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All participants in Government Securities market Madam/Sir,

'Fully Accessible Route' for Investment by Non-residents in Government Securities – Inclusion of Sovereign Green Bonds

A reference is invited to the <u>Press Release on Issuance Calendar for Marketable Sovereign Green Bonds: FY 2022-23 dated January 06, 2023</u>, issued by the Reserve Bank, notifying the issuance calendar for Sovereign Green Bonds for the fiscal year 2022-23. Attention is also invited to the Fully Accessible Route (FAR) introduced by the Reserve Bank, *vide* <u>A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 25 dated March 30, 2020</u>, wherein certain specified categories of Central Government securities were opened fully for non-resident investors without any restrictions, apart from being available to domestic investors as well.

- 2. The Government Securities that were eligible for investment under the FAR ('specified securities') were notified by the Bank, *vide* <u>circular no. FMRD.FMSD.No.25/14.01.006/2019-20 dated March 30, 2020</u> and <u>circular no. FMRD.FMID.No.04/14.01.006/2022-23 dated July 07, 2022.</u>
- 3. It has now been decided to also designate all Sovereign Green Bonds issued by the Government in the fiscal year 2022-23 as 'specified securities' under the FAR.
- 4. The Directions contained in this circular have been issued under Section 45W of Chapter IIID of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 and are without prejudice to permissions/approvals, if any, required under any other law.
- 5. These Directions shall be applicable with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

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