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# LECTURE-29 APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS OF DIRECTORS:

(continued)

### **DIRECTOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (DIN)**

Procedure for application for allotment of DIN - Section 153 & Rule 9 (1)

1. Every individual, who is to be appointed as director of a company shall make an application electronically in Form DIR-3 (Application for allotment of Director Identification Number) to

- the Central Government for the allotment of a Director Identification Number (DIN).
- 2. The Central Government shall provide an electronic system to facilitate submission of application for the allotment of DIN through the portal on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- 3. (a) The applicant shall download Form DIR-3 from the portal, fill in the required particulars and attaching photograph; proof of identity; proof of residence; and verification by the applicant in Form DIR-4, specimen signature duly verified and sign the form digitally.
  - (b) Form DIR-3 shall be signed and submitted electronically by the applicant using his or her own Digital Signature Certificate and shall be verified digitally by -:
  - (i) a chartered accountant or a company secretary in practice or a cost accountant; or
  - (ii) a company secretary in full time employment

of the company or by the managing director or director of the company in which the applicant is to be appointed a director;

### Procedure for Allotment of DIN- Section 154 and Rule 10

The Central Government shall, within one month from the receipt of the application under section 153, allot a Director Identification Number to an applicant in such manner as mentioned below: (1) On the submission of the Form DIR-3 on the portal and payment of the requisite amount of fees through online mode the provisional DIN shall be generated by the system automatically which shall not be utilized till the DIN is confirmed by the Central Government.

(2) After generation of the provisional DIN, the Central Government shall process the application. It may approve or reject the application and communicate the same to the

applicant within a period of one month from the receipt of application. The such communication may be sent by post or electronically or in any other mode.

- (3) If the Central Government, on examination, application to be defective such incomplete in any respect, it shall give intimation of such defect or incompleteness, by placing it on the website and by email to the applicant who has filed such application, directing the applicant to rectify such defects or incompleteness by resubmitting the application within a period of fifteen days of such placing on the website and email: Provided that Central Government shall-(a) reject the application and direct the applicant file fresh application with complete and correct information, where the defect has been rectified partially or the information given is still found to be defective;
- (b) treat and label such application as invalid in

the electronic record in case the defects are not removed within the given time; and (c) Inform the applicant either by way of letter by post or electronically or in any other mode.

- (4) In case of rejection or invalidation of application, the provisional DIN so allotted by the system shall get lapsed automatically and the fee so paid with the application shall neither be refunded nor adjusted with any other application.
- (5) All Director Identification Numbers allotted to individual(s) by the Central Government before the commencement of these rules shall be deemed to have been allotted to them under these rules.
- (6) The Director Identification Number so allotted under these rules is valid for the life-time of the applicant and shall not be allotted to any other person.

## Cancellation/Surrender/Deactivation of DIN – Rule 11

The Competent Authority (Central Government/RD (North), Noida/ Authorised Officer by the RD) may, upon being satisfied on verification of particulars or documentary proof attached with the application received from any person, cancel or deactivate the DIN in case –

- (a) the DIN is found to be duplicated in respect of the same person provided the data related to both the DIN shall be merged with the validly retained number;
- (b) the DIN was obtained in a wrongful manner or by fraudulent means;
  - (c) of the death of the concerned individual;
- (d) the concerned individual has been declared as a lunatic or of unsound mind by a competent Court;
- (e) if the concerned individual has been adjudicated an insolvent. Provided that before

cancellation or deactivation of DIN pursuant to clause (b), an opportunity of being heard shall be given to the concerned individual;

(f) on an application made in Form DIR-5 by the DIN holder to surrender his or her DIN along with declaration that he has never been appointed as director in any company and the said DIN has never been used for filing of any document with any authority, the Central Government may deactivate such DIN but after verification of e-records.

### Intimation of changes in particulars of Director - Rule 12

(1) Every director having DIN in the event of any change in his particulars as stated in Form DIR-3, intimate such change(s) to the Central Government within a period of 30 days of such change(s) in Form DIR-6 (Intimation of change in particulars of Director to be given to the Central Government). DIR-6 will be

filed along copy of the proof of the changed particulars and verification in the Form DIR-7 (Verification of applicant for change in DIN particulars) all of which shall be scanned, signed digitally by applicant and submitted electronically. Form requires pre-certification by the professional CA/CS/CMA in practice.

- (2) The Central Government shall incorporate the said changes in the electronic database after due verification from the enclosed proofs and confirm the applicant by post/email/any other mode.
- (3) The DIN cell of the MCA shall also intimate the change(s) in the particulars of the director submitted to it in Form DIR-6 to the concerned Registrar(s) under whose jurisdiction the registered office of the company(s) in which such individual is a director is situated.
- (4) The concerned individual shall also intimate the change(s) in his particulars to the company or companies in which he is a director within fifteen

days of such change.

#### **General Provisions regarding DIN**

According to Section 155, No individual shall apply for/obtain/ possess another Director Identification Number who has already been allotted a Director Identification Number under section 154.

Section 156 stipulated that Every existing director shall intimate his DIN to the company or all companies wherein he is a director within 1 month of the receipt of DIN from the Central Government.

Section 157 (1) of the Act stipulated that every company shall, within fifteen days of the receipt of intimation under section 156, furnish the DIN of all its directors to the Registrar/authorised office by the Central Government. every such intimation shall be furnished in such form and manner as may be prescribed.

If a company fails to furnish Director Identification Number under section 157 (1), before the expiry of the 270 days period from the date by which it should have been furnished with additional fee, the company shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than Rs. 25,000 but which may extend to Rs. 1,00,000 and every officer of the company who is in default shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than Rs. 25,000 but which may extend to Rs. 1,00,000.

Section 158 specified that every person or company shall mention the DIN in return, information or particulars as required to be furnished under this act, in case such return etc relate to the director or contain any reference of any director.

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#### **MCQs**

1. Section 159 specified that every person or

company shall mention the DIN in return, information or particulars as required to be furnished under this act, in case such return etc relate to the director or contain any reference of any director.

- i. True
- ii. False
- iii. Can not say
- iv. None of the above
- 2. If a company fails to furnish Director Identification Number under section 157 (1), before the expiry of the 270 days period from the date by which it should have been furnished with additional fee, the company shall be punishable with fine which shall not be less than Rs. 25,000 but which may extend to Rs. 1,00,000...
  - i. True
- ii. False
- iii. Can not say
- iv. None of the above
- 3. Section 156 stipulated that Every existing director shall intimate his DIN to the company

or all companies wherein he is a director within 3 month of the receipt of DIN from the Central Government.

- i. True
- ii. False
- iii. Can not say
- iv. None of the above
- 4. The Central Government shall provide an electronic system to facilitate submission of application for the allotment of DIN through the portal on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
  - i. True
  - ii. False
  - iii. Can not say
  - iv. None of the above
- 5. Procedure for Allotment of DIN has given in Section 154 and Rule 10
  - i. True
  - ii. False
  - iii. Can not say
  - iv. None of the above