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Annual Performance Report (APR)

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Hello Mr. FEMA Gyani, Yesterday I had received a notice from AD bank for Filing Form APR .But I don't Know about APR And Why should I file it ?

> Hello Sahil . Don't worry. Let me help you . Firstly , tell me Whether you have any Foreign investment ?

Sahil A Resident Individual

Yes, FEMA Gyani. Last Year, I have

invested in a foreign entity.



Okay . Now I tell you the reason of such notice .

Sahil

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Sahil, As per the Foreign Exchange Management (Overseas Investment) Regulations ,2022. If a Resident person acquire any Equity Capital in a Foreign Entity, shall require to submit an Annual performance Report (APR).

Ohh! That's why I received the notice. Now I will submit APR . So, FEMA Gyani, what is due date of submitting the Form APR . Is it require to file just after the Investment made ?



No, Sahil , APR is require to submit by **31st December.** Like if the Accounting year of the foreign entity in which you have invested ends on 31st December , then the APR shall be submitted by 31st December of the Next Year .Otherwise Late Submission Fee **Rs. 7,500** will be charged .

Sahil



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Okay, FEMA Gyani . But is it mandatory for all to Submit APR ?



No, Sahil, there are few cases where APR is not require to submit.

Sahil

The APRs shall not be submitted in the following cases:

- If a Resident person holds less than 10 percent of equity capital without control in Foreign Entity and don't have other Financial **Commitment** other than by way of Equity Capital.
- If the Foreign Entity is under Liquidation .
- When full year is not completed for Disinvestment . However, if any transaction has been undertaken during the time from the date of submission of the last APR till the date of disinvestment/initiation of liquidation process may be duly reported in the Form FC.



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Okay, FEMA Gyani . Is their any **Important point** which is require to keep in mind while submitting Form APR.



Yes, Sahil . There are few points which should be keep in mind while submitting Form APR .

Sahil

If more than one Resident person in India have invested in the same Foreign Entity , then the **person holding Highest stake in Foreign Entity require to Submit APR** . If Holdings are equal , APR may be Filed jointly.

Foreign Entity Financial statements should be **Audited**.

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Resident person shall report the details regarding acquisition or setting up or winding up or transfer of a step down subsidiary or alteration in the shareholding pattern in the foreign entity during the reporting year.



Sahil

But FEMA Gyani. The Foreign Entity in Which I have Invested , their Financials are not Audited . Because the Country in which the Foreign Entity situated do not provide for mandatory Auditing of the Books of Accounts . Can I still submit the APR with the unaudited Financials .

Sahil, As per the new Provision, the Financials of the Foreign Entity Should be Audited . But there is **one Exemption** of it . If you satisfy **all the Conditions** then you can submit the APR with the Unaudited Financials of the Foreign Entity . The Conditions Are :

If the Resident person **does not have Control** in the Foreign Entity



The laws of the host country **do not provide for mandatory auditing** of the books of accounts.

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This statements shall be certified by the statutory auditor of the Indian entity or by a chartered accountant where the statutory audit is not applicable FEMA Gyani , I am not fulfilling all the Conditions because I am Holding 100% Stake in the Foreign Entity and have control on it . So, Can I get the Financials of the Foreign Entity Audited by the Indian CA ?

Sahil

Sahil, if we see the requirements . It refers to Audited Financials, but does not specifically state Audit in the Host country Alone, even when case Audit is not mandatory under laws of Host Country . So, in that case we can assume that Audit of the Financials of Foreign Entity can be Done by Indian CA also .



Sahil

Thank You , FEMA Gyani . Now I fully understood about APR.

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Welcome Sahil. It was pleasure helping you.



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Let's meet every Wednesday.



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To make you more familiar with FEMA, we are happy to listen to your

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