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RBI invites comments on the draft "Reserve Bank of India (Prudential Norms on Dividend and Remittance of Profit) Directions, 2026"

The Reserve Bank had undertaken a review of the extant guidelines on the prudential norms on declaration of dividend and remittance of profits by foreign banks operating in branch mode in India. Accordingly, a draft of the revised framework was issued for public comments on January 2, 2024. However, based on the stakeholder feedback and consultations, the following draft Directions proposing a new methodology for computing the maximum eligible dividend payout are being issued for public comments:

i) [Reserve Bank of India (Commercial Banks - Prudential Norms on Declaration of Dividend and Remittances of Profit) Directions, 2026](#)

ii) [Reserve Bank of India (Small Finance Banks - Prudential Norms on Declaration of Dividend) Directions, 2026](#)

iii) [Reserve Bank of India (Payment Banks - Prudential Norms on Declaration of Dividend) Directions, 2026](#)

iv) [Reserve Bank of India (Regional Rural Banks - Prudential Norms on Declaration of Dividend) Directions, 2026](#)

v) [Reserve Bank of India (Local Area Banks - Prudential Norms on Declaration of Dividend) Directions, 2026](#)

The comments on the draft Directions are invited till February 5, 2026. The comments / feedback may be submitted through the link under the 'Connect2Regulate' Section available on the Reserve Bank's website. Alternatively, the comments may be forwarded to

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