

Press Release

NSDL celebrates historic milestone of crossing Rs. 100 lakh crore (US\$ 1.5 trillion) in value of assets held in the depository

National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL), the largest securities depository in India, has crossed a historic milestone of Rs. 100 lakh crore (US\$ 1.5 trillion) in the value of securities held in its 1.4 crore demat accounts. The value of securities held in NSDL as on November 13, 2015 is in fact Rs. 115 lakh crore (US\$ 1.75 trillion). The market share of NSDL in value of demat assets is 89%.

This momentous occasion for NSDL and the Indian Capital Markets was celebrated on 14th November 2015 at Mumbai in the august presence of Shri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs, Information and Broadcasting. Shri R. K. Agarwal, Whole Time Member - SEBI was present as guest of honour. Shri C. M. Vasudev, Chairman, NSDL and Shri G V Nageswara Rao, MD & CEO, NSDL were also present during the event. The custody value of NSDL is more than the aggregate bank deposits in India.

Using innovative and flexible technology systems, NSDL works to support the investors and intermediaries in the Indian capital markets. NSDL aims to ensure the safety and soundness of Indian markets by developing settlement solutions that increase efficiency, minimise risk and reduce costs. NSDL plays a central role in developing products and services that nurture the growing needs of the financial services industry. NSDL services more than 1.4 crore investor accounts through its Participants from over 18,400 locations spread in 1,748 cities/towns across India. Demat accountholders of NSDL are present in more than 89% of Pincodes in the country indicating its vast reach. NSDL is amongst the largest depositories in the world both in the number of demat accounts as well as in the number of transactions processed.

Apart from the basic services related to demat, NSDL has been offering value added services to investors. NSDL is contributing to the Digital India drive in a large way with its various internet and mobile based initiatives such as SPEED-e, IDeAS, STeADY, SPICE, SIMPLE, e-voting, tablet-based venue voting, Mobile Apps, etc. NSDL has also started sending Consolidated Account Statements (CAS) which provides a single view to the investor of all investments in securities and insurance policies held in electronic form. This is part of the overall path-breaking vision to enable all financial assets to be held electronically in a single operating demat account, articulated by the Hon'ble Finance Minister in his budget speech of July 2014.

This progress would not have been possible but for the market acceptance of NSDL's technology, services and trust.

Date: November 14, 2015

Place: Mumbai