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## Press Release

## Eighth Meeting of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC) held under the Chairmanship of the Union Finance Minister on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2013

The Eighth Meeting of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC) was held in New Delhi today under the Chairmanship of the Union Finance Minister Shri P. Chidambaram. The meeting was attended by Dr. Raghuram G. Rajan, Governor, RBI; Shri R.S.Gujral, Finance Secretary; Dr. Arvind Mayaram, Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs; Shri Rajiv Takru, Secretary, Department of Financial Services; Shri Sumit Bose, Secretary, Department of Revenue; Shri Naved Masood, Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs; Shri U.K.Sinha, Chairman, SEBI; Shri T.S.Vijayan, Chairman, IRDA; Shri Yogesh Agarwal, Chairman, PFRDA; Shri Ramesh Abhishek, Chairman, FMC and other senior officers of the Government.

- 2. The Council deliberated on the implementation of the recommendations of the Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission (FSLRC); impact of tapering off of the Quantitative Easing in the US and preventive measures to be taken; Steps to be taken by Regulators/Government to facilitate the "Corporate Distress Resolution Mechanism" as laid out in the Companies Act, 2013. RBI apprised the Council of the report of FSDC Sub-Committee, the last meeting of which was held on August 07, 2013.
- 3. The Council took stock of the progress in examining the Report of the FSLRC, in pursuance to the decisions taken in the Seventh Meeting of the FSDC held on June 03, 2013. Based on the deliberations made today, it has been decided that all the financial sector regulators (including FMC) will finalise an action plan for implementation of all the FSLRC principles relating to regulatory governance, transparency and improved operational efficiency that do not require legislative action. As regards legislative recommendations, it was decided to analyze the

public comments and feedback to further fine tune the draft Indian Financial Code.

It was also decided that action should be taken for finalizing the roadmap for

creation of new institutions such as Resolution Corporation, PDMA, FSAT and

FDMC.

4. The Council agreed that the opportunity available due to the postponement

of the reversal of the monetary policies in advanced economies should be utilized to

further address the macroeconomic imbalances. FM emphasized that as tapering

off of QE is likely sooner or later and, as such, regulators must take all possible

concrete measures to avoid any adverse impact on the Indian economy.

5. The Council also discussed the corporate distress redressal mechanism laid

ut under the Companies Act, 2013 and identified the role of

Regulators/Government to implement these provisions to prevent, as also to take

remedial measures on, corporate distress.

6. The Council was apprised of the progress made by the FSDC Sub-Committee

and its Technical Groups also in a number of areas like drawing up a consolidated

template for a bird's eye view of financial inclusion across different segments of the

financial sector, remedial measures to address the deteriorating asset quality of

public sector banks, and formation of State Level Coordination Committees to curb

the menace of unregulated companies collecting public funds.

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