

RBI REGULATORY SAND BOX SCHEME

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Context:

Reserve Bank of India revised the guidelines for the Regulatory Sandbox (RS) scheme.

Background:

Updated framework requires sandbox entities to ensure compliance with provisions of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.

About Regulatory Sandbox (RS) scheme :

- 1. The Regulatory Sandbox (RS) scheme is an initiative by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- 2. It involves live testing of new financial products or services in a controlled regulatory environment with potential relaxations for testing purposes.
- 3. It allows regulators, innovators, financial service providers, and customers to test new financial innovations, collecting evidence on benefits and risks.
- 4. The objective of the Regulatory Sandbox (RS) is to foster responsible innovation in financial services, promote efficiency, and bring benefit to consumers.
- 5. Fintech companies, startups, banks, financial institutions, and other entities partnering with or supporting financial services businesses are eligible to participate in the RS.
- 6. The RBI has recently extended the RS timeline from seven months to nine months.
- 7. RS scheme Participants must ensure compliance with provisions of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.

