## SARV A Collective Payments System



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#### **CSDI Legal Responsibilities**

- There are over 60 million shareholders in Iran's capital market; owners of "Justice Shares" included.
- CSDI's Responsibilities to Shareholders and Issuers (Corporate Actions):
  - Hosting electronic general meetings
  - Managing pre-emption rights subscriptions
  - Distributing dividends
- To support these efforts, CSDI launched a home-grown e-KYC system called the Comprehensive Information Gathering System (CIGS) in 2018



# CIGS

#### e-KYC System

Purpose: CIGS is CSDI's e-KYC platform for collecting client information and providing efficient online services

Role: Serves as an infrastructural system, feeding other CSDI and capital market systems

Compliance: Developed in full compliance with Anti-Money Laundering & Combating the Financing of Terrorism Act

Mandate: Required for registration of all Iranian individual and institutional investors

#### **Benefits:**

- o Streamlines KYC process for investors
- o Enables online registration and trading account issuance
- o Facilitates efficient capital market transactions

#### Objectives:

- o Enforce AML and CFT Acts
- o Provide sophisticated and efficient services
- Promote transparency and information aggregation
- o Facilitate online services provision
- o Streamline registration and trading account issuance

Today, nearly 45 million registered with CIGS





### Iran Money Market Structure

- > Total number of commercial banks, credit institutions in Iran reached 32 by 2024
- ➤ These banks tend to offer intrabank and interbank services that cater to individuals, businesses and corporations
- > Interbank services are online and greatly save time
- > Intrabank services are either periodic (lower cost) or online (higher cost)
- > Intrabank transactions are four times costlier than interbank services



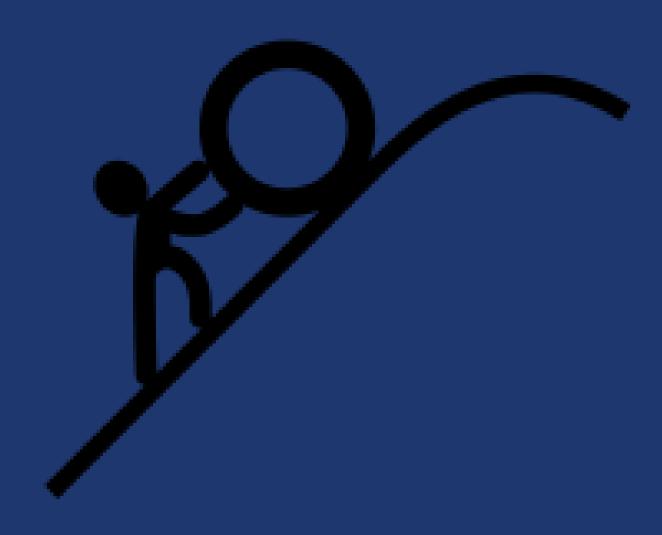
#### Dividend Distribution System

- Each issuing company has between hundreds of thousands to 20 million shareholders.
- Every shareholder provides a bank account with one of 32 commercial banks in the country.
- Issuing companies deposit their shareholders' dividends into CSDI's bank account at any chosen bank.
- CSDI then distributes the amount among shareholders via interbank, intrabank services.
- Over 500 issuing companies distribute dividends as part of the shareholders' share of the profits from listed companies.



### DDS Challenges

- It takes several hours to finally receive a firm response from intrabank transactions
- Intrabank transactions inflict heavy costs on CSDs

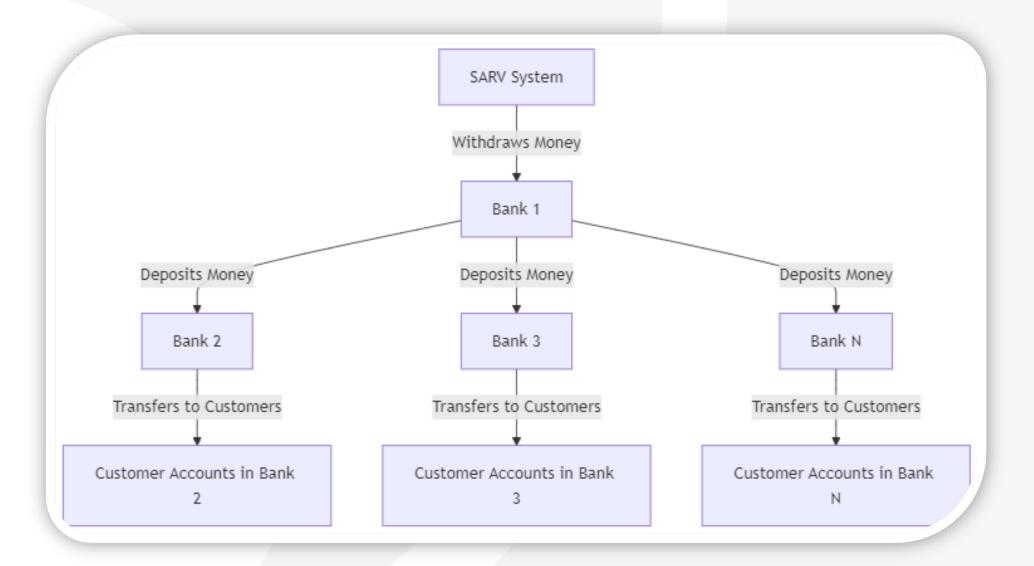


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## SARV System

- 1. It initially calculates the share of each bank or credit institution from the total amount.
- 2. It deposits specified amounts into CSDI accounts in target banks via several intrabank transactions.
- 3. It transfers dividends of each customer to their accounts, using inter-bank transactions.





#### Outcome

- Faster dividend distribution, with completion in under 30 minutes for each issuer
- More accurate transaction status responses, helping shareholders update their bank account numbers if needed
- Reduced CSD-related costs to below 20% of previous levels
- The capability to handle up to 50 million transactions per day

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