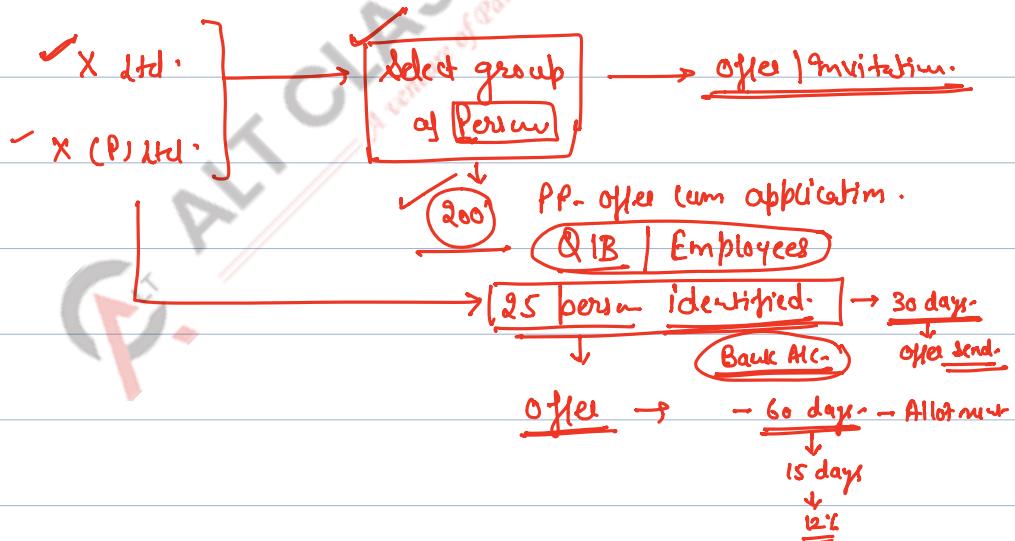
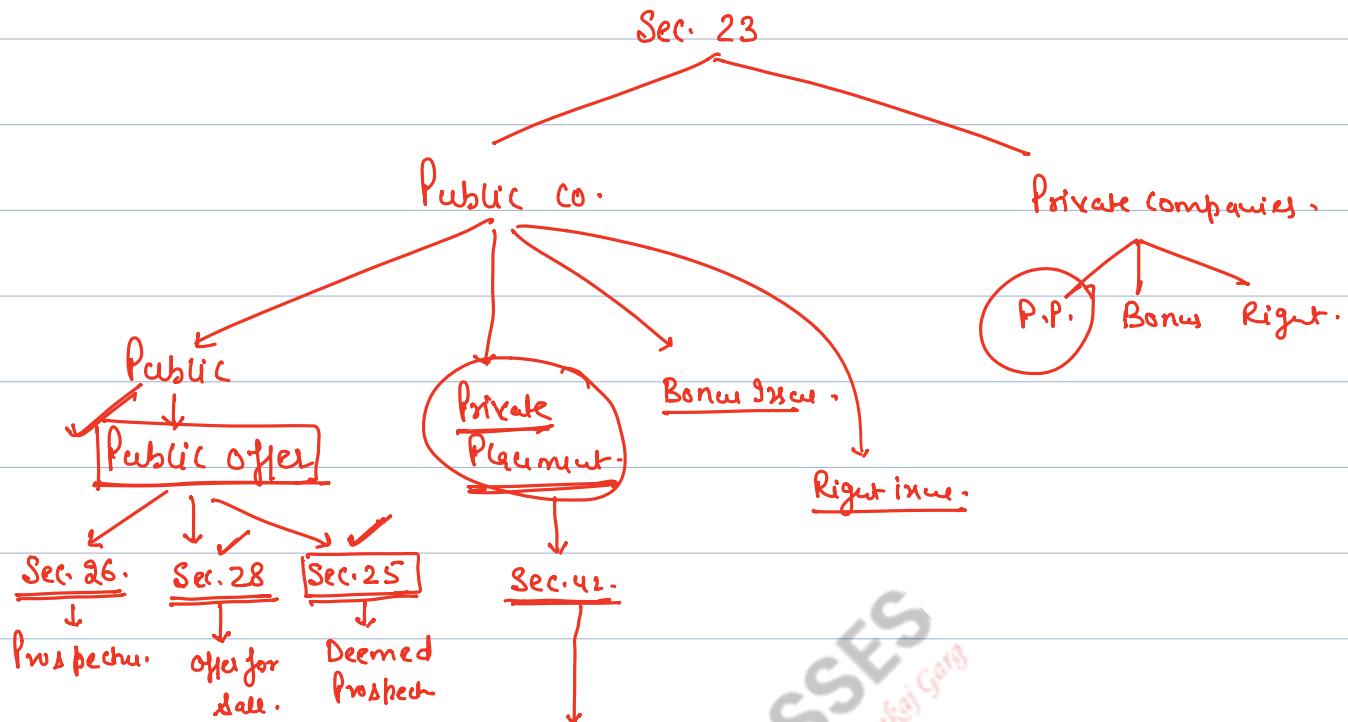


VII. Private Placement: Sec. 42 of Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 14 of  
Companies (PAs) Rules, 2014



Meaning of Private Placement: Any offer or invitation to subscribe securities

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to a select group of persons (identified persons)

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through issue of a Private Placement offer cum application which satisfies the conditions specified in Sec. 42.

