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A COLLECTION OF OUR COMIC STRIPS ▶

TROUBLE NEVER ENDS

The dude is the life of the comic; the harmless yet eternally naive guy who has developed a knack of being in the wrong place at the wrong time, every single time.

The monk, the wise one, who has all the solutions. Ignore him at your own risk!

and the cat, a sarcastic onlooker, who has a truly unique view of the world around.





P.S. Reddy
MD & CEO

At MCX, we have always considered it our duty to educate and raise awareness among our stakeholders, particularly our clients and investors, regarding the essential guidelines for trading in the commodity derivatives market. Our goal is to empower investors on the nuances of trading in commodity markets. We believed that this message needed to be conveyed in a clear yet engaging manner. 'A Monk Who Trades' was born out of this idea – an attempt to connect with people in an enjoyable and entertaining way. This comic series has gained significant popularity and received appreciation from all quarters. As we mark its fourth year, I am delighted to present to you the fourth edition of the compilation of 'A Monk Who Trades,' highlighting our journey so far.

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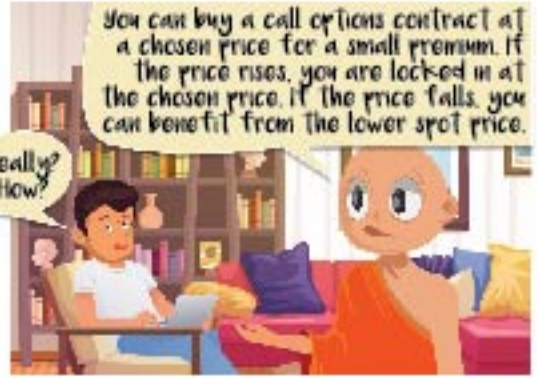

DID YOU KNOW? Options are akin to price insurance and offer a number of trading approaches.

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Premium is the price which the options buyer pays to the options writer

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DID YOU KNOW? The difference between the bid price of the buyer and offer price of the seller is called as "Bid-Ask Spread".

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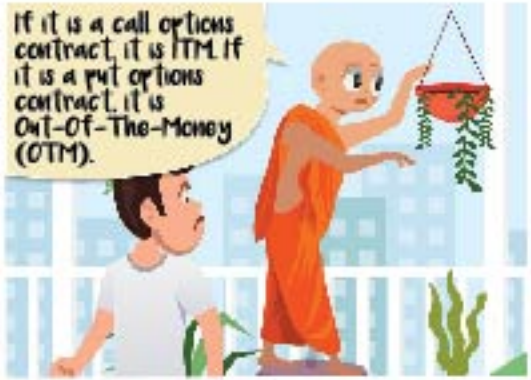

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A call options contract is said to be "In-The-Money" when the futures contract price for the same expiry is higher than its strike price.

