

Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2015 2016

Applicability:-

To each and every company (including a ¹foreign company) except:

1. Banking Companies,
2. Insurance Companies,
3. Companies u/s 8 of companies Act, 2013,
4. One Person Company and ²small companies.
5. Private Limited companies(not being subsidiary/holding of a public company) having:-
 - a. Paid-up capital + reserves **not more than 50-lacs 1 crore and,**
 - b. Loans from bank or any financial institution **not exceeding 20-lacs 1 crore and,**
 - c. ~~Turnover~~ **Total Revenue as per Schedule III not exceeding 5-crores 10 crores.**

Matters to be disclosed in Auditor's Report:-

Every Auditor's report u/s 143 of CA, 2013 of every company to which this Order applies for FY on or after 1st April, ~~2014~~ 2015, shall contain matters specified in paragraph 3 and 4.

Order shall not apply to auditor's report on consolidated financial statements.

Paragraph 3:

(i) Fixed Assets –

- a. Whether proper records (full particulars, quantitative details and situation of FA) are maintained.
- b. Physical verification by management at reasonable intervals, if any material discrepancies found, whether properly dealt in books of accounts.
- c. **Title Deed of immovable properties held in the name of company. If not, provide details.**

(ii) Inventories –

- a. Physical verification conducted at reasonable intervals.
- b. ~~PV procedures are adequate according to size of company & nature of its business.~~
- c. ~~Proper maintenance of inventory records, if any material discrepancies found during PV, the same have been dealt in books of accounts.~~

(iii) Loans u/s 189 –

Loans (Secured or Unsecured) granted to companies, firms, **LLPs** or other parties covered in register u/s 189 of companies act, 2013,

- a. Terms & conditions of loan granted not prejudicial to company's interest,
- b. Receipt of principal and interest amount are regular and,
- c. If overdue is more than one lakh, reasonable steps have been taken to recover the principal and interest amount.

¹**Foreign Company-** Any foreign co., situated outside India, has a place of business in India whether by itself or through an agent, physically or through electronic mode & conducts any business activity in India in any other manner.(sec 2(42) of companies act, 2013)

²**small Company-** paid up capital < 50 lacs; turnover < 2 crores; excluding- holding or subsidiary, section 8 co, co. or body corporate governed by any special act.

(iv) Section **185 & 186** –

- a. Whether provisions u/s 185 & 186 have been complied with in respect of Loans, Investments, Guarantees and security.
- b. If not Complied, provide details thereof.

~~Internal Control System –~~

- ~~a. There is an internal control system, adequate with the size of company & nature of its business, for the purchase of inventory & fixed assets and for sale of goods and services.~~
- ~~b. There is a continue failure to correct major weaknesses in Internal Control System.~~

(v) **Deposits Accepted** –

If Deposits are accepted, then:

- a. Directions of RBI, Section 73 to 76, or any other provisions or rules of companies act, where applicable, have been complied with.
- b. If not, state the nature of contravention,
- c. If nay order has been passed by CLB, NCLT, RBI or any court or any other tribunal, whether the same has been complied with.

(vi) **Cost Records** –

If maintenance of Cost Records has been specified by CG under sub-section (1) of sec 148 of CA, 2013, whether such accounts are maintained.

(vii) **Statutory Dues** –

- a. Regular in depositing undisputed Statutory Dues with the appropriate authority.
- b. If not, the extent of arrears of o/s stat. dues as at last day of concerned FY for a period of more than six months, shall be indicated by auditor.
- c. If the amount o/s is on account of any dispute, then amount involved & the forum (where dispute is pending) shall be mentioned.
- ~~d. Amount required to be deposited in INVESTOR EDUCATION AND PROTECTION FUND u/s 125 of CA, 2013, has been transferred within the time.~~

~~Accumulated Losses –~~

- ~~e. In case of a company (registered for not less than 5 years), whether the accumulated losses at the end of financial year are not less than 50% of its net worth. (In other words, whether the losses are more the 50% of its networth).~~
- ~~f. Whether there are cash losses in current & immediately preceeding financial year.~~

(viii) **Default of repayment** –

- a. Default in repayment of dues to a financial institution or bank or debenture holder,
- b. If yes, period & amount of default to be reported.

~~Guarantee for loan –~~

- ~~c. Company has given guarantee for loans taken by other.~~
- ~~d. If yes, terms & conditions are not prejudicial to interest of the company.~~

(ix) **Usage of Term Loan & IPO –**

- a. Money raised by way of initial public offer(including debt instrument)
- b. Terms loans were applied for the purpose for which the loans were obtained.

(x) **Noticed any fraud –**

- a. Any fraud on or by the company has been reported or noticed by its officers or employees during the year.
- b. If yes, Nature and amount to be indicated.

(xi) **Managerial Remuneration –**

- a. Whether managerial remuneration has been paid or provided in accordance with section 197 of schedule V of CA, 2013.
- b. If not, state the amount involved and steps taken to secure the refund of same.

(xii) **Compliance of NIDHI Company to meet out the liability –**

- a. Net owned funds to Deposits in the ration of 1:20,
- b. Maintaining 10% unencumbered term deposits as specified in NIDGI rules, 2014.

(xiii) **Section 177 & 188 –**

- a. All transactions with the related parties are in compliance of above sections, wherever applicable, and
- b. Details have been disclosed in Financial Statements.

(xiv) **If the company has made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures(fully or partially),**

- a. Requirement u/s 42 of CA 2013 have been complied with, and
- b. Amount raised have been used for the purpose for which raised,
- c. If not, provide details of amount and nature of non-compliance.

(xv) **Non-cash transaction –**

- a. Whether company entered into any non-cash transaction with directors or connected persons,
- b. If so, provisions of section 192 of CA 2013 have been complied with.

(xvi) **Reserve Bank of India –**

- a. If the registration u/s 45-IA of RBI Act, 1934 is required,
- b. Whether the same has been obtained.

Paragraph 4: Reasons to be stated for unfavourable or qualified answers

Auditor, in his report, should state the reason for:-

1. Why the answer of any question referred to in paragraph 3 is unfavourable or qualified.
2. If auditor is unable to express an opinion, shall indicate such facts together with reason for not expressing the opinion.

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