receipt Holders;
- (b) ensuring that no buy order and naked short sales are permitted during the Closure Period;
- (c) NSE IFSC Receipts Holders communication regarding the termination, the options available and the Closure Period;
- (d) verification of client identity, demat holdings and LRS compliance;



- (e) blocking of NSE IFSC Receipts in the client's demat account and transmission of Cancellation Requests to the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian;
- (f) timely pay-in/pay-out of securities and funds to clients; and
- (g) handling and resolving all complaints arising out of the termination of NSE IFSC Receipts.

**4.6 NSE IFSC Receipts Holders:** NSE IFSC Receipts Holders, inter alia, undertake the following activities

- (a) refer the Circular Ref. No. 213/2026 dated July 24, 2026, and any other related circulars issued by NSE IFSC, this SOP, the PDS and the Deed Poll;
- (b) exercising either of the options set out in Paragraph 7 of this SOP within the Closure Period;
- (c) ensuring the accuracy and completeness of all Cancellation Request, forms, declarations and documents submitted;
- (d) ensuring their own compliance with FEMA (*defined below*) and other applicable law; and
- (e) bearing all fees, charges and taxes applicable to the option exercised.

## **5. Termination timeline and trading restrictions**

**5.1 Termination Notice:** NSE IFSC Limited has issued Circular Ref. No. 213/2026 dated July 24, 2026, to all market participants announcing the termination of the NSE IFSC Receipt programme, the commencement of the Closure Period, and the options available to NSE IFSC Receipt Holders.

**5.2 Restriction on purchase of NSE IFSC Receipts:** With effect from the commencement of the Closure Period, buy orders in NSE IFSC Receipts shall not be permitted from any investor other than a Market Maker.

## **6. Corporate Actions**

All corporate actions in respect of NSE IFSC Receipts shall continue to be processed by the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian and Global IFSC Depository without requiring any action on the part of NSE IFSC Receipts Holders. Any corresponding price adjustments shall continue to be carried out by NSE IFSC. The NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian, Global IFSC Depository and NSE IFSC shall continue to perform these functions during the Closure Period.

The NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian may temporarily cease accepting Cancellation Requests for up to three (3) Business Days prior to ex-dates until the record date (inclusive), to ensure that a NSE IFSC Receipt Holders do not become ineligible to avail any corporate benefits as a consequence of delivering/depositing the Underlying Shares held by them.

Notwithstanding to anything aforementioned, from the commencement of the Closure Period, no fresh NSE IFSC Receipts shall be issued for any new Underlying Shares pursuant to any corporate actions. Hence, the NSE IFSC



Receipts Holders are requested to sell/cancel their existing NSE IFSC Receipts before the ex-dates for such corporate actions.

## **7. Options Available to NSE IFSC Receipts Holders**

During the Closure Period, every NSE IFSC Receipts Holders may exercise either of the following options, in whole or in part, subject to the conditions applicable to each:

### **7.1 Option 1: Sale of NSE IFSC Receipts on NSE IFSC**

- (a) Sale of NSE IFSC Receipts:** NSE IFSC Receipts Holder may sell its NSE IFSC Receipts on NSE IFSC through a registered broker dealer at International Financial Services Centres.
- (b) Waiver of exchange transaction charges:** To facilitate an orderly sell-off, NSE IFSC shall not levy exchange transaction charges on such sell transactions during the Closure Period. Broker dealers shall communicate their own brokerage and statutory charges, if any, transparently to clients.
- (c) Liquidity provisions and offer price:** Throughout the Closure Period, Market Maker shall provide the required quotes during market hours so as to ensure that NSE IFSC Receipts Holders have the liquidity required to sell their existing holdings. The offer price provided by the Market Maker shall be referenced to the prevailing price of the Underlying Share (adjusted for the NSE IFSC Receipt Ratio and prevailing market conditions) and shall be subject to the market-making framework.
- (d) Settlement:** Trades shall be settled on a T+2 working days rolling basis through NSEICC, and the sale proceeds shall be credited to the respective NSE IFSC Holders by their broker dealers upon pay-out. NSE IFSC Receipts Holders may refer to the settlement circulars issued by NSEICC from time to time.

