#### Annexure I – Syllabus Outline (w.e.f. September 7, 2020)

## NISM-Series-II-B: Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents - Mutual Fund Certification Examination

#### **Objective of the Examination**

The examination seeks to create a common minimum knowledge benchmark for persons working in Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents (RTA) organizations in the mutual fund R&T function, in order to enable better quality investor service, operational process efficiency and risk controls.

On successful completion of the examination the candidate should:

- Know the basics of securities and securities markets
- Understand broadly the role and functions of the RTAs in the mutual fund issuance and transaction process.
- Know the regulatory environment in which the RTAs operate in India.

#### **Functional Coverage**

The examination will be mandatory for all associated persons employed or engaged by Registrars to the Issue and Transfer Agents (RTA) and performing RTA functions for Mutual Funds.

#### **Examination Specifications**

This is a computer-based examination with multiple choice questions.

- The Examination will consist of 100 questions of 1 mark each adding to 100 marks.
- The examination should be completed in 2 hours.
- There shall be negative marking of 25% of the marks assigned to a question.
- The passing score for the examination will be 50 marks.

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### **Syllabus Outline and Weightages**

| Unit No. | Unit Name                                  | Weightage (%) |
|----------|--|---------------|
| Unit 1   | Introduction to Securities                 |               |
| Unit 2   | Characteristic of Equities                 |               |
| Unit 3   | Characteristics of Debt Securities         | 20            |
| Unit 4   | Characteristics of Other Securities        |               |
| Unit 5   | SEBI- Role and Regulations                 |               |
| Unit 6   | Basics of Registrars and Transfer Agents   |               |
| Unit 7   | Registrars and Transfer Agents Regulations | 25            |
| Unit 8   | Basics of Mutual Funds                     |               |
| Unit 9   | Structure and Constituents of Mutual Funds |               |
| Unit 10  | Mutual Fund Products                       | 25            |
| Unit 11  | Operational Concepts of Mutual Funds       |               |
| Unit 12  | Investors in Mutual Funds                  |               |
| Unit 13  | Banking Operations in Mutual Funds         | 30            |
| Unit 14  | Financial Transactions                     |               |
| Unit 15  | Non-Financial Transactions                 |               |