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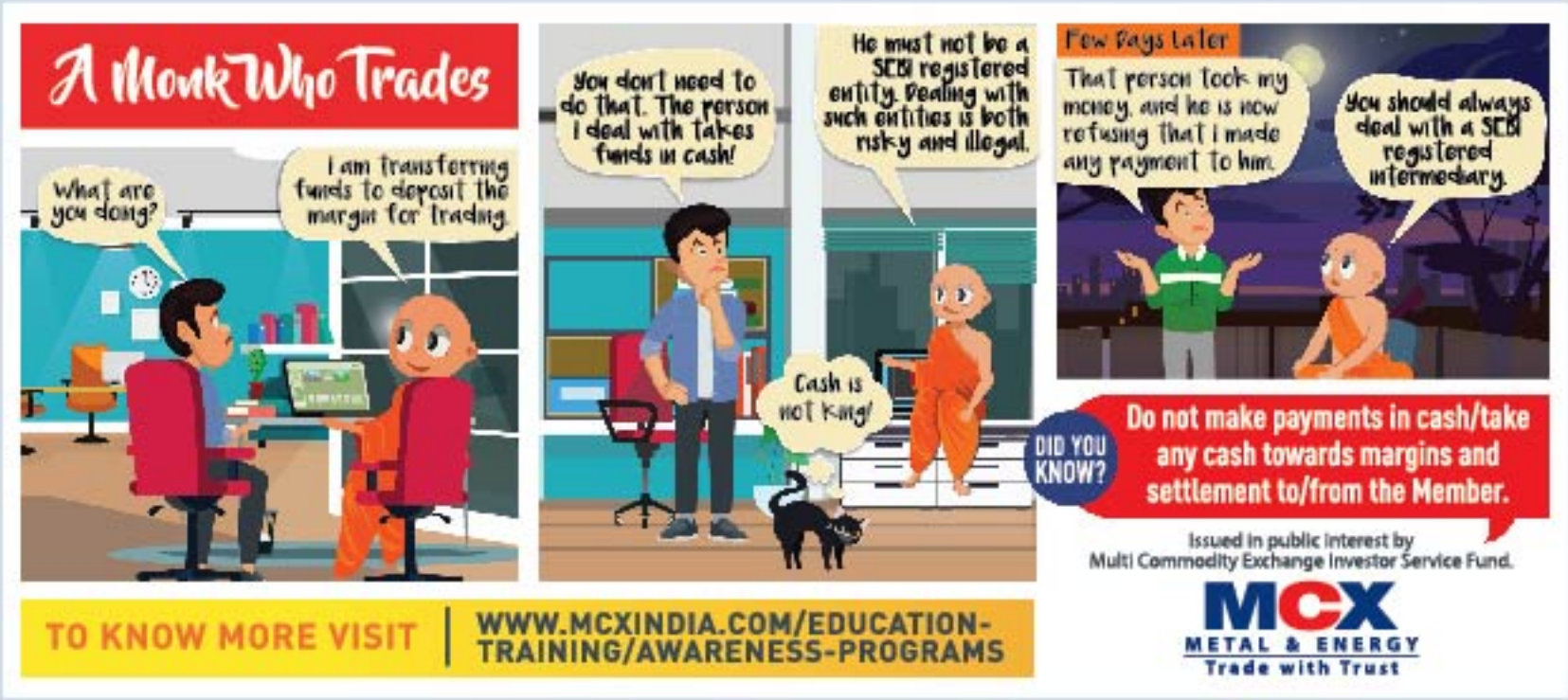
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I am transferring funds to deposit the margin for trading.
You don't need to do that. The person I deal with takes funds in cash!
He must not be a SEBI registered entity. Dealing with such entities is both risky and illegal.
Cash is not King!
Few Days Later
That person took my money, and he is now refusing that I made any payment to him.
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Options act as an insurance against price volatility.

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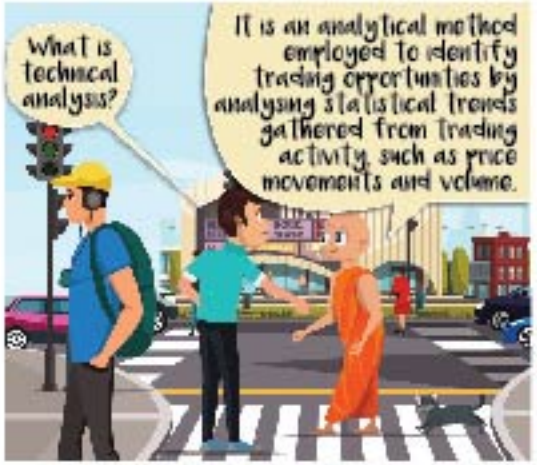





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In a tightly regulated field often associated with serious business, our approach has been met with outstanding reception. That's why, as we celebrate our fourth anniversary, we've decided to mark this occasion with a book that documents our journey thus far. We hope you enjoy reading it as much as we enjoyed creating it.



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