### **7.2 Option 2: Cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts and withdrawal of the corresponding Underlying Shares.**

- (a) Cancellation Request:** NSE IFSC Receipts Holders may exercise the option of cancelling its holdings of NSE IFSC Receipts into the Underlying Shares by submitting a Cancellation Request.
- (b) Whole number requirement:** Conversion is permitted only where the NSE IFSC Receipts tendered represents a whole number of Underlying Shares based on the applicable NSE IFSC Receipt Ratio. NSE IFSC Receipts representing fractional entitlements cannot be converted and must be sold under Option 1. (Ratio for your reference: "[NSEIX](#)")

**(c) Prerequisite of global depository or custodian account:** The NSE IFSC Receipts Holders must maintain, or open, a securities account with a depository participants or custodian capable of receiving the Underlying Shares and must furnish complete and accurate delivery instructions in the Cancellation Request. Resident individuals must additionally satisfy themselves of their eligibility to hold the Underlying Shares in compliance with the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, and the rules, regulations, master directions, circulars, notifications and other directions issued thereunder (including the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (“**LRS**”)), as may be amended, modified, supplemented, re-enacted or replaced from time to time (“**FEMA**”).

**(d) Process:** The cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts shall proceed as follows:

- i. the NSE IFSC Receipts Holders submits a duly completed Cancellation Request through its broker dealer;
- ii. the broker dealer validates the client's identity and LRS compliance and verifies that the demat account holds the requisite quantum of whole NSE IFSC Receipts;
- iii. the broker dealer blocks the NSE IFSC Receipts in the client's demat account with the Global IFSC Depository;
- iv. the broker dealer/NSE IFSC Receipts Holders transmits the Cancellation Request to the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian;
- v. upon acceptance, the Global IFSC Depository extinguishes the blocked NSE IFSC Receipts;
- vi. the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian instructs the US Custodian to release the corresponding Underlying Shares from its account; and
- vii. the Underlying Shares are credited to the holder's designated depository or custodian account.

**(e) Conditions for acceptance of Cancellation Request:**

A Cancellation Request will be accepted by the NSE IFSC Receipt Custodian when it is satisfied that it has received:

- (i) a duly completed Cancellation Request compliant with the instructions specified thereon;
- (ii) payment of applicable cancellation fees;
- (iii) applicable taxes and stamp duty; and
- (iv) all information, declarations and documents required by NSE IFSC Receipt Custodian.

Upon acceptance, the Custodian will endeavour to give effect to the Cancellation Request on the immediately succeeding trading day in the U.S. A Cancellation Request, once submitted, cannot be withdrawn without the consent of the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian and that NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian is under no obligation to provide that consent.

**(f) Rejection of Cancellation Request:** A Cancellation Request will be rejected by the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian if:

- i. it is made in respect of such number of NSE IFSC Receipts as do not together represent a whole number of Underlying Shares;
- ii. the holder fails to provide any information, declaration or document required by the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian, or the details provided are incorrect or found lacking in any way;
- iii. it is made by a non-resident NSE IFSC Receipts Holders, other than a non-resident holder registered as a Foreign Portfolio Investor with SEBI or identified as an Eligible Foreign Investor under SEBI guidelines or any other applicable laws notified by International Financial Services Centres Authority ("IFSCA"); or
- iv. for any other reason which the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian may consider appropriate in accordance with the mutual arrangement between the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian and NSE IFSC.

The NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian shall communicate the rejection, with reasons, to the broker dealer/NSE IFSC Receipt Holders, and the blocked NSE IFSC Receipts shall be unblocked to enable the NSE IFSC Receipt Holders to exercise Option 1 or resubmit a compliant Cancellation Request within the Closure Period.

