

Department: Inspection	Segment: All
Circular No: MSE/INSP/16960/2025	Date : April 02, 2025

Subject: Measures to instill trust in securities market – Expanding the framework of Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs) to more stock brokers

To All Members,

This has reference to SEBI Circulars No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/24 dated February 6, 2023 and SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2024/14 dated March 11, 2024 on “Enhanced obligations and responsibilities on Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs)”, wherein SEBI enumerated the parameters for designating certain stock brokers, having regard to their size and scale of operations, likely impact on investors and securities market, as well as governance and service standards, as Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs).

The following parameters were considered for designating a stock broker as QSB, on an annual basis:

- 1 the total number of active clients of the stock broker;
- 2 the available total assets of clients with the stock broker;
- 3 the trading volumes of the stock broker (excluding the proprietary trading volume of the stock broker);
- 4 the end of day margin obligations of all clients of a stock broker (excluding the proprietary margin obligation).
- 5 the proprietary trading volumes of the stock broker who are engaged in clients’ trading;
- 6 compliance score of the stock broker, derived by assigning highest score to stock brokers with highest penalties levied across Exchanges; and
- 7 grievance redressal score of the stock broker, derived by assigning highest score to stock brokers with highest count of investor complaints received across Exchanges.

Accordingly, on the basis of the parameters defined in the aforesaid Circulars, the list of designated Qualified Stock Brokers (QSBs) is enclosed herewith as **Annexure A** (list is in alphabetical order and is not indicative of ranking).

SEBI vide para 4.5 and 4.6 of Circular dated March 11, 2024, has facilitated stock brokers to voluntarily get designated as QSBs. Accordingly, stock brokers who have not qualified to become QSB by virtue of parameters enumerated above, may apply to Exchange, for voluntary designation as QSB. All applications for voluntary designation as QSB may be submitted to compliancemsx@msei.in latest by April 30, 2025.

QSBs shall be required to meet enhanced obligations and discharge additional responsibilities as specified in Comprehensive Operating Guidelines issued vide Exchange Circular No. MSE/INSP/13570/2023 dated June 2, 2023 and MSE/INSP/15041/2024 dated March 15, 2024.

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Stock Brokers designated as QSBs vide Exchange Circulars No. MSE/INSP/13152/2023 dated March 6, 2023 and MSE/INSP/15689/2024 dated July 19, 2024 and not included in Annexure A, shall continue to comply with the enhanced obligations and responsibilities, for an additional period of 3 financial years from the year when they were designated as QSB or such time, as may be specified by the Exchange, in consultation with SEBI.

Members are requested to take note of the contents of the Circular and comply.

**For and on behalf of
Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited**

**Chintan Shingala
Vice President
Regulatory**

In case of any query kindly contact Inspection Department on (022) 6112 9000 or mail on compliancemsx@msei.in.

Annexure A

List of QSBs based on the parameters mentioned at para 4.1.1 to 4.1.5 of SEBI Circular dated March 11, 2024

S. No.	Name of the Stock Broker
1	ANAND RATHI SHARE AND STOCK BROKERS LIMITED
2	ANGEL ONE LIMITED
3	GLOBE CAPITAL MARKET LIMITED
4	GROWW INVEST TECH PRIVATE LIMITED* (Previously known as Nextbillion Technology Private Limited)
5	HDFC SECURITIES LTD.
6	ICICI SECURITIES LIMITED
7	IIFL SECURITIES LIMITED*
8	KOTAK SECURITIES LTD.
9	MOTILAL OSWAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED*
10	UPSTOX SECURITIES PRIVATE LIMITED (Previously known as RKSVM Securities India Private Limited)
11	ZERODHA BROKING LIMITED*

List of QSBs based on the parameter mentioned at para 4.1.6 of SEBI Circular dated March 11, 2024

S. No.	Name of the Stock Broker
1	ANGEL ONE LIMITED
2	ICICI SECURITIES LIMITED
3	MOTILAL OSWAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED*
4	SHAREKHAN LTD*
5	ZERODHA BROKING LIMITED*

List of QSBs based on the parameter mentioned at para 4.1.7 of SEBI Circular dated March 11, 2024

S. NO.	NAME OF THE STOCK BROKER
1	ANGEL ONE LIMITED
2	GROWW INVEST TECH PRIVATE LIMITED*
3	ICICI SECURITIES LIMITED
4	KOTAK SECURITIES LTD
5	ZERODHA BROKING LIMITED*

*Not registered Trading Member at MSE.