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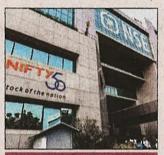
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New Delhi: Leading stock exchange NSE has announced the introduction of the e-mandate facility on its mutual fund platform, a move that will facilitate SIP registrations in 2-3 days as compared to 2-3 weeks earlier.

Currently, trading members and mutual fund distributors register paper-based mandates for their investors which is time-consuming as it involves obtaining the signature of an investor on the form and submission of physical form at the service centre for processing.

"NSE has taken a step towards 'digital India' by announcing an e-mandate facility on its mutual fund platform. Implementation of emandates is a very significant step towards digitisation of transactions in mutual funds. The objective is to offer simple and hassle-free alternative to the members, MF distributors in form of e-mandate wherein members/MF distributors can register mandate of an investor online, which will be digitally signed based on Aadhaar based OTP validation," NSE managing director and CEO Vikram Limaye said in a statement.

e-Mandate, available for individuals with single mode of holding, is an Aadhaar based functionality, accord-



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ingly, registration of mobile number with UIDAI is mandatory for e-signing of mandate. Currently, the maximum limit for e-mandate is Rs 1 lakh.

As per UIDAI website, there are about 119 crore Aadhaar numbers, which hold a huge potential for mutual fund industry that currently has 6.2 crore folios only.

NSE has implemented emandates through HSBC (sponsor bank for the initiative) along with e-Mudhra as an e-sign service provider.

Its platform has processed about 48 lakh transactions this fiscal.—PTI