- (g) Timeline:** The standard turnaround time for complete cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts and delivery of the Underlying Shares into the NSE IFSC Receipts Holders depository or custodial account be as per the timeline provided by the NSE IFSC Receipts Custodian.
- (h) Conversion fees:** Conversion fees shall be as per the Schedule of Fees published at: [https://www.nseix.com/web/contentpage/2026-07/Schedule\\_of\\_fees\\_20260723130503.pdf](https://www.nseix.com/web/contentpage/2026-07/Schedule_of_fees_20260723130503.pdf), read with the Deed Poll.
- (i)** Illustrative scenarios of the interplay between Option 1 and Option 2 are set out in **Annexure A**.
- (j)** If any NSE IFSC Receipts remain outstanding after the Closure Period, such outstanding NSE IFSC Receipts shall continue to be governed by Clause 18 (*Termination*) of the Deed Poll. NSE IFSC shall have no obligation to provide any liquidity, exit mechanism, or exit facility in respect of such outstanding NSE IFSC Receipts. (To access the [Deed Poll](#) following is the URL - ("[Deed Poll](#)")

## 8. Liberalised Remittance Scheme

As per the FEMA, resident individuals, including minors, are permitted to remit up to USD 250,000 per financial year for permissible current account and capital account transactions under the LRS. Compliance with FEMA and all other applicable foreign exchange laws and regulations shall continue to apply during the Closure Period.





Broker-dealers shall continue to monitor and track the applicable LRS limits and ensure compliance with the obligation to realise and repatriate to India any foreign exchange due to their resident individual clients within 180 days, in accordance with the Master Direction - LRS bearing Direction No. RBI/FED/2017-18/3 (FED Master Direction No. 7/2015-16) issued by the Reserve Bank of India, as amended from time to time.

NSE IFSC Receipts Holders exercising Option 2 as set out in Paragraph 7.2 shall comply with FEMA and all other applicable laws, rules, regulations, directions, and circulars.

## 9. Taxation

Tax implications of a sale of NSE IFSC Receipts under Option 1 as provided under Paragraph No. 7.1, a cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts under Option 2 as provided under Paragraph No. 7.2, will vary with, inter alia, the holding period, the residential status of the NSE IFSC Receipt Holders and applicable tax laws. Investors are requested to refer to the section on taxation under the heading Tax Consideration in the PDS (page 52) and to consult their own tax advisors. Tax implications are beyond the purview of NSE IFSC, and nothing in this SOP constitutes tax advice.

## 10. Complaint Handling and Resolution

NSE IFSC Receipts Holder may refer to NSE IFSC's website for Complaint handling and Grievance redressal <https://www.nseix.com/complainthandling/grievances>

## 11. General provisions

**(a) Precedence.** This SOP shall be read together with the Deed Poll, the PDS, and the circulars issued by NSE IFSC. In the event of any inconsistency, the order of precedence shall be: (i) applicable laws and directions of IFSCA; (ii) the Deed Poll; (iii) the PDS; (iv) Circulars issued by NSE IFSC; and (v) this SOP.

**(b) Amendments.** Any amendment to this SOP shall be subject to the approval of the Regulatory Oversight Committee of the NSE IFSC.

**(c) Severability.** If any provision of this SOP is or becomes invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

**(d) No advice.** Nothing in this SOP constitutes investment, legal or tax advice. NSE IFSC Receipts Holders should consult their own advisors before exercising any option.

