

**Operating Guidelines for the issuance of AT1 or such similar instruments
on NSE Electronic Bidding Platform (EBP)**

SEBI vide its circular no SEBI/HO/DDHS/CIR/P/2020/199 dated October 06, 2020 has laid down framework for “Issuance, listing and trading of Perpetual Non-Cumulative Preference Shares (PNCPS) and Innovative Perpetual Debt Instruments (IDPIs)/Perpetual Debt Instruments (PDIs) (commonly referred to as Additional Tier 1 (AT1) instruments)”

Apart from AT1 Instruments, Banks also issue instruments which may be part of their Tier II capital but have unique features similar to that of AT1 Instruments.

It is pertinent to know that the following guidelines shall be in addition to the existing operating guidelines for EBP and shall be available in the following link.

https://archives.nseindia.com/products/content/debt/ebp/EBP_Operating_Guidelines.pdf

Applicable Regulation	SEBI (Issue and Listing of Non-Convertible Redeemable Preference Shares) Regulations, 2013 (“NCRPS Regulations”)
Issuance	The issuance of AT1 or such similar instruments shall be done mandatorily on the Electronic Book Provider (EBP) platform irrespective of the issue size in terms of SEBI circulars SEBI/HO/DDHS/CIR/P/2018/05 dated January 05, 2018 and SEBI/HO/DDHS/CIR/P/2018/122 dated August 16, 2018.
Eligible Participants	Only QIBs are allowed to participate in the issuance of AT1 or such similar instruments.
Securities Eligible for issuance on EBP Platform	i) Perpetual non-cumulative preference shares (PNCPS) ii) Innovative perpetual debt instruments (IPDIs) iii) Perpetual debt instruments (PDIs) iv) Instruments forming part of Tier II Capital and have similar unique features to AT1 instruments
Issue Parameters	The minimum bid lot shall be INR 1 crore and in multiples of INR 10 lakhs thereafter
Bid Distribution	In case of participants entering consolidated bids (for single PAN), they have to ensure that the scheme wise allocation is also as per the minimum lot size of INR 1 crore and above.