<u>Notice</u>
<u>Linking of PAN Number with Aadhaar Number</u>

Dear <Customer>,
As per Section 139AA of the Income Tax Act ("Act"), 1961 and in accordance with the guidelines, dated <Jun 27, 2017>,<Mar 31, 2022>,<Sep 17, 2021> and <Mar 31, 2023> ("Guidelines"), issued by the Central Board of Direct Taxes, it is mandatory to link your Permanent Account Number ("PAN") with your Aadhaar Number. The last date to link the same is <Mar 31, 2023>. We value you as a customer, however, as per the Guidelines and Act, if not linked by <Mar 31, 2023>, the PAN provided by you will become inoperative. Hence, please ensure that your PAN is linked to your Aadhaar before <Mar 31, 2023>.

Additionally, if your PAN is not linked with your Aadhaar, certain services at the branch counter shall be blocked from <Apr 01, 2023>.

Failure to link the same will also attract a higher Tax Deducted at Source (TDS) rate on the interest earned and might also impact certain bank transactions, where the PAN is considered. TDS once deducted cannot be refunded by the Bank, under any circumstances.

To check the status of the linkage of your PAN with Aadhaar, visit:
www.incometax.gov.in.In order to avoid the consequences mentioned above, please link your PAN to your Aadhaar before <Mar 31, 2023> in accordance with the Guidelines, by following one of the two easy ways suggested by the Government:

SMS:
Send an SMS to <56161> or <567678> from your mobile number registered with the Income Tax department, in the given format.
UID PAN <space><12-Digit Aadhaar><space> <10-digit PAN>
Example: UIDPAN 123456789045 ABCPA1234A

Online:
Step 1: Visit the Income Tax website: https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal
Go to the 'Link Aadhaar' section
Step 2: Enter your PAN, Aadhaar Number, Name, as per Aadhaar and Mobile Number
Step 3: Click on 'Link Aadhaar'.

Please Note:
In order to mitigate the inconvenience to the taxpayers, as per Notification No.17/2022 dated <Mar 29, 2022>, a window of opportunity has been provided to the taxpayers up to <Mar 31, 2023> to intimate the prescribed authority for Aadhaar-PAN linking, without facing repercussions. As a result, taxpayers will be required to pay a fee of Rs <500>, up to three months, from <Apr 1, 2022 and a fee of Rs <1,000> thereafter, while linking their Aadhaar.

For more details, please contact our branch officials.

Sincerely,
Branch Manager