As per rule 12A of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules 2014, "every individual who has been allotted a Director Identification Number (DIN) as on 31st March of a financial year as per these rules shall, submit e-form DIR-3-KYC to the Central Government on or before 30th April of immediate next financial year.

Provided that every individual who has already been allotted a Director Identification Number (DIN) as at 31st March, 2018, shall submit e-form DIR-3 KYC on or before 5th October,2018."

However, the DIR-3 KYC e-form presently available on the portal does not cater for the following:

- (i) Filing on annual basis, and
- (ii) Filing in respect of DINs allotted post 31 March 2018. It presently caters only to those individuals who were allotted DINs as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and whose DINs have been marked as 'Deactivated due to non-filing of DIR-3 KYC'.

Stakeholders may please note that DIN holders are required to file the DIR-3 KYC form every year, so that they are aware of and confirm the data & information as available in the MCA21 system.

With the objective of making the form more user friendly, the form is presently being modified to enable pre-filling of data & information so that annual filings can be done by DIN holders in a simple and user friendly manner.

The revised form, which will be shortly deployed, can be filed without any fee within a period of 30 days from the date of deployment. Accordingly, DIN holders who had filed DIR-3 KYC form earlier and complied with the said provisions may kindly await the deployment of the modified form for fulfilling their compliance requirements.