



May 08, 2025

BSE Limited,
14th Floor, P.J.Towers, Dalal Street,
MUMBAI :: 400 001.
(BSE Scrip Code No.502330)

National Stock Exchange of India Ltd.
"Exchange Plaza", Bandra-Kurla Complex,
Bandra (E), **MUMBAI :: 400 051.**
(Symbol – ANDHRAPAP Series – EQ)

Dear Sir / Madam,

Comments of the Board Members on the show cause notice dated March 17, 2025, letter reference No. NSE/LIST-SOP/COMB/FINES/0307 received from NSE and email Ref No. SOP-C Review/Dec 24-Q received from BSE imposing fine citing non-compliance / delayed compliance under Regulation 17 (1A) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (the "SEBI Listing Regulations")

At the Board Meeting held on May 8, 2025, the Directors discussed the fine imposed by the Stock Exchanges where the Company's equity shares are listed, namely BSE Limited and the National Stock Exchange of India Limited.

The Board noted that a formal application was submitted to the Stock Exchanges on April 1, 2025, requesting a waiver of the fine imposed since the fine levied was not warranted and the Company had sought the approval from its members within the prescribed timelines under the SEBI Listing Regulations and had acted in accordance with the applicable legal provisions. A legal opinion obtained by the Company supports the view that there was no breach of compliance and, therefore, the fine should not have been imposed by the regulators.

The Board humbly affirms that the Company is a law-abiding entity committed to transparency, corporate governance, and strives to ensure timely compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

In view of the above, the Board humbly requests the regulator to waive the fine as submitted by the Company, since the Company has acted in accordance with the applicable legal provisions and strives to ensure timely compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Please take the same on your records.

Yours faithfully,
For ANDHRA PAPER LIMITED

BIJAY KUMAR SANKU
COMPANY SECRETARY

ANDHRA PAPER LIMITED

(Corporate Identity Number: L21010AP1964PLC001008)

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An ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015, ISO 45001:2018 Certified Company

National Stock Exchange Of India Limited

NSE/LIST-SOP/COMB/FINES/0307

March 17, 2025

The Company Secretary
Andhra Paper Limited
Rajamundry, East Godavari District,
Andhra Pradesh - 533105

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Notice for non-compliance with SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 (“Listing Regulations”)

Your attention is drawn towards SEBI Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/0155 dated November 11, 2024 (hereinafter referred to as “Master Circular”), specifying Standard Operating Procedure for imposing fines and suspension of trading in case of non-compliance with the Listing Regulations. On verification of the Exchange records, it has been observed that your Company has not complied/delayed complied with certain Listing Regulation(s). The details of non-compliance(s)/delayed compliance(s), total fine payable by your Company and the particulars about manner in which fine should be remitted to the Exchange is enclosed as **Annexure**.

You are requested to inform the Promoters about identified non-compliance/delayed compliance and to ensure compliance with respective regulation(s) and/or make the payment of fines **within 15 days** from the date of this notice, failing which the Exchange may initiate following actions as per Master Circular:

1. Initiate freezing of entire shareholding of the Promoters in the Company as well as in other securities held in the Demat account of the Promoters.
2. Trading in securities of your Company shall take place on 'Trade for Trade' basis, in case of consecutive defaults with Regulations 17(1), 18(1) and 27(2) of Listing Regulations i.e., Shifting of trading in securities to Z Category as per Master Circular.

You may also file request for waiver of fines with detailed submission indicating reasons for waiver, considering the extant Policy for Exemption of Fines, and shall indicate whether it intends to seek personal hearing before the concerned Committee.

However, before filing an application for waiver of fines, you are requested to refer to the below policies available on the Exchange’s website. For ready reference you may refer below links:

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National Stock Exchange Of India Limited

- i. **Policy on exemption of fine:**
https://archives.nseindia.com/content/equities/Policy_for_exemption_SOP_Equity.pdf
- ii. **Policy on processing of waiver application:**
https://nsearchives.nseindia.com/web/sites/default/files/inline-files/Policy_on_processing_of_waiver_application_segregation_of_commonly_listed_entities.pdf

The request for waiver of fine can be submitted to Exchange through NEAPS portal along with documentary evidence on the below link (Please note that waiver applications sent via mail will not be considered):

NEAPS>>Compliance>>Fine Waiver>>Waiver Request.

