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Advisory Against investment in Fraudulent Trading Schemes claiming to be offered to Indian residents by FPIs

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) advises investors to exercise caution when dealing with social media messages, WhatsApp groups, Telegram channels, or apps claiming to offer stock market access through Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) or Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs).

These schemes are fraudulent and do not have SEBI's endorsement. Be wary of claims such as:

- Institutional trading account
- IPOs at discounted price
- Guaranteed allotment in IPO
- Ability to participate in Anchor book
- Block Trade at discounted price

Remember, the FPI investment route is unavailable to resident Indians, with limited exceptions as outlined in the SEBI (Foreign Portfolio Investors) Regulations, 2019. Always verify the registration status of entities on SEBI's website before investing and use only authentic trading apps from SEBI-registered intermediaries.

Stay Informed:

- Visit SEBI's investor website for resource material and Do's and Don'ts of investing.

- Verify entity registration on SEBI's website at <https://www.sebi.gov.in/intermediaries.html>
- Carry out transactions only through authentic trading apps of SEBI registered intermediaries at <https://investor.sebi.gov.in/Investor-support.html>

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