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PUBLIC NOTICE

LATE SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL FC RETURNS

As per Section 18(1) of Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (FCRA 2010), every person who has been granted a certificate under the Act or has been given prior permission to receive Foreign Contribution shall give an intimation to the Central Government as to the amount of each foreign contribution (FC) received by it, the source from which and the manner in which such FC was received, and the purposes for which, and the manner in which such FC was utilized. Further, as per Rule 17(1) of Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Rules 2011 (FCRR 2011), every person who receives FC under the Act shall submit a report in Form FC-6, accompanied by an income and expenditure statement, the receipt and payment account and balance sheet for every financial year beginning on the 1st day of April within nine months of the closure of the financial year, to the secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi. Such associations which did not receive foreign contribution during a particular year are also required to furnish a "Nil" return for that financial year within the aforesaid period.

- 2. As per the Amendment to the FCRR, 2011 dated 14.12.2015, the Annual FC Returns for the year 2015-16 onwards are to be submitted electronically online only, and no printed copy of the same is required to be submitted.
- 3. It has been found from the database that the mandatory annual returns for the year 2015-16 have not been submitted online by many associations. It may be noted that non-submission/late submission of mandatory Annual Return is violation of FCRA 2010 and FCRR 2011, and attracts penal action.
- 4. An opportunity is hereby given to all associations which have not filed the Annual Returns for the year 2015-16, to file such returns forthwith along with online payment of penalty. This facility can be availed after logging into the FCRA online at the link:

https://fcraonline.nic.in/

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