

PRESS RELEASE

Modification to the Methodologies of the S&P BSE Factor Indices and S&P BSE 100 ESG Index

MUMBAI, AUGUST 3, 2021: Asia Index Private Limited (“AIPL”) announces the following methodology changes to the S&P BSE Factor Indices and S&P BSE 100 ESG Index.

With the aim of ensuring the indices comply with the four Securities and Exchange Board of India (“SEBI”) norms, AIPL will implement a quarterly regulatory review. The table below summarizes the change.

Change	Methodology	
	Previous	Updated
Regulatory Review	--	In addition to the index construction and constituent weighting rules employed by each index, the indices are checked for adherence to the four SEBI norms ¹ on a quarterly basis. If the norms are found not to have been adhered to during the period under review, the index committee, at its discretion and on a case-by-case basis, will take appropriate measures to ensure compliance with the SEBI norms. Any changes resulting from the regulatory review will take effect at the open of the Monday following the third Friday of March, June, September, and December.

This change will be implemented in conjunction with the September 2021 rebalancing, which takes effect prior to the market open on Monday, September 20, 2021.

Please note the methodology documents located on the AIPL website (www.asiaindex.co.in) are being updated to reflect this change.

Please contact Client Services at index_services@spglobal.com with any questions or requests for further information.

¹ For details on the four SEBI norms, please refer to SEBI circular no: SEBI/HO/IMD/DF3/CIR/P/2019/011, available at https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2019/portfolio-concentration-norms-for-equity-exchange-traded-funds-etfs-and-index-funds_41588.html.

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