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## CERTIFICATE FOR ANNUAL AUDIT COMPLIANCE

requirement as prescribed vide SEBI (Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013, guidelines and circulars, for the year ended 2023-2024 number INA100013737 and a member of the BSE Administration and Supervision Ltd. (BASL) bearing BASL membership ID 1272 to fulfill the Annual Audit Compliance We have examined the relevant books of accounts, records and documents maintained by M/s. Pace Financial Investment Adviser Private Limited, bearing SEBI registration

Regulations, Byelaws and Circulars prescribed by SEBI and BASL The purpose of this audit is to examine the processes, procedures followed, and the operations carried out by the Investment Adviser as per the applicable Acts, Rules,

books of accounts, records & documents, as per the regulatory requirement have been maintained by the member, so far as it appears from examination of the books. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of this audit. In our opinion proper

We have conducted the audit within the framework provided by SEBI/BASL for the purpose of this audit

(Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013 and various circulars of SEBI & various circulars issued by the BASL except otherwise mentioned in the Annexure to this report. Based on the scrutiny of relevant books of accounts, records and documents, we certify that the member has complied with the relevant provisions of SEBI Act, 1992, SEBI

proposed Audit assignment and also confirm that we do not perceive any conflict of interest in such relationship / interest while conducting audit of the said member We declare that we do not have any direct / indirect interest in or relationship with the member or its directors / partners / proprietors / management, other than the

principal officer, the Report provided by us as per the Annexure and subject to our observations, which covers the entire scope of the audit, is true and correct In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us by the individual IA/proprietor/partner(s)/director(s)/compliance officer and

For Sukhdev S & Associates Chartered Accountant

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Membership no. 091202

UDIN No.:24091202BKFOUV6521

Date: 02/08/2024 Place: New Delhi



### ANNEXURE

#### NOTE:

- 1. Annual Audit Compliance Report (ACR) As per Regulation 19(3) of SEBI (Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013 an investment adviser shall Institute of Company Secretaries of India (duly signed and stamped by IA and auditor). conduct yearly audit in respect of compliance with these regulations from a member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India or
- Client Level Segregation As per Clause 2(i)(i) of SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 dated September 23, 2020, an a non-individual IA) confirming compliance with the client level segregation requirements as specified in Regulation 22 of SEBI (Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013 investment adviser shall maintain on record an annual certificate from an auditor (in case of individual IA) and its statutory auditor (in case of
- ω any adverse findings in the annual compliance audit report, Action Taken Report (ATR) for each non-compliance, duly approved by the Action Taken Report (ATR) - As per Clause 2(vii) of SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 dated September 23, 2020, In case of October 31, 2024 individual IA/management of the non-individual IA within a period of one month from the date of the audit report but not later than,

# Annual Compliance Audit Report for F. Y 2023-2024

	Pace Financial Investment Adviser
Name of Investment Adviser	Private Limited
SEBI Registration No.	INA100013737
BASL Membership ID	1272
Entity type	Private Limited
Financial Year	2023-2024
Name and Contact Details of Principal Officer	Name: Amit Goel Mobile No:- 9818774181 Email id:-amitgoel@pace360.in
Name and Contact Details of Compliance Officer	Name: Shah Nawaz Mobile No:- 7838241438 Email id:-shahnawaz@pace360.in
Total No. of Clients as on 31-03-2024	0

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		Complied	Qualification and certification requirement.  An individual investment adviser or a principal officer of a non-individual investment adviser registered as an investment adviser under these regulations and persons associated with investment advice shall have	Regulation 7
		Complied	Consideration of application and eligibility criteria Regulation 6 states all matters, which are relevant for the purpose of grant of certificate of registration.	Regulation 6
		Complied	Application for grant of certificate (1) No person shall act as an investment adviser or hold itself out as an investment adviser unless he has obtained a certificate of registration from the Board under these regulations.	Regulation 3
Whether Action tale Auditor adverse finon-accepted in by the ind case of IA/manage non-compliance compliance individual reported by auditor? (Yes/No)	Reason for compliance/applicability	Compliance Status (anyone as applicable to respecteve point to be retained)	Particulars	Regulation

