Annexure – I

Name of BASL enrolled Investment Adviser	PIONEER CLIENT ASSOCIATES PRIVATE LIMITED
BASL Membership ID.	BASL1671
SEBI Registration No.	INA100010660
Annual compliance Audit Report for FY ended	2022-2023

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Regulation	Particulars	Compliance Status	Reason for non- compliance/ Non-applicability	Action taken on adverse findings (duly approved by the individual IA / management of the non-individual IA)		
Regulation 3	Application for grant of certificate (1) No person shall act as an investment adviser or hold itself out as an investment adviser unless he has obtained a certificate of registration from the Board under these regulations.	✓ Complied☐ Not- Complied☐ Not Applicable				
Regulation 6	Consideration of application and eligibility criteria Regulation 6 states all matters, which are relevant for the purpose of grant of certificate of registration.	✓ Complied☐ Not- Complied☐ Not Applicable				
Regulation 7	Qualification and certification requirement.	☑ Complied☐ Not-Complied☐ Not Applicable				



An individual investment adviser or a principal officer of a non-individual investment adviser registered as an adviser investment under these regulations and persons associated with investment advice shall have minimum qualification and certification requirements as mentioned in Regulation 7(1) and 7(2). certification ☑ Complied Qualification SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 and □ Not- Complied 020/182 (Dated September requirement. Existing individual IAs above fifty years of □ Not Applicable 23, 2020) Clause (iv) age shall not be required to comply with qualification and experience requirements specified under Regulation 7(1) (a) and 7(1) (b) of the amended IA Regulations. However, such IAs shall hold NISM accredited certifications and comply with other conditions as specifies under Regulation 7(2) of the amended IA regulations at all times. ☑ Complied Regulation 8 Net worth (1) Investment advisers who are non-Not- Complied individuals shall have a net worth of Not Applicable not less than fifty lakh rupees. (2) Investment advisers who individuals shall have net tangible



assets of value not less than five lakh rupees. Conditions of certificate ☑ Complied Regulation 13 (b) The investment adviser shall inform □ Not- Complied the Board in writing, if any information or □ Not Applicable particulars previously submitted to the Board are found to be false or misleading in any material particular or if there is any material change in the information already submitted. ☑ Complied SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 Registration as Non-Individual Investment □ Not- Complied 020/182 (Dated September Advisor. An individual IA, whose number of clients 23, 2020) Clause 2(v) ☐ Not Applicable exceed one hundred and fifty in total, shall apply for registration as nonindividual investment adviser within such time as specified under this clause. ☑ Complied General Responsibility Regulation 15 The regulation 15 imposes certain **Not-Complied** responsibilities on the Investment Adviser □ Not Applicable for the transactions it undertakes on behalf of its clients. ☑ Complied Regulation 15 A Fees Investment Adviser shall be entitled to □ Not- Complied charge fees for providing investment ☐ Not Applicable advice from a client in the manner as specified by the Board.



☑ Complied SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 Fees Investment Advisers shall charge fees 020/182 (Dated September □ Not- Complied from the clients in either Assets under 23, 2020) Clause 2(iii) □ Not Applicable: Advice (AUA) mode or Fixed fee mode. ☑ Complied Risk profiling Regulation 16 This involves profiling, assessing the risk □ Not- Complied appetite of each client individually, and □ Not Applicable communication of such profile to the respective client. Suitability Complied Regulation 17 Investment adviser shall ensure suitability □ Not- Complied of the advice being provided to the client. □ Not Applicable 100 Complied Risk profiling and suitability for non-SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 **Not-Complied** individual clients. 020/182 (Dated September (b) In case of non-individual clients, IA ☐ Not Applicable 23, 2020) Clause 2(viii) shall use the investment policy as approved by board/management team of such non-individual clients for risk profiling and suitability analysis. (c) The discretion to share the investment policy/relevant excerpts of the policy shall lie with the non-individual client. However, IA shall have discretion not to onboard non-individual clients if they are unable to do risk profiling of the nonindividual client in the absence of investment policy.