Further, as per Master Circular, your Company is also required to ensure that the said non-compliance which has been identified by the Exchange and subsequent action taken by the Exchange in this regard shall be placed before the Board in the next Board Meeting and comments made by the Board shall be duly informed to the Exchange at the below mentioned path in NEAPS portal along with this letter for dissemination having the announcement text as 'Board comments on fine levied by the Exchange'.

Path: NEAPS > COMPLIANCE > Announcements > Announcements/ CA (Subject: Updates)

In case of any clarification, you may contact any of the below-mentioned Exchange Officers from Listing Compliance Department: -

- Ms. Harshita Chaubal
- Ms. Suman Lahoti
- Ms. Chanchal Daga (Waiver request)
- Ms. Sweety Mamodia (Waiver request)

Yours faithfully
For **National Stock Exchange of India Limited**

Rachna Jha
Manager

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Annexure

Regulation	Quarter	Fine amount per day (Rs.)/Fine amount per instance	Days of non-compliance / No. of instance(s)	Fine amount (Rs.)
Reg. 17(1A)	31-Dec-2024	2000	46	92000
Total Fine				92000
GST (@18%)				16560
Total Fine payable (Inclusive of 18% GST)				108560*

* In case the Company is non-compliant as on the date of this letter then fine amount will keep on increasing every day till the date compliance is achieved.

Notes:

- If the fine amount is paid before receipt of this letter, then inform the Exchange accordingly.
- Please update the payment details on below mentioned path:
NEAPS > Payment > SOP Fine Payment.
- The above payment may be made vide RTGS / NEFT / Net Banking favouring 'National Stock Exchange of India Limited'. The bank details towards the payment of fine are as follows:

BENEFICIARY NAME	NATIONAL STOCK EXCHANGE OF INDIA LIMITED
BANK NAME	IDBI BANK LTD
A/C NO	Please refer Unique Account Code used for making Annual Listing fees to the Exchange
BRANCH	BANDRA KURLA COMPLEX, MUMBAI
RTGS/IFSC CODE	IBKL0001000

- The fine paid as above will be credited to IPFT as envisaged in the circular.

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Location: NSE

Ref.: SOP-CReview/Dec 24-Q

To
The Company Secretary/Compliance Officer
Company Name: AndhraPaperLtd
Scrip Code: 502330

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: Fines as per SEBI Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/0155 dated November 11, 2024 (Chapter-VII(A)-Penal Actions for Non-Compliance).

The company is advised to refer to the SEBI Master Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/PoD2/CIR/P/0155 dated November 11, 2024 issued by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) with respect to penal actions prescribed for non-compliance of certain provisions of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and the Standard Operating Procedure for suspension and revocation of trading of specified securities of listed entities.

The Exchange had also issued a guidance note regarding the provisions of the said SEBI circular which is disseminated on the Exchange website at the following link:

[https://www.bseindia.com/downloads1/Guidance Note for SEBI SOP Circular.pdf](https://www.bseindia.com/downloads1/Guidance%20Note%20for%20SEBI%20SOP%20Circular.pdf)

In this regard it is observed that the company is non-compliant/late compliant with the following Regulations for the period mentioned below:

Applicable Regulation of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015	Fine prescribed	Fines levied till the	Fine payable by the company (inclusive of GST @ 18 %)		
			Basic Fine	GST @ 18 %	Total Fine payable
Regulation 17(1) Non-compliance with the requirements pertaining to the composition of the Board including failure to appoint woman director	Rs. 5,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 17(1A) Non-compliance with the requirements pertaining to appointment or continuation of Non-executive director who has attained the age of seventy-five years	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	92000	16560	108560

Regulation 17(2) Non-compliance with the requirements pertaining to the number of Board meetings	Rs. 10,000/- per instance	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 17(2A) Non-compliance with the requirements pertaining to quorum of Board meetings.	Rs. 10,000/-per instance	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 18(1) Non-compliance with the constitution of audit committee	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 19(1)/ 19(2) Non-compliance with the constitution of nomination and remuneration committee	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 20(2)/(2A) Non-compliance with the constitution of stakeholder relationship committee	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 21(2) Non-compliance with the constitution of risk management committee	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024	0	0	0
Regulation 27(2) Non-submission of the Corporate governance compliance report within the period provided under this regulation	Rs. 2,000/- per day	quarter ended December 2024 -	0	0	0
		Total	92000	16560	108560

