

## **ISO 27001**

We have received the coveted ISO 27001 compliant certificate for our **Information Security and Information Technology Group functions**, in July 2021. This was made possible due to a concentrated effort of going through the 10 stages of this journey, over a period of two years.

The following information is intended to provide you some more understanding about this standard.

### **ISO (International Organization for Standardization)**

ISO is an independent, non-governmental international organization with a membership of 165 national standards' bodies. Through its members, it brings together experts to share knowledge and develop voluntary, consensus-based, market-relevant international standards that support innovation and provide solutions to global challenges. Its central secretariat is located in Geneva, Switzerland.

### **ISO 27001 (ISMS)**

ISO 27001 is a global standard on Information Security which helps organizations to design & establish structures, policies, procedures, technical controls, roles and responsibilities required to ensure the confidentiality, integrity & availability of its key information assets. This standard is implemented in various industries worldwide and is also referred to by global regulatory bodies to design their own Information Security Management Systems (ISMS).

### **Our Certification Body**

Our certification body is **DAS Certification UK**, whose accreditation is done by **United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS)**, which is the sole National Accreditation Body for the United Kingdom. UKAS is appointed by the government, to assess and accredit organizations that provide services including certification, testing, inspection and calibration.

An auditor from DAS Certification UK had engaged with us, for the final certification audit, after which we were given this certification.

### **What does this mean for us?**

Now that we have attained this certification, our subsidiaries / branches can proudly convey to their respective regulators / auditors that we follow a certain international standard.

This standard mandates 114 controls across its 14 domains. Hence, we will have to embed these controls within our processes and get audited by the certification body every year to maintain this certification.

Since we are also PCIDSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard) compliant, we are not pursuing any other certification in near future.

More information about ISO 27001, is available at:

<https://advisera.com/27001academy/what-is-iso-27001/>

