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Date: January 23, 2023

Subject: Tata Motors Ltd. – ADR Termination/Anticipated Cash Settlement

Option Symbols: TTM/2TTM

Date: ???

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On November 9, 2022, Tata Motors Ltd. (TTM) announced its intention to terminate the Amended and Restated Deposit Agreement by and among TTM, Citibank, N.A. (the "Depositary"), and all holders and beneficial owners of TTM American Depositary Shares ("ADSs"). The termination will be effective at the close of trading on January 23, 2023 ("Termination Date"), which will also be the last trading day of the ADSs on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). After January 23, 2023, there will be no over-the-counter market trading of the ADSs in the United States due to regulatory restrictions under Indian law.

TTM ADS holders will have until 5:00 PM NY Time on July 24, 2023, to surrender their ADSs in exchange for TTM Ordinary Shares. Starting on or about July 25, 2023, the Depositary may sell the TTM Ordinary Shares underlying any outstanding ADSs and distribute such cash proceeds on a pro rata basis to the holders of the then-outstanding ADSs, less all applicable fees, taxes, and expenses.

Cash proceeds from the sale of underlying shares may be subject to surrender fees and Indian withholding taxes of up to 43.68%.

**Exercise Consideration** - At the time of the contract adjustment, the deliverable for adjusted TTM/2TTM options will be 100 x the cash proceeds received per TTM ADS, less applicable fees and withholdings, if any. TTM/2TTM call option holders who wish to receive the ADSs and who do not wish to receive the cash proceeds from the sale of ADSs should exercise their options in sufficient time. In all cases, it is the sole responsibility of persons holding call options seeking to receive the underlying securities to determine when to exercise their options.

#### **Contract Adjustment**

The option symbols TTM/2TTM will not change.

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**New Deliverable** 

**Per Contract:** 100 x the cash proceeds received per TTM ADS, less applicable fees and

withholdings, if any

Settlement:

TTM/2TTM options will be subject to delayed settlement effective January 24, 2023, pending the determination of the cash proceeds paid per TTM ADS, less fees and withholding, if any.

Once the final cash amount to be included in the TTM/2TTM deliverable is determined, settlement in TTM/2TTM options will take place through OCC's cash settlement system. Settlement will be accomplished by payment of the difference between the extended strike amount and the cash deliverable.

## **Acceleration of Expirations**

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cashonly delivery will be subject to **an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series** (See OCC Information Memo 23988).

## **Expiration Processing**

Following the delisting of the TTM ADSs from the NYSE, OCC may elect to remove automatic exercise thresholds for TTM/2TTM options in OCC's expiration processing. If this occurs, holders of expiring TTM/2TTM options will be required to independently ascertain the value of the TTM securities and issue positive instructions to exercise any expiring options.

# **Special Risks**

Once the ADSs have been delisted from the NYSE, there will be no over-the-counter market trading of the ADSs in the United States. It is uncertain if the National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCC) will continue to accept for settlement TTM/2TTM options exercise and assignment activity. If these circumstances cause impairments in the ability of OCC to settle TTM/2TTM options exercise and assignment activity, OCC may take the following actions: 1) if TTM ADSs are only transferrable to the Depositary, OCC may delay settlement of TTM/2TTM options exercise and assignment activity until the final net cash liquidation amount is available (which is not expected to occur before July 24, 2023), or 2) if TTM ADSs remain transferrable, OCC may direct that the TTM/2TTM options exercise and assignment activity be settled on a broker to broker basis through OCC's system; however, OCC may delay the settlement obligations of both the delivering and receiving parties if the delivering party is not able to effect broker to broker settlement on the original exercise settlement date. Such a delay in settlement may extend until the final TTM cash proceeds amount is determined, after which time the unsettled obligations would settle for cash.

The absence of an OTC trading market for the TTM ADSs and the possibility that TTM/2TTM options exercise and assignment activity may be delayed until the final cash proceeds amount is determined poses possible risks for TTM/2TTM options exercisers and assignees: If subject to delayed settlement, an exerciser or assignee may be impaired in ability to protect himself from a decrease or increase in the value of the TTM deliverable which occurs from the original exercise date to the date the final cash proceeds amount is determined. Under normal circumstances, an offsetting sale or purchase could be effected in the marketplace to protect against the increase or decrease in value of the deliverable security. But if a market for the TTM ADSs does not exist, price protection may require a purchase or sale of Tata Motors Ltd. shares on the home market.

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