

## MCA extends the due date of filing DPT 3 without additional fees

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs ('MCA') on 21 June 2023 has announced a relaxation in the payment of additional fees for filing of form DPT-3 (Return of deposits) for the financial year ('FY') ended 31 March 2023. As per the announcement, companies will now have time upto 31 July 2023, to submit DPT-3 without incurring any additional fees.

This relaxation is in consideration of the MCA-21 portal's transition from version-2 to version-3, thereby permitting the companies to file form DPT-3 for FY ending on 31 March 2023 without incurring additional fees upto 31 July 2023.

DPT-3 is a mandatory return that must be filed by companies accepting deposits under section 73 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act') and the rules framed thereunder. All companies, except government companies, must submit this return to the Registrar of Companies ('ROC') to report the deposits / transactions not classified as deposits.

## Weblink

<https://www.mca.gov.in/bin/dms/getdocument?mds=GZbzY8G5s24kITjoGKWLQQ%253D%253D&type=open>

## Therefore

The extension of the due date for filing form DPT-3 provides relief to companies by granting them additional time to meet the filing requirements for the FY ended 31 March 2023 and avoid incurring additional fees. This will eliminate the glitches caused due the MCA-21 portal transition and facilitate a smoother filing process.