				Regulation 8									Clause 2(iv)	(Dated September 23, 2020)	SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182	SEBI Circular Ref. No.							
rupees.	assets of value not less than five lakh	individuals shall have net tangible	(2) Investment advisers who are	not less than fifty lakh rupees.	individuals shall have a net worth of	(1) Investment advisers who are non-	Net worth	regulations at all times.	Regulation 7(2) of the amended IA	conditions as specified under	certifications and comply with other	such IAs shall hold NISM accredited	amended IA Regulations. However,	Regulation 7(1) (a) and 7(1) (b) of the	requirements specified under	with the qualification and experience	of age shall not be required to comply	Existing individual IAs above fifty years	requirement.	Qualification and certification	7(2).	mentioned in Population 7(1)	minimum qualification and certification requirements as
			complied											Complied									



	Conditions of certificate:			
	The investment adviser shall inform the Board in writing, if any information or particulars previously			
Regulation 13(b)	submitted to the Board are found to	Complied		
	be false or misleading in any material			
	particular or if there is any material			
	change in the information already			
	submitted.			
	Registration as Non-Individual			
	Investment Advisor.			
SEBI Circular Ref. No.	An individual IA, whose number of			
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182	clients exceed one hundred and fifty	;		
(Dated September 23, 2020)	in total, shall apply for registration as	complied		
Clause 2(v)	non-individual investment adviser			
	within such time as specified under			
	this clause.			
			IA has Nil client	
	General Responsibility		and IA has not	
	The regulation 15 imposes certain		given any	
Regulation 15	responsibilities on the Investment	Not	investment	,
	Adviser for the transactions it	Applicable	advice to any	
	undertakes on behalf of its clients.		client during the	
			audit period.	
Regulation 15A read with SEBI Circular	Fees Investment Adviser shall be entitled to		IA has Nil client	
Ref. No.	charge fees for providing investment		and IA has not	
SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182	advice from a client in the manner as	No+	given any	
(Dated September 23, 2020)	specified by the Board namely - Assets	Applicable	Investment	
Clause 2(iii)	under Advice (AUA) mode or Fixed fee		client during the	
	mode.		audit period.	
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SEBI Circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(viii)	Regulation 17	Regulation 16
Risk profiling and suitability for non-individual clients.  (a) In case of non-individual clients, IA shall use the investment policy as approved by board/management team of such non-individual clients for risk profiling and suitability analysis.  (b) The discretion to share the investment policy/relevant excerpts of the policy shall lie with the non-individual client. However, IA shall have discretion not to onboard non-individual clients if they are unable to do risk profiling of the non-individual client in the absence of investment policy.	Suitability Investment adviser shall ensure suitability of the advice being provided to the client.	Risk profiling This involves profiling, assessing the risk appetite of each client individually, and communication of such profile to the respective client.
Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.



