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## NARCL Rejigs Boards of Srei Twin Cos After Acquisition

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**Mumbai:** The National Asset Reconstruction Company of India (NARCL), that acquired Srei Equipment Finance and Srei Infrastructure Finance, has reconstituted the boards of both the companies.

The government-backed asset reconstruction company appointed Shamik Roy, a veteran in the distressed loan segment who was earlier with HCC, IDBI Bank and Srei BNP Paribas, as chief executive officer, said people with knowledge of the matter.

P Santosh, CEO of NARCL and Avinash Kulkarni, CEO of India Debt Resolution Co (IDRCL), are appointed as directors on the boards of the finance companies, the people cited above said.

Rajnish Sharma, who was the administrator of the twin Srei companies during its resolution period, is appointed as advisor to the newly formed boards.

As of now, Roy, Santosh, and Kulkarni will continue to be on the boards of both the Srei companies,



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and at a later stage, both will merge.

Roy did not respond to messages sent by ET requesting comment on the development.

NARCL has acquired the twin Srei companies under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code by offering upfront cash and non-convertible debentures.

NARCL has offered ₹5,555 crore to lenders on a net present value basis, outbidding Authum Investment and the Arena-Varde consortium. The NARCL offer included about ₹3,000 crore as upfront cash payment and ₹2,761 crore payment in a form of bonds maturing in one year to four years. The administra-

tor has admitted ₹32,750 crore in claims from verified creditors.

The Reserve Bank of India has issued a 'fit and proper' certificate to NARCL for operating Srei as a financial services company. However, restarting the lending business may not happen immediately. "Providing new loans will be a challenge for Srei in its new avatar since the company has a unique lending model," said Akshat Khetan, founder of AU Corporate Advisory & Legal Services, Mumbai. Initially, the focus will be on the recovery of the loans since the company has to make payments to banks to redeem the bonds.