Conditions for Private Placement: [Sec. 42 read with Rule 14]

(i) Special Resolution: Proposal for private placement has been approved by the shareholders by a Special Resolution.

Note: Notice for special resolution shall provide the details as prescribed under Rule 14.

Ques:  
(ii) No. of Persons:

- Private placement offer shall be made to not more than 200 persons in aggregate in a financial year.
- Offer made to QIB and Employees under ESOP shall not be considered in limit of 200 persons.
- Limit of 200 persons would be considered individually for each kind of security. (Equity, preference, deb<sup>n</sup>)

Note: Offer made to > 200 persons will be deemed to be a public offer.

Example:

(i) X Ltd. offers its equity shares to a group of 205 persons, out of which 2 are QIB and 5 are employees to whom shares are offered under ESOP. Determine the no. of persons for the purpose of limit u/s 42. ✓

- (a) 205 (b) 203 (c) 200 (d) 198

(ii) X Ltd. makes a private placement offer to 50 persons to subscribe for its Equity shares. On allotment of these shares, Company offers its deb<sup>n</sup> under private placement offer to 160 persons. Is it a valid offer? Valid

### (iii) Manner of issuing Private placement offer:

- Private placement offer cum application shall be in form PAS-4 serially numbered and addressed specifically to the person to whom the offer is made and shall be sent within 30 days of recording of name of such person.
- Private Placement Offer shall not carry right of renunciation (i.e. Offer can be accepted only by the person to whom the offer was made)

### (iv) Payment of amount:

- Payment shall be from bank account of the person subscribing the securities.
- Company shall keep the record of bank A/c from where payment for subscription has been received.
- In case of joint holders, amount shall be paid from the bank account of the person whose name appears first in the application.

### (v) Limit on fresh offer:

- No fresh offer u/s 42 shall be made unless the earlier allotment have been completed or offer has been withdrawn or abandoned.
- Company may, at any time, make more than one issue of securities subject to maximum no. of identified persons.

Example: Determine the validity of the following private placement (PP) offers by X Ltd. during FY 2021-22:

(i) On 10.04.2021, PP offer for equity shares made to 10 persons.

- Valid  
provided no pending  
PP allotment / offer

✓(ii) On 15.07.2021, PP offer for deb<sup>n</sup> made to 105 persons.

- Valid  
provided no pending  
PP allotment / offer

(iii) On 30.10.2021, PP offer for P. shares made to 90 persons.

- Valid  
provided no pending PP  
allotment / offer

(iv) On 10.01.2021, PP offer for equity shares made to 180 persons (including 15 employees) - deemed to be a public offer

(v) On 15.02.2021, PP offer for P. shares made to 105 persons - Valid (provided no pending PP offer)

(vi) On 05.03.2021 PP offer for deb<sup>n</sup> made to 20 persons. [allotment of PP offer dated 15.02.2021 not yet completed]

#### (vii) Allotment:

- Company shall allot securities within 60 days of receipt of application money.
- If not allotted, Company shall repay application money within 15 days from expiry of 60 days.
- If not repaid, Company shall be liable to repay the money with interest @ 12% p.a. from expiry of 60th day.

### (vii) Use of application money:

- Money recd. on application shall be kept in a scheduled bank A/c.
- Money shall be utilised for
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    - (a) adjustment against allotment of securities
    - or (b) Repayment  
(if company is unable to allot the securities)

### (viii) Public Advt.: not permitted

### (ix) Return of allotment:

- to be filed with the ROC
- in form No P A S-3
- within 15 days from the date of allotment
- Return shall be filed along with a complete list of allottees containing
  - Name, address, PAN, E-mail id of security holder
  - class of security held
  - date of allotment of security
  - no. of securities held, nominal value and amount paid; and
  - particulars of consideration recd. if entire securities are offered for consideration other than cash.



✓ Board General Resolution Meeting SR passed Identify the persons and recording. Offer letter to Identified need. App. Money Allotment  
 ✓ PAS-5 persons and recording. → Return of Allotment to be filed with ROC (PAS-3)  
 (PAS-4)

Note: Company shall maintain record of the private placements made. in form No. PAS-5.

✓ Form: PAS-1 Sec. 27 (Rule 7) : Advt. of Notice for Varying the terms of Contract or Objects in Prospectus

✓ PAS-2 Sec. 31 (Rule 10) : Information Memorandum

✓ PAS-3 Sec. 39 (Rule 12) : Return of Allotment (Public offer)  
 Sec. 42 (Rule 14): " " " (P.P.)

✓ PAS-4 Sec. 42 (Rule 14): P.P. Offer cum application

PAS-5 Sec. 42 (Rule 14): Record of P.P. offers

PAS-6 Sec. 29 (Rule 9A): Reconciliation of share Capital

Consequences of Non-compliances! - Covered from book. -

Home-work: Complete Revision of Chapter - 3