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SEBI Circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(ii)	SEBI Circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(vi)	Regulation 19	Regulation 18
Agreement between IA and the client.  IA shall enter into an investment advisory agreement with its clients as prescribed and shall ensure that neither any investment advice is rendered, nor any fee is charged until the client has signed the aforesaid agreement and a copy of the signed agreement is provided to the client.	Maintenance of record.  IA shall maintain and preserve records of interactions, with all clients including prospective clients, where any conversation related to advice has taken place as prescribed.	Maintenance of records This regulation requires maintenance of prescribed records, preservation of the same and audit of such records by the prescribed professional.	Disclosure to clients This involves disclosure of all prescribed information by the investment adviser to its clients.
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Appointment of Compliance officer An investment adviser shall appoint a compliance officer who shall be responsible for monitoring the compliance by the investment adviser. Redressal of investor grievances through SEBI Complaints Redress system  System  System  System  Source by the investment adviser.  Compliance by the investment adviser.  Source by the investor grievances through SEBI Complaints Redress the information about the grievance redressal mechanism available to investors.  Circular  Source by EBI Complaints Redress through the SEBI Compliants Redress system (SCORES) and complied with it.  Client level segregation of advisory and distribution activities.  System (SCORES) and complied with it.  Client level segregation of advisory and distribution activities.  System (SCORES) and complied with it.  Client level segregation of advisory and distribution activities.  System (SCORES) and complied with it.  Client level segregation of advisory and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the advice to any client d	Complied  r.  Complied  Not  Applicable	Regulation 22, SEBI Circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2020/182 (Dated September 23, 2020) Clause 2(i) incomplete in	Regulation 21  Regulation 21  And  SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - V(6)  iss rec the fixe rec to SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ iss rec thi Sy:	App App App An Regulation 20 res
ë	ë	<u>Client level segregation of advisory and distribution activities.</u> (1) Has the annual client level segregation requirement been certified by an auditor (in case of individual IA) and its statutory auditor (in case of a non-individual IA)  [Certificate of auditor to be attached along with]	through SEBI Complaints Redress  system (SCORES) Platform: 6.2 - IAs shall prominently display in their offices the information about the grievance redressal mechanism available to investors. 6.3 - IAs shall also followed the Master Circular (SEBI/HO/OIAE/IGRD/P/CIR/2022) issued by SEBI on the redressal of investor grievances through the SEBI Complaints Redress System (SCORES) and complied with it.	Appointment of Compliance officer An investment adviser shall appoint a compliance officer who shall be responsible for monitoring the compliance by the investment adviser.
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit part of th	IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the auditestiod.	Not Applicable	Complied	Complied
		IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit Period.		

shall not provide distribution services.  (3) The family of an individual investment adviser shall not provide distribution services to the client advised by the individual investment adviser shall provide advice to a client who is receiving distribution services from other family members.  (4) A non-individual investment adviser shall have client level segregation at group level for investment advisory and distribution services.  (5) Non-individual investment adviser shall maintain an arm's length relationship between its activities as investment advisory services through a separately identifiable department or division.  (6) Compliance and monitoring process for client segregation at group or family level shall be in accordance with the guidelines as prescribed in the referred circular.  Implementation of advice or execution  (1) Investment adviser may provide implementation services to advisory clients, provided no consideration shall be obtained directly or indirectly advices advices and in advice and in advices and in advice		Regulation 22A																												
licable lim a	clients, provided no consideration shall be obtained directly or indirectly	(1) Investment adviser may provide	Implementation of advice or	the referred circular.	with the guidelines as prescribed in	or family level shall be in accordance	process for client segregation at group	(6) Compliance and monitoring	division.	separately identifiable department or	providing advisory services through a	investment adviser and distributor by	relationship between its activities as	adviser shall maintain an arm's length	(5) Non-individual investment	services.	investment advisory and distribution	segregation at group level for	adviser shall have client level	(4) A non-individual investment	from other family members.	who is receiving distribution services	adviser shall provide advice to a client	adviser and no individual investment	advised by the individual investment	distribution services to the client	investment adviser shall not provide	(3) The family of an individual	shall not provide distribution services.	(2) An individual investment adviser
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any	Applicable	Not							j																					
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TRAI Guidelines - SEBI/HO/MIRSD/DoS- 2/P/OW/2023/0000011041/1 (Dated March 16, 2023) and BASL Circular No. 20230329-1 dated March 29, 2023	Cyber Security Awareness	SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II CIS/P/CIR/2021/0686 (Dated December 13, 2021) and SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/dated June 15, 2023 - V (7) & SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II CIS/P/CIR/2021/0686 (Dated December 13, 2021)
Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) - Guidelines to curb spam SMSes and misuse of Headers and Content Templates by unauthorised Telemarketers (UTMs)	Whether any planned Cyber Security Awareness are carried out among employees, stakeholders and clients. If Yes, details of Cyber Security Awareness programme conducted in the period of audit.	Publishing Investor Charter and disclosure of Investor Complaints  (1) All registered investment advisers are required to publish investor charter on their websites and mobile applications. If registered investment adviser do not have websites/mobile applications, then as a one-time measure, investor charter to be sent to the investors on their registered e-mail address.  (2) All registered investment advisers are required to disclose the details of investor complaints by 7th of the succeeding month on a monthly basis on their websites and mobile applications. If investment adviser do not have websites/mobile applications, status of investors on their registered email ids on a monthly basis.
Complied	Not Applicable	Complied
	IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	



	SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/ MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/51 dated April 05, 2023 - VI(9) and BASL Circular no. 20230406-2 dated April 06 2023	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - IV(5)	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - Point II(2)	SEBI / BASL Inspections	Usage of brand name/trade name - SEBI/HO/MIRSD/ MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/52 (Dated April 06, 2023) and BASL Circular No. 20230411-1 dated April 11, 2023
	Advertisement code Investment Advisers shall ensure compliance with the advertisement code	Advisory for Financial Sector Organizations regarding Software as a Service (SaaS) based solutions Compliance of the SEBI circular for Advisory for financial Sector Organizations regarding Software as a Service (SaaS) based solutions for half- yearly ended 31st March and 30th September.	Whether IAs have complied with the following points:- 2.1 - Restriction on free trial 2.2 - Proper risk profiling and consent of client on risk profiling 2.3 - Receiving fees though banking channel only 2.4 - Display of complaints status on website	Last SEBI / BASL Inspection carried out date and period of inspection. Whether complied with inspection observations.	Compliance to Usage of brand name/trade name by Investment Advisers (IA)
	Complied	Complied	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Complied
3000			IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	No Inspection done till date.	

		compliance of aforementioned point VI	
	Complied	<u>Conflicts of Interest of intermediaries</u> and their Associated Persons in Securities <u>Market:</u>	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - VI (14)
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	Not Applicable	Framework for Regulatory Sandbox: Compliance of aforementioned point VI (13) of master circular by registered investment advisers	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - VI(13)
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	Not Applicable	Guidelines on Outsourcing of Activities by Intermediaries Compliance of aforementioned point VI (12) of master circular by registered investment advisers	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - VI (12)
	Complied	<u>SEBI Registered Market Intermediaries</u> through various modes of communication: Compliance of aforementioned point VI (11) of master circular by registered investment advisers	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - VI(11)
IA has Nil client and IA has not given any investment advice to any client during the audit period.	Not Applicable	Exchange Infrastructure  Compliance of aforementioned point VI (10) of master circular by registered investment advisers	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ dated June 15, 2023 - VI (10)

	Complied	Reporting Requirements:  IA has followed and complied to all reporting requirement as per VII of	SEBI Master circular Ref. No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/
		investment advisers	
		VI (17) of master circular by registered	
		Rules framed there under:	
	Complied	of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and	dated June 15, 2023 - VI(17)
	Complied	Intermediaries under the Prevention	SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/
		Obligations of Securities Market	SEBI Master circular Ref. No.
		Financing of Terrorism (CFT) /	
		(AML) Standards and Combating the	
		Guidelines on Anti-Money Laundering	
audit period.			
client during the		investment advisers	
advice to any	Applicable	(16) of master circular by registered	dated June 15, 2023 - VI (16)
investment	Not	Compliance of aforementioned point VI	SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/
given any		Account Tax Compliance Act:	SEBI Master circular Ref. No.
and IA has not		Reporting Requirements under Foreign	
IA has Nil client			
		investment advisers	
		VI (15) of master circular by registered	
		Compliance of aforementioned point	dated June 15, 2023 - VI(15)
	Complied	securities market:	SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/
		provided by data sources in Indian	SEBI Master circular Ref. No.
		access and terms of usage of data	
		Approach to securities market data	
		investment advisers	

dated June 15, 2023 - VIII SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD-2/P/CIR/2023/89/ SEBI Master circular Ref. No.

**ANNEXURES** 

Has IA followed all the annexures as circular prescribed in point VIII of Master

Complied

For Pace Financial Investment Adviser Private Limited

Amit Goel Signature of IA / Partner / Director

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Date: 02.08.2024

Chartered Accountant For Sukhdev S & Associates

For SUKHDEVS & ASSOCIANES CHARTERED ACCOUNTA

Proprietor

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