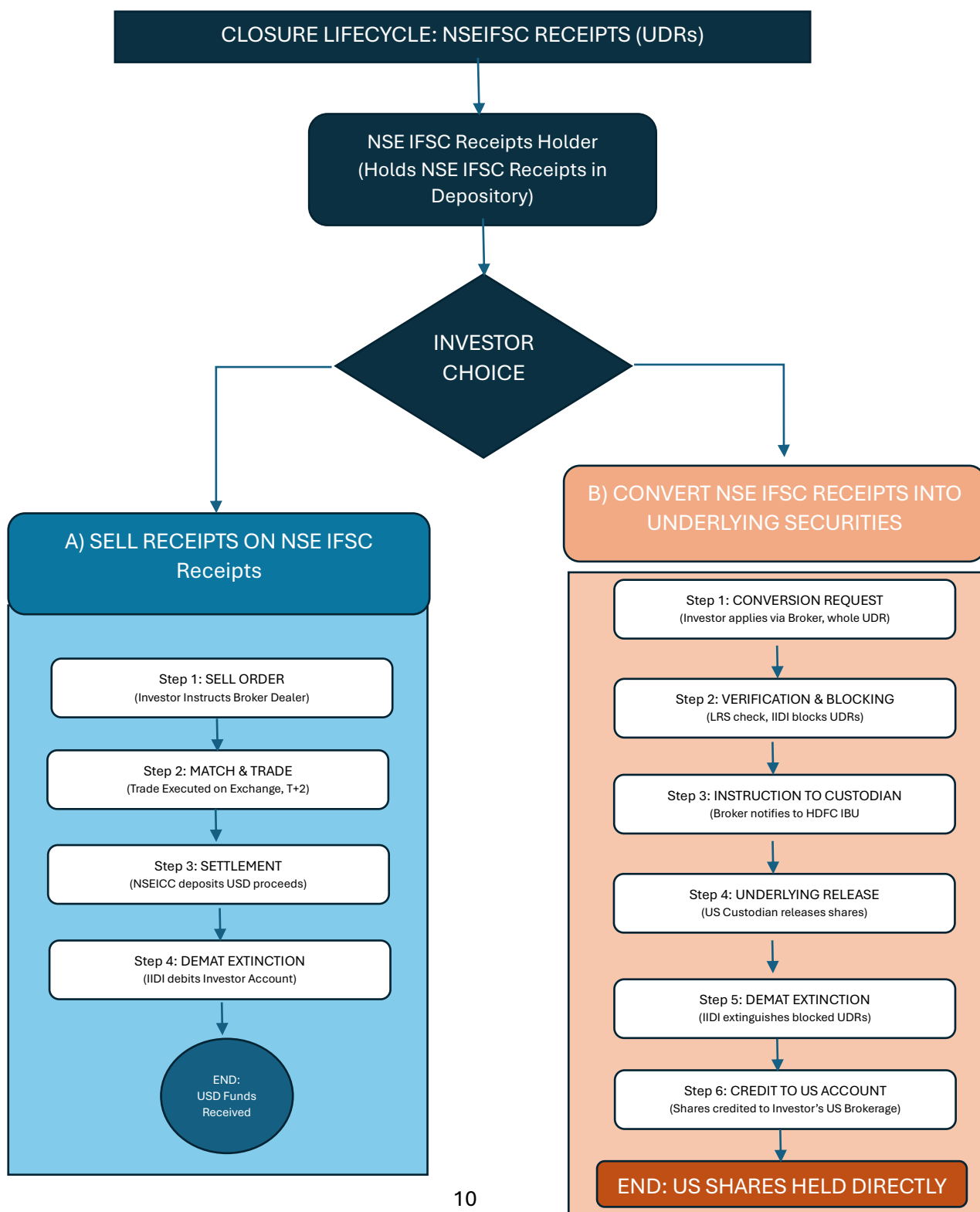




**(e) Governing law and dispute resolution.** This SOP shall be governed by Indian law. Disputes between NSE IFSC Receipts Holders and the NSE IFSC Receipt Custodian in relation to the NSE IFSC Receipts shall be resolved in accordance with the governing law and dispute-resolution provisions of the Deed Poll. Disputes relating to trades executed on NSE IFSC and settled by NSEICC shall be resolved under the byelaws of NSE IFSC and NSEICC, as may be applicable.

## ANNEXURE-A

The following scenarios illustrate the interplay of Option 1 (Sale on NSE IFSC Receipts) and Option 2 (cancellation of NSE IFSC Receipts) for a NSE IFSC Receipts with an NSE IFSC Receipt Ratio of 25 NSE IFSC Receipts per Underlying Share (illustration only; the actual ratio applicable to each Series is as published by NSE IFSC):



## 1. Different Scenarios

| UDR Symbol | Ratio | UDR Holding at the start of closure period | Option 1: Selling of UDR on NSE IFSC | Option 2: Cancellation of UDR and conversion to underlying US Securities |
|------------|-------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AAPL       | 25    | 50                                         | 50                                   | 0                                                                        |
|            |       | 50                                         | 0                                    | 2 AAPL US Stock against 50 UDRs                                          |
|            |       | 50                                         | 25                                   | 1 AAPL US Stock against 25 UDRs                                          |
|            |       | 55                                         | 5                                    | 2 AAPL US Stock against 50 UDRs                                          |
|            |       | 55                                         | 30                                   | 1 AAPL US Stock against 25 UDRs                                          |
|            |       | 20                                         | 20                                   | 0                                                                        |

**Note:** Where a holding, or the balance of a holding after partial sale, does not represent a whole number of Underlying Shares, the balance NSE IFSC Receipts must be sold under Option 1 as provided under Paragraph 7.1.