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1. Mandatory submission of Form A2 for all cross-border remittances

Earlier, authorized dealers were allowed to release foreign exchange for current account transactions up to USD 25,000 or its equivalent based on a simple letter containing basic information, without the need to provide additional documents like Form A2. Further, online submission of Form A2 was only permissible for making remittance upto USD 25,000 for individuals and USD 100,000 for corporates or their equivalent.

Now the RBI had mandated submission of Form A2 (whether in physical or digital form) with the AD bank for all cross-border remittances irrespective of the value of the transaction.

2. Relaxation in remittances to IFSC under LRS

Presently, remittances under Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) to International Financial Service Centre (IFSC) for opening Foreign Currency Account (FCA) could be made only towards:

- Making investments in IFSC in securities except those issued by entities / companies resident in India (outside IFSC); and
- Payment of fees for education to foreign universities or foreign institutions in IFSC for pursuing courses

Now authorised persons may facilitate remittances for all permissible purposes under LRS to IFSC towards:

- Availing all financial services or financial products as permissible under the IFSC Authority Act within IFSC; and
- All current or capital account transactions in any other foreign jurisdiction (other than IFSC) through a FCA in IFSC.

3. Master directions on Overseas Investment

RBI has released master direction on overseas investment by person resident in India. The same can be accessed at - [Link](#)

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