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### **The New Board submits Report on Progress and Way Forward to the NCLT**

Pursuant to the orders of the National Company Law Tribunal (Mumbai) (“**NCLT**”) dated October 1, 2018, the Board of Directors appointed vide this NCLT order (“**New Board**”) was directed to report to the NCLT by the next date of hearing, being October 31, 2018.

Consequently, a “*Report on Progress and Way Forward*” (“**Report**”) has been submitted with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, which has filed the same with the NCLT today.

The Report provides an overview of the magnitude and complexity of the issues involved, key developments since October 1, 2018 relating to IL&FS Group, some initial insights of the New Board on the state of affairs, the indicative next steps and the possible timelines.

While it has been under one month since the New Board has taken charge and it is still working towards unravelling the complexities pursuant to multiple layers of entities (totalling 347 in all), varied interests of various stakeholders, diverse businesses with varied age, scale and market positions of these businesses, different jurisdictions, and significant intra-group transactions, the New Board has provided in the Report a high level assessment of the key considerations for the resolution as well as broadly, the options available.

The New Board is conscious of its mandate in ensuring a transparent resolution process, in one or more steps, while keeping public interest, financial stability, legality, various stakeholder interests and commercial feasibility in view. In this regard, the New Board has set out in the Report the key objectives for its consideration while assessing the final resolution.

The New Board’s current assessment is that the resolution options could broadly involve (individually or in a combination) significant capital infusion, divestments, and debt restructurings at (a) an IL&FS “Group” level; (b) a “Business Vertical/ Platform” level; or (c) an “Asset Level”.



The New Board recognises there exist merits and demerits of each of these paths and will be examining these further over the coming weeks with the assistance of its advisors, based on market interest, maximisation of value, complexity and speed of execution, stakeholder interest(s), comprehensiveness of the resolution and transaction certainty.

The New Board will follow due process(s) in finalisation and implementation of the Resolution Plan(s) and expects to complete the process, in stages and parts, in next 6-9 months subject to market and economic conditions.

A copy of the Report has been submitted to the BSE Limited.

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