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Bond Central Latest News

Markets regulator Sebi recently launched a centralized database portal for corporate bonds, Bond Central.

About Bond Central

- It is a **centralized database** portal **for corporate bonds** in India.
- It was **launched by** the Securities and Exchange Board of India (**SEBI**) in a bid **to create a single, authentic source** of information on such securities.
- It has been **developed by the Online Bond Platform Providers Association** (OBPP Association) in collaboration **with Market Infrastructure Institutions (MIIs)** comprising stock exchanges and depositories.
- It is intended as an information repository for the public at large and is **accessible free of cost.**
- This database is expected to **enhance transparency** and facilitate informed decision-making amongst investors and other market participants .
- It will be **operated by the OBPP Association,** which is a not-for-profit entity w**ith support from MIIs.**

Bond Central Features

- **Listings**: A **unified view of corporate bonds across exchange**s **and issuers,** ensuring transparency and comparison.
- **Price Comparison:** Investors can **compare corporate bond priceswith** Government Securities **(G-Secs)** and other fixed-income indices for better decision-making.
- **Investor-Centric Information**: **Access to detailed risk assessments,** corporate **bond documents, and disclosure**s, enabling investors to evaluate opportunities effectively.
- **Enhanced Transparency: The** platform **standardizes corporate bond-related data**, reducing information asymmetry and thereby improving trust in the market.

Bond Central FAQs

Q1. What is bond market?

Ans. A bond market is a marketplace for debt securities.

Q2. What is the difference between stocks and bonds?

Ans. Stocks give you ownership in a company, while bonds let you loan money to a company or government.

Q3. What is a zero coupon bond?

Ans. A zero-coupon bond is an investment in debt that does not pay interest but instead trades at a deep discount.

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