☑ Complied Regulation 18 Disclosure to clients This involves disclosure of all necessary □ Not- Complied information by the investment adviser to □ Not Applicable its clients. Maintenance of records ☑ Complied Regulation 19 This regulation requires maintenance of **Not-Complied** certain records, preservation of the same Not Applicable and audit of such records by the prescribed professional. ☑ Complied SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 Maintenance of record. IA shall maintain and preserve records of □ Not- Complied 020/182 (Dated September interactions, with all clients including □ Not Applicable 23, 2020) Clause 2(vi) prospective clients, where any conversation related to advice has taken place, in the form as specified under this clause. ☑ Complied Agreement between IA and the client. SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 IA shall enter into an investment advisory 020/182 (Dated September **Not-Complied** 23, 2020) Clause 2(ii) agreement with its clients as prescribed Not Applicable under this clause and shall ensure that neither any investment advice is rendered nor any fee is charged until the client has signed the aforesaid agreement. Complied Appointment of Compliance officer Regulation 20 □ Not- Complied An investment adviser shall appoint a compliance officer who shall be □ Not Applicable



responsible monitoring the for compliance by the investment adviser. ☑ Complied Regulation 21 Redressal of client grievances Investment adviser shall redress client □ Not-Complied grievances promptly through an adequate □ Not Applicable procedure. Client level segregation of advisory and ☑ Complied Regulation 22 distribution activities. □ Not-Complied (1) An individual investment adviser □ Not Applicable shall not provide distribution services. (2) The family of an individual investment adviser shall not provide distribution services to the client advised by the individual investment adviser and no individual investment adviser shall provide advice to a client who is receiving distribution services from other family members. (3) A non-individual investment adviser shall have client level segregation at group level for investment advisory and distribution services. (4) Non-individual investment adviser shall maintain an arm's length relationship between its activities as investment adviser and distributor by providing advisory services through a separately identifiable department or division.



☑ Complied Client Level Segregation of Advisory and SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 □ Not- Complied **Distribution Activities** 020/182 (Dated September Compliance and monitoring process for □ Not Applicable 23, 2020) Clause 2(i) client segregation at group or family level shall be in accordance with the guidelines as specified under this clause. Implementation of advice or execution ☑ Complied Regulation 22A (1) Investment adviser may provide □ Not- Complied implementation services to advisory □ Not Applicable clients, provided no consideration shall be obtained directly or indirectly either at group level or at family level. (2) Investment adviser shall provide implementation services only through direct schemes. (3) Investment adviser or group or family of investment adviser shall not charge any implementation fees from the client. (4) The client shall not be under any obligation to avail implementation services offered by the investment adviser. Display of details on website and in other ☑ Complied SEBI/HO/IMD/DF1/CIR/P/2 communication channels. □ Not- Complied 020/182 (Dated Septembe IAs shall prominently display the □ Not Applicable 23, 2020) information as specified under this clause, Clause 2(ix) on its website, mobile app, printed or electronic materials, know your clientway Accountant

(SEBI/HO/MIRSD2/DOR/CIR /P/2020/221) dated November 03, 2020) SEBI/HO/IMD/IMD-II CIS/P/CIR/2021/0686 (Dated December 13, 2021)

forms, client agreements and other correspondences with the clients.

Compliance of the SEBI circular for Advisory for financial Sector Organizations regarding Software as a Service (SaaS) based solutions for half-yearly ended 31st March 2023 and 30th September 2023.

Publishing Investor Charter and disclosure of Investor Complaints

- (2) All registered investment advisers are required to publish investor charter on their websites and mobile applications. If registered investment adviser does not have websites/mobile applications, then as a one-time measure, send investor charter to the investors on their registered e-mail address.
- (3) All registered investment advisers are required to disclose the details of investor complaints by seventh of the succeeding month on a monthly basis on their websites and mobile applications. If investment adviser does not have websites/mobile applications, then send status of investor complaints to the investors

□ Complied

□ Not- Complied

☑ Not Applicable

✓ Complied

□ Not- Complied

□ Not Applicable



on their registered email on a monthly basis.

Name and contact of Principal officer Name and contact of Compliance officer	Pawan Kumar, <u>pawankumar@clientassociates.com</u> Mobile No. 9910943355 Rakesh Khanna, <u>rakeshkhanna@clientassociates.com</u>		
Total No. of clients as on 31.03.2023	Mobile No. 983413207 125		
Cyber security Awareness	Whether any planned Cyber Security awareness carried out among employees, stakeholders and clients. If yes, details of cyber security Awareness Programme conducted in the Financial under Audit.	The Technology division at Client Associates shares regular updates on cyber security and privacy protection good practices with our universe of clients and employees.	w (F)
SEBI/BASL Inspections	Last SEBI/BASL Inspection carried out date and whether complied with inspection observations	✓ Complied □ Not- Complied □ Not applicable	There was no BASL Inspection for company during the period under audit.

For Prakash Barnwal & Associates Chartered Accountants (Regn. No. 0031284C)

Prakash Barnwal

(Proprietor)
Membership No. 512224
UDIN: 23512224BGXUJL1684

Date: 26th September, 2023

Place: Noida

For Pioneer Client Associates Private Limited

For Pioneer Client Associates Pvt. Ltd.

(Compliance Officer)

Authorised Signatory