The Company is therefore advised to note that as per the provisions of this circular:

- The company is required to ensure compliance with above regulation and ensure to pay the aforesaid fines including GST within 15 days from the date of this letter/email, **failing which Exchange shall, pursuant to the provisions of the aforesaid circular, initiate action related to freezing of the entire shareholding of the promoter in this entity as well as all other securities held in the demat account of the promoter.**

- Further in the event of this being the second consecutive quarter of non-compliance for the Regulation 17(1), 18(1), 27(2) would result in the company being transferred to Z group and liable for suspension of trading of its equity shares.
- The company is also advised to ensure that the subject matter of non-compliance which has been identified and indicated by the Exchange and any subsequent action taken by the Exchange in this regard shall be placed before the Board of Directors of the company in its next meeting. Comments made by the board shall be duly informed to the Exchange for dissemination.

For the Companies to whom Regulation 15 (2) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, is applicable, a certificate from the Company Secretary/Compliance Officer of the company, certifying that Paid up equity capital was not exceeding Rs.10 Crores and Net worth was not exceeding Rs.25 Crores as on the last day of the previous financial year is required to be submitted to the Exchange. Companies are required to mention the exact paid up equity capital and net worth figures as on the last day of the previous financial year in this certificate.

Provided that where the provisions of the regulations specified in the regulation becomes applicable to a listed entity at a later date, such listed entity shall comply with the requirements of those regulations within six months from the date on which the provisions became applicable to the listed entity.

Provided further that once the above regulations become applicable to a listed entity, they shall continue to remain applicable till such time the equity share capital or the net-worth of such entity reduces and remains below the specified threshold for a period of three consecutive financial years.

(For XBRL related queries company may contact on helpline no: 9316749660 or send emails to query.lodr@bseindia.com). The Excel utility of Corporate Governance Report can be downloaded from the Listing Centre portal.

Yours faithfully

Sambhaji Solat
Senior Manager
Listing Compliance

Reena Raphel
Associate Manager
Listing Compliance

Company is requested to remit the fine amount through electronic transfer to the designated bank - details given below:

Company Name	AndhraPaperLtd		
Account Name	Branch Name & Branch	Account No.	IFSC Code
BSE Limited	ICICI Bank Ltd.- CMS Branch	BSER00139	ICIC0000104

or through cheque favoring **BSE Ltd.** The company is required to submit the cheque alongwith the covering letter (format given at Annexure I below):

Annexure-I (On letterhead of the company)

Listing Compliance, BSE Limited, Ground Floor,
P. J. Towers, Fort, Mumbai-400001.

Sub: Details of Payment of fines for Non-Compliance with Regulations of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015.

Remittance details:

Scrip Code	Regulation & Quarter	Amount paid	TDS deducted, if any	Net Amount paid	GST No. (Mandatory to upload on BSE Listing Centre) (*)

****(In case GSTin No of company is not uploaded on the Listing Centre or Declaration for Unregistered Dealer is not received by us, company can not claim any GST input credit for the invoices raised by us.)***

Remitted by:

Cheque/DD No.	Date	UTR No. for RTGS /NEFT

Compliance Officer / Company Secretary.

- Please mention the Regulation No., Quarter, and amount of TDS deducted on the reverse side of the Cheque/Demand Draft.
- In case of payment through RTGS/NEFT, you are requested to send a soft copy of this annexure to bse.soplodr@bseindia.com
- Contact detail for any queries regarding compliance of specific regulation /clarifications as under:

Regulation	Officer Name	Email Id	Landline nos
Reg. 17 to 21, 27	Ms. Shraddha Bagwe Mr. Sagar Darra	Shraddha.Bagwe@bseindia.com Sagar.Darra@bseindia.com bse.soplodr@bseindia.com cgcompliances@bseindia.com	022-22728148/5833