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Scrip Code: 533398

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Disclosure under Regulation 30, read with Schedule III, other applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended (the "Listing Regulations")

Re: Pendency of Litigations

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of the Listing Regulations read with SEBI Notification No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CFD-PoD-1/P/CIR/2023/123 dated July 13, 2023, we herewith enclose as Annexure A the details of pending disputes based on the materiality thresholds as prescribed in the Listing Regulations.

Thank You,

For **Muthoot Finance Limited**

Rajesh A
Company Secretary
ICSI Membership No. FCS 7106

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Brief Details of the Litigation / Dispute & Expected Financial Implications / Quantum of Claims

The Commissioner of Central Excise and Customs, Kochi has issued SCN bearing reference no. 199/2012/ST dated October 22, 2012 directing the Company to show cause why: (i) an amount of INR 1672.3 million as service tax (including education cess) had not been paid by the Company for the period from 2007-2008 to 2011-2012 in accordance with the provisions of the Finance Act, 1994 on account of providing taxable services (business auxiliary services) under the Finance Act, 1994 and (ii) penalties under sections 75, 76, 77, and 78 of the Finance Act, 1994 should not be levied against the Company. The Company has filed its reply to the SCN on February 19, 2013 stating that (i) services as collection agent are not taxable as the same cannot be viewed as a separate and independent service being rendered by the Company, the entire exercise is revenue neutral and the demand for service tax is time barred; and (ii) the Company is not liable for payment of penalties as it has not defaulted under the provisions of the Finance Act, 1994. The Commissioner of Central Excise, Customs and Service Tax, Cochin has issued an order on December 30, 2014 disposing SCN no. 199/2012 with a demand of ₹ 1,531,458,734 as service tax, education cess and secondary and higher education cess (“SHEC”) payable on securitisation transactions with banks for the period from 2007 to 2012, along with interest under section 75 of the Finance Act, 1994, penalty at the rate of ₹ 200 per day or 2% of tax for every month whichever is higher under section 76, ₹ 10,000 under section 77 and ₹ 153,14,58,734 under section 78 of the Finance Act, 1994. Total liability including tax, interest and penalty under various sections if confirmed is estimated as ₹ 4,895,883,216 till the date of demand. On writ petition, the High Court of Kerala by order WP(C) No. 6173 of 2015 dated March 02, 2015 directed the Company to file appeal before the Appellate Tribunal, without pre-deposit of tax. Appeal filed with CESTAT, Bangalore on March 31, 2015. The Government also has filed writ appeal before the High Court against the order of the Single Judge, on writ appeal by Government, the High Court has held that the Appellate Tribunal can take up the appeals filed by the Company. The Tribunal in their interim order no. 22 to 36/2016, dated February 17, 2016 stated that pre-deposit as per section 35F of the Central Excise Act, 1944 is to be deposited by the Company within 4 weeks from the date of the order. The Company filed a writ petition before the High Court of Kerala on March 21, 2016, which was subsequently disposed off by order dated July 14, 2016 directing the Company to pay pre-deposit as per section 35F. The Company has paid the pre-deposit using CENVAT credit by communication dated July 26, 2016 and accepted by the Tribunal. The appeal is currently pending with CESTAT.