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Modalities for Unliquidated Investments of AIFs

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- A scheme of AIF is required to obtain the **approval of 75% of investors** by value of their investment, for: (i) launching of *liquidation scheme*; or (ii) *in-specie distribution* of the unliquidated investments, as the case may be. In the event an AIF fails to obtain the requisite approval, the unliquidated investments are required to *mandatorily be distributed in-specie*.
- AIFs are required to arrange *a bid for units*, *representing minimum of 25% of the value of unliquidated investments* of the investment portfolio of the scheme ("Bid"). The *Bid value*, along with the valuation of unliquidated investments, is required to be disclosed to investors.
- The *dissenting investors* would be provided an option to *exit* the original scheme, from the Bid value arranged by the AIF. Any unsubscribed portion of the Bid would be used to provide prorata exit to non-dissenting investors, subject to certain conditions.
- Subsequently, the unliquidated investments would be sold to the liquidation scheme or be distributed to the investors in-specie, as the case may be. For the purpose of track record of the manager and reporting, the value of such sale would be recorded at: (i) *Bid value*; or (ii) *INR 1* (in the